

SYNOD NEWS

The Spirit of Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA

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Lutherans in Faith Together



Thanks be to God!

2007 Synod Assembly

Friday, June 8, 2007

First Presbyterian Church
Bethlehem, Pa.

The 20th annual assembly of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod will be held June 8, 2007, at First Presbyterian Church, Bethlehem, Pa.

A service of Holy Communion will be held at 8:30 a.m. at Wesley United Methodist Church, about ¼ mile from First Presbyterian Church. Assembly registration for voting members will be held at First Presbyterian Church; registration also opens at 8:30 a.m.

The assembly will begin officially at 1:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church and will conclude by 4:00 p.m.

Forums

In order to provide an opportunity for voting members and visitors to discuss important issues that will come before the assembly, two forums will be offered on Friday



morning – one from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., the other from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.



Each session will include the same two forums. One forum will present the 2008 Compensation

Guidelines and offer an opportunity for participants to review and discuss the new structure of the guidelines.

The other forum, *Resolutions Coming before the Assembly*, will be the primary time for voting members and others to discuss the resolutions to be voted on during the assembly.

Meals

A box lunch may be purchased for \$6.25 by those registering for the assembly. Only 200 box lunches will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

There are a

large number of restaurants in the Bethlehem area. A list of area restaurants is available on the assembly page on the synod website.

Bulletin of Reports

This year, the Bulletin of Reports for the assembly is being distributed online. A link to the Bulletin of Reports is available on the assembly page. You may read the reports online and print those you would like to have on paper.



Registration

Registration may be done online (www.godslove.org). Assembly packets were mailed to congregations and rostered leaders in mid-April.

A Weekend of Lutherans in Faith Together

Click the links on www.godslove.org

Friday, June 8 Synod Assembly

Saturday, June 9 LIFT

Sunday, June 10 Worship Materials

Upcoming Events



Have you registered for LIFT?

Register online at www.godslove.org/LIFT.

It's a real deal — outdoor activities, a well-known keynote speaker (Bart Campolo), playshops, children's program, strolling personalities from history, lunch — all for \$10 a person or \$25 for a family of three or more.

Want to know more? Go to the LIFT page on the website and click on any link to learn more about the speaker, the program, outdoor activities, workshops/playshops, a walk/run for hunger, and more.

And be sure to **register now!**

Saturday School



Saturday School is held from 9-4 at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, Emmaus.

May 19: 9:00 a.m. session: *Eucharistic Theology*, Dr. Sam Zeiser, pastor, Christ Lutheran Church, Allentown; 1:00 p.m. session: *Preaching at the Occasional Services*, Pastor Joe Scholtes, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Orwigsburg.

More information and a registration form are on the synod website (www.godslove.org). Or contact Cheryl Meinschein, cherylrich@fast.net.

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Calling All Youth

Be a part of the youth gathering for another year!

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!"

Philippians 4:4 (NIV)

2007 Northeast Region Youth Gathering



Northeast Region Youth Gathering

July 19-22, 2007; West Chester Univ.

www.youthgathering2007.org/

Workshops

Over 35 workshops from which to choose!

Musicians

Including—

Christian Hip Hop artist AGAPE

Singer/Songwriter Rachel Kurtz

Bible study, Speakers, Servant Events, and MORE!

Cost is \$295 (before May 1!)

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!



Lead On!

Leadership Training camp for Students in Grades 9-12

Kutztown University

July 29-August 4, 2007

Check the youth calendar page on the synod website (www.godslove.org) for more information.