

## California/Nevada Pastors' Conference

Beautiful Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church

Carlsbad, California

January 26-27, 2015

Minutes

### Monday, January 26

- 10:00 a.m. Opening worship service was held, with sermon preached by Rev. Jonathan Kehren (Hope, Penryn, CA), based on Acts 20:28-35.
- 11:30 a.m. Conference was called to order by Chairman Tim Wempner, roll call showed 54 active pastors / retired pastors / vicars / guests in attendance (10 excused absences; 2 unexcused absences). Agenda was adopted and elections were conducted for vice chairman (Rev. Brian Doeblen re-elected) and treasurer (Rev. Ryan Cortright re-elected). Further elections were conducted for District Help Committee members (Rev. Jonathan Kehren for the Northern CA Conference and Rev. Curt Lyon for the Southern CA Conference elected).
- 12:00 p.m. Following announcements and prayer, conference adjourned for lunch.
- 12:45 p.m. Paper *Daniel: Prophet of the One True God* (an isagogical study of the book of Daniel) was presented by Rev. Brian Doeblen (Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, Redding, CA). Following discussion, the presenter was thanked.
- 2:15 p.m. District President, Rev. Jon Buchholz, gave his report.
- 2:45 p.m. Break
- 3:00 p.m. Paper *Exegetical study of Colossians 2:6-17* was presented by Rev. Michael Schroeder (Living Hope Lutheran Church, Wildomar, CA). Following discussion, the presenter was thanked.
- 4:30 p.m. Reports were given by Rev. Jon Stern (Ministry of Christian Giving), Rev. Timothy Shrimpton (Ministerial Education), Rev. Jon Kehren (Special Ministries), Rev. Jason Schmidt (Youth and Family Ministry), Rev. Steven Hillmer (District Evangelism), Rev. Michael Schroeder (Northwestern Publishing House), and Rev. Matt Vogt (District Mission Board).
- 5:00 p.m. Closing devotion conducted by Rev. William Kant (Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Vallejo, CA and Eternal Love Lutheran Church, Concord, CA). Lesson based on Hebrews 1:1-4.

### Tuesday, January 27

- 9:00 a.m. Opening Morning devotion conducted by Rev. Ryan Cortright (St Peter Lutheran Church, Modesto, CA). Lesson based on Hebrews 10:11-14.
- 9:15 a.m. Call to order; it was approved that Monday's minutes be approved by the conference praesidium

9:20 a.m. Paper ***Apologetics: Its Use and Shortcomings in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Christianity*** by Rev. Andrew Mueller (Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Las Vegas, NV). Following discussion, the presenter was thanked.

Conference offering (\$420) was designated for East Fork Lutheran High School.

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Paper ***What Does a Repentant Addict Look Like?*** was given by Rev. Curtis Lyon. Following discussion, the presenter was thanked.

12:00 p.m. Lunch

12:45 p.m. Paper ***Pastor as Husband and Father: Considering our Vocations in Light of Confession and Absolution*** by Rev. Michael Carr (St. Peter Lutheran Church, Clovis, CA). Following discussion, the presenter was thanked.

1:40 p.m. Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Belmont, CA was selected as host for the 2016 conference which will be held on January 25-26, 2015.

Resolution of thanks: "The California Pastor's Conference thanks Pastor Jeff Enderle and the members of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church for hosting our January conference. We also express our gratitude to all our presenters, devotion and worship leaders, and musicians who contributed to our worship, and the men and women of Beautiful Savior who so graciously provided us with refreshments, delicious lunches and warm hospitality."

Approval and adoption of minutes was designated to the conference praesidium and adjournment.

1:45 p.m. Closing Devotion conducted by Rev. James Proeber (Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Santa Barbara, CA). Lesson based on Hebrews 2:5-9.