



**Delegates to the 64th Biennial Convention of the Wisconsin Evan. Luth. Synod
July 31 – August 3, 2017 at Luther Preparatory School, Watertown, WI**

As members of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, the called workers within our district have the privilege and responsibility of representing our district as delegates to the next Synod Convention. The ratio of delegates from each district is determined by the Synod Constitution, and each district is then informed by the Synod Secretary the precise number of delegates allocated to them. The actual rotation of delegates and the distribution across the conferences of the district is maintained by the chairman of the District Nominating Committee, with preference being given to several factors (e.g. years in the ministry, previous opportunities to attend the Synod Convention, etc.). The result of this process is the following list of delegates, which is being presented to the gathered representatives of our district in convention for their review and adoption.

Called Worker Delegates for the 2017 Synod Convention

Arizona Pastor Delegates

1. Rev. Paul R. Schroeder
2. Rev. Stephen P. Hein
3. Rev. Terry A. Deters
4. Rev. Thomas E. Zimdars
5. Rev. Daniel M. Solofra

Alternate Arizona Pastor Delegates

- Alt. 1. Rev. Paul D. Rutschow
- Alt. 2. Rev. James R. Connell
- Alt. 3. Rev. John P. Ehlers
- Alt. 4. Rev. Adam R. Mueller
- Alt. 5. Rev. Bart A. Brauer

California Pastor Delegates

1. Rev. Glenn E. Wenzel
2. Rev. Donald J. Pieper
3. Rev. Ricky R. Johnson
4. Rev. Steven M. Lockman

Alternate California Pastor Delegates

- Alt. 1. Rev. Timothy M. Otto
- Alt. 2. Rev. Steven P. Gabb
- Alt. 3. Rev. Michael A. Schroeder
- Alt. 4. Rev. Johnold J. Strey

Teacher Delegates

1. Teacher Paul J. Schultz
2. Teacher Alan M. Mindock
3. Staff Minister Michael J. Mundstock
4. Teacher Karl G. Bauer
5. Teacher Joel D. Walker

Alternate Teacher Delegates

- Alt. 1. Staff Minister Jonathan M. Favorite
- Alt. 2. Teacher Terrance J. Greening
- Alt. 3. Teacher Douglas W. Stubalt
- Alt. 4. Teacher Mark A. Steiner
- Alt. 5. Teacher Mark S. Kaiser

Total Pastor Delegates: 9
Total Teacher Delegates: 5
Total Called Worker Delegates: 14

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In addition to called workers, each congregation of our district also has the opportunity and duty to participate in Synod Convention, through the sending of a lay delegate to the convention. As with the called workers, the exact number of Synod Convention delegates is sent to our district leaders by the Synod Secretary prior to the district conventions. The specific assignment of lay delegates is also determined by a rotation of congregations, based on two primary factors (the year the congregation was founded and the amount of time since the congregation's last opportunity to participate). In our district, we also balance representation based on conference alignment and the overall number of congregations within each conference.

Congregations Sending Lay Delegates to the 2017 Synod Convention

Apache Lay Delegates

1. Gethsemane, Cibecue, Arizona
2. Immanuel, Springerville, Arizona

Alternate Apache Lay Delegates

- Alt. 1. Grace, San Carlos, Arizona
- Alt. 2. Our Savior, Bylas, Arizona

Black Canyon Lay Delegates

1. Emmaus, Phoenix, Arizona
2. Resurrection, Phoenix, Arizona
3. King of Kings, Apache Junction, Arizona
4. First, Prescott, Arizona
5. St. Thomas, Phoenix, Arizona

Alternate Black Canyon Delegates

- Alt. 1. Our Savior, Sun City, Arizona
- Alt. 2. Lamb of God, Phoenix, Arizona
- Alt. 3. Good Shepherd, Phoenix, Arizona
- Alt. 4. Emmanuel, Tempe, Arizona
- Alt. 5. Paradise Valley, Phoenix, Arizona

Gadsden Lay Delegates

1. Grace, Safford, Arizona
2. Trinity, El Paso, Texas

Alternate Gadsden Lay Delegates

- Alt. 1. Grace, Tucson, Arizona
- Alt. 2. Holy Cross, Tucson, Arizona

Northern California Lay Delegates

1. Living Word, Petaluma, California
2. Hope, Penryn, California
3. St. Peter, Clovis, California

Alternate Northern California Lay Delegates

- Alt. 1. St. Mark's, Citrus Heights, California
- Alt. 2. Shepherd of the Mountains, Reno, Nevada
- Alt. 3. The Springs, Sparks, Nevada

Southern California Lay Delegates

1. Living Hope, Wildomar, California
2. King of Kings, Garden Grove, California
3. Our Redeemer, Santa Barbara, California
4. Living Word, Mission Viejo, California
5. Christ the Vine, Temecula, California

Alternate Southern California Lay Delegates

- Alt. 1. Green Valley, Henderson, Nevada
- Alt. 2. Shepherd of the Hills, La Mesa, California
- Alt. 3. Our Shepherd, Lancaster, California
- Alt. 4. St. John, Tarzana, California
- Alt. 5. Community, Honolulu, Hawaii

Total Lay Delegates: 17

Total Called Worker Delegates: 14

Total Delegates from the Arizona-California District: 31

Notes

1. No pastor, teacher, or congregation may participate in the Synod Convention unless they attend (or are formally excused from) their District Convention. Any unexcused called workers or congregations which inadvertently appear on this list will be automatically disqualified, per the Synod Constitution.
2. There is a registration cost for congregations sending lay delegates to attend the Synod Convention. In 2015, this cost was \$250. Congregations are encouraged to budget for this expense in advance.
3. Alternate delegates will only attend if an actual delegate is unable to. In this case, the list moves "up"; Alt. Delegate 1 will become Delegate 5, Alternate Delegate 2 will become Alternate Delegate 1, etc.
4. This year's list rebalances the number of delegates from the Apache (+1) and Gadsden (-1) Conferences.
5. Specific questions may be directed to the chairman of the Nominating Committee, Pastor Josh Stahmann, via Pastor.Stahmann@gmail.com. This document was updated at 10:45 AM on 6/15/2016.