



**The 8th Regular Convention of the East District of Lutheran
Church—Canada
May 10-13, 2009**

PRE-CONVENTION BULLETIN NO. 3

**Give Jesus Glory:
Our Body. His Temple.**
1 Corinthians 6:19-20

**Grace and peace to you from our faithful God and Father who gives us
His Spirit that we may believe and speak of His mercy and grace. Amen.**

PURPOSE: *We will gather at the Holiday Inn Select in Windsor on May 10-13, 2009 to hear reports about the work of the Church in our District and Synod; to direct future work we will do together as a District; to elect and direct officers, boards and committees.*

PRAYERS

(Sunday of April 26th and May 3)

Holy God, Holy and most merciful Father, we pray that, as the East District Convention draws ever nearer, You would graciously bless the work of the Convention Committee; help them in all the final preparations that they must make to receive the convention delegates to Windsor; and as the delegates make their own preparations, we pray that You would grant them diligence and care to study all the many matters of business with which they will undertake at the convention; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



(Sunday of the Convention May 10)

Almighty and everlasting Father, who has given Your Holy Spirit to abide with us forever, bless, we beseech You, with His grace and presence, the pastors and the laity who will be assembling in Your Name this evening in Windsor for the East District Convention, that Your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfill all the mind of Him who loved it and gave Himself for it, even Your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Essay Themes:

Dr. James Lamb, Exec. Dir., Lutherans for Life, USA, will offer a presentation each morning of the convention at 8:50 a.m., immediately following opening devotions..

Day 1: Monday, May 11, 2009

"Give Jesus Glory: Our Body - Fearfully and Wonderfully Made"

Day 2: Tuesday, May 12, 2009

"Give Jesus Glory: Our Body - Bought with a Price"

Day 3: Wednesday, May 13, 2009

"Give Jesus Glory: Our Body - In the Body of Christ"

May 10 - Life Sunday Canada and Mother's Day:

"LFL strives to connect moms to the promises of God's presence in Christ—the presence of His strength to those hard-working and sometimes struggling and questioning moms, the presence of His

power and forgiveness to teenage moms, the presence of His love and comfort to moms who have miscarried, the presence of His love, comfort, and forgiveness to those moms who have aborted, the presence of His hope for all the above, and His presence to help yet-to-be moms see the importance of chastity and marriage. Obviously, helping moms is not all we do. But when you help moms you've gone a long way in promoting the sanctity of human life. Join LFL in thanking God for moms and celebrating motherhood! Join us in praying for moms so that more moms, like Mary and Elizabeth, will know of the presence of God in Christ no matter what their circumstances."

Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life

This "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEES

Committees will meet at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, May 10, 2009 at the Holiday Inn Select in Windsor. Bylaw 2.38D states that the committees, "shall be open to any member of a voting or advisory congregation of the Synod, who may appear and speak to the matter." Please contact the Committee Chairmen, as listed below, prior to May 10th to set a designated time to speak to a particular matter.

Committee # 1: Outreach & Parish Services

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Convention Workbook ...

Convention *Workbooks* were mailed in early April to all clergy and lay delegates, all advisory pastors, all deacons, and other officially designated advisory representatives.

If you have not received your *Workbook*, please contact the District office or visit the convention office upon your arrival in Windsor.

Workbook Updates:

An updated list of convention delegates and committee appointments is included in this mailing. Please add it to your *Workbook* in section B.

Convention Resolutions (Section G) as prepared by the four Resolutions Committees (listed to the left) are included in this mailing. Delegates are asked to familiarize yourselves with resolutions. Discussion and voting on resolutions takes place during convention business sessions.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER:

The convention will be held at the Holiday Inn Select, 1855 Huron Church Rd., Windsor, ON. In case of emergency, call **519-966-1200 ext 1064**, ask for the "Convention Office." You may wish to leave this number with your family or, in the case of a pastor, with your head elder.

WIFI Available

The Holiday Inn Select has WIFI (wireless internet) available on site. If your laptop has a wireless card, you can connect. No password required.

CHECK-IN - Convention:

When you arrive, check in to the hotel and then proceed to Room 801 on the 8th floor to register for the convention. **Registration Room # 801** will be open 3:00 - 5:30 pm and 8:00 - 10:00 pm on Sunday, May 10th and 8:00 - 8:30 am on Monday, May 11th. You must register for the convention even if you are not staying at the hotel.

CHECK-IN - Hotel:

Hotel check-in time is 3:00 p.m. Check-out time is 12:00 p.m. Visit www.his-windsor.com for more info.

Buses to Opening Service

Because First Lutheran Church in Windsor has very limited parking, we have scheduled buses to take delegates and guests to the Opening Service. Please meet at the front door of the hotel at 6:00 p.m. to board a bus. After the service a shuttle service will run to/from the hotel during the evening's President' Reception.