



TODAY'S BUSINESS

Of the 21ST Missouri District Convention

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Tell the Next Generation

The Twenty-First District Convention opened with Divine Service on Sunday, June 12, 2022. Rev. Benjamin Ball, sixth vice president of The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod served as preacher. Ball built on the Convention's theme Tell the Next Generation:

It is His Gospel that our risen Lord Jesus would have proclaimed to you, taught to you, and then He gives you, each according to your calling, with His grace and all your hope in Him, to proclaim it too, to your children, to those not yet born. You see, Christians, disciples of Jesus are full of hope. We do not give way to despair, in this world gone mad, but gather to receive the gifts of God, and plan on giving them to generations to come, as long as our Lord wills. You are a child of God. You are a disciple of Jesus Christ. You put your hope in Him, He will not fail you. He is risen and He will raise you up. Do not forget His mighty works, God, but keep his commandments, and bear witness to what you have heard, the Word of God. **Tell the next generation of Jesus Christ and His mighty works.** Amen.

The service was hosted by Zion Lutheran Church in St. Charles. Also assisting in the service were Rev. Mike Fieberkorn; organist Mark Thoelke; singers Logann Edinger, Brinn Miller, Daniel Thoelke, and Carter Thiemann; with musicians Aaron Mahnke, Dan Littles, John Israel, Sean Bippen, Chris Ranner, and Teresa Thoelke.



Convention Offering

This spring, Missouri District congregations and individual households were invited to participate in the convention offering held in connection with Sunday's opening worship service. The offering itself is an opportunity to invest in the work God has called us to do and to encourage one another as we seek to "Tell the Next Generation."

The designation for the offering is twofold:

- The Missouri District has partnered with Concordia Center for the Family to train coaches who will work with Missouri congregations to equip parents, grandparents, and all those responsible for raising children with tools to teach the faith in the home. The convention offering will help defray some of the costs associated with this endeavor.
- A youth leadership summit for high school students is being planned to make an investment in the next generation of church leaders in Missouri. Attendees will be encouraged in their faith and exposed to leadership roles within the church—be it in a volunteer capacity or as a professional church worker. The goal is to provide this retreat at minimal cost to participants.

The convention offering totaled \$19,450.03. To the congregations and individuals who have given so generously to this offering, the Missouri District offers our sincerest thanks. May these gifts be used for God's glory!

Church Worker Care Team

Church workers face a holy challenge, that is to steward the Gospel and manage the vocation responsibilities in their own lives. This can be very challenging. The Missouri District has a resource to help with this: the Church Worker Care Team.

The brothers and sisters of the care team provide confidential ministry for church workers and their families. They listen, care, encourage, and pray. They aren't professional counselors, but fellow servants and colleagues in the Missouri District who provide spiritual support and Christian mercy.

There are two members of the Church Worker Care Team onsite at the Holiday Inn during the Convention. Call, text, or email them to connect.

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Visit the table in the lobby at the Holiday Inn to learn more about the Church Worker Care Team.

Advisory Ordained Ministers Caucus

The Advisory Pastors are to meet immediately following adjournment of Monday's afternoon session with Secretary Samuel Powell.



Following the opening service, an ice cream social was held. There was much laughter and catching up with familiar faces from across the state!

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod – Missouri District Committee on Nominations
FLOOR NOMINATION FORM

Office or Board:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> President | <input type="checkbox"/> Council on Mission and Ministry (Ordained) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Vice President | <input type="checkbox"/> Council on Mission and Ministry (Commissioned) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary | <input type="checkbox"/> Council on Mission and Ministry (Lay) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer | <input type="checkbox"/> Nominating Committee (Ordained) |
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Name of Recommended Person: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Status: (Check One) Ordained Minister Commissioned Minister Lay Person

Member of _____
(Name of Congregation) (City) (Circuit)

Qualifications:

1. Current Office in Congregation: _____

2. Past Service in Congregation/District/Synod: _____

3. Participation in Civic/Community Affairs: _____

4. Other Comments: _____

Signature of Delegate Recommending Nominee: _____

Name of Congregation: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Person Being Recommended: _____ Date: _____
(Signature indicates consent to serve in any duly elected office for which nominated and ability to attend regular board meetings.)

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