



The Beacon Online

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SELC 2025 District Convention

Delegate nominations due by September 15th

Acts 13:47: For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, "I have made you a light for the Gentiles [nations, ethne], that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth."

The 2025 SELC District Convention is being held January 16 - 19, 2025 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Lake Mary, Florida. The Convention begins with Opening Worship on Thursday evening at 7 PM, followed by a reception. Convention business will be conducted on Friday and Saturday. The Convention ends following worship on Sunday, January 19, 2025 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

Please remember the dates below to make sure that your delegate information is submitted and your congregation is represented at the Convention.

Delegate Due Dates

September 8, 2024 - Make sure your congregation's Voter's meeting is scheduled no later than 9/8/2024. It is important that your Church Council or Church Board of Directors meet to identify potential people to fill the Lay Delegate role in your congregation. Once this is done, you will need to schedule a Voter's meeting **in August, no later than September 8th.**

September 15, 2024 - Submit your delegate information to SELC District Secretary Rev. John Telloni.

If you did not receive your Convention Official Notices and Forms packet and/or the registration information, please contact the District Office at selc.lcms@gmail.com or by telephone at 610-965-3265 and press 6.

Additional Deadlines

October 15, 2024 - Nominations due for District President and District Vice Presidents, Circuit Visitors, Proposed Resolutions

November 15, 2024 - Credentials to be submitted for Advisory Delegates and Nominations for District Board of Directors and Lutheran Haven Board of Trustees

December 16, 2024 - Registrations are due for the Convention.

December 26, 2024 - Hotel rooms must be reserved no later than 12/26/2024

Register for the SELC District Convention at this link on our website - www.selc.lcms.org/convention/

You may also complete the registration form at the end of this issue and email it to the District Office at selc.lcms@gmail.com or mail it to

SELC District Office
2623 Brookside Road
Macungie, PA 18062

We are looking for pictures from earlier conventions to feature in upcoming issues of the Beacon. If you have information about who is in the pictures, please include this information when sending the photos. Please email the photos to the District Office at selc.lcms@gmail.com



Family Bible Journey Podcast

In our episode, "Treasuring the Mystery," we consider how Mary is a great example of a reflective faith. She couldn't possibly understand the events of Jesus' birth. Even though she didn't understand, she leaned into faith by treasuring the events surrounding Jesus' birth. Listen at familybiblejourney.com!



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Christian Concert to be Held November 2, 2024

St. Peter's Church, Wilkes Barre, PA



Wendysue Fluegge coming to not only entertain us but lead us in praising our Lord and Savior with her special musical talents, both orally and instrumentally. She is a natural musical leader and has organized many concerts, working with several Lutheran affiliates such as the LWML, in order to serve the Lord and His church with lovely arrangements of worship through song.

It will be such a wonderful delight to come together to join in raising the roof once again in praise to our Lord and God, Creator and Savior. So, it is our wish and prayer that you are inspired to join us Saturday, Nov 2nd, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, in Wilkes Barre, PA, at 1pm for this positively outstanding event!

Funding to help support this concert has been awarded through a SELC Evangelism grant.



Important Dates for the Youth Gathering

November 1, 2024 | Gathering
Registration Opens
December 31, 2024 | Young Adult
Volunteer Applications Close
January 15, 2025 | Team Flex
Applications Open
April 30, 2025 | Team Flex Applications
Close
July 19-23, 2025 | 2025 LCMS Youth
Gathering in New Orleans, LA



SELC Youth Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/971304450583030>

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Scholarship Funds are Available **Applications are due August 31, 2024**

The Student Financial Aid Committee was organized by the SELC District to assist young men and women preparing for full-time professional ministry or church work within the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. This includes deaconess, lay ministry programs, as well as clergy preparation. Professional church workers who are working toward advanced degrees are not eligible for aid from the SELC District Student Aid Committee. Please see the SELC website for an application and more information by going to this link - <https://selc.lcms.org/docs/> and choose Resources, Documents, Student Aid.

The deadline for applications has been extended to August 31, 2024.

To access the application, please **[click here](#)**



Women's Bible Study

Every third Thursday of each month
10:30 am EST

Zoom or in person at Christ the King Lutheran Church of Lodi, 8080 Lafayette Road, Lodi, OH 44254

LWML Woman's Bible Study - Thursday, August 15th at 10:30 am EST and this month is "Speak the Truth" the first one in the Summer edition of the LWQ

<https://02web.zoom.us/j/84746607019pwd=V2t5a1BPQjFnUzJGRzRiS1ZVVVJsQT09>

Be sure to visit the LWML SELC website -
[LWML-SELC District on Strikingly \(mystrikingly.com\)](http://www.mystrikingly.com)



Prayer Requests

Rev. Brian Roberts, St. Luke's in Oviedo, FL is back on Florida. Please pray for him to regain the weight he has lost and to regain his strength.

Rev. John Telloni, St. John in Massillon, OH as he is working and continuing to regain his strength as he has returned to work.

Rev. and Mrs. Panzigrau, John Huss in Arnold, PA

Rev. Tom Soltis, Parma, OH

Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Ballas, Parma, OH. Please keep them in your prayers.

Rev. Alan Mercer in Galloway, NJ for his ongoing health struggles.

Megan Skelton in Oviedo, FL Please continue to pray for her and her doctors to find pain relief solutions for her jaw pain and severe headaches following her surgery.

Laura Bergmann, Munster, IN, please pray for her as she injured her knee and is receiving inpatient treatment to help with her recovery.

If you have people you would like to be included in the prayer list, please send the information to selc.lcms@gmail.com or call the District Office at 610-965-3265 and press 6.



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Everyone Love in Christ***

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