

## 2016 Saskatchewan Synod Convention Minutes

# Strengthening Faith Communities for Service

Sixteenth Biennial Convention of the  
Saskatchewan Synod of the ELCIC  
June 3 – 5, 2016  
Circle Drive Alliance Church  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

### Friday, June 3, 2016; 1:00 pm

Delegates, visitors and friends gathered to open the 16<sup>th</sup> biennial convention of the Saskatchewan Synod of the ELCIC.

Synod Council Chairperson Rev. Lori James welcomed delegates, visitors, and guests National Bishop Susan Johnson and Lutheran Theological Seminary Interim President Rev. Dr. Michael Nel (serving as convention chaplain).

Saskatchewan Synod Bishop Sidney Haugen introduced the clergy who have joined the Synod during this Biennium: Rev. Sarah Dymund, Rev. Vivian Roberts, Rev. Zsofi Schmiedge, Rev. Kirk Tastad; Rev. Wendell Brock (ACC), Rev. Nancy Yee (ACC), Rev. Molly Kitchen (UCC)

Synod Council Vice-Chairperson Rev. Sheldon Gattinger introduced the Synod staff – Administrator Joan Meyer, Youth Ministry Coordinator Deacon Gretchen Peterson, Office Manager Lindsey Tomtene, Finance Manager Howie Wall; and Synod Council – Rev. Lori James, Cheryl Bauer Hyde, Diane Mossing, Merv Bender, Arlene Tangjerd, Tami Halvorson, Rev. Doug Miner, Valerie Davies, Rev. Sean Bell, Kathy Pelletier, Rev. Ali Tote.

Convention Manager, Joan Meyer provided an orientation to the facility.

Vice-Chairperson Sheldon introduced the Synod Strategic Plan in a skit written by him, and performed by Captain Synod (Rev. Sean Bell), The Inspirator (Valerie Davies), The Carpenter (Rev. Doug Miner), and The Synchronizer (Tami Halvorson).

Overview: It's recruitment time at the Superhero Synod Headquarters. They are looking for new superheroes who will realize who they've been created to be. Three new recruits will interview to be part of the Saskatchewan Superhero Synod team.

Carpenter: I don't build with tools ... I build with people. I bring people together to serve in leadership ... to support, to nurture, to love. Nails and wood may build a house - but it is people that form the Church.

Synchronizer: My power is bringing people together to work as one team. I use the power of relationships and communication to create consensus and common goals. We are One in service, We are One in faith, We are One in mission.... We are SYNCHRONIZED!

Inspirator: I inspire! You know, I encourage people to dream, to establish relationships, to leave the safety of the things they know to search out “the new” and the “the possible”. My inspiration is found in love; Love of God, Love of Christ, Love of Neighbour. It is this love that calls us forward into the world; the love we share is “Super”.

Using the Carpenter’s power of bringing people together, of bridging individual gifts and strengths; the Synchronizer’s ability to create common purpose and mission through conversation and mutual understanding; the Inspirator’s ability to inspire people to dream, to create, to always ask what God has in store for us -- clearly, we need all of you. Your powers are very complementary. It might even be said, that using the three of you together might be a good Strategic Plan. Welcome to the Saskatchewan Superhero Synod Team!

### **Opening worship:**

Host Congregation – Resurrection Lutheran, Saskatoon

Presider – Rev. Colette Baker, Dean of Saskatoon Conference

Preacher – SK Synod Bishop Sid Haugen

Assisting Minister – Intern Pastor Emmanuel Aristide

Musical Director & Pianist – Kristine Gilbertson

Musicians – Brian Unverricht, Evank Harrington, Gerald Langner, Garry Doig,  
Ken Stirling, Rev. Ali Tote

Reader – Deaconess Jane Amiotte

Lessons – Psalm 96:1-9; 1 Kings 17:8-16; Gospel Luke 7:11-17

Recognition of Rostered Ministers:

Anniversaries:

10 years – Rev. Richard Prankev, Rev. Amber Hoffman, Rev. Lori James, Rev. David Jensen, Rev. Doug Schmirler

25 years – Rev. Bob Lewis, Rev. Glen Shore

40 years – Rev. Vivian Roberts, Rev. Terry Simonson

50 years – Bishop Allan Grundahl, Rev. Harold Hesje; Rev. Dr. David Kaiser

60 years – Rev. Dr. Roger Nostbakken, Rev. Ivar Moen, Rev. Dr. Paul Nostbakken

Recognition of Retirements: Rev. Richard Prankev, Rev. Donald Hansen, Rev. Colette Baker, Rev. David Jensen, Rev. Liz Kuglin-Alyea, Rev. Lindsay Hognestad, Rev. Dennis Serfas

Remembrance of those who have died - Rev. Dr. William Hordern, Rev. Rey Dahlen, Rev. Art Solheim, Rev. Arild Borch, and Rev. Merle Snustead.

The service closed with the Order for Opening of Convention.

The opening service was followed with refreshments at 3:00 pm

## **Synod in Convention - Plenary One**

**Friday, June 3; 3:30 pm**

Chairperson Lori called the assembly to order at 3:30 pm. Chaplain Michael Nel led the assembly in prayer.

Chairperson Lori walked the delegates through an orientation session drawing attention to seating by conference areas, seating of visitors and guests, the Stewards Margaret Fast, Angie Farmer and the Youth delegates, delegate packages, the Bulletin of Reports, Standing Rules of Order and Bourinot's Rules of Order, speaking at microphones, and table discussion format.

### **Convention Committees**

Vice Chair Sheldon Gattinger introduced the Convention Committees. Five Committees assist the convention with various roles:

**Committee on Registration and Attendance:** Willetta Hoffman, Chair; Rev. Darlene Harrison; Debbie Peterson

**Committee on Nominations:** Rev. Greg Kiel, Chair; Rev. Iris Kristjansdottir; Rev. Kim Sherwin; Rev. Dennis Hendricksen; Rev. Colette Baker; Rev. Murray Halvorson

**Committee on Elections:** Rev. Amber Hoffman, Chair; Wayne Hyde; Margareth Peterson; Rev. Karen Stepko

**Committee on Minutes:** Valerie Davies, Chair; Alice Leis; Rev. Dawn Myrfield; Rev. Kristin Soveran

**Committee on Reference and Counsel:** Jeff Barber, Chair; Rev. Dennis Serfas, Co-Chair; Rev. Jerry Borkowsky; Rev. George Hind; Laust Lauritsen

### **Youth Delegates**

Deacon Gretchen introduced the Youth Delegates - 10 youth delegates are part of the convention; seated within their respective conferences.

Andrea Erlandson St. Olaf's, Swift Current  
Erika Erlandson, St. Olaf's, Swift Current  
Layton Willick, Good Shepherd, Saskatoon  
Whitney Aadland, Good Shepherd, Saskatoon  
Trinity Fusick, St. John's, Shellbrook  
Karisa Gorrill, Norrona, Bulyea  
Hayley Hodson, New Hope, Regina  
Tasia Walker, Trinity, Regina  
Alex Herrmann-Dahnke, Trinity, Regina  
Duncan Crumley, Trinity, Regina

### **Granting Seat and Voice**

**SSC-16-01 MSC** that seat and voice be granted to the following guests: National Bishop Susan Johnson; Rev. Molly Kitchen (United Church of Canada).

### **Registration and Attendance Report - as of 3:20 pm, June 3**

72 Lay delegates (including youth)  
71 Rostered delegates  
143 Voting Delegates  
24 Visitors  
167 persons registered for the convention

### **Approval of the Agenda**

**SSC-16-02 MSC** that the proposed agenda for the convention be approved.

## **Approval of the Minutes of the 2014 Convention**

SSC-16-03 MSC that the Minutes of the 2014 Convention be approved as distributed.

## **Announcement of Synod Council Recommendations**

Secretary Cheryl Bauer Hyde announced the Synod Council recommendations, including the Constitution and Bylaw amendments to be brought forward for consideration at later plenaries throughout the Convention.

## **Reference and Counsel Report**

Jeff Barber was introduced and announced the work the Committee will be doing throughout the convention. He invited delegates to approach them to get assistance with the drafting of motions; indicating that the deadline for submission of motions is 10:00 am on June 4.

## **Bishop's Report (Section 2.a.)**

Chairperson Lori called on Bishop Sid for his report. The report is located within the Bulletin of Reports, and he provided an oral overview including the priority areas of the Strategic Plan; build leadership capacity, operate as one team, and inspire love and service. Included within the report were the reports of: the Youth Ministry Coordinator, Deacon Gretchen Peterson; and the Deans of the six Conferences.

Bishop Sid indicated that Deacon Gretchen would be resigning from SK Synod for a position with the National Church as Assistant to the Bishop, Youth Ministry.

He concluded his overview with 'what might you take back to your congregations / ministries?'

- Support the Synod cooperative (stay in touch; website, Facebook, Synod News, email, phone, deans, synod council representatives; financially support one another – benevolence to Synod is how we take care of each other)
- Pray and talk about the mission of the church in our time.
- Plant / experiment / try something for the mission of the church.

He thanked the delegates and congregations for their continued patience and support.

Chairperson Lori thanked Bishop Sid for his report, and invited delegates to have discussions at their tables relating to the Bishop's report. Delegates were asked to write their comments and questions on the sheets on the tables, and that they be provided to the Stewards for posting on the meeting room walls.

Chairperson Lori invited the convention to show their thanks to Bishop Sid. The delegates responded with a standing ovation.

## **ELCIC Report (Section 5.a.)**

Chairperson Lori invited Bishop Susan Johnson to provide her report. Bishop Susan noted that we are gathered on Treaty Six land, and referred to her written report highlighting the four Strategic Directions – Spirited Discipleship, Healthy Church, Compassionate Justice, and Effective Partnerships.

She provided an update on the Reformation Challenge: 157 refugees sponsored; 27 scholarships for ELCHJL schools; 19,637 trees planted in Canada, Ethiopia and the West Bank; \$116,385 donated to the LWF Endowment Fund

Chairperson Lori thanked Bishop Susan, and invited Lisa Thiessen, Executive Director of GSI, to provide her report. Lisa introduced Pamela Giles, a GSI board member from Saskatchewan. She provided an update of recent changes to the group benefits program, and indicated that a Wellness Fair would be provided for all delegates from 10 am – 5:30 pm on June 4.

### **Committee on Nominations Report (7.c.)**

Chairperson Lori called on Rev. Dr. Greg Kiel, Chair of the Committee on Nominations, for their report.

### **Synod Council**

Prince Albert Lay Merv Bender

**SSC-16-04 MSC** that nominations cease. Merv Bender was declared elected by acclamation.

Regina Rostered Sean Bell  
Zsofi Schmiedge

**SSC-16-05 MSC** that nominations cease. An election will be held in Plenary Two.

Saskatoon Lay No nominations received

**SSC-16-06 MSC** that nominations cease.

**SSC-16-07 MSC** that the vacancy be referred to Synod Council for appointment.

Saskatoon Rostered Ali Tote

**SSC-16-08 MSC** that nominations cease. Ali Tote was declared elected by acclamation.

Swift Current Lay No nominations received

**SSC-16-09 MSC** that nominations cease.

**SSC-16-10 MSC** that the vacancy be referred to Synod Council for appointment.

Swift Current Rostered No clergy available

Weyburn Lay No nominations received

**SSC-16-11 MSC** that nominations cease.

**SSC-16-12 MSC** that the vacancy be referred to Synod Council for appointment.

Weyburn Rostered Stewart Miller

**SSC-16-13 MSC** that nominations cease. Stewart Miller was declared elected by acclamation.

Yorkton Rostered Chad Moir  
Doug Schmirler

**SSC-16-14 MSC** that nominations cease. An election will be held in Plenary Two.

## **Lutheran Theological Seminary**

Rostered      Stewart Miller

**SSC-16-15 MSC** that nominations cease. Stewart Miller was declared elected by acclamation.

## **LutherCare Communities Board - 4 to elect**

Lay              Mike Finney  
                     Peggy Koenig  
                     Barry Koroll  
                     Ben Nussbaum

**SSC-16-16 MSC** that nominations cease. All were declared elected by acclamation.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was accepted and the ballots will be prepared for voting to take place during Plenary Two.

## **National Delegates Election Report** (Section 7.c.)

Secretary Cheryl referred to the report indicating that this is a new process, and that Synod Council is recommending that the delegate list be acclaimed with the remaining positions to be approved by Synod Council. She thanked the congregations for their patience and understanding through this process, which will be reviewed and revised as required for subsequent elections.

Convention Manager Joan provided announcements related to displays, travel expense forms and charging stations.

Chaplain Michael Nel led the assembly in prayer and table grace.

The convention recessed at 5:30 pm for dinner and time to visit the displays.

## **June 2, 2016, Evening Session**

The convention was called to order at 7:00 pm. Bishop Sid thanked Rev. Harley Johnson, and Stefan and Anna Scott for their gift of gathering music.

He went on to introduce Keynote Speaker Bishop Don Bolen, Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon. As part of the convention material, Bishop Bolen provided the report of the Lutheran – Roman Catholic Commission on Unity “From Conflict to Communion” (Lutheran-Catholic Common Commemoration of the Reformation in 2017). His presentation focused on the history of separation, new perspectives on Martin Luther, shift in catholic ecumenism, and commemoration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of reformation. Two video clips from the movie ‘Luther’ were viewed. Bishop Bolen provided A Dialogue of Life for Lutheran – Roman Catholic:

- Prayer, worship and spiritual life
- Communication and structures of growing together
- Common witness of faith
- Mission at the service of the common good
- Formation and study
- Inter-church couples and families
- Ecclesial learning and the exchange of gifts

The assembly participated in table discussion questions provided by Bishop Bolen:

1. What does it mean to commemorate together the moment when we grew apart and how can we do it in a way which helps to bring us closer together?
2. What might we be able to do together in addressing the challenges to faith which confront us all equally in the current context? Are there ways in which we can jointly give an account of the hope that is within us?
3. To what extent is it possible to build together a theology which will do justice to the history and insights of both sides ... the goal of claiming the past of all the churches as one's own? Is it possible? Is it desirable?

Rev. Paul Sartison provided a thank you to Bishop Bolen on behalf of the SK Synod based on his perspective of Bishop Bolen as an 'apprentice of the Artisan of Reconciliation'.

The convention recessed at 8:30 pm for evening prayer.

**Evening Prayer:**

Host Congregation – Augustana Lutheran, Saskatoon  
Holden Evening Prayer, Marty Haugen  
Presider – Rev. Paul Sartison, Lutheran Campus Ministry  
Lector – Rev. Dr. Faith Rohrbough, LTS Professor Emeritus  
Pianist – Deborah Buck  
Lesson – 1 Kings 8:14-21

**Saturday, June 4, 2016; 8:30 am**

**Morning Worship:**

Host Congregation – Redeemer Lutheran, Saskatoon  
Presider – Rev. Kirk Tastad  
Reader – Deacon Gretchen Peterson  
Pianist – Elaine Akre  
Lesson – Luke 4:31-27

Chairperson Lori call the assembly to order at 9:00 am

**Film Documentary – Reserve 107**

Chairperson Lori introduced Rev. Jason Johnson to introduce Reserve 107 The Film, Reconciliation on the Prairie. The documentary explores the struggle for indigenous rights, title to land and how an old injustice is providing new opportunities for dialogue, friendship and a fierce determination to right the wrongs of the past. The project tells the story of Young Chippewyan / Stoney Knoll First Nation, the Mennonite community (MCC), and St. John's Lutheran Church, Laird.

At the conclusion of the viewing of the film, Jason introduced and invited participants involved in the process to speak: Leonard Doell, MCC Saskatoon; Gary LaPlante, Young Chippewyan band councillor; Harry Lafond, Office of the Treaty Commissioner.

Jason invited congregations to continue the story and discussions through materials available on the website ([www.reserve107thefilm.com](http://www.reserve107thefilm.com)) and the information included in the convention material.

Canadian Mission Committee Chair Rev. Linda Hall thanked Jason as our 'Lutheran on the Ground', and mentioned her attendance at the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 2006 Memorandum of Understanding.

Convention Manager Joan provided information regarding the Wellness Fair, Expense Claims, and the display area.

## **Synod in Convention - Plenary Two** **Saturday, June 4; 10:30 am**

Chairperson Lori called the assembly to order.

Introduction of guests: Bob Granke, Executive Director, Canadian Lutheran World Relief; and Cole Guenther, SK Synod lay representative, National Church Council.

Chaplain Michael Nel opened the session with prayer.

### **Registration and Attendance Report** - as of 9:00 am, June 4, 2016

A list of excused Rostered Leaders was read. (attached in Appendix 1)

78	Lay delegates (including youth)
<u>81</u>	Rostered delegates
159	Voting Delegates
<u>32</u>	Visitors
191	persons registered for the convention

### **Election: Synod Council**

Ballots were distributed for two positions:

Regina	Rostered	Sean Bell
		Zsofi Schmiedge
Yorkton	Rostered	Chad Moir
		Doug Schmirler

### **Greetings from:**

**Luther College** (Section 5.d.) – Dr. Bryan Hillis, President, Luther College, highlighted various aspects of his written report including their mission of providing 'Quality Education in a Christian Context'. He asked for support in three ways: financial, students and prayer.



**Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute** (Section 5.e.)– Wayne Hove, President, Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute, spoke to his written report indicating that LCBI is a school where ‘We Would See Jesus’. He also highlighted the current crisis, asking for financial support and prayers.

Convention Manager Joan provided information regarding the workshops; followed directly by lunch.

### **Workshops**

- 1. Engaged Faith Communities** – hosted by The Future with Hope Task Force. Focus – Future Structure of the Synod.
- 2. Shared Resources** – hosted by The Funding Allocation Committee. Focus – Accessing and Sharing Resources.
- 3. Involved Communities** – The Mission in Ministry Committee (aka Canadian Mission Committee). Focus – Exploring our Majority Cultural Identity.

### **Synod in Convention - Plenary Three** **Saturday, June 4; 1:15 pm**

Vice-chairperson Sheldon called the assembly to order. He thanked the musicians for the gathering music.

Chaplain Michael Nel opened the session in prayer

### **Registration and Attendance Report** - as of 1:30 pm, June 4, 2016

78	Lay delegates (including youth)
<u>81</u>	Rostered delegates
159	Voting Delegates
<u>32</u>	Visitors
191	persons registered for the convention

### **Synod Council Chairperson** - (Section 3.a.)

Chairperson Lori presented her report, and thanked the Synod council members for their dedication, and Bishop Sid and the Synod staff for their efforts and support provided to her in her position as chairperson.

### **Synod Secretary Report** - (Section 2.d., 2.e., 3.b.,3.c.)

Secretary Cheryl was called on for the Secretary’s report on the Synod Roster changes. She updated the printed report with the following Roster changes:

- remove – by transfer Rev. Scott Adams effective April 9, 2016; by transfer Rev. Wallace Bornhuse effective June 20, 2016; from death Rev. Merle Snustead effective March 31, 2016.
- retirement - Rev. Dennis Serfas effective March 1, 2016.
- received – by transfer Rev. Heike Toeller.

- called to Synodical pastoral service – Rev Michael Diegel and Rev. Glenn Shore.
- removed from congregational roster – Zion Lutheran Church, Stoughton.

Secretary Cheryl referred to the Synod Secretary Report, Summary of 2014 Synod Convention Motions referred to Synod Council, and the Strategic Plan 2015 – 2017 in the convention docket including the ‘Guide for Leaders’ pamphlet which is provided for communication to congregations and church members.

**Treasurer’s Report - (Section 2.f., 2.g.)**

Treasurer Diane Mossing was called upon for the financial report of the Synod. She highlighted the use of Synod Funds, and indicated the need for sustained and increasing benevolence to provide support for the Synod, the National Church, and the organizations supported directly by Synod financial resources.

Diane spoke of her role as Synod Treasurer and the oversight of the funds for the Synod. The audit of the Synod accounts is done by PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) LLP.

The Finance and Audit Committee meets four times a year to perform financial and budget reviews and provide advice to the Synod.

She indicated that this will be the last report she will provide as Synod Treasurer, and that she had enjoyed her time on Synod Council. Bishop Sid rose to thank Diane for her service, and invited the convention to recognize Diane with a standing ovation.

The Vice-Chair called on the delegates to discuss the Officers’ Reports, indicating that Table discussion papers were provided to help facilitate and record their comments.

**Synod Council Recommendations, Constitution & Bylaw Motions (7.a.)**

Secretary Cheryl referred to the convention docket ‘Motions Presented by Synod Council’.

**SSC-16-17 MSC** that Lyndon Carlson be nominated for the position of Treasurer of the Saskatchewan Synod, ELCIC, for a term through to 2020.

**Constitutional Amendments (Second Reading)**

**SSC-16-18 MSC** that the following constitutional amendments presented in A1, A2, A3, A4 and A5 for Second and Final Reading be approved.

**A.1. In Article IV Mission, Section 2, amend paragraph 2 by deleting “ordained” and replace with “rostered”.**

Section 2. As the regional expression of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, in faithfulness to the Lord of the Church, this synod shall facilitate and advance the mission of this church within its territory and in cooperation with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.  
Guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, it shall carry out this mission by shepherding its congregations and ~~ordained~~ rostered ministers, and by engaging in other forms of ministry which proclaim God’s Word and serve to bring reconciliation to the world.

**A.2. In Article V Membership, delete Section 2 and renumber the remaining Sections in the Article.**

Section 2. ~~This synod shall recognize those congregations on its territory that are recognized by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and certified to it by the secretary of the church.~~

**A.3. In Article V Membership, Section 3, delete the first word “Additional”, capitalize “Congregations” and change the second to last word to “this”.**

Section 3. ~~Additional~~ Congregations may be recognized by this synod acting on behalf of this church in the manner described in the constitution and bylaws of ~~the~~ this church.

**A.4. In Article VI Congregations, Section 8, delete all the words after “this church”, and add “must comply with the procedures for withdrawal set out in the bylaws of this church”**

Section 8. A congregation desiring to withdraw from this church shall ~~notify the bishop of this synod. Decision to withdraw must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote at a legally called and conducted congregational meeting and immediately reported to the bishop. Decision to withdraw shall not become effective until action has been ratified by a two-thirds majority vote at a subsequent legally called and conducted congregational meeting held not less than 90 days after the first vote to withdraw.~~ must comply with the procedures for withdrawal set out in the bylaws of this church.

**A.5. In Article XVIII Amendments, Section 3, in the last sentence delete the words “Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada convention or by its”.**

Section 3. All proposed amendments must be reported to the convention no later than the first full day of business. The Synod Council shall make a report and recommendation during that convention on all proposed amendments. Adoption of an amendment shall require passage at this and the next regular convention by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present and voting. Notice of the full text thereof shall be sent to the ordained ministers, diaconal ministers and congregations of this synod at least one month prior to the second reading. Further amendment at the second reading shall require unanimous consent. Such amendments shall be effective upon ratification by the ~~Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada in convention or by its~~ National Church Council.

**SSC-16-19 MSC** that the following Constitutional amendments presented in B.1 through to B.15 for Second and Final Reading be approved.

**B.1. In Article II Territory, after “congregations” add “and synodically recognized ministries”.**

The territory of this synod shall be the Province of Saskatchewan and the geographical area served by member congregations and synodically recognized ministries outside Saskatchewan.

**B.2. In Article IV Mission, Section 2, in the second paragraph after “congregations” add “, synodically recognized ministries”.**

Guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, it shall carry out this mission by shepherding its congregations, synodically recognized ministries and ordained ministers, and by engaging in other forms of ministry which proclaim God’s Word and serve to bring reconciliation to the world.

**B.3. In Article V Membership, Section 1, 3 and 4, in five places add “and” or “or” and synodically recognized ministry/ies” following the word “congregation/s”, and at the end of the first sentence add “in the manner described in the bylaws of this church.”**

Section 1. The membership of this synod consists of member congregations and synodically recognized ministries that are recognized by this synod in the manner described in the bylaws of this church. Baptized individuals who are members of a congregation or synodically recognized ministry shall exercise their privileges and responsibilities through participation in the congregation or synodically recognized ministry in which they are members.

Section 3. Additional congregations and synodically recognized ministries may be recognized by this synod acting on behalf of this church in the manner described in the constitution and bylaws of the church.

Section 4. This synod may revoke its recognition of any congregation or synodically recognized ministry in the manner described in the constitution and bylaws of the church.

**B.4. In Article VI Congregations, Section 10, delete the period and all words after “synod” and add “in the manner described in the bylaws of this synod.”**

Section 10. A lay member of any congregation, who is under discipline, may appeal to this synod. ~~All such appeals must be made in writing to the bishop within thirty (30) days after the disciplinary action has been taken. Copies of said appeal shall be transmitted by the appellant to the pastor and to the secretary of the congregation. The bishop shall appoint a special committee to investigate the appeal. The decision of the committee shall be final and reported to the appropriate parties. in the manner described in the bylaws of this synod.~~

**B.5. A new Article VII is inserted entitled “Synodically Recognized Ministries”; renumber remaining the Articles.**

Article VII. Synodically Recognized Ministries

Section 1. This synod shall maintain a roster of synodically recognized ministries as described in the bylaws of this church.

Section 2. Each synodically recognized ministry is entitled to choose a representative to conventions of this synod in accordance with procedures as defined in the bylaws.

Section 3. A lay member who is under discipline by his or her synodically recognized ministry may appeal to this synod in a manner described in the bylaws of this synod.

**B.6. In Article VII Ordained Ministers, change the title to “Rostered Ministers – Ordained”**

ARTICLE VII

~~Ordained~~ Rostered Ministers - Ordained

**B.7. In Article VII Ordained Ministers, Section 1 change “have” to “maintain”.**

Section 1. This synod shall ~~have~~ maintain a roster of ordained ministers.

**B.8 In Article VII Ordained Ministers, Section 2 change “acceptance” to “admission”.**

Section 2. The standards of ~~acceptance~~ admission and continuance on the roster of ordained ministers shall be defined in the bylaws of this church.

**B.9 In Article VII Ordained Ministers, Section 3 add “and of this church”.**

Section 3. An ordained minister shall conduct himself/herself in accordance with the bylaws and policies of this synod and of this church.

**B.10. In Article VIII Diaconal Ministers change the title to “Rostered Ministers – Diaconal”**

ARTICLE VIII

~~Diaconal~~ Rostered Ministers – Diaconal

**B.11. In Article VIII Diaconal Ministers, Section 1 change “have” to “maintain”.**

Section 1. This synod shall ~~have~~ maintain a roster of diaconal ministers.

**B.12. In Article VIII Diaconal Ministers, Section 2 change “acceptance” to “admission”.**

Section 2. The standards of ~~acceptance~~ admission and continuance on the roster of diaconal ministers shall be defined in the bylaws of this church.

**B.13. In Article VIII Diaconal Ministers, Section 3 add “and of this church”.**

Section 3. A diaconal minister shall conduct himself/herself in accordance with the bylaws and policies of this synod and of this church.

**B.14. In Article XI Synod Council, Section 2 add “or synodically recognized ministries” following the word “congregations”.**

Section 2. Synod Council shall consist of the officers of this synod, and members, all of whom shall be members in good standing of congregations or synodically recognized ministries of this synod, elected according to procedures defined in the bylaws of this synod.

**B.15. Delete Article XVI Auxiliaries and renumber the remaining articles.**

ARTICLE XVI

Auxiliaries

~~There shall be synodical units of the official auxiliaries of this church. Such units shall report to the Synod Council and convention. The bishop, or an appointee, shall have seat and voice at synodical unit conventions and board meetings.~~

**SSC-16-20 MSC** that the constitutional amendment in C1 for Second and Final Reading be approved.

**C.1. In Article VI Congregations, add a new Section 2 and renumber following sections**

Section 2. Every congregation shall support faithfully with prayer, personal service and offerings the common work of this church and of the synod.

**SSC-16-21 MSC** that the constitutional amendment in C2 for Second and Final Reading be approved.

**C.2. In Article XI Synod Council, Section 3, delete the words after “begin” and add “at the conclusion of the convention at which the election occurred”.**

Section 3. The terms of the elected members shall begin ~~the first day of the third month following election.~~ at the conclusion of the convention at which the election occurred.

**SSC-16-22 MSC** that the constitutional amendment in C3 for Second and Final Reading be approved.

**C.3. Parts of Article XII Officers and Article XIII Office of the Bishop shall be combined into a single Article XIII Officers.**

**ARTICLE XII**

**Officers**

(Bylaws, Part VIII)

- Section 1. ~~The officers of this synod shall be the chairperson, the secretary and the treasurer. At least two of the three officers shall be lay members of this synod.~~
- Section 2. ~~The duties of the officers shall be defined in the bylaws of this synod.~~
- Section 3. ~~The secretary and treasurer shall be elected by the synod in convention for a term of four years, without limitation, according to procedures established in the bylaws. All officers shall serve until their successors assume office.~~
- Section 4. ~~The chairperson shall be elected by Synod Council from among its members for a term of two years.~~
- Section 5. ~~Synod Council may appoint a replacement officer to fill a vacancy between conventions.~~
- Section 6. ~~The terms of officers shall begin on the first day of the third month following election.~~
- Section 7. ~~The recall or dismissal of an officer of this synod shall follow the procedure set out in the constitution and bylaws of the church.~~

**ARTICLE XIII**

**Office of the Bishop**

(Bylaws, Part IX)

- Section 1. ~~The bishop, as the chief executive officer of this synod, has full authority, responsibility and accountability to discharge all duties and obligations of that office as mandated in the constitution, the bylaws and by resolution of Synod Council.~~
- Section 2. ~~The bishop shall provide pastoral leadership and counsel to ordained and diaconal ministers, congregations and conferences of this synod.~~
- Section 3. ~~The bishop shall be the chief executive officer of this synod, and an ex officio member of all committees of this synod.~~
- Section 4. ~~The authority to elect and call a bishop shall rest with this synod at a regular convention or a special convention called for this purpose. Synod Council shall seek the advice and counsel of the National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada in the call process.~~
- Section 5. ~~The bishop shall be on the roster of ordained ministers of this church.~~
- Section 6. ~~The bishop shall be elected by this synod convention for a term of four years, without limitation, according to procedures established in the bylaws. The bishop shall serve until his/her successor assumes office. The term of the bishop shall begin on the first day of the third full month following election.~~
- Section 7. ~~All synod staff and staff committees shall be accountable to the bishop. The bishop may delegate responsibility to other staff as deemed appropriate.~~

Article XII Officers

- Section 1 This synod shall be served by a bishop who shall be its chief pastor and chief executive officer. The other officers shall be a chairperson and a vice-chairperson who shall be elected from among the members of synod council and a secretary

and a treasurer who shall be elected according to procedures set out in the bylaws of this synod. The bishop shall be on the roster of ordained ministers of this church. At least two of the other officers shall be lay members of a congregation or synodically recognized ministry of this synod. All officers shall serve as officers of the synod council.

Section 2 The purpose, duties and expectations of the officers shall be defined in the bylaws.

**SSC-16-24 MSC** that in Bylaw Part X – Standing Committees, Section 4; the name of the Canadian Mission Committee be changed to ‘The Mission and Ministry Committee of the Saskatchewan Synod’.

**SSC-16-25 MSC** that Bylaw Part VI – Elections of Delegates to the National Church Convention, Sections 1 – 3 be changed as follows:

Section 1. The synod secretary shall inform the congregations of the number of voting delegates and the apportionment of lay, youth and rostered ministers to be elected to the national church convention as determined by the secretary of this church.

Section 2. Delegates will be elected at the synod convention in the year preceding the national convention. Nominations will be called for a minimum of 120 days prior to the synod convention and will close no later than 60 days prior to the synod convention.

Section 3. The delegate costs for attendance at National Convention will be shared among the congregations by dividing the total delegate costs by the total number of confirmed members in this synod times the number of confirmed members reported by each congregational in their most recent parochial report.

**SSC-16-26 MSC** that the following 19 delegate nominees to the 2017 National Convention be declared elected as delegates and that the Synod Council appoint the additional 10 delegates to fill the Saskatchewan Synod delegate slate to the 2017 National ELCIC Convention.

Rostered Ministers:

1. Henrik Cherland, St. Paul Lutheran, Yorkton
2. Mark Hedlin, Trinity Lutheran, Saskatoon
3. Iris Kristjansdottir, Messiah Lutheran, Prince Albert
4. Cicely McDougall, Bethlehem Lutheran, Midale
5. Victoria Mwamasika, Christ Lutheran, Neudorf
6. Zsofi Schmiedge, St. John-Norrone Parish, Strasbourg/Buylea
7. Doug Schmirler, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Melville
8. Karen Stepko, Christ Lutheran, Rhein

Lay:

1. Ronald Belke, Augustana Lutheran, Saskatoon
2. Colleen Bowen, Messiah Lutheran, Prince Albert
3. Lynn Cavanagh, Central Evangelical Lutheran, Regina
4. Carol Maurer, Christ Lutheran, Neudorf
5. Joan Meyer, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Saskatoon
6. Joel Nostbakken, Redeemer Lutheran, Saskatoon
7. Lenore Ostlund, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Melville
8. Deb Roberts, Christ Lutheran, Regina

9. Arlene Tangjerd, St. Paul Lutheran, Yorkton
10. Bev Tastad, Our Saviour's Lutheran, Regina  
Youth:
  1. Bryce MacEwen, Redeemer Lutheran, Saskatoon

### **Election Committee Report**

Committee Chair Rev. Amber Hoffman reported election results for Synod Council:

Regina Rostered: 138 total votes cast; 0 spoiled ballots  
Sean Bell 84; Zsofi Schmiedge 53; 1 abstained  
Rev. Sean Bell was declared elected.

Yorkton Rostered: 138 total votes cast; 0 spoiled ballots  
Chad Moir 61; Doug Schmirler 77  
Rev. Doug Schmirler was declared elected.

**SSC-16-27 MSC** that the ballots be destroyed.

### **Reference and Counsel Report**

Committee Chair Jeff Barber noted that the committee table had been moved to the side of the convention hall so that committee discussions were not disruptive for speakers at the podium, and apologized for any inconvenience to presenters on the previous day. He provided a summary of the committee processes in presenting material for consideration, and then presented two resolutions.

Committee of Reference & Counsel recommends that this resolution be referred to Synod Council. Moved by Deb Roberts, Christ, Regina; Seconded by Rev. Dennis Hendricksen, Christ, Regina. "That the draft policy for Delegate nominations to National Convention be amended to include: In the case when there are not enough nominees to fill all Delegate positions, and appointments are needed from Synod Council, the appointed Delegates may be chosen from congregations which have been or are being represented by a corresponding Delegate (Rostered, Lay, or Youth) at the previous or currently upcoming National Convention."

**SSC-16-28 MSC** that the amendment to the draft policy for National Convention delegate elections as stated above be referred to Synod Council.

Committee of Reference & Counsel recommends that this resolution be considered by the assembly.

**SCC-16-29 Moved** by Merv Bender, Messiah, Prince Albert; **Seconded** by Rev. Dan Haugen, Birch Hills, Birch Hills, that this assembly request that Synod Council explore ways and means to foster and strengthen men's ministry within the Synod, recognizing that the synod has limited financial resources. **Carried.**

**Lutheran Theological Seminary:** Vice-chairperson Sheldon presented a cheque in recognition of Ordination Anniversaries to Rev. Dr. Michael Nel, Interim President of LTS.



Interim President Nel highlighted various items in his written report, and stated the LTS mission, ‘A ministry of the ELCIC, nurtures and challenges all people for Christ-centered leadership and witness for God’s mission in the world; and the vision ‘We imagine becoming an educational community that stimulates open-ended, life-long exploration of questions of faith and life.’

Convention Manager Joan thanked CLWR for providing refreshments for the upcoming break, and reminded people to pick up the stewardship package for each congregation, and to visit the display area and Wellness Fair which will be closing after the break. She asked anyone who is interested or willing to serve on a committee to visit the Stewards Desk for a biography form to complete and submit to Synod Council.

The Convention recessed for refreshments.

### **Synod in Convention - Plenary Four Saturday, June 4, 2016; 3:30 pm**

Chairperson Lori called the assembly to order.

#### **Registration and Attendance Report - as of 3:30 pm, June 4, 2016**

78	Lay delegates (including youth)
<u>81</u>	Rostered delegates
159	Voting Delegates
<u>32</u>	Visitors
191	persons registered for the convention

#### **The convention recessed for the Corporation Meetings at 3:35 pm**

**LutherCare Communities:** Bishop Sid called the Corporation meeting to order at 3:35 pm.

**MSC** that the agenda be approved.

**MSC** that the minutes of the previous corporation meeting be approved.

Bishop Allan Grundahl, Board member introduced Chief Executive Officer, Vivienne Hauck. She read her report that was contained in the convention docket.

**MSC** that the report be adopted.

#### **Resolution of ratification:**

**MSC** that any and all actions of the biennial convention of the Saskatchewan Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada which pertains to the Corporation of LutherCare Communities, are hereby ratified.

The Corporation meeting was declared adjourned at 3:50 pm

**St. Paul Lutheran Home, Melville:** Bishop Sid called the Corporation meeting to order at 3:50 pm.

**MSC** that the agenda be approved.

**MSC** that the minutes of the previous corporation meeting be approved.

Arlene Tangjerd, Board member, introduced Executive Director Kim Bucsis. She read her report that was contained in the convention docket.

**MSC** that the report be adopted.

Business from the report: none noted

**Nomination to the Board:** no nominations for vacant Board positions have been received.

**MSC** that the Board of St. Paul Lutheran Home submit Board nominations for ratification by Synod Council.

**Resolution of ratification:**

**MSC** that any and all actions of the biennial convention of the Saskatchewan Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada which pertains to the Corporation of St. Paul Lutheran Home, Melville are hereby ratified.

The Corporation meeting was declared adjourned at 4:00 pm.

**The Synod convention reconvened at 4:00 pm**

**Canadian Lutheran World Relief (Section 5.b.):** Chairperson Lori presented a cheque in recognition of Ordination Anniversaries to Bob Granke, Executive Director, Canadian Lutheran World Relief. Executive Director Bob Granke reviewed his written report, and provided an update on work being done at Augusta Victoria Hospital (Jerusalem), and in Jordan, Syria, Uganda, and Iraq, and most recently in Fort McMurray together with ELCIC and Lutheran Church Canada. He then presented a cheque to SK Synod for funds received through the 'Gifts from the Heart' for our Companion Synod in Argentina.

**Reference and Council Committee**

Committee Chair, Jeff Barber presented the following resolutions:

Committee of Reference & Counsel recommends that this resolution be considered by the assembly.

**SCC-16-30 Moved** by Margareth Peterson, Augustana, Saskatoon; **Seconded** by Rev. Marilyn Fowlie-Neufeld, Augustana, Saskatoon. That Saskatchewan Synod request that the ELCIC encourage the study of Islam within their congregations and provide information about courses and resources available. **Carried.**

Committee of Reference & Counsel recommends that this resolution be considered by the assembly.

**SCC-16-31 Moved** by Rev. John Mayer Dut; **Seconded** by Rev. Linda Hall, Southwest Parish, Swift Current. That thanks, appreciation, and gratitude be extended to ELCIC, Government of Canada and people for prayers and pressure to South Sudan leaders to accept Peace, this saves and rescues innocent lives; and

That we continue our prayers in Saskatchewan Synod and across Canada to pray that Almighty God bring Full Peace to South Sudan people; and

That we encourage those who wish to support humanitarian assistance to the South Sudan people to channel financial contributions through CLWR's "Seeds of Hope appeal". **Carried.**

Committee of Reference & Counsel recommends that this resolution be considered by the assembly.

**SCC-16-32 Moved and Seconded** by the Committee on Reference & Counsel. That this Convention offer thanks to:

the Saskatoon Conference & Saskatoon city congregations

Saturday Evening Host – Lutheran Theological Seminary

Sunday worship & Plenary – Zion Lutheran Church

Head Stewards – Margaret Fast, Angie Farmer

Volunteers – registrars, set-up, the many tasks required to create this experience

A/V Technician – Inland Audio Visual

Facilities & Food – the leadership, staff and volunteers of Circle Drive Alliance Church

Worship Coordinators – Rev. Randy Meissner, Rev. Ali Tote, Rev. Ron Bestvater, Rev.

Fran Schmidt as well as Worship Leaders, Musicians, and Choir

Workshop Leaders and Facilitators

Keynote speaker - Bishop Don Bolen

Rev. Jason Johnson and the documentary team for showing Reserve 107

Convention Chaplain – Rev. Dr. Michael Nel

Convention Manager – Joan Meyer

Office Manager & Newsletter editor – Lindsay Tomtene

Finance Manager – Howie Wall

Website – Kathy Haugen

Bishop Sid Haugen & Synod Council – Officers Rev. Lori James, Rev. Sheldon

Gattinger, Cheryl Bauer-Hyde, Diane Mossing and all Synod Council members

Convention Committees – Registration & Attendance, Nominations, Elections, Minutes, Reference & Counsel

Youth Assembly Coordinators - Deacon Gretchen Peterson; Intern Pastor Emmanuel

Aristide

Bishop Susan Johnson and honoured guests

**Carried.**

Convention Manager Joan announced that delegates need to clear the convention meeting space at conclusion of this session, pick up stewardship packages from Stewards table, pick up expense cheques at the registration table, wear name tags and bring the worship booklet this evening.

Joan provided directions to LTS and parking arrangements, indicated that live streaming of this evening's events will be on the SK Synod website, and that Sunday's session at Zion Lutheran

starts at 9:00 am for a youth presentation. Delegates should bring their completed evaluation forms and name tags to turn in at that time.

Chaplain Michael Nel led the assembly in prayer and grace.

The convention recessed for dinner at 5:00 pm.

### **Evening Activities:**

The convention delegates, guests and visitors met at the Synod office at the Lutheran Theological Seminary, and were invited to tour the office and surrounding areas.

The Dedication and Ribbon Cutting of the office began at 7:30 pm.

Welcome – Rev. Dr. Michael Nel & Bishop Sid Haugen

Presider – Rev. Mark Hedlin, Trinity Lutheran, Saskatoon

Lector – Rev. Lori James

Night Prayer (Compline) began in the Seminary Chapel at 8:30 pm.:

Host – Lutheran Theological Seminary

Presider – Rev. Fran Schmidt, LTS Dean of Chapel, Kairos Lutheran Faith Community

Reader – Kathy Pelletier

Pianist – Tannis Schmidt

Lessons – Romans 8:38-39; 2 Corinthians 4:6-7

The evening concluded with a reception hosted by Synod Council in the Seminary Dining Room.

### **Sunday, June 5, 2016; 9:00 am**

Chairperson Lori called the convention to order at Zion Lutheran Church.

Chaplain Michael Nel led the assembly in opening prayer.

Secretary Cheryl informed the delegates that the Minutes Committee will submit the convention minutes to Synod Council for approval, after which the minutes will be available on the website for distribution to congregations.

Lorraine Harilstad invited interested women's bible study and congregational groups who would like to become a united community of women to affirm each other, promote bible study and fellowship, and give expression of our faith in unity, to contact her at Luther Towers, 11<sup>th</sup> floor, phone 306.652.2497.

Rev. Dr. Nel announced the MTS in Healthcare & Parish Nursing offered through LTS; led by Rev. Dr. Ali Tote.

## **Youth Presentation**

Deacon Gretchen thanked Intern Pastor Emmanuel Aristide for his participation in the youth delegate assembly. She called upon the youth delegates to share their perspectives regarding the convention, who provided their comments about the convention in general, the workshops, and worship experiences. Chairperson Lori thanked the youth delegates for their bravery and courage in sharing their thoughts in this format, indicating that they are an inspiration to all and are showing us the way.

As part of the evaluation process which is so important as the comments are used in preparing for the next convention, delegates were asked to share their thoughts at their tables and record comments on the sheets provided. As well, they were asked to individually complete and return the evaluation sheets provided in the convention materials. While there was no specific discussion related to the Strategic Plan, discussion sheets were placed on the tables. Delegates were encouraged to take them home, complete and return them to the Synod office.

Bishop Sid thanked Rev. Dr. Michael Nel for his service as the Convention Chaplain over the time of the convention, and presented him with a token of appreciation.

Chairperson Lori was called to the podium to be thanked by Bishop Sid. The convention delegates rose for a standing ovation of thanks to Lori for both her service on the Council and as convention chair.

The meeting was declared adjourned, and the convention concluded in worship together as people of God.

## **Closing Morning Worship:**

Host Congregation – Zion Lutheran, Saskatoon

Presider – Rev. Randy Meissner, Zion Lutheran

Preacher – Bishop Susan Johnson, ELCIC National

Cantor – Katelyn Hicks

Lector – Intern Pastor Emmanuel Aristide

Lessons – 1 Kings 17:8-16, Psalm 146, Galatians 1:11-24

Gospel - Luke 7:11-17

Organist – Diane Bestvater

Brass Musicians – David Snell, Nick Arsenault, Graeme Peters, Tiess MacKenzie

The Zion Lutheran and SK Synod Convention Choirs

The service closed with the Order for Closing of Convention.

Refreshments were provided by the members of Zion Lutheran Church.

**Rise, remember well the future  
God has called us to receive;  
Present by God's loving nurture,  
Spirited then let us live.  
Alleluia, alleluia.  
Spirit, grace by whom we live.**

Susan Palo Cherwien (ELW #548)

Minutes recorded by  
Cheryl Bauer Hyde, Synod Secretary

Reviewed by the Convention Minute Committee

Approved by the Sask Synod Council  
June 17, 2016

# 2016 Convention - Lay Delegates

Name	City	Congregation	
Aadland, Whitney	Saskatoon	Good Shepherd	Youth
Ahl, Terri	Regina	Bread of Life	
Akre, Elaine	Saskatoon	Redeemer	
Akre, Janet	Outlook	Saskatchewan River	
Altwasser, Erika	Yellow Grass	Yellow Grass United Lutheran Partnership	
Anderson, Lennart	Weyburn	Zion	
Bakken, Elaine	Archerwill	Bethany Lutheran	
Barber, Jeff	Regina	Our Savior	
Bauer Hyde, Cheryl	Prince Albert	Messiah	Synod Secretary
Bauereiss, Judy	Inglis MB	Bethany Lutheran	
Bender, Merv	Prince Albert	Messiah	Synod Council
Bessai, Gertrud	Regina	Trinity	
Bjorndalen, Bernie	Estevan	Trinity	
Brown, Brenda	Regina	New Hope	
Christensen, Donna	Regina	New Hope	
Craswell, Marilyn	Strasbourg	St. John	
Croswell, Eldora	Tisdale	Christ Evangelical	
Crumley, Duncan	Regina	Trinity	Youth
Davies, Val	Regina	Christ	Synod Council
Derbowka, Wendy	Ratner	Beaver Creek	
Deyenberg, Lorne	Regina	Christ	
Dill, Alan	Moose Jaw	Central	
Erickson, Elmer	Churchbridge	Concordia	
Erlandson, Andrea	Swift Current	St. Olaf	Youth
Erlandson, Erika	Swift Current	St. Olaf	Youth
Fusick, Trinity	Shellbrook	St. John	Youth
Gorrill, Carol	Bulyea	Norrone	
Gorrill, Karisa	Bulyea	Norrone	Youth
Graff, Margaret	Melville	St. Pauls	
Greve, Elaine	Rosthern	Trinity	
Halvorson, Tami	Kipling	Christ	Synod Council
Hamp, Alice	Saskatoon	Augustana	
Harilstad, Lorraine	Ardath	Our Saviour	
Herrmann-Dahnke, Alex	Regina	Trinity	Youth
Hesje, Elaine	Saskatoon	Redeemer	
Hilderman, Don	Duval	St. Paul	
Hillis, Bryan	Regina	Christ	
Hodson, Hayley	Regina	New Hope	Youth
Hoffman, Willetta	Swan River MB	Trinity	
Hoppe, Cindy	Biggar	Redeemer	
Hudy, Gwen	Melville	Good Shepherd	
Hyde, Wayne	Prince Albert	Messiah	
Jarock, Linda	Saskatoon	Zion	
Jensen, Anna	Saskatoon	Resurrection	
Johnson, Laureen	Buchanan	Faith Lutheran	
Keller, Vivienne	Lemberg	Trinity	
Kemp, Neil	Broadview	Grace Canadian	
Koch, Rodney	Edenwold	St. Pauls	

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Name	City	Congregation	
Lauritsen, Laust	Redvers	Dannevirke	
Leis, Alice	Saskatoon	Trinity	
Lovberg, Donna	Canwood	Zion	
Mossing, Diane	Regina	Our Savior	Synod Treasurer
Mossing, Larry	Regina	Our Savior	
Oblander, Ernest	Strasbourg	St. John	
Ogaick, Charlsie	Rhein	Christ	
Ohnander, Patricia	Stockholm	New Stockholm	
Olson, Kris	Assiniboia	Messiah	
Olson, Ruthe	Saskatoon	Zion	
Opdahl, Joyce	Hanley	Hanley	
Pederson, Lynn	Fairy Glen	Carrot River Valley	
Pelletier, Kathy	Rosthern	Trinity	Synod Council
Peterson, Debbie	Kyle	Kyle	
Peterson, Margareth	Saskatoon	Augustana	
Poier, Marci	Langenburg	St. Pauls	
Pusch, Elaine	Kipling	Christ	
Romich, Anita	Watrous	Our Redeemer	
Russell, Myrna	Russell, MB	Grace	
Rust, Jennifer	Prince Albert	Messiah	
Schensney, Lawrence	Radisson	St. Paul	
Stelmacowich	Melville	Good Shepherd	
Tangjerd, Arlene	Yorkton	St. Paul	Synod Council
Tuchelt, Joyce	Lumsden	Shepherd of the Valley	
Utley, Darrell	Saskatoon	Redeemer	
Voigt, Kerilyn	North Battleford	Zion	
Walker, Tasia	Regina	Trinity	Youth
Willick, Layton	Saskatoon	Good Shepherd	Youth
Wudrick, Dave	Regina	St. Mark's	



# 2016 Convention - Rostered Leaders

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Name	City	Congregation
Anderson, Heather	Saskatoon	LutherCare Communities
Anderson, Virgil	Stoughton	Zion
Baker, Colette	Lanigan, SK	Resurrection
Bell, Sean	Regina	New Hope
Bender, Daphne	Langenburg	St. Pauls
Bestvater, Ron	Saskatoon	Luminhos
Borkowsky, Jerry	Lumsden	Shepherd of the Valley
Bornhuse, Wallace	Radisson/Langham	St. Paul / First Saskatchewan
Brock, Wendell	Meadow Lake	Good Shepherd
Brooks, Melissa	Saskatoon	Resurrection
Cantelon, Bill	Moose Jaw	Central
Chappell, Bryan	Regina	St. Mark's
Cherland, Henrik (Rik)	Yorkton	St. Paul
Cole-Heine, Joan	Saskatoon	Redeemer
Danielson, Eldon	Birch Hills	Birch Hills
Diegel, Michael	Saskatoon	Augustana
Dut, John	Saskatoon	OLC
Dymund, Sarah	Rosthern	Trinity
Falkenstern, Renita	Saskaoon	LutherCare Communities
Farmer, Hugh	Archerwill/Rose Valley	Bethany/Nut Lake
Felstrom, Trent	Shellbrook/Canwood	St. John/Zion
Finnestad, Sonje	Davidson/ Loreburn	Redeemer/ Skudesnes
Fowlie-Neufeld, Greg	Saskatoon	LutherCare Communities
Fowlie-Neufeld, Marilyn	Saskatoon	LutherCare Communities
From, Val	Rosetown	St. Andrew's Trinity
Gattinger, Sheldon	North Battelford	Zion
Grundhal, Allan	Saskatoon	Zion
Hall, Linda	Swift Current	South West Parish
Halvorson, Murray	Kipling	Christ
Harrison, Darlene	Regina	New Hope
Haugen, Daniel	Prince Albert, SK	Messiah
Haugen, Sid	Regina	Sask Synod
Hedlin, Mark	Saskatoon	Trinity
Hendericksen, Dennis	Regina	Christ
Hesje, Harold	Saskatoon	Redeemer
Hind, George	Saskatoon	OLC
Hoffman, Amber	Regina	Our Savior's
Hognestad, Lindsay	Regina	Trinity
James, Lori	Esterhazy/New Stockholm	Redeemer/New Stockholm
Jarock, Bob	Saskatoon	Zion
Johnson, Carlyle	Buchanan	Faith Lutheran Parish
Johnson, Harley	Saskatoon	Good Shepherd
Johnson, Jason	Laird	St. John's
Kaiser, David	Regina	Bread of Life
Kiel, Greg	Swift Current	South West Parish
Kleiner, Mark	Biggar	Redeemer
Knudson Munholland, Lois	Norrona	Bulyea
Kostyna, Janet	Russell/Inglis, MB	Grace/Bethany

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Name	City	Congregation
Kristjandottir, Iris	Prince Albert, SK	Messiah
Legre, Kragbe	Naicam	Five Oaks
Lewis, Bob	Swan River, MB	Trinity
Lueck, Dennis	Regina	St. Mark's
McDougall, Cicely	Midale/Bromhead	Bethlehem/Harmar
Meissner, Randy	Saskatoon	Zion
Miller, Stewart	Estevan	Trinity
Miner, Doug	Assiniboia	Messiah
Moeller, Craig	Regina	St. Mark's
Moir, Chad	Wadena	St. Peter Parish
Mwamaskia, Victoria	Neudorf/Lemberg	Christ/ Trinity
Myrfield, Dawn	Fairy Glen	Carrot River Valley
Nel, Michael	Saskatoon	LTS
Olson, Martin	Weyburn	Zion
Peterson, Gretchen	Saskatoon	Redeemer
Peterson, Kenneth	Saskatoon	Augustana
Roberts, Vivian	Neudorf	Christ
Saritson, Paul	Saskatoon	Augustana
Schmidt, Fran	Kairos	Warman/Osler/Martensville
Schmiedge, Zsofi	Strasbourg/ Bulyea	St. John/ Norrona
Schmirler, Doug	Melville	Good Shepherd
Schwindt, Phillip	Melville	St. Pauls
Serfas, Dennis	Prince Albert, SK	Messiah
Sherwin, Kim	Melville	St. Pauls
Shore, Glenn	Jansen/Wynyard	Zion/Grace Aarnes
Skogsrud, Lisa	Tisdale	Christ
Soveran, Kristin	Hanley	Hanley
Stepko, Karen	Rhein	Christ
Tank, Jeff	Regina	Our Savior's
Tastad, Kirk	Saskatoon	Redeemer
Tote, Ali	Saskatoon	Resurrection
Walker, Peter	Kindersley	St. Olaf
Yee, Nancy	Watrous	Our Redeemer

## 2016 Convention - Rostered Leaders Excused

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<b>Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Congregation</b>
Blakely, Carla	Regina	Bread of Life
Fingas, Dennis	Regina	Regina Chaplaincy
Glaeske, Larry	Assiniboia	Retired
Haugen, Roger	Outlook	Saskatchewan Synod
Jensen, David	Shell Lake	Retired
Kuglin-Alyea, Liz	Regina	Retired
Moen, Ivar	Saskatoon	Retired
Nostbakken, Paul	Saskatoon	Retired
Robertson, Lynn	Regina	New Hope
Shin, Karl	Young	Christ
Prankev, Richard	Saskatoon	Retired

## 2016 Convention - Rostered Leaders Absent

Name	City	Congregation
Beish, Clayton	Saskatoon	Retired
Bogardt, Henry	Regina	Retired
Booth, Lewis	Moose Jaw	Retired
Boyd, Jann	Saskatoon	OLC
Brown, Arlene	Saskatoon	Retired
Buck, Erwin	Saskatoon	Retired
Fry, Larry	Regina	Retired
Grant, Gene	Saskatoon	Retired
Greifenhagen, Volker	Regina	Luther College
Hansen, Donald	Out of Country	Retired
Hesje, Johan	Saskatoon	Retired
Hordern, Richard	Regina	Retired
Jespersen, Joan	Kelvington	Retired
Johnson, Richard	Christopher Lake	Retired
Kaminiski, Orville	Regina	Retired
Kleiner, Heather	Saskatoon	Retired
Langdon, Robert	Moose Jaw	Retired
Molder, Boyd	Saskatoon	Retired
Nachtigall, Helmut	Regina	Retired
Nelson, Wilburn	Saskatoon	Retired
Neumann, Kenneth	Saskatoon	Retired
Nilson, Thomas	Regina	Retired
Nostbakken, Paul	Saskatoon	Retired
Nostbakken, Roger	Saskatoon	Retired
Parke, Caron	Saskatoon	Retired
Peterson, David	Regina	Luther High School
Poellet, Michael	Saskatoon	King of Glory
Rohrbough, Faith	Saskatoon	Retired
Shaver, Brock (UCC)	Spiritwood	Partners in Faith
Shepherd, Douglas	Moose Jaw	Retired
Simonson, Pat	Saskatoon	Retired
Simonson, Terry	Saskatoon	Retired
Stobbs, Marilyn	Watrous	Retired
Uitti, Roger	Saskatoon	Retired
Wowk, Lynda	Saskatoon	Retired

# 2016 Convention - Congregations Not Represented

City	Congregation
Archerwill	Dalthon
Broderick	Green Valley
Crooked River	Crooked River
Davin	Emmaus
Earl Grey	Christ
Francis	Christ
Gravelbourg	St. Paul
Hodgeville	Trinity St. Boswells
Hodgeville	Zion
Lampman	Faith
Lanigan	Trinity
Medstead	Bethel
Mossbank	Trinity
Porcupine Plain	Redeemer
Rocklen	Grand Valley
Rush Lake	Peace
Saskatoon	King of Glory
Spalding	Dovre
Spiritwood	Partners in Faith
Vibank	Emmanuel
Viscount	St. John's
Wapella	St. John's New Finland
Wapella	St. John's
Weldon	Weldon
Young	Christ