

Preliminary Program for the 2011 Churchwide Assembly



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The preliminary schedule printed below is accurate as of June 28, 2011, *but is subject to change*. A complete program that includes locations for all events will be distributed at registration. Plenary sessions will be held in the Cypress Ballroom 1 & 2 of the Orlando World Center Marriott. Opening and closing prayer for each plenary session will take place in the plenary hall, Cypress Ballroom 1 & 2. Worship services will be held in the Crystal Ballroom of the World Center.

Sunday, August 14

8:00 A.M. Registration opens (*until 5:00 P.M.*)
 9:00 A.M. Conference of Bishops, Church Council, and Synod Vice Presidents worship (*joint*)
 10:30 A.M. Conference of Bishops, Church Council, and Synod Vice Presidents meeting (*joint*)
 TBD Training for Bible Study leaders
 12:00 NOON Conference of Bishops, Church Council, and Synod Vice Presidents lunch (*joint*)
 1:00 P.M. Church Council photo
 1:30 P.M. Conference of Bishops meeting
 Church Council meeting
 Synod Vice Presidents meeting
 3:45 P.M. Orientation for Church Council members
 4:30 P.M. Training for "paperless" pilot project
 5:00 P.M. Youth Voting Member dinner
 Young Adult Voting Member dinner
 6:00 P.M. Church Council, Conference of Bishops, and Churchwide Executives dinner (*joint*)
 Synod Vice Presidents dinner

Monday, August 15

8:00 A.M. Registration Desk opens (*until 9:30 P.M.*)
 8:00 A.M. Nominations Desk opens (*until 9:30 P.M.*)
 8:00 A.M. Choir rehearsal
 8:30 A.M. Hearings (*until 9:30 A.M.*)
 9:45 A.M. Hearings (*until 10:45 A.M.*)
 Training for "paperless" pilot project
 11:00 A.M. Orientation for voting members (*until 12:00 NOON*)
 12:00 NOON Lunch
 1:30 P.M. Choir rehearsal
 TBD News conference

Plenary Session One

Cypress 1 & 2

1:30 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Order for the Opening of an Assembly
 Welcome
 Report: Credentials Committee
 Greetings: Florida-Bahamas Synod
 Introduction to Electronic Voting
 Organization of Assembly
 Adoption of Rules of Organization and Procedure
 Adoption of the Order of Business
 Introduction: Living Into the Future Together (LIFT)
 Announcements
 Closing Prayer

3:30 P.M. Pre-service music (Crystal)
 4:00 P.M. Opening Service of Holy Communion (Crystal)
 5:30 P.M. Dinner (Palms) (*until 6:45 P.M.*)

Plenary Session Two

Cypress 1 & 2

7:15 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

Hymn
 2012–2013 Budget proposal
 Report: Nominating Committee
 Report: Credentials Committee
 Introduction: Constitutional Amendments (LIFT)
 Introduction: Proposed Social Statement on Genetics
 Introduction and Consideration: ELCA Malaria Campaign
 Announcements
 Hymn and Prayer

9:30 P.M. **Deadline** for amendments to the governing documents and for requests for removal from the *en bloc* motion related to proposed amendments to the governing documents related to LIFT
Deadline for amendments to the LIFT implementing resolutions
Deadline for separate consideration (removal from *en bloc*) of responses to synodical memorials
Deadline for substitute responses to synodical memorials

Tuesday, August 16

- 6:30 A.M. Breakfast (*on own*)
Run, Walk, 'n' Roll, sponsored by the Board of Pensions
- 6:30 A.M. Stretch and Pray (*until 7:15 A.M.*)
- 8:00 A.M. Nominations Desk opens (*until 11:00 A.M.*)
- 7:30 A.M. Registration opens (*until 6:30 P.M.*)

Plenary Session Three

Cypress 1 & 2

8:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

- Hymn, Scripture, and Prayer
Report of the Presiding Bishop
Consideration: LIFT Implementing Resolutions
Consideration: Amendments to the ELCA *Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions* related to LIFT
Announcements
Closing Prayer

- 11:00 A.M. **Deadline** for nominations from the floor
- 11:00 A.M. Service of Holy Communion (Crystal)
- 12:00 NOON Lunch (Palms)
- 12:00 NOON Assembly Choir Rehearsal (*until 12:45 P.M.*)
- 1:15 P.M. Bible Study (Cypress 3)
- 2:45 P.M. Mission Encounter Event (Sago and Royal)
- 6:30 P.M. Mission Encounter Dinner (Cypress 3)
- 8:30 P.M. **Deadline** for amendments to the governing documents and for requests for removal from the *en bloc* motion related to proposed amendments to the governing documents related to the churchwide organization redesign

Wednesday, August 17

- 6:30 A.M. Breakfast (*on own*)
Run, Walk, 'n' Roll, sponsored by the Board of Pensions
- 6:30 A.M. Stretch and Pray (*until 7:15 A.M.*)
- 7:00 A.M. Missionary Sponsorship breakfast (*until 8:00 A.M.*)
- 7:30 A.M. Registration opens (*until 6:00 P.M.*)
- 8:00 A.M. **Deadline** for amendments to the proposed genetics social statement and implementing resolutions

Plenary Session Four

Cypress 1 & 2

8:15 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

- Hymn, Scripture, and Prayer
Report of the Secretary
Introduction: Churchwide Organization Redesign
Greetings: Lutheran World Federation (LWF)
Elections: First Common Ballot
Report of Reference and Counsel Committee
Greetings: Military Chaplains
Report of the Memorials Committee
Announcements
Closing Prayer
- 11:00 A.M. Service of Holy Communion (Crystal)
- 12:00 NOON Lunch (Palms) (*until 1:00 P.M.*)
- 1:00 P.M. **Deadline** for non-germane resolutions
Deadline for First Common Ballot
- 1:15 P.M. Bible Study (Cypress 3)

Plenary Session Five

Cypress 1 & 2

2:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

- Hymn
Update: ELCA World Hunger Appeal
Report of the Treasurer and Mission Investment Fund
Report of the Vice President and Church Council
Consideration: Amendments to the ELCA *Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions* related to the churchwide organization redesign
Greetings: Ministry Partners
College Corporation meetings
Update: Lutheran Disaster Response
Report: Memorials Committee
Announcements
Hymn and Prayer
- 5:30 P.M. **Deadline** for amendments to the governing documents and for requests for removal from the *en bloc* motion related to proposed amendments to the governing documents
Deadline for amendments to the 2012–2013 Budget Proposal
- 5:30 P.M. Seminary, College, and University Presidents' Reception
Dinner (*on own*)
College Receptions
Seminary Receptions

Thursday, August 18

- Breakfast (*on own*)
6:30 A.M. Run, Walk, 'n' Roll, sponsored by the Board of Pensions
6:30 A.M. Stretch and Pray (*until 7:15 A.M.*)
7:00 A.M. Mission Investment Fund Breakfast (*until 8:00 A.M.*)
Women of the ELCA Breakfast (*until 8:00 A.M.*)
Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service Breakfast (*until 8:00 A.M.*)
7:30 A.M. Registration opens (*until 6:00 P.M.*)

Plenary Session Six **Cypress 1 & 2** **8:15 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.**

- Hymn, Scripture, and Prayer
Consideration: Proposed Social Statement on Genetics
Report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee
Consideration: Social Statement Implementing Resolutions*
Report: First Common Ballot
Elections: Second Common Ballot
Greetings: Full Communion Partners
Consideration: Amendments to the ELCA *Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions*
Greetings: Interfaith Partners
Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee
Announcements
Closing Prayer

- 11:00 A.M. Service of Holy Communion (Crystal)
12:00 NOON Lunch (Palms) (*until 1:00 P.M.*)
Choir Rehearsal (*until 12:45 P.M.*)
1:15 P.M. Bible Study (Cypress 3)

Plenary Session Seven **Cypress 1 & 2** **2:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.**

- Hymn
Consideration: 2012–2013 Budget proposal
Greetings: African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
Question–and–Answer with Presiding Bishop Mark Hanson
Report of the Memorials Committee
Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee
Announcements
Hymn and Prayer
6:00 P.M. **Deadline** for Second Common Ballot
Dinner (*on own*)

Friday, August 19

- Breakfast (*on own*)
7:30 A.M. Registration opens (*until 12:30 P.M.*)

Plenary Session Eight **Cypress 1 & 2** **8:15 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.**

- Hymn and Prayer
Elections Report: Second Common Ballot
Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee
Report of the Memorials Committee
Recognition of Service: Church Council Class of 2011
Unfinished Business
Announcement of 2013 Churchwide Assembly

- 10:30 A.M. Service of Holy Communion and order for closing the Churchwide Assembly (Crystal)
12:00 NOON Adjournment

*The implementing resolutions for the social statement will be considered only if the social statement is adopted.

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