



# The Pacific Hills Messenger

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## 68TH REGULAR CONVENTION

The Lutheran Church—  
Missouri Synod  
July 29–Aug. 3, 2023  
Milwaukee, Wis.

Below are some frequently asked questions and answers. For a full list of such questions and answers you may go to [https://files.lcms.org/file/preview/2023-convention-faqs\\_gl=1\\*1u8s630\\*\\_ga\\*Mzk4NzM4MjA4LjE2MTIzMDU1NzQ.\\*\\_ga\\_Z0184DBP2L\\*MTY4OTcxMTU1Ni4zNC4wLjE2ODk3MTE1NTYuMC4wLjA](https://files.lcms.org/file/preview/2023-convention-faqs_gl=1*1u8s630*_ga*Mzk4NzM4MjA4LjE2MTIzMDU1NzQ.*_ga_Z0184DBP2L*MTY4OTcxMTU1Ni4zNC4wLjE2ODk3MTE1NTYuMC4wLjA)

*I can't come to Milwaukee. Can I watch the convention online?*

Yes. Convention proceedings will be live streamed from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily at [www.lcms.org/convention](http://www.lcms.org/convention)

Results of convention elections will be published at [www.lcms.org/national/elections](http://www.lcms.org/national/elections) as they are available. Status of resolutions presented, and action taken will be updated frequently throughout each day at [www.lcms.org/convention/national/resolutions](http://www.lcms.org/convention/national/resolutions)

*What will be the primary business during the convention?*

Attendees may review the Convention Workbook and the first issue of Today's Business to learn about the issues scheduled to be addressed. They will be available online at [www.lcms.org/convention/national/publications](http://www.lcms.org/convention/national/publications)

The convention agenda can be divided into three parts:

- The first part is the "opportunity for worship, nurture, inspiration, fellowship and the communication of vital information" (Bylaw 3.1.1).
- The second item of business is elections. When the time comes, the Committee for Convention Nominations will present its report, Biographical Synopses and Statements of Nominees, to share the results of the nominations process, including the slates of candidates for the offices and other positions to be filled by elections.
- The third agenda item is for the assembly to consider reports, overtures, and resolutions for action. This material can be found in the Convention Workbook and the first issue Today's Business.

As a reminder our delegates are:

Rev. Caleb Kruse, pastoral delegate, Omaha Circuit

Lord of Life, Elkhorn

Ms. Sandy Frazier, lay delegate, Omaha Circuit

Pacific Hills, Omaha

## Church Events

### SUNDAY, JULY 30

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Worship
- 9:15 am Sunday School (Elementary only)  
Education Hour with Pastor Bryan
- 10:30 am Eucharistic Worship
- 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

### MONDAY, JULY 31

- 7:00 pm Adult Confirmation Class (Rm 115)

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

- 9:00 am Care Ministry Meeting (Rm 114)
- 10:30 am Missions & Social Ministries (Rm 115)

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

- 9:30 am Devotional (Zoom)
- 12:30 pm First Ladies AA Meeting (Rm 114)
- 6:30 pm Wednesday Women's Group  
(Narthex)

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 3

- 6:30 pm Tai Chi (Acker Hall)

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Worship
- 9:15 am Sunday School (Elementary only)  
Education Hour with Pastor Bryan
- 10:30 am Eucharistic Worship
- 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

## PHLC YOUTH GROUP

Pacific Hills is starting a new youth group called "Go Into All the World," and we're having an awesome kick-off event in August! There will be food, friends, a fire pit, and (of course) fun! Middle school and High Schoolers invited!

Got awesome friends that don't go to Pacific Hills? No problem, bring them too! Be there!

Who: Middle and High School Students

Where: The Aulner's House (7749 Davis Circle, 68134)

What: Food, friends, fire pit, fun!

When: Wednesday, August 16th, 6:30 pm

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or text Andrew Aulner (402-657-8952) or Samantha Aulner (402-360-2812) or check out our youth group website at: <https://sites.google.com/mpsomaha.org/go-into-all-the-world?>

## CONFIRMATION PICTURES

If you have not paid for and/or picked up your child's confirmation photos, please do so at your earliest convenience.

## COURTYARD JAZZ

Don't miss the Julie Baker Quartet at our last Courtyard Jazz of the summer on August 20 at 7pm!



## 2023 LCMS NE DISTRICT MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GATHERING



Attention all Middle School Youth. Preparations for the 2023 Nebraska District Middle School Gathering are being made. The theme for the gathering, scheduled for November 4-5 at 1C The Sanctuary in Columbus, is kNow.

To declare your intentions to attend, to register, or for more information, please contact Pastor Drebes at 402-391-9625 or send him an email [bryandrebes@pacifichillslutheran.org](mailto:bryandrebes@pacifichillslutheran.org). REGISTRATION DEADLINE is Friday, September 15th.

## YOUTH CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30TH

Youth Confirmation orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, August 30, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Youth Confirmation classes begin on Wednesday, September 6th at 6:00 pm.

## JULY MISSION OF THE MONTH

The Mission/Social Ministry is focusing our July and August mission offerings for missionaries Jonathan Clausing & Stephen Oliver. We are at 3/4 of our \$4,000 goal. Thank you for your generosity! Help us meet our goal during our final month in August.

We had a wonderful visit with the Stephen Clausing Family July 12th at PHLC. Supporting our missionaries is important and we appreciate your participation. Please remember our missionaries in your prayers!

## BIBLE VERSE of the Week

*"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field..."*

*(Matthew 13:44a)*

## ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES

PHLC website: [www.pacifichillslutheran.org](http://www.pacifichillslutheran.org)

## BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM

Dr. Bob Vandervort and a bible study group are studying the Book of James via ZOOM every Sunday evening from 6:00 — 6:45 pm. Please email him at [rsvod@cox.net](mailto:rsvod@cox.net) or 402-350-0872 for more information.

## NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

New Member Sunday will be September 10, 2023 at the 10:30am service.

## CHALCO HILLS

Thanks to all who attended last week's special service at Chalco Hills. Fifty-five people attended a glorious service in which we received the gifts of the Lord and worshipped and praised His name. We then enjoyed a nice lunch. The weather was great too.

We thank those who made this possible, Bob Glissmann and the Elders, Zach Hastings and Sharon Vacanti, George McCoy, and of course our restaurant, Potbelly Sandwich Shop, that provided the food which arrived on time!



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

AseraCare Hospice needs volunteers in our area to provide support to terminally ill patients and their families. Volunteers can visit, read to the patient, participate in a favorite activity, or simply sit alongside them in their journey.

Volunteers are a vital part of the hospice care mission. They are provided with extensive training and continued support throughout their tenure.

To sign up or find out more about this or other opportunities, please contact Jen Vogt at 402-943-6871 or [jennifer.vogt@amedisys.com](mailto:jennifer.vogt@amedisys.com)