



## The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod Central Illinois District

“IN CHRIST... NEWNESS OF LIFE”  
ROMANS 6:3-4                      2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

**To: Central Illinois District Congregations**

**Date: November 5, 2021**

**RE: 2022 Central Illinois District Convention Information**

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The 60<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Central Illinois District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod and the 9<sup>th</sup> Convention of the CID Church Extension Fund, Inc. will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Springfield, Illinois, on July 17-19, 2022. **Registration** for the convention and business sessions will be held at the Crowne Plaza from **3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>**, and beginning at **7:00 am on Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>**. **Room reservations** will be available after May 1, 2022, at the **Crowne Plaza** and the **Holiday Inn Express** (next door). The Holiday Inn provides a continental breakfast, but the Crowne Plaza does not.

The By-Laws of Synod (4.2.2) state that “**delegates of a voting congregation** to a district convention shall be accredited.” This involves pre-convention registration by both the pastoral delegate and lay delegate with properly signed documentation by 2 congregational officers. At the convention they are to identify themselves to the credentials committee at the registration desk, presenting a form with their name and congregation. Bylaws have changed as to the process of the Synodical Presidential Election and a special document is not required for attendance at the District Convention.

All **nonvoting ordained and commissioned ministers** who are members of the Synod within the district shall serve as **advisory delegates**. They are entitled to voice and vote on a floor committee, if appointed, and to speaking privileges at the convention. All advisory members are expected to attend all sessions of the convention.

**Guests, exhibitors, and others** are welcome to attend, but are also to present themselves to the credentials committee at the registration desk for identification purposes.

Prior to the convention, Convention materials will be made available by email or on the CID website. Other advisory delegates desiring this information may request it from the District Office. **Each individual is responsible for printing their material they need for the convention.** There will be very limited printed copies of convention materials at the registration desk. There will be no electrical outlets available in the convention hall for computers.

We plan to again use **voting keypads**. This should hasten the election process and eliminate much paperwork. Each voting delegate will be assigned a wireless voting keypad. There is a charge of \$395 for any damaged or lost keypad.

**Registration Fees:** Each voting delegate will be assessed a fee of \$135 to cover convention costs and 2 meals on Monday. **Voting delegate registration fee will be subject to an additional \$50 fee for each late registration applying to each delegate beginning June 1, 2022.** *Nonvoting ordained and commissioned ministers* who are actively serving and attending the convention will be assessed a fee of \$40 which does not include meals. If meals are desired add \$80 (\$35 for lunch and \$45 for dinner). For *emeritus ordained and commissioned ministers, guests, and exhibitors* there is no charge for registration, but the \$80 meal charge applies if meals are desired and at least one week notice of your attendance must be given before the convention convenes. Exhibitor space is available for \$50 per table desired. If an electrical connection is desired, an additional \$40 is required. Exhibitors will be assigned tables and a layout will be available so conventioners will know where each exhibitor is located.

**Hotel Information:** Everyone is to make their own reservation with the hotels after May 1st. Room rates which include 1 or 2 persons at the Crowne Plaza is \$119 (does not include breakfast) and at the Holiday Inn Express \$119 (which includes a continental breakfast). When you contact the hotels for reservation, tell them you are with the **Central Illinois District Convention/CID** to receive our special rates. If you have any difficulties, contact the District Office.

**Crowne Plaza**

3000 S. Dirksen Parkway  
Springfield, IL 62703

Room Rate: \$119 - no breakfast provided

Reservation Telephone #: (217) 529-7777

For Front Desk, or, if answering service, press 1 for reservations

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Group Code: mention "Lutheran"

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[Central IL District CID - Crowne Plaza](#)

**Holiday Inn Express**

3050 S. Dirksen Parkway  
Springfield, IL 62703

Room Rate: \$119 - continental breakfast available

Reservation Telephone #: (217) 529-7771

For Front Desk, or, if answering service, press 1 for reservations

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Or On-Line Link:

[Central IL District CID - Holiday Inn](#)

**Directions:** From Interstate 55 take Exit #94 (Stevenson Drive) and travel west to Dirksen Parkway. Turn right (north) and travel a short distance to the hotels located on your right (East).

**Schedule:** The convention will start with an opening communion service on Sunday, July 17th, at 7:00 pm. Monday morning, July 18th, the sessions begin at 8:00 am and will continue until 9:30 pm. The only scheduled breaks are for lunch and dinner. **Bathroom and coffee breaks are on your own.** It is not good stewardship to have everyone heading to those areas at the same time. Our meals will be next door to our convention meeting area. Tuesday, July 19th, the sessions again begin at 8:00 am and continue until 12 noon, if necessary. You will be on your own for Tuesday lunch.

**Seating:** There will be sufficient seating for all delegates in the delegate section. All voting delegates are asked to sit in the designated area. Advisory members and guests will sit in the areas to either side of the Voting Delegates.

**Electing Circuit Visitors** (By-law 5.2.2)

1. It shall be done at a Circuit Forum attended by 1 lay person & 1 pastor from each congregation (Forums should be held before March 10, 2022).
2. Election shall be by written ballot.

3. Eligible – All pastors serving congregations in the circuit and any emeriti pastors in the circuit.
4. Process to follow:
  - A. Information provided on each pastor who is nominated,
  - B. Each voter shall vote for 2 pastors on the initial ballot,
  - C. The 3 Pastors with highest votes are placed on next ballot,
  - D. Each voter shall now vote for 1 pastor,
  - E. Voting continues until 1 has majority of votes cast,
5. Immediately after election, the current Circuit Visitor reports the election in writing to the District Secretary, Rev. James Stuenkel, 2659 WINDFALL DR, SHERMAN, IL, 62684-9548, or e-mail [revstuenkel@gmail.com](mailto:revstuenkel@gmail.com).
6. The July CID Convention will ratify the election.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**60<sup>th</sup> Regular Convention  
Central Illinois District  
Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod  
July 17-19, 2022  
Crowne Plaza  
Springfield, Illinois**

**December 31, 2021** – all non-praesidium nominations must be in (postmarked) by this deadline to be considered for placement on the ballot at the convention.

**January 1, 2022** – anytime after the New Year and before March 10<sup>th</sup>, once you have chosen your lay delegate, please send that name into the District Office [cid@cidlcms.org](mailto:cid@cidlcms.org) so that we will have a pool from which to select floor committee members.

**March 8, 2022** – **Registration and payment** of lay and pastoral delegates from each congregation are due. After June 1<sup>st</sup> late registration will be \$185 per delegate.

**March 10, 2022 – Circuit Forums** should have met by this time to elect Circuit Visitors for the next Triennium. Circuit Forums (other appropriate and official venues for overtures include Voters Assemblies, the District Board of Directors, a District Board or Commission, and official Pastors Conferences), may also consider overtures to be submitted for the Convention Workbook.

**March 15, 2022**

**Overtures** are to be submitted to the District Office for floor committee consideration.

**Reports for the Convention Workbook** from Officers and Commissions are to be received at the District Office:

Central Illinois District LC-MS

1850 N. Grand Ave. W.

Springfield, IL 62702-1626

*Overtures and Reports may be submitted electronically - cid@cidlcms.org.*

**May 21, 2022 – Convention Floor Committee[s]** meet at the CID Office in Springfield, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

**May 22, 2022 – Congregational Nominations for District President** *[Official Nomination Ballots will be sent to the congregations by the District Secretary]* **are due at the District Office** *(must be postmarked by this date).*

**June 1, 2022** – Convention materials shall be made available to lay and pastoral delegates by email. Also, to be made available on the District Website – [www.cidlcms.org](http://www.cidlcms.org)