

THE 62nd ANNUAL CONFERENCE
of the
ASSOCIATION OF
FREE LUTHERAN CONGREGATIONS
June 12th - 15th, 2024

Host Site – Free Lutheran Bible College and Seminary Campus
Plymouth, MN

“His Word Does Not Return Empty” Isaiah 55:11
(2024 Committee order for conference business committees #1, #5, #2, #3, #4)

All business sessions & evening services will be held in the
Student Life Center.

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 12TH, 2024

9:00 a.m. | Committee Meetings & WMF Day

- The conference committees meet for devotions, instructions, and room assignments.

NOON | Lunch & WMF Lunch

- WMF Day and Committee meetings continue after lunch.
- WMF lunch (Heritage Hall Cafeteria, roped section)
- Committee/Conference lunch (Heritage Hall Cafeteria)

7:00 p.m. | Conference Opening & Ordination Service (Student Life Center)

- Rev. Dr. James Molstre, Speaker

- AFLC President Micah Hjermstad will open the 2024 Annual Conference.

- AFLC President Micah Hjermstad will appoint necessary committees for conference business.

- Dessert reception in honor of Rev. Robert L. Lee

THURSDAY - JUNE 13TH, 2024

7:30 a.m. | WMF Breakfast (Heritage Hall Cafeteria)

8:45 a.m. | Conference Devotions (Student Life Center)

9:00 a.m. | Session One (Student Life Center)

- **Credentials Committee Report**
- Adoption of the Conference Agenda
- Adoption of the 2023 Conference Report

- **Selection of Nominees for Corporation Positions (Home Missions, World Missions, Schools, ARC)**

- **Nominations to Committees for Corporation Meetings**

Selection of Nominees to Committees for Corporation meetings:

<i>Board of Trustees</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>1 Lay Member</i>
<i>Board of Trustees</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>1 Pastor</i>
<i>World Missions</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>2 Lay Members</i>
<i>World Missions</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>1 Pastors</i>
<i>Home Missions</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>2 Lay Members</i>
<i>Home Missions</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>2 Pastor</i>
<i>FLAPS</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>1 Pastor</i>
<i>Bay Broadcasting</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>1 Lay Member</i>
<i>ARC Board</i>	<i>(1)</i>	<i>1 Lay Member</i>

- **AFLC President's Report** - Rev. Micah Hjermstad, Plymouth, MN

10:25 a.m. | Break(Coffee and refreshments served in SLC atrium)

10:50 a.m. | Session One, Continued (Student Life Center)

Reports of AFLC Ministries (Com #1) General (6 minutes each)

Co-ordinating Com. Chairman – Mr. David Olson, Sioux Falls, SD
AFLC Director of Development – Rev. Tonnes Pollestad, Andover, MN
AFLC Foundation Chairman – Rev. Michael Brandt, Sioux Falls, SD
Director of Police & Fire Chaplaincy – Rev. Jon Benson, Newark, IL (3 min)
Director of Military Chaplaincy – Col. John Eidsmoe, Pike Road, AL (3 min)
Pastoral & Congregational Care Team - Rev. Jerry Nelson, La Crosse, WI
Director of the ARC – Mr. Kirk Rautio, Osceola, WI
Director of Business Management – Mrs. Katie Johnson, Plymouth, MN
Family Bible Camp Treasurers (3 minutes each)
 Lake Bronson
 Wilderness Camp
 Bethany Family Camp
Budget Analysis Committee – Mrs. Danielle Joyce, Anoka, MN (or other rep)

11:40 a.m. | Prayer Time (Student Life Center)

NOON | Lunch, Chaplains' Lunch

- Chaplains' lunch (Chapel Basement)
- Conference lunch (Heritage Hall Cafeteria)

1:15 p.m. | Department Electives

- **1:15 to 2:00 Electives (2 options)**

Home Missions (Student Life Center)
Youth Ministries (Chapel Sanctuary)

- **2:15 to 3:00 Electives (2 options)**

Association Retreat Center (Chapel Sanctuary)
World Missions (Student Life Center)

3:00 p.m. | Break (Coffee and refreshments served in SLC atrium)

3:15 p.m. | Interview with Rev. Robert L. Lee (Student Life Center)

3:45 p.m. | Session Two (Student Life Center)

Reports of AFLC Ministries – Missions (Com #5)

AFLC Evangelism & Discipleship Chair – Mr. Micah Johnson, Maple Grove, MN
Director of Evangelism – Rev. Randy Nelson, Brooklyn Park, MN
Benefits Board Chairman – Rev. Ron Smith, Brookings, SD

Reports of AFLC Ministries – AFLC Schools (Com #2)

FLBCS Report – Rev. Dr. Wade Mobley, Rev. Dr. James Molstre,
Rev. Adam Osier, & Mr. Phil Johnson

Reports of AFLC Ministries – Missions (Com #3)

World Missions Com. Chair – Rev. Dr. Craig Johnson, Ferndale, WA
World Missions Director – Rev. Dr. Earl Korhonen, Plymouth, MN
WMF President – Mrs. Lavonne West, Columbia Falls, MT

5:00 p.m. | Dinner

- Food Trucks on campus

7:00 p.m. | Missions Festival Service (Student Life Center)

- Rev. Jeff Swanson, speaker

- Dessert reception in honor of Jore Family

FRIDAY - JUNE 14TH, 2024

7:30 a.m. | FLAPS Breakfast (Heritage Hall Cafeteria)

8:45 a.m. | Devotions (Student Life Center)

9:00 a.m. | Session Three (Student Life Center)

- Election of AFLC Vice President & AFLC Secretary

Reports of AFLC Ministries – Missions (Com #3) Cont.

Home Missions Com. Chair – Mr. Dana Hagen, Sioux Falls, SD
Home Missions Director – Rev. Andy Coyle, Rapid City, SD
FLAPS Executive Director – Dr. Kevin Lee, Beulah, ND

Reports of AFLC Ministries – Publications, Parish Edu & Youth (Com #4)

Publications & Parish Edu Chair – Rev. Dennis Norby, Valley City, ND
Publications & Parish Edu Director – Mrs. Marian Christopherson, McVie, ND
Youth Board Chair – Rev. Ryan Tonneson, Moorhead, MN
Free Lutheran Youth President – Rev. Ryan Patenaude, Kindred, ND
Youth Ministry Director – Mr. Adam McCarlson, Plymouth, MN

- Committee #1 Resolutions & Elections

Report of Nominating Committee

Selection of Nominees to the Co-ordinating Committee

Election of Committee #1 for the next Conference (5 names, majority lay)

10:25 a.m. | Break (Coffee and refreshments served in SLC atrium)

10:50 a.m. | Session Three (Continued) (Student Life Center)

- **Election Procedures**
- **Election of Nominating Committee**
16 districts, 2 representatives from each

- **Committee #1 Resolutions & Elections (Continued)**

11:40 a.m. | Prayer Time (Student Life Center)

NOON | Lunch, Leader's Training Program Lunch

- Leader's Training Program Lunch (Plymouth Davanni's)
- Conference lunch (Heritage Hall Cafeteria)

1:15 p.m. | Corporation Meetings & Lecture Series

- **Meetings of the ARC Corporation, Home Mission Corporation, World Mission Corporation, & Schools Corporation held**
ARC Corporation (Chapel Room 104)
Home Mission Corporation (Heritage Hall Room 202)
World Mission Corporation (Chapel Sanctuary)
Schools Corporation (Student Life Center Classroom)

- **1:15 to 2:00 | Lecture Series, Part One (Student Life Center)**

- **2:15 to 3:00 | Lecture Series, Part Two (Student Life Center)**

3:00 p.m. | Break (Coffee and refreshments served in SLC atrium)

3:25 p.m. | Worship & Devotions (Student Life Center)

3:45 p.m. | Session Four (Student Life Center)

- **Committee #5 Resolutions & Elections**
Report of Nominating Committee
Selection of Nominees to
Evangelism & Discipleship Board
Board of Benefits
Election of Committee #5 for next Conference (5 names, majority lay)

- **Committee #2 Resolutions & Elections**
Report of Nominating Committee
(Nominees previously given to Corporation for Board of Trustees)
Election of Committee #2 for the next Conference (5 names, majority lay)

5:00 p.m. | Dinner, Pastor & Wives Banquet

- Conference dinner (Student Life Center atrium)
- Pastor & Wives Banquet (Heritage Hall Cafeteria)

7:00 p.m. | Communion Service (Student Life Center)

- Mr. Douglas Hertlein, Speaker

- Dessert reception for the 60th anniversary of the Free Lutheran Seminary

SATURDAY - JUNE 15TH, 2024

8:45 a.m. | Devotions (Student Life Center)

9:00 a.m. | Session Five (Student Life Center)

- Committee #3 Resolutions & Elections

Report of Nominating Committee

(Nominees previously given to Corporations for World Missions, Home Missions, & FLAPS Board)

Election of Committee #3 for the next Conference (5 names, majority lay)

- Committee #4 Resolutions & Elections

Report of Nominating Committee

Selection of Nominees to

Board of Publications & Parish Education

Youth Board

Election of Committee #4 for next Conference (5 names, majority lay)

10:25 a.m. | Break (Coffee and refreshments served in SLC atrium)

10:50 a.m. | Session Five (Continued) (Student Life Center)

- Committee #4 Resolutions & Elections Continued

- Election of Special Committees

Colloquy Committee for next Conference (5 Pastors)

Budget Analysis Committee

11:40 a.m. | Prayer Time (Student Life Center)

NOON | Lunch, FLBC Alumni Lunch

- Alumni lunch (Chapel Room 104)

- Conference lunch (Heritage Hall Cafeteria)

1:15 p.m. | Department Electives

- 1:15 to 2:00 Electives

Free Lutheran Bible College and Seminary (Student Life Center)

Publications & Parish Education (Chapel Sanctuary)

- 2:15 to 3:00 Electives

AFLC Evangelism & Discipleship (Student Life Center)

Coordinating Committee (Chapel Sanctuary)

3:00 p.m. | Break (Coffee and refreshments served in SLC atrium)

3:25 p.m. | Worship & Devotions (Student Life Center)

3:45 p.m. | Session Six (Student Life Center)

- **Reports of Corporation Annual Meetings**
- **Committee #1 General Resolutions**
- **Remaining Conference Business**

2024

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

AFLC President, Rev. Micah Hjermstad

AFLC Secretary, Rev. Brett Boe

Head Teller:

Rev. Jon Benson, Newark, IL

Local Host Coordinators:

Free Lutheran Bible College and Seminary

CHILDCARE (NURSERY) GENERAL INFORMATION

A staffed nursery is available for children of families attending the AFLC Annual Conference.

Ages: Birth up to age three.

Location: Childcare will be located in the nursery on the bottom level of the chapel building.

Staff: We are thankful to have many great volunteers to care for your children. Wendy Greven is the nursery director. Please contact Wendy with any questions or concerns at (623) 249-0064

Hours: Childcare will run the same hours as the morning and afternoon general conference sessions, including WMF Day. During the evening services, the nursery will not be staffed but will be open and available for parents to use.

Drop-off Times: Children may be dropped off at the nursery beginning at 8:30am. Volunteers will be present to check in your child. After lunch, your child may return to the nursery no earlier than 1pm.

Snack: A nut-free snack will be offered to your child during the morning and afternoon childcare hours. These snacks may contain gluten and/or dairy. Please let us know at check-in if you prefer your child not be offered a snack.

Lunch: The noon meal is not provided at childcare. Please pick up your children between 11:45 and 1:55 so they can eat with your family.

Please pick up your children between 4:30 and 5:00pm from the bottom level of the chapel building.

MOTHER'S ROOM

The Sverdrup Coffeehouse is available as a mother's room throughout the week for mothers needing a quiet space. The Sverdrup Coffeehouse is located on the bottom level of the chapel building. It is located by the chapel kitchen where a fridge and freezer is available for use.

VBS GENERAL INFORMATION

Ages: All children ages 4 through those entering sixth grade in the fall are welcome to attend VBS.

Location: VBS is located throughout Heritage Hall. Registration will be on the second floor of Heritage Hall.

Staff: Heather Olson is the VBS Coordinator. Questions and concerns can be directed to her by phone at (503) 440-5733. She will be on-site each day of the conference. We are thankful to have two FLBC summer teams leading the VBS classes, crafts, and activity times. We are also very thankful to have many great volunteers supporting your child's Christ-centered learning environment this week.

Hours: VBS hours are in line with the morning and afternoon general conference sessions, including the session hours of WMF Day. VBS will not run during the evening services.

Drop-off Times: VBS-age children may be dropped off beginning at 8:30am in the upper level of Heritage Hall. Volunteers and FLBC summer team members will be present to welcome your child. After lunch, children may be dropped off beginning at 1pm.

Snack: a nut-free snack will be offered to your child during the morning and afternoon VBS hours. These snacks may contain gluten and/or dairy. Please notify us at check-in if you prefer your child not be offered a snack.

Lunch: The noon meal is not provided at VBS please pick up your child between 11:45 and 11:55 so they can eat with your family.

Afternoon Pick-up: Please pick up your children between 4:30 and 5:00pm on the second floor of Heritage Hall.

All childcare volunteers have undergone background checks.

We are very grateful for the VBS teams, volunteers, coordinators, and everyone involved in providing childcare and our VBS program. To allow them a break and to enjoy their noon meal before the afternoon session, we ask that you please promptly pick up your children at the listed times.
Thank you!

CHILDCARE DURING PASTORS AND WIVES BANQUET

Childcare will be available for children from birth through VBS age during the Pastors and Wives Banquet on Friday evening in the lower level of the chapel building.

Drop-off Time: Please drop-off your child no earlier than 4:45.

Evening Meal: Those participating in the boxed meal option that pre-registered may bring the meal to the chapel with their child to drop-off.

Pick-up Time: Please pick-up your child by 6:45 to provide adequate time to get to the evening service.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE YOOUTH SCHEDULE

Wednesday

- 8:30 a.m. Gathering Time Activity - Chapel
- 9:00 - 11:45 a.m. Workshops, Music with the FLBC Ambassadors, Snacks, Games, Prayer Time
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch (with your family)
- 1:00 p.m. Load Bus for Afternoon Activity: French Park in Plymouth, MN
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner (with your family)

Thursday

- 8:30 a.m. Gathering Time Activity - Chapel
- 9:00 - 11:45 a.m. Workshops, Music with the FLBC Ambassadors, Snacks, Games, Prayer Time
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch (with your family)
- 1:00 p.m. Load Bus for Afternoon Activity: Sky Zone in Maple Grove, MN
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner (with your family)

Friday

- 8:30 a.m. Gathering Time Activity - Chapel
- 9:00 - 11:45 a.m. Workshops, Music with the FLBC Ambassadors, Snacks, Games, Prayer Time
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch (with your family)
- 1:00 p.m. Load Bus for Afternoon Activity: Bowling in New Hope, MN
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner (with your family)

Saturday

- 8:30 a.m. Gathering Time Activity - Chapel
- 9:00 - 11:45 a.m. Workshops, Music with the FLBC Ambassadors, Snacks, Games, Prayer Time
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch (with your family)
- 1:00 p.m. Afternoon Activity: On-campus sports and games
- 5:30 p.m. Conference concludes