





To mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.

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EXTRA! EXTRA!

READ ALL ABOUT IT

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR THE

UPCOMING CONVENTION

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October 18, 2017	Reformation Commemoration, Lutheran Church of Our Savior, S.B. 7pm
October 28, 2017	Our Redeemer, Garden Grove: Reformation 500 Organ Concert 4pm
October 29, 2017	Calvary Presbyterian, Riverside: Reformation 500 Choir Concert 3pm
October 31, 2017	Faith Lutheran, Menifee "Katie Luther, First Lady of the Reformation" Time: 10am (see flyer inside issue)
November 3-4, 2017	Pacifica Women of the ELCA Annual Convention Location: Calvary Lutheran, Solana Beach
March 3, 2018 May 18-19, 2018	Pacifica SWO Spring Event Location: Gloria Dei, Dana Point Pacifica Synod Assembly
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The deadline submit articles for the Pacifica Partners is..

November 5, 2017

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Our Purpose Statement

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

Love Fully ^{*} Live Fully

Convention 2017 "Fully Fact" ... **SOLANA BEACH, HERE WE COME!**... Did you know that our convention site – Calvary Lutheran Church – is just a hop, skip and a jump to the beach? Woohoo! Plan to come down early on Friday, take a stroll on the beach, and find some lunch before heading to the church. **AND**... a shuttle van and car pools will be available on Friday night from Calvary Lutheran to the suggested hotel, the Grand Pacific Palisades, for those who are uncomfortable driving after dark.

President's Corner

October 2017



LIVE FULLY is the theme and 1 Corinthians 16:14 is

the theme verse for our convention November 3-4, 2017 at Calvary Lutheran in Solana Beach. There are some new developments and plans about which to get excited!

In our synod we have at least five congregations that have a Spanish speaking service. Three of these are in San Diego county. Last year we had a few women come from the Clairemont unit. They asked about the possibility of having materials and/or a Bible study in Spanish. Laura Ortiz is a new board member and a planning team member from St Mark's in Chula Vista where there is also a Spanish speaking congregation. So she asked Alicia Saenz if she would be willing to do a Bible study in Spanish.

Next Pastor Karla and Pastor Meghan got together and talked about their portion from Friday evening devotional through the closing worship. They have some great ideas. They also saw the Spanish Bible study and have spoken with Alicia and are going to make most of all their time bi-lingual. So we will hear Pastor Karla and Alicia do the Bible study together. Some of us are more accustomed to this now but this will be new to others. And I know you are going to come away spiritually blessed and refreshed by these three women and our time together with them and each other.

So we are hoping to get the word out to at least the San Diego Spanish congregations. Most likely these participants will come on Saturday only. Be sure to welcome them!!

Remember we will receive unit praise offerings on Friday evening during the business session. And then we will have individual offering during the closing worship on Saturday afternoon. The offerings will be split -50% to churchwide, 25% to our Pacifica Women budget, 15% to ELCA Disaster Response, and 10% to ELCA Fund for Leaders.

We have four service projects to work on Friday afternoon and they will be available Saturday as well for those who do not wish to attend the business sessions. We will have Bag Deco for decorating gift bags for the school supplies that will go to Hearts Across Borders. We will also write and decorate Love Notes for those supplies. Tying blankets has become one we do often but they also will be welcome gifts for Hearts Across Borders. Thrivent is supporting the purchase of supplies for these projects. And a novel new project is making some Pinatas for Las Posadas that happen around Christmas time. As usual you may pick and choose or spend a little time at each!

Our churchwide board meets in October – so pray for them. It will be Becky Shurson's first time as vice president. Keala Simoes will not be attending this one as her son is getting married. But there will be several other new members including our new president, Lisa Plorin. And of course all are traveling from all across the country to Chicago.

Anew in Christ!

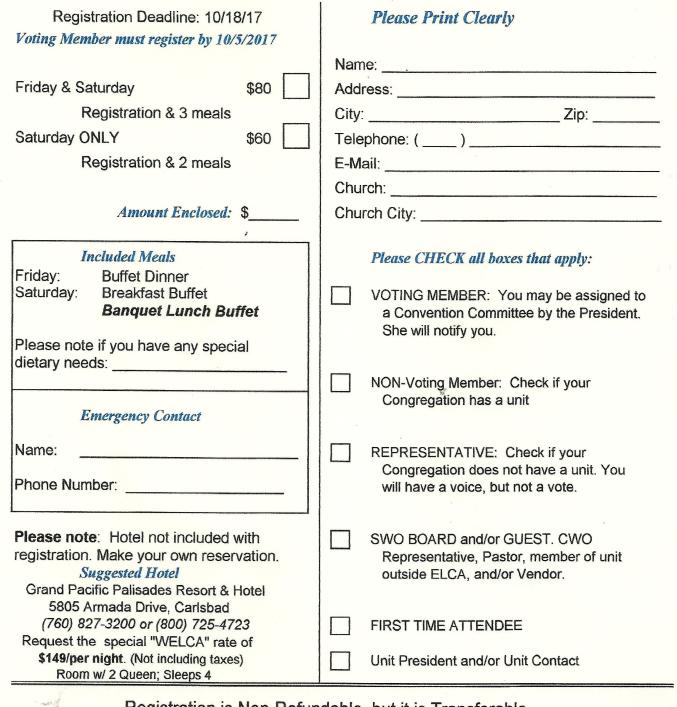
President Eunice Hanson



Registration

Pacifica Women of the ELCA Convention & Gathering

November 3 & 4, 2017



Registration is Non-Refundable, but it is Transferable

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Convention News

October 2017

		?? Did you know that you have the power to change things??
	Love Fully T Live Fully Convention Schedule	Is there an issue or concern dear to the hearts of the women in your con- gregational unit – something you discuss at Circle Bible study, the Sunday coffee hour, or Board meetings? Act now! Create a resolution and bring it to convention this year!
2:00 p.m.	Convention Registration Opens	Resolutions are easy to put together Step 1 fear not!
2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	Early Bird Servant Events Bag Deco / Las Posadas / Love Notes / Blankets Dinner Devotional Service with Bishop Andy Taylor	Step 2 Create the "Whereas" section. Put into words the reasons for wanting to effect change or take action.Step 3 Create the "Be it resolved" section - Identify action item(s).
7:45 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	Opening of Convention / Business Meeting #1 Announcements and Evening Devotion	Here's a sample a silly one, but you get the idea: Resolution to Provide Chocolate at Conventions
	available throughout the convention to shuttle guests to/from the hotel.	Whereas many women love chocolate, and Whereas chocolate has proved beneficial to women in a variety
8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m	Breakfast Bi-Lingual Bible Study - Rev. Karla Halvorson & Rev. Alicia Saenz Music/Stretch Break Report from Churchwide - Patti Austin	of ways, and Whereas chocolate is tasty and affordable; Therefore be it resolved that chocolate be in ample supply for attendees at this and future conventions.
10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Noon 1:00 p.m.	Music/Stretch Break KEYNOTE SPEAKER - Rev. Meghan Aelabouni Banquet Lunch with Entertainment Servant Events/Activities	Submitted by: Faith Lutheran Women of the ELCA, Your City 06/01/2016
1:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Business Meeting #2 Closing Worship & Offering Closing of Convention	Step 4 mail your signed and dated resolution to the Chair of the Committee on Reference and Counsel. (Her name will be publicized in future <i>Pacifica Partners</i> .)
	Give Thanks to the Lord,	Resolutions to provide scholarship money to female seminarians, to re- duce the amount of paper we use at our conventions, the frequency of our conventions, are just a few examples of what happens when women are moved to take action.
	Give Thanks to the Lord, for He is good. Pratm 107.1	??Need help with your resolution?? No worries! Just give me a call and we'll work through it together!

Blessings in Christ... Joanne McGavran (951-246-7920).



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Events Around the Synod

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bring "kits" with small items, such as: Pencils, pens, markers, crayons colored pencils, sharpeners mini calculators, staplers, erasers glue sticks, spiral notebooks, backpacks Convention Reminder

Silent Auction Basket REMINDER

We are asking all churches (as in the past), to provide a basket or item for the silent auction to help support our three scholarship funds

(Convention, Seminarian & Triennial)

Be sure to identify the basket & the cost. We are trying something different this year #Very Excited!

(Silent Auction worksheet next page & available on site)

Pacifica Women of the ELCA Silent Auction



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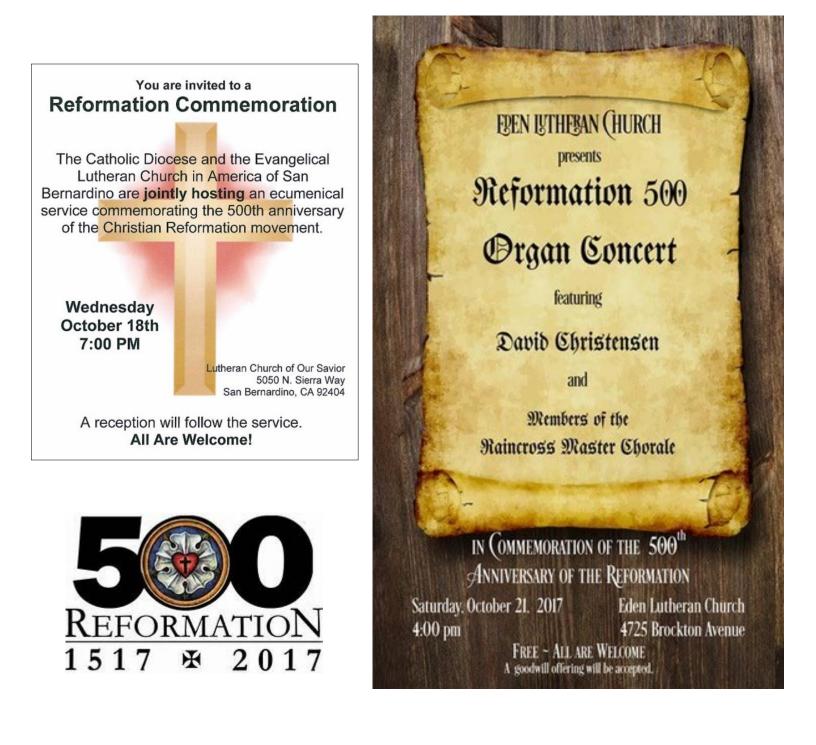
Name Email or Church Phone Number Bid Amount 1. \$ 2. 3. 4. S. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. **Guaranteed Purchase** Name Address Phone Number **Bid Amount** \$_

News and Activities

October 2017

"Freed and Renewed in Christ" is the theme used by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's (ELCA) churchwide organization in its observance of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation that began with the 95 theses that Martin Luther first made public on Oct. 31, 1517. "500 Years of God's Grace in Action" is a tagline that has been incorporated with the theme into a single graphic representation.

In "The Freedom of a Christian" (1520) Martin Luther famously wrote "A Christian is lord of all, completely free of everything; a Christian is a servant, completely attentive to the needs of all." The ELCA's theme expresses this message of the Christian faith's freedom and a renewed life of service to others in Jesus Christ.



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In Celebration of this year's 500th Anniversary of the Reformation Faith Lutheran Church cordially invites you to experience . . .

"Katie Luther, First Lady of the Reformation"



Portrayed by Rev. Gwen Ehrenborg

Katherine Von Bora, the wife of the great reformer Martin Luther, will share the story of how a lowly monk challenged the mightiest power on earth in his day with the posting of 95 theses for debate. Dr. Luther's Scriptural insights and his almost single-handedly placing the Bible in the hands of the common people for the first time in their everyday speech, resulted in the transformation of the Christian Church, which continues to this day.

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Be our guest for lunch immediately following 28200 Portsmouth Dr., Menifee, CA 92586 For more information call Dee Seel 951-672-0969



Reformation 500 Choir Concert

Sunday, October 29, 2017 3:00 pm

Calvary Presbyterian Church 4495 Magnolia Avenue Riverside, CA 92501

Free Admission

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed his "95 Theses" to a church door in Wittenberg, Germany. That invitation to debate sparked a movement to reform and renew the Church. To commemorate the 500th anniversary of that event, this special free concert will feature choirs from several local churches singing songs of faith. At the end of the concert, the choirs will join together to sing a festive arrangement of "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." Proclaiming the message of the gospel through song is central to Christian worship. This concert will be a fitting way to celebrate our unity in Christ. To God be the glory! For more information, call Trinity Lutheran Church: (951) 682-1350.

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