## 63<sup>rd</sup> Convention of the Texas District – LCMS



## Minutes of June 7, 2025

## Hosted by Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Nassau Bay, TX.

The 63<sup>rd</sup> Convention of the Texas District of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod took place June 5-7, 2025 at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Houston TX.

<u>General Business Session of June 7, 2025:</u> President Newman greeted the assembly of the convention beginning at 8:30 AM. Pastor Dan Schepmann was invited forward to offer an opening prayer for the day.

<u>Minutes Review Committee and Registration Report #4:</u> Secretary Brian Hesse reported that the previous day's minutes have been reviewed by the Minutes Review Committee and found to be in order. The minutes are made available via the Convention District website.

Rev. Larry Krueger was called to the podium for the attendance report. President Newman asked that the assembly recognize Larry's birthday today. The convention joined in singing "Happy Birthday" to Larry. Rev. Larry Krueger provided the following Convention Registration Report.

REPORT DATE: 6/7/2025	REPORT TIME: 8:30 AM
VOTING DELEGATES	Clergy: 194
	Lay: 192
	TOTAL VOTING: 386
NON-VOTING DELEGATES	Advisory, Ordained: 46
	Advisory, Commissioned: 23
	TOTAL NON-VOTING: 69
GUESTS	Guests, Visitors, Exhibitors:
	TOTAL GUESTS: 224
TOTAL TOD CONVENTION:	TOTAL CZO
TOTAL FOR CONVENTION	TOTAL: 679

**Synod Report:** Synod President, Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison, was welcomed by the Assembly to the podium. President Newmann offered a prayer of blessing for President Harrison. President Harrison shared a video on the work of the

Synod. The President offered his report. President Mike Newman offered President Harrison a gift from the Texas District of Texas District custom engraved cigars.

<u>Video Summary and Closing Prayer:</u> A convention wrap-up video was shared. Rev. Dan Schepmann was welcomed to the podium to offer the closing prayer; he deferred that prayer to President Newman. President Newman then officially closed the 63<sup>rd</sup> Convention of the Texas District with the gaveled blessing in the name of the Father, and of Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

<u>Closing Worship and Memorial Service:</u> The closing worship service was a memorial service to commemorate the faithful departed professional church workers of the last quadrennium. This service was led by the pastors of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and President Michael Newmann with First Vice President John Davis assisting.