

# Southern Ohio Synod Assembly

June 5-6, 2015

Capital University - Capital Center 2360 East Mound Street Columbus, Ohio 43209

You and the entire Southern Ohio Synod are invited to participate in our Annual Synod Assembly, being held June 5-6, 2015 in Columbus, Ohio.

It's time to come together as one body and celebrate, worship, share, and take care of synod business. The Synod Business will be carried out over both days of the Assembly this year. Discussion groups and learning sessions will be incorporated into our time together.

Our theme for the Assembly is **Baptism**. Our focus scripture is Ephesians 4:1-6. We will hear from Kevin Strickland, from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, regarding opportunities, blessings, and ongoing work God has placed before us. The Assembly Keynote speaker and Bible study leader is the Rev. Walter Taylor, Jr. of Trinity Lutheran Seminary. We will hear from our Synod Bishop about the exciting things that God is doing in our mission territory. Prepare to be inspired by the creativity and sensitivity to expanding the Kingdom on Earth. Stories of strength and courage from dedicated congregations will encourage the faith of all attendees.

Below is an overview of what Assembly attendees can expect during the Assembly.

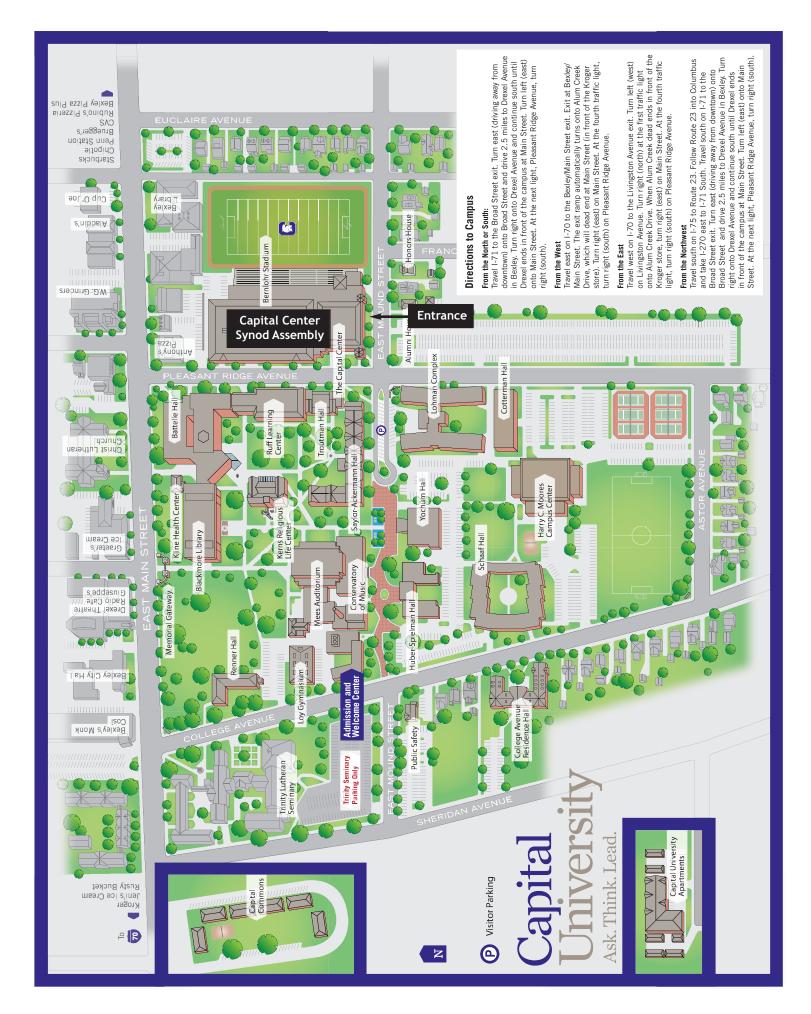
- A Synod-wide worship team will lead a special worship service on Friday, June 5th, beginning at 6 pm. The service will be held at Gloria Dei Worship Center, Trinity Lutheran Seminary.
- Assembly plenary sessions, including elections, Bible study, and Assembly business will be held in the Capital Center Arena. Meetings will begin promptly June 5th at 10 am and June 6th at 9 am. All are welcome to attend, voting and non-voting members!
- The Display and Vendor area will be extensive and convenient to the Assembly food and beverage area in the Capital Center Field House. The Display and Vendor area will feature businesses specializing in products and services for congregations. Synod affiliates, partners and synodical task forces will be joining us to describe their projects and ministries.
- Lunches will be served in the Capital Center Field House adjacent to the Display and Vendor area. Lunches are included in the Assembly registration fee.

We look forward to seeing you all at the 2015 Synod Assembly! Please spread the word and invite someone you know to come along!

Blessings,

The Synod Assembly Planning Team





# Synod Assembly 2015 Schedule of Events

#### 8 am - Registration begins

9 am - 9:30 am: Robert's Rules of Order Tutorial Capital Center (2nd Floor Classroom)

For new voting members and anyone interested in better understanding parliamentary procedure for Assembly.

### Synod Assembly Plenary Session 1 Friday, June 5, 2015 10 am to noon

Capital Center Arena Capital University

#### Lunch

Friday, June 5, 2015 12:15 to 1:30 pm Capital Center Field House Capital University

Synod Assembly Plenary Session 2 Friday, June 5, 2015 1:30 to 5 pm Capital Center Arena Capital University

Synod-wide Worship Service Friday, June 5, 2015 6 pm Gloria Dei Chapel Trinity Lutheran Seminary Synod Assembly Plenary Session 3 Saturday, June 6, 2015 9 am to noon Capital Center Arena Capital University

#### Lunch

Saturday, June 6, 2015 12:15 to 1 pm Capital Center Field House Capital University

Synod Assembly Plenary Session 4 Saturday, June 6, 2015 1:15 to 4 pm Capital Center Arena Capital University

## Registration Deadline is May 20, 2015

A detailed agenda will be available on the Synod Assembly website and Assembly materials closer to the event.

# **On-Campus and Off-Campus Housing**

### **On-Campus Housing**

Housing is available at Capital University in Cotterman Hall. The rate for a single room is \$65 per night. The rate for a double room is \$50 per person per night. Prices include linens.

### **Off-Campus Housing**

Because the Rostered Leaders Event will be held at a time other than the Assembly, we have not reserved local hotel space in Columbus.

The following hotels are approximately 2.5 miles from the Capital Center and University:

Homewood Suites by Hilton 2880 Airport Dr., Columbus, OH 43219 (614) 428-8800

Courtyard Columbus Airport 2901 Airport Dr., Columbus, OH 43219 (614) 475-8530

Embassy Suites Columbus Airport 2886 Airport Dr., Columbus, OH 43219 (614) 428-8800

Country Inn and Suites Columbus Airport 2900 Airport Dr., Columbus, OH 43219 (614) 478-2900

### **Columbus Attractions**

Synod Assembly could become a mini-vacation in the greater Columbus area. Many fine attractions from museums to musical, sports, and outdoors are available.

Below is a short list of attractions for you and your family to consider:

COSI (Center of Science and Industry) 333 W. Broad St. Columbus, OH 43215 614-228-2674

Columbus Historical Society 333 W. Broad St. Columbus, OH 43215 614-224-0822

Columbus Museum of Art 480 E. Broad St. Columbus, OH 43215 614-221-6801

Columbus Zoo and Aquarium 4850 W. Powell Rd. Powell, OH 43065 614-645-3550

Columbus is home to the Columbus Clipper Baseball and Columbus Crew Soccer teams. Check their websites for game/match schedules.

# Synod Assembly 2015 Registration

#### My name and contact information are:

(Please complete one registration form for each person attending. Please print clearly.)

Prefix Name	
Mailing Address	
Email Address	
Daytime Telephone Number	
I am a member/employee of (Write congregation/agency below. Include congregation city.)	
Congregation/Agency	
City	

I would like to register for the following: (Check all that apply. At least one must be selected.)

	Advance registration	On- site
Synod Assembly as a Clergy Voting Member (Ordained Rostered Leader with Call or serving as Interim or Supply Pastor)	\$200.00	\$230.00
Synod Assembly as a Lay Voting Member (Lay Rostered Leader with Call or Lay Person)	\$200.00	\$230.00
Synod Assembly as a Non-Voting Member (Retired Clergy*, Retired Lay Rostered Leaders, Clergy On Leave from Call*, Lay Rostered Leaders on Leave from Call, Visitors)	\$200.00	\$230.00
June 4 Campus Housing Single Occupancy per night, including linens	\$65.00	N/A
June 4 Campus Housing Double Occupancy per person per night, including linens Roommate	\$50.00	N/A
June 5 Campus Housing Single Occupancy per night, including linens	\$65.00	N/A
June 5 Campus Housing Double Occupancy per person per night, including linens Roommate	\$50.00	N/A
Total	\$	

<sup>\*</sup> Retired Clergy and Clergy on Leave from Call may request voting privileges by sending a letter or email to Bishop Dillahunt, no later than May 1, 2015.

# Synod Assembly 2015 Registration Continued

#### Party Responsible for Payment:

(Place "X" After Applicable Choice)

Congregation/Agency \_\_\_\_\_ Self \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Payment Information:**

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Check is being mailed to Southern Ohio Synod, 300 S. 2nd Street, Columbus, OH 43215 by responsible party indicated above.

Cancellation policy: If you cancel your registration by May 22, 2015, your paid fees will be returned to you minus a \$10.00 processing fee. Refunds will be issued after Synod Assembly and mailed to the address indicated on the registration form.

Please mail checks to: Southern Ohio Synod Attn: Susan Barton-Nonno 300 S. 2nd Street Columbus, OH 43215

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Please send to the address above to assist us with accurate accounting for this event.

You may register online at http://tinyurl.com/SOSAssembly