## LAESTADIAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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April 23, 2021

LLC Member Congregation

Attn: Board Chairman and Secretary

Subject: Annual Meeting Notice and Related Information

2021 Annual Meeting of the Laestadian Lutheran Church

Dear LLC Member Congregation:

God's Peace!

Please find enclosed the Notice, Agenda, and Related Information pertaining to the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Laestadian Lutheran Church. All attachments (8) and informational items are noted below. **Please reply** that you have received these documents and also forward copies of these documents to all of your delegates.

- Notice of Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting of the Laestadian Lutheran Church (LLC) will be held online on Saturday, July 3, 2021, 10:00 a.m. CDT, originating from the LLC Office, 212 W 3<sup>rd</sup> St, Monticello, MN 55362. Delegates will attend and vote from remote locations. (online instructions will follow as details become available)
- Annual Meeting Agenda (att): The Annual Meeting Agenda establishes the order of business
  for the meeting and assures that the necessary items are included, as required by the bylaws.
   Please note under new business: the request for congregation feedback regarding dates for
  future Summer Services.
- LLC Delegate Qualifications, Selection, and Responsibilities (att): The attached document provides information pertaining to the role of delegates representing LLC Member Congregations at the Annual Meeting. The LLC Bylaws state that <u>prior registration of delegates to the Annual Meeting is required.</u> A spreadsheet of last year's delegates is attached for your information. Please provide current delegate information on the attached blank delegate form and return it to the LLC Office by June 4, 2021.
- "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness" (Matt. 6:33), 2021 Laestadian Lutheran Church Operating Plan and video download instructions (att): This Operating Plan is presented as an electronic PDF file. Printed Operating Plan pamphlets will be sent to each congregation for review. We encourage congregations to make this document available to all members.

To assist you in presenting this information to your congregation, we have created a video presentation of the 2022 Operating Plan. A PDF document with download instructions is attached. It is important to thoughtfully schedule the time for congregation review. Also, allowing congregation members time to read the operating plan text ahead of time will lead to a more informed congregation discussion. Board members and delegates should also be familiar with the material.

- **2022 Membership Dues, LLC Board Recommendation:** Note that Item 5 of the Annual Meeting Agenda states that there is no recommended dues increase at this time.
- Election of LLC Board Members: Item 7 of the Annual Meeting Agenda is the Election of LLC Board Members. According to LLC Bylaws, Article II, Section 7, each area that has an LLC Board Member whose term is expiring this year should, upon reaching agreement of the congregations within the area, notify the LLC at least two (2) weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the name(s) of their nominee(s) to the Board of Directors.
- **New Business:** If your congregation has topics for your delegates to bring to the Annual Meeting, please submit such items to the LLC Board in writing two weeks prior to the meeting.
- 2021 LLC Summer Services Information (att): A Summer Services schedule is attached for your information. Please note the discussion topics for the Congregation Evening Presentation and Youth Presentation. Congregation delegates are encouraged to attend both, online.
- LLC Staff/Committee Memberships (att): The updated document is included for your information.

The LLC Board and staff welcome input and questions on all aspects of the 2022 Laestadian Lutheran Church Operating Plan. Once again, this is a draft plan, and we look forward to input from congregations' delegates. Following discussion of the plan at the Annual Meeting, the LLC Board and staff will review the input from delegates and make any necessary changes to the plan prior to final adoption by the LLC Board at its fall meeting.

God's Peace,

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LLC Executive Director

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cc: LLC Board

Att. Annual Meeting Agenda

LLC Delegate Qualifications, Selection, and Responsibilities

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God" (Matt. 6:33), 2022 Laestadian Lutheran Church Operating Plan Operating Plan video download instructions

2021 LLC Summer Services Schedule

LLC Staff/Committee Memberships

Delegate Record Spreadsheet

Delegate Form

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