

What To Expect

Our vocations (callings) are our compass for everyday life. Vocations like spouse, parent, teacher, or engineer, are the answer to the perennial question a pastor hears immediately upon absolving sinners and setting them free: *“But Pastor, would you please just tell me what I should be doing?”* Being justified through the hearing of the Word and receiving the sacraments, the old Adam is brought back down to earth from her or his ambitious climb to be like God, to be unshackled from the needs of our bodies and the demands of earthly life. Christ Jesus became incarnate and went to the cross to give us life eternal life in him, conquering our sin and death. In doing so, and hearing that promise for you, you become truly human, once again. By faith, trusting our eternal life is already secured by Christ Jesus, our life on earth is turned towards care of the earth and God’s creatures whom he daily sets before us in our families, our church, and our work. In these vocations we find both a cross and a new freedom.

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For online registration,
please scan the QRCode:



Rev. Nick Hopman

Nicholas Hopman serves as Senior Pastor of Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church in Iron Mountain, Michigan (UP) and has a PhD from Princeton Theological Seminary, specializing in the Reformation in Strasbourg. He teaches at the Institute of Lutheran Theology and is an editor and translator for Lutheran Quarterly. His work has been published by the Neue Zeitschrift für Systematische Theologie und Religionsphilosophie, Lutheran Quarterly, Baker Academic, Fortress Press, and Lutheran Forum.



Rev. Mike Hanson

Pastor Michael Hanson has served at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Morris, Minnesota for the past 15 years and has been part of the Augustana District since its beginning. He lives with his wife, Martha, and their four boys. Much of their time is spent watching their boys compete on the golf course and the basketball court, or simply out in the dirt on the farm. Michael enjoys coffee roasting, golf, and reading—especially good theology books that get to the heart of handing over the benefits of Christ.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Early-bird pricing ends after April 1, 2026
Final registration date is April 13, 2026.

Cabin space is limited and will be assigned in the order of registrations as long as there is availability.

Augustana District 2026 Annual Convention

Who Is My Neighbor?



UNDERSTANDING VOCATION

Saturday, April 25, 2026

Hosted By



**MOUNT CARMEL
MINISTRIES**

800 Mount Carmel Drive NE
Alexandria, MN 56308

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Augustana District Convention Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Congregation/Seminary Name: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Special dietary needs, if any (register before April 13 please): _____

Housing Detail

Please assign me/us cabin-mates I/We will stream via Zoom

I/we will house with: _____

Delegate Status

Please register me/us as:

Voting Delegate - Name(s): _____

Member/Associate Member (Voice, No Vote) I/we need a vendor table**

Guest (No Voice, No Vote) I would like to sponsor a 1st call pastor (\$160)

Cost Detail

	Before 4/2	4/2 - 4/13	Totals = cost x # attending/connections
Friday - Saturday <small>(includes cabin Friday Night)</small>	\$170	\$180	# _____ x _____ = _____
Saturday only	\$65	\$75	# _____ x _____ = _____
Zoom per connection	\$50	\$60	# _____ x _____ = _____
I would like to sponsor a 1st call pastor		\$160	# _____ x \$160 = _____
Final Total			_____

Saturday Agenda

- 9:00 AM Registration Begins
- 9:30 AM..... Opening Worship
- 10:15 AM Presentation 1
with Rev. Nick Hopman
- 11:00 AM..... Break
- 11:15 AM..... Business Meeting &
Distinguished Service Award
- 11:45 AM Lunch
- 1:00 PM..... Presentation 2
with Rev. Mike Hanson
- 1:30 PM Break
- 1:45 PM Breakout Sessions
- 2:45 PM Coordinator Reports &
Q & A
- 3:30 PM Blessing and Sending

Late registrants are **not guaranteed** a meal or informational packet so please register before April 13.

For mail-in registration, remit a completed form with payment to:
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Refund Policy

28+ Days before event	100%
14-27 Days before the event	50%
13 day or less before the event	0%

** All vendor participants must be registered at the daily rate. Please read over our vendor policy at <https://augustanadistrict.org/events/2026-annual-convention/>



AUGUSTANA DISTRICT

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We welcome all people to attend the Augustana District Convention.

Participants will register as “Voting Delegate”, “Member” or “Guest” as defined herein:

From Our Constitution:

4.01b Member congregations agree to participate in the affairs of the district, support the district financially and otherwise, and abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of this association.

5.03. Each congregation shall be entitled to two delegates at all conventions where Augustana business is conducted. Congregations with average worship attendance in excess of 500 shall be entitled to one additional delegate for every additional 250 average worship attendees over the 500-member base. Delegates shall be selected by member congregations pursuant to such internal procedures as member congregations may, from time to time, adopt. The manner of determining how delegates cast votes on behalf of their respective member congregations at conventions shall be determined by the member congregation on whose behalf the delegates are acting. Pastors not identified as delegates by a congregation shall be entitled to voice but not vote at Augustana District conventions.

Voting Delegate

Voting Delegates of the District Convention are delegates chosen by Member Congregations as outlined previously. **Please register as a “Voting Delegate.” Delegates have both “voice” and “vote.”**

Member Registrant

Member registrants are individuals who belong to member congregations of the Augustana District but are not official delegates. This may include (but is not limited to) pastors who are attending, but who are not designated “delegates” by their church. This category also includes people who are members of an Associate Member Congregation of the Augustana District and people who are Individual Associate Members. “Member” registrants have “voice,” but not “vote.”

Guest Registrant

Guest registrants are individuals attending the district convention who fit neither of the categories above. This category allows us to encourage, and extend a warm welcome to, all interested friends to come and participate.



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