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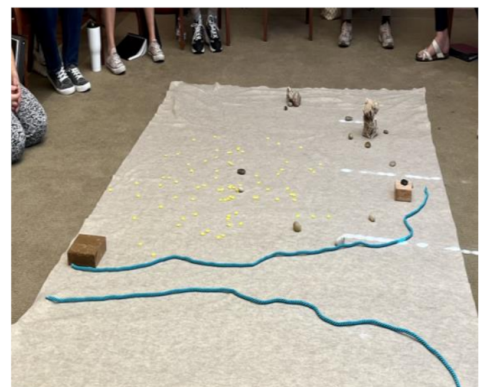
Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

*A Network of Christ-Centered, Outwardly-Focused, Faith-Growing
Communities for the Sake of the World*

Weekly News & Announcements

April 20, 2026

Core Training
Houston
June 4-6, 2026





Godly Play Core Training in Houston

Join us for our upcoming Godly Play Core Training from June 4-6, 2026 in Houston at Christ Church Cathedral. Early bird registration ends May 8th! See flyer for more details. Email courtneymartinwebb@gmail.com with any questions.

Register

Flyer

LSM Choral Gathering
A Day of Singing in Community

LSM LUTHERAN SUMMER MUSIC ACADEMY & FESTIVAL at St. Olaf College

Wednesday, July 1, 2026
St. Olaf College • Northfield, MN
Sing works by Abbington • Cherwien
Krentz Organ • Palestrina • Rizza

Featuring **Dr. David Cherwien**
Lutheran Summer Music, faculty
National Lutheran Choir, former Artistic Director

LSM Choral Gathering

You are invited to join fellow singers for a day of inspiring, community-centered music-making at the LSM Choral Gathering. Led by Dr. David Cherwien, LSM faculty member and former Artistic Director of the National Lutheran Choir, this event offers a welcoming introduction to the music, people, and artistic life of Lutheran Summer Music at St. Olaf College.

Invite your choir members and join us!

Register



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[Registration](#) for Synod Assembly 2026 is open! Join us on **May 15-16, 2026** at St. Martin's Lutheran Church, 1123 Burney Rd, Sugar Land, TX 77498. *Regular registration closes on April 26.*

Register for a room at Hilton Garden Inn Houston/Sugar Land [online](#) or call the hotel for reservations at 281-491-7777 or 1-866-577-1278 and mention the group name or group code TXLA26. *All reservations must be completed by May 01, 2026.*

Register

Book a Room

Upcoming Events

April 25
[St. James Houston Silent Auction](#)

June 4-6, 2026
[Godly Play Core Training](#)

May 1-3
[Explore Retreat at Lutherhill](#)

July 1, 2026
[LSM Choral Gathering](#)

May 7
[Youth Ministry Network Meeting](#)

September 19-20, 2026
[Faith Lutheran Church Celebration](#)

May 15-16
[Synod Assembly](#)

Synod Partners



LEAD: Living Every Day As Disciples
[LEAD](#) is a Christian leadership development organization that is nurtured by this synod to be a gift to the whole church.



Lutheran Men In Mission
Opportunities
For more information on [LMM](#),
contact [Randy Bratsven](#).
[Ambassador-Grams](#) (right side)



Lutherans Restoring Creation
For more information on [LRC](#),
contact the [Lisa Brenskelle](#). The
team is seeking additional
members.



Creation Care
For more information on [Creation
Care](#), contact [Lisa Brenskelle](#).



Lutherhill Ministries
Lutherhill Ministries is a Summer
Camp and year-round Retreat
Center at two locations – [Lutherhill
in La Grange, TX](#) and [Lutherhill in
Galveston, TX](#).



Live On
[Live On](#) is the endowment fund of
the Gulf Coast Synod. Together with
the synod, we are developing
Lutheran leadership through a
culture of generosity.

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