



2026 Spring Renewal Conference Schedule & Descriptions

Morning

8:40 AM — Morning Devotions

9:00 AM — Session #1:
Theology of Worship

10:00 AM — Session #2:
Worship Alignment

10:50-11:10 AM — Break

11:10 AM — Session #3:
Lutheran Worship in Our Heritage

12:00 AM — Lunch

Afternoon

12:45 PM — Hymn, Scripture,
& Prayer

1:00 PM — Workshop #1 Options

- Worship Leadership
- Worship Environment

2:00 PM — Workshop #2 Options

- Worship Shape
- Worship as Life

2:50 PM — Closing



Plenary Sessions Description

Theology of Worship: This session offers a fast-paced biblical survey of worship through the Old and New Testaments, highlighting God's design for His gathered people. It then unpacks four core aspects of the nature of worship, giving participants a clear and compelling framework for faithful congregational practice. (Rev. Andy Coyle)

Worship Alignment: This session helps leaders evaluate the alignment between their church's beliefs, values, and visible worship practices. Participants will also explore the formative power of worship habits in shaping belief and learn practical tools for discerning drift and realigning their services with clarity and hope. (Rev. Andy Coyle)

Lutheran Worship in Our Heritage: This historical and practical survey traces the worship life of the LFC into the AFLC and up to the present, revealing both continuity and conviction behind our "simple worship" heritage. Participants will gain fresh insight into what our forebears valued—and gently consider how those principles might speak into our current practices and future direction. (Rev. Micah Hjermstad)

Workshop Descriptions

Worship Leadership: Learn how theological clarity, spiritual life, and practical preparation equip leaders to guide congregations in Christ-centered, well-crafted worship. (Rev. Micah Hjermstad)

Worship Environment: This workshop explores how the worship environment, space, symbols, color, and beauty, shapes what a congregation learns and confesses in worship. Participants will reflect on what these elements teach, how they serve the Gospel, and the common pitfalls that can distract from Christ-centered worship. (Rev. Adam Osier)

Worship Shape: Reflect on the Gathering, Hearing, Feeding, and Sending—forms a Gospel-shaped pattern for congregational worship. (Rev. Adam Osier)

Worship as Life: This workshop examines worship as a way of life, considering how faith is lived out beyond the gathered congregation in daily vocations, rhythms, and relationships. Participants will reflect on how the church year shapes personal devotion, and how individual and family habits can be formed around a life of ongoing worship. (Rev. Brian Westerbur)