

WELS Canada Communique

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2025 AGM Announcement

After holding a virtual Annual General Meeting in 2024, the WELS Canada Board of Directors is pleased to announce that from November 4-5, 2025 our AGM will be held in-person at Abiding Word Lutheran Church in Orleans, ON. Please mark your calendars and plan accordingly. Look for more specific travel and registration information in the coming months.

WELS Canada Outreach Grant

At the 2024 AGM, Members approved a renewed Outreach Grant. WELS Canada will match up to \$2,500 (enabling a total project cost of \$5,000) for new outreach initiatives. The deadline to apply is March 31, 2025. Complete grant guidelines and a formal application have been sent to each congregation. Talk to your pastor about how and what you might apply for!

Call Decision

Rev. Mark Henrich formally accepted his call to Risen Savior Lutheran Church in Pooler, GA early in the New Year. WELS Canada is indebted to Rev. Henrich's leadership both as pastor at Hope Lutheran Church in Toronto as well as in his capacity as Canadian Mission Board Chairman. Please keep the Henriches in your prayers as they move their family, as well as the members of Hope as they begin the calling process for a new pastor.

As far as the Canadian Mission Board goes, the board has the responsibility to elect their chairman internally and has elected Rev. Metzger to the position of Chairman effective April 2025.