



ENDING HUNGER SUMMIT 2010

Getting Down to Basics

The fifth Ending Hunger Summit, co-sponsored by the synod's Hunger Network and Lutheran Advocacy Ministry-Colorado, is scheduled for Saturday, October 2, from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm, at Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, 920 Kipling Street, Lakewood, Colorado. The fee is \$15.00 (including snacks, lunch and all handouts). The registration deadline is Monday, September 27.

Why should you be interested in this event?? The goal for this summit is to help social action and mission committees, hunger network and Colorado advocacy contacts, pastors, and others gain a clearer understanding of the hunger and poverty work of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America AND to come away with useful skills and new ideas for becoming a stronger partner in this work.

Registration begins at 8:30 am, complete with refreshments, displays, and an activity to help participants get acquainted with each other and the topic(s) of the day. Closing worship will include a short meditation, communion, and an offering for the World Hunger Appeal.

At 9:00 am, everyone will participate in opening devotions and a detailed orientation to the way the hunger appeal is funded and carries out its mission. It's an exciting story...EVEN if you think you already know all the answers!

Two sessions of one-hour workshops are scheduled for the morning and the afternoon. Topics include: Hunger 101 (for people new to hunger appeal work); Hunger 201 (for people who have worked on the hunger appeal but want to dig deeper); Poverty 101 (a simulation of the challenges of living in poverty in Colorado); Finding Resources on the Web (bring your own wireless laptop); and Finding Ways to Reflect on Hunger and Poverty in Worship. YOU pick the two workshops most interesting to you.

Participants will also learn about issues on this year's Colorado ballot and the Lutheran Malaria Initiative. The Rocky Mountain Synod will be a Pilot Synod for this effort in 2011!

Register TODAY by calling Willie Hobbs at 303.777.6700 or 800.525.0462 or by emailing whobbs@rmselca.org. You may also go on line to register at www.rmselca.org/hungersummit. Payment in advance is appreciated and can be mailed to: Rocky Mountain Synod, Willie Hobbs, 455 Sherman Street #160, Denver, CO 80203.

All hunger contacts or social ministry team members who plan a new or ongoing awareness and fundraising activity for their congregation can apply to have their expenses (including transportation) reimbursed. Just pick up and complete the form at the summit. This reimbursement is funded by an ELCA World Hunger grant.

+++++

Congregations are invited to put this article in their September Newsletters.

A flyer to post and a bulletin insert are also enclosed for your use.

THANKS for helping us get the word out!!!