

We continue to revise the design of the new web site in order to include as much of the old information store on the old site. The new site will have a much more user-friendly menu option as well as more space for the pastor's blog and other important information. The new site will give us a fresher look and should be easier to maneuver.



Blog Space:

We still have the pastor's blog space as well as the musings from the president blog but the annual gathering blog has been discontinued for now. We will move the Pastor's Blog and the Musings from the President blog to the new site and combine them separating the entries by category. This should make it easier to locate a particular entry as well as make it easier to maintain.

The annual gathering blog has been moved to its own space and can be found at: vdcannualgathering.org. There you will find all the happenings from the gathering weekend.

Meeting Minutes:

We continue to publish the meeting minute on our old website as well as on the new site. We have archived the older meeting minute and only show the minutes from 2017 and newer now. We publish the monthly minutes as well as the minutes from the various meeting during the annual gathering. Meeting minutes from 2016 and older can be found under the Archives tab from the main menu.

Locating VDC Secretariats:

The VDC Locator is the section to turn to when you need to locate a secretariat in another state. I would urge all the members to have a look at this section and check to make sure your secretariat is listed and that the web link or address is correct. We have found several secretariats that have changed their web site location or mailing address this year and we do want to keep this section up to day.

Another section to consult when looking for other VDC communities is the “links” section. Here you will find the web address or contact information several international Lutheran VDC communities as well as other three day weekend programs.

Video:

We have several video links on our web site. In the “Video” section you will find links to almost all of the national gathering keynote speakers and business meetings. You will also find a download link to the Pastor’s video put together by Pastor Paul Schmidlin and Ed Broestl.

The National Secretariat for Via de Cristo also has a YouTube channel that has all of these videos. You can find us at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/viadecristonls>.

Goals for the coming year:

Over the next year, we have a couple of key “Goals” or targets that we would like to shoot for, they are:

1. Work closer with the incoming host committee to better use the national website to promote the annual gathering. We feel there is a lot more we could do to help in that respect. In particular make better use of the new VDCannualgathering.org web site
2. Continue to work with the web site renewal committee to migrate information from the old site to the new site in a manner that will make finding information more user friendly.

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