Hope Lutheran Church Special Voters Assembly April 6, 2025

Information for Voters

A special meeting of the Hope Lutheran Church voters will be held on Sunday, April 6, 2025, at approximately 10:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to 1) discuss the recommendation from the Call Committee and vote whether to extend a formal Call to Reverend Robert A. Carabotta as Headmaster/Associate Pastor, if desired by the voters; and 2) discuss the recommendation from the Day School Board and vote whether to extend a formal Call to Amy J. Kutz as a commissioned teacher for first and second grades, if desired by the voters. As this is a special meeting, those are the only items of business.

- Opening prayer.
- Vote on applications for voting membership.
- Discussion and vote whether to extend a formal Call to Reverend Robert A. Carabotta.
- Discussion and vote whether to extend a formal Call to Amy J. Kutz.
- Closing prayer.

Reverend Robert Alan Carabotta

Reverend Carabotta is currently serving as Pastor-Senior Administrator at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, Gunnison, CO. He has served there since August 30, 2020.

June 2001-July 2020: Associate then sole Pastor at Mission Lutheran Church and School, Las Cruces, NM.

He is \sim 55 years old, widowed since January 2019. He has two grown children. He is bilingual—fluent in Spanish.

Education:

Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN. Master of Divinity, May 18, 2001.

Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK. Bachelor of Theology, December 31, 1993.

Reverend Carabotta recently returned from a classical studies tour in Rome and Florence, Italy with Memoria College, a subsidiary of Memoria Press.

According to one of Reverend Carabotta's responses, he wrote that he would "prefer to serve as a pastor-headmaster and/or a pastor-teacher in a Lutheran classical school . . ."

The following is the Northwest District President, Michael Von Behren's evaluation of Reverend Carabotta based on his information:

"Pastor Carabotta is a pastor who shares his high regard for the doctrines of the Lutheran church and the liturgical traditions that are a part of our rich history. His information notes his experience in caring ministries in pro-life centers and in chaplaincy ministry to rehabilitation centers. He is fluent in Spanish and has experience in ministry with Hispanic communities. He currently serves as a lead pastor but is interested in serving as a headmaster/pastor of a classical Lutheran school."

Amy Jane Kutz

Amy is married to Daniel and they have adult children. She has been a music teacher at Hales Corners Lutheran School, Hales Corners, WI, grades Early Childhood-8.

Education:

Concordia University (LCMS), Mequon, WI. Commissioned-Teacher, August 24, 2008.

University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, WI. Bachelor of Music, 1989.

She holds School Leadership Development (SLED) Certification.