

CHAPLAIN CONFERENCE

Agenda for 27 September 2025 National Chaplain Mike Pollitt (NH)

Conference staff liaison: AMERICANISM Manager Jeff Bennett

SATURDAY, 27 SEP

(Rap the gavel once to gain attention)

- The American Legion National Chaplain Mike Pollitt
Call the Chaplain training session of the 2025 Combined Americanism Conference to order

SALUTE THE COLORS

- The American Legion National Chaplain Mike Pollitt

Call for everyone rise and call the commands for rendering honors to the flag.

(Rap the gavel three taps signaling everyone to rise)

INVOCATION

- Chaplain - Call for uncovering and remaining uncovered for the Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and POW/MIA Remembrance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The American Legion National Chaplain Mike Pollitt Lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

POW/MIA REMEMBRANCE

“Resolution 288 adopted at the 67th Annual National Convention encourages the designation of a POW/MIA chair or flag at all official meetings of The American Legion. This is a symbol of the thousands of American POW/MIAs still unaccounted for from all wars and conflicts involving our nation. With the POW/MIA flag positioned to my left, let it serve as a reminder for all of us to spare no effort to secure the release of any American prisoners, the repatriation of the remains of those who have been killed in action, and a full accounting of those who are still missing. Let us rededicate ourselves to this vital endeavor. Amen.”

- Call for attendees to re-cover and be seated.
- Introduction of Chaplains
 - Where From
 - Post
 - Department
 - Uniqueness Your Chaplaincy
- Biggest Issues Facing Your Chaplaincy
 - Deaths—Natural and Suicide
 - Addiction
 - Estrangement
- Your ‘Best Practices’
 - Two or Three Things That Work For You
- Biggest Problem Areas for Legion Chaplains
- Break
- Suicide Power Point Presentation
- Toxic Spirituality Power Point Presentation
- Lunch
- Addiction Power Point Presentation
- Questions

CLOSING

(Rap the gavel three taps signaling everyone to rise)

BENEDICTION

- Ask everyone to rise and uncover for the Benediction.
- Benediction or you may ask another Chaplain

SALUTE THE COLORS

- Call for everyone to re-cover and call the commands for rendering honors to the flag.

ADJOURNMENT

- Call adjournment of the 2025 American Legion National Chaplain conference and rap the gavel once to signal official adjournment.
- Thank you and please attend Nondenominational Religious Service tomorrow, Sunday the 28th in the Meridian west & Center, Lower Level followed by the 2025 Boys State, Oratorical, Shooting Sports Memorial for those to Post Everlasting.