



# PROFESSIONAL WORKER'S PACKET

Iowa District East—LCMS

**June 2014**

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This issue of the Professional Packet is the fifth issue of 2014. The deadline for content that you would like included in the next issue is **June 15th**. Content can be submitted anytime before then by emailing it to [jon@lcmside.org](mailto:jon@lcmside.org).

Rev. Dr. Brian S. Saunders

## for Peace

I recently returned from a most wonderful week in the year of the church. Yes, Easter is the highest Holy Festival. The week I refer to is the week the Council of Presidents assembles for meetings and then attends the Call services at each seminary. The worship is a great blessing, the music is philharmonic, and the Word of God is read and proclaimed with faithfulness. All of this surrounds the excitement of men receiving their first Call into the Office of the Holy Ministry.

To prepare for these services I take time to review and study Augsburg Confession Article XIV "It is taught among us that nobody should publicly teach or preach or administer the sacraments in the church without a regular call." I never tire of reading the respected thinkers of our church on this article. I learn each time I reflect upon it. While researching for my Ph.D. dissertation a few years ago I came across the 1866 Buffalo/Missouri colloquy. Three theologians from each church body assembled and discussed the issue of AC XIV. While this could take pages to cover I can summarize for you what the Saxons said about the word "regular". There was no debate over what "public" or "call" meant but there was not agreement on what "regular" meant.

In the Latin "regular" says "rite". In the German it is "ordenlichen". In either case Walther and the Saxons said it has two dimensions to it. There is a Divine Order and a Human Order. In the Divine Order the LCMS holds to three requirements. They are:

1. The candidate must have an unadulterated confession proven by his adherence to pure doctrine.
2. He must have led and promise to continue to live a "blameless life." He cannot be identified by handles from past discretions that would hinder the ministry.
3. He has to have the ability to teach. In other words he has to be able to live and articulate the pure doctrine he believes to be true.

The Human Order also has three requirements. They are:

1. The candidate must be examined by the Dr.'s of the Church and found to be competent in his studies.
2. He must be Called by God through a congregation (later they expanded that to a Calling entity.)

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3. He must be installed into the Office (this also included Ordination).

We are receiving three young men and their families into Iowa District East. We trust the Synod and all of its agencies to have completed their part of the “regular” in order for us to receive them into the ministerium. I can assure you the Synod has fulfilled its role. The congregations have been the agency through which God has Called them into service. Ordination/Installation will take place shortly. God has Called these men, just as He has Called all our pastor’s into the Holy Office. He has done this that His Heavenly Treasures may be given to the people of God. What a joy and honor to be in the Preaching Office of the Church.

When and where the church deems it good and right God has allowed for auxiliary offices in the church to assist the preaching office. These are the Principals, Teachers, Deaconesses, DCE’s, Directors of Music and others. I haven’t been able to attend the services of our colleges where these servants of the church receive their Calls but I can only imagine the same excitement and anticipation exists. As our churches and schools prepare to receive the newest members of IDE I ask that you all take the time to pray for them. Pray that they may finish their studies, pray that they may make the transition from student to servant without struggle. Pray that they move here safely and that they are a welcome joy to the congregation as God intends His gifts to be.

When you have opportunity in the near future try to greet them with brotherly love. Offer to assist them if they have need and you have means. Guide them with fatherly advice and gently nudge them in proper directions when paths get confusing. We are servants of Christ together for the sake of His Kingdom. Working together is a blessing to us all, the new and the experienced.

God bless you and your service to the Lord of Life. God keep you in the joy of His Holy Ministry. God protect you from the evil one. God grant you His Peace.

*President Saunders*

# Calendar of Events

## May

**26<sup>TH</sup>**

**Memorial Day**  
District Office Closed

## June

**5<sup>TH</sup>**

**Marion**

**Worship Committee**  
9:00am  
District Office

**15<sup>TH</sup>**

**Hiawatha**

**Pat Kane Ordination/  
Installation**  
10:30  
Zion Lutheran Church

**23<sup>RD</sup>**

**Anamosa**

**IDE Golf Outing**  
Fawn Creek Country Club

**25<sup>TH</sup>**

**Altoona**

**Lutheran Day  
at Adventureland**

## July

**4<sup>TH</sup>**

**Independence Day**  
District Office Closed

**6<sup>TH</sup>**

**Reinbeck**

**Troy Peperkorn Orindation/  
Installation**  
St. John

**13<sup>TH</sup>**

**Alden**

**Michael Kearney Oridnation /  
Installation**  
St. Paul

**16<sup>TH</sup>**

**Marion**

**Investment Committee Meeting**  
4:00pm  
District Office

**29<sup>TH</sup>**

**Marion**

**Board of Directors**  
9:00am  
District Office

# Save the Dates

June 2014

## **IDE Golf Outing Monday June 23rd, 2014**

**Fawn Creek Country Club**  
1601 130th Street  
Anamosa, IA 52205

## **Lutheran Day at Adventureland Wednesday June 25th, 2014**

305 34th Ave NW,  
Altoona, IA 50009

## **Summer Teacher Class August 6-7, 2014**

**Trinity—Cedar Rapids**  
1361 7th Ave SW  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

## **Fall Pastors' Conference October 6—8, 2014**

with Central Illinois District

**Immanuel Lutheran Church  
Rock Island, IL**

3300 24th Street  
Rock Island, IL. 61201

## **Iowa Teachers' Conference October 23—24, 2014**

**Gloria Dei Lutheran Church  
Urbandale, IA**

8301 Aurora Avenue  
Urbandale, IA 50322

## Congregational Statistics

The annual congregational statistics for 2013 were sent out via email to each congregation. Please remember to return these to the LCMS Office of Rosters and Statistics and a copy to the IDE office.

## Church & Sanctuary Photos

IDE Archives is planning to put on a continuous slide presentation at the display table at the next IDE Convention. Our Archivist has been requesting landscape photos of the church exterior and one from the entrance to the sanctuary. There are many congregations which have not yet responded. Please send the pictures of your church to the IDE Archivist.

## Registration now open for Christ Academy—High School

For two weeks each summer high school-aged men of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are offered the opportunity to delve deeper into their faith, enjoy the seminary experience and make friendships that will last a lifetime while attending Christ Academy—High School. This year's event takes place June 15-28, 2014, on the campus of Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. Space is limited, so be sure to get your registration in now. Information concerning the registration process may be found at [www.ctsfw.edu/ChristAcademy](http://www.ctsfw.edu/ChristAcademy). If you know of a young man who may be interested in this opportunity please contact Christ Academy Student Director, Jared DeBlieck at [Jared.DeBlieck@ctsfw.edu](mailto:Jared.DeBlieck@ctsfw.edu) or at 260-452-3140.

## IDE Golf Outing

The annual IDE Golf outing is Monday June 23rd. All Church workers are invited to participate by returning the registration form included toward the end of this Packet to the district office or [jon@lcmside.org](mailto:jon@lcmside.org). Professional Church Worker's spouses, friends or golfing buddies are also invited to register and participate.

# Vacancy Updates

June 2014

## Calling Congregations:

Guttenberg/McGregor—calling candidate  
Lowden, Trinity—Anderson, Steven (vacancy pastor)  
Mason City, Messiah—Frederick, Clarke (vacancy pastor)  
Riceville, St. Peter—Northwick, Byron (vacancy pastor)  
Ventura, Redeemer—Kozisek, Scott (vacancy pastor)

## Pastors Call Update:

**Accepted:** Michael Wagnitz to Trinity, Lowden as Outreach Missionary  
Victor Young, Lowden to Commerce City, CO

**Pending:**

**Declined:** Peter Hoft, Davenport to Monona Lutheran Church in Monona, WI  
Tim Lorenz, Greenleaf, KS to St Peter, Riceville

**Candidates:** Michael Kearney CTS, FW to Alden/Buckeye  
Troy Peperkorn CTS, FW to Reinbeck

**Vicars:** Joseph Bangert to Hampton  
Ryan Banke to Hubbard/Iowa Falls

## DCE / School / Teacher Calls:

**Vacancies:** Trinity, Davenport—4th grade teacher  
Central, Newhall—Principal  
LIS, Williamsburg—1st grade  
Trinity, Cedar Rapids—Principal  
Community, Readlyn—Teacher, Principal or combo

**Accepted:** Eric Brei, Decatur, IL to Our Savior, Bettendorf  
Laura Hillman, Newhall to Grace, Jacksonville, Florida  
Brittany Newton, Valley, Cedar Falls, to TX  
Kevin Rudzinski, Trinity, Davenport to Immanuel, Seymour, IN  
Rebecca A. Snow, Seward to Trinity, Davenport  
Jenean Williams, Seward to Dubuque Lutheran School

**Pending:**

**Declined:** Rick Holste, Trinity Davenport to Trinity Boone, IA  
James Knoepfel, NE to Central, Newhall—Principal  
Lisa Knoepfel, NE to Central, Newhall—teacher

# Directory Updates

June 2014

*Please take a moment to add these changes to your Fall 2013 directory.*

<b>Page</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Change</b>
6	<b>Korth, Daird</b>	Address: 1817 Indigo Avenue Latimer, IA 50452
12	<b>Small, Terry S.</b>	Address: 425 27th Avenue, #3 Amana, IA 52203  Phone: 319-594-6392 (cell)
27	<b>Lutheran Family Services</b>	409 Kenyon Rd. Suit C Fort Dodge, IA 50501-5718
66	<b>Lutheran Family Services</b>	Remove names and email addresses under Cedar Rapids Counseling Office:  At Administrative Office:  Rev. Max Phillips, Executive Director phillips@LFSiowa.org  Wanda Pritzel, LISW, Director of Ministry Support & Congrega- tional Services pritzel@LFSiowa.org  Kim Laube, Director of Pregnancy Counseling & Adoption Ser- vices laube@LFSiowa.org  Courtney Frerichs, LMHC, Director of Counseling Services frerichs@LFSiowa.org  Holly Eldridge, Director of Operations. eldridge@LFSiowa.org

*Please notify the District Office of any changes in email address, home address or staff changes. Include all professional worker changes within your congregation, school or preschool.*

Did you know that Christ Jesus and His Church are in the ministry of R and R? The R and R that I am referring to are that of “Reconciliation and Repentance.” Mankind needed to be reconciled to God because of sin. Our sins had caused a broken relationship between our Creator and us. Our sins have caused a separation, or a chasm, if you will, between us and God. As Isaiah put it: “All of us like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way” (Isaiah 53:6). When we get turned towards our own way, nothing but the old sinful Adam is going to show forth. Our way is not God’s way.

In this day of political correctness we still confess: “I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sin and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.” I need to be crushed by the Law for the reality of my sin, in fact everyone does if they are going to embrace Christ Jesus and His blood-bought forgiveness.

The work of reconciliation belongs to Jesus. Paul put it this way:

“Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ, and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, namely that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were entreating through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him” - (II Cor. 5:17-21).

God’s people (saints) gather to receive the gifts of God in the Divine Service. We come as repentant saints to receive His gifts of forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Sometimes there are absent saints. All His saints need to repent and believe the Gospel. As Jesus said: “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and rise again from the dead the third day; and that repentance for forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem” (Luke 24:46-47).

If someone is not present at the dinner table in our homes we go and seek them out and bring them to eat. Do we do the same for the absent saint from our Lord’s Table where Christ feeds them with heavenly food? People who do not eat physically will die.

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Even worse than that is that people who do not eat the spiritual food which Christ serves will die spiritually and eternally.

John Pless lays out the work of the Church as Christ's instruments of bringing reconciliation and repentance to bear on the lives of people:

"The Pastor serves the royal priesthood by preaching God's Word and administering His sacraments. The royal priesthood, in turn, serves the neighbor just as Christ served us. This service is not only in the Christian congregation where the royal priesthood prays for and supports the Pastor but most especially in the world where God has placed His people in a variety of vocations. Here the royal priesthood passes on the Gospel it has received in the Divine Service as Christ is confessed and His people give reason for the hope that is within them (1 Pet. 3:15). It is within the various stations in life where God's priests live that they do what priests are called to do as they speak the Word of God to others, speak to God on behalf of others in prayer, and offer themselves as living sacrifices on behalf of their neighbor."

Pless also states:

"Evangelism is the highest expression of priestly love for the neighbor as the confession of Christ calls the unbelieving neighbor out of the darkness of death into the life of the Church. Speaking the words of God's Law and Gospel, the royal priesthood bears testimony to Christ Jesus in the places where God has put them; in their families, in the places of daily work, and with friends. Such is the cross that is laid upon Christ's people. Such evangelism on the part of the royal priesthood assumes that they speak not of themselves but of Christ's cross, His name, and His Word. Faithful Pastors will so teach their people so that they are prepared to give an adequate account of the faith once delivered to the saints. God's holy priests speak of their baptism and so call the unbaptized to "repent and be baptized," and those whose faith has withered to return to their baptism in repentance and faith."

God has reconciled us. Faithful preaching calls hearers to repentance. Faithful love has the body of Christ reaching out to the absent saint. The power is in the Word. As Paul said: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to every one who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "BUT THE RIGHTEOUS man SHALL LIVE BY FAITH" (Romans 1:16-17). May Christ Jesus be at the center of your R and R.

# Capital Campaign Update



## Proclaiming Christ Jesus! Luke 24:46-47

### **Capital Campaign (Update: 5-14-14)**

*approved on 6/29/12 by Iowa District East in Convention.*

- Pastors are being contacted by phone for potential names of those saints in Christ Jesus who may wish to make an individual gift.
- Dr. Rothchild will send a letter of introduction to potential donors and will follow-up with a phone call to schedule a personal visit.
- Dr. Rothchild will show the DVD and share other information at the time of his visit and the saints will be given a donor form to complete as they deem appropriate.

**Update:** Gifts received to date: \$ 367,410  
Gifts promised in next 1-10 years: \$ 54,767

**Total to Date: \$ 422,177**

For further information, please contact Rev. Dr. Dean F. Rothchild at 319-373-2112 (office), 319-350-9564 (cell) or deanrothchild@lcmiside.org.

# Youth Leaders' Page

June 2014

Topics and speakers have been decided for our next round of Youth Events. Beginning next fall Pr. Beltz will speak at the Confirmation Retreat on the Lord's Supper. The Senior High Retreat will be led by Pr. Max Mons—he will talk about Apologetics and teach the high school youth to always be ready to “make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.” In January 2015, Pr. Andrew Richard will speak at the Jr. High Retreat about praying the Psalms. Finally the 5th & 6th grade gathering will focus on the theme “Like Him.”

## Apologetics Not Apologies

Senior High Retreat  
November 21–22, 2014

High school life provides you with a challenging climate in which the reliability and truth of God's Word is mocked and your faith in Christ is often ridiculed by friends, classmates, or even your teachers. St. Peter implores us to “*always be ready to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you*” (1 Pet. 3:15). In an effort to help you do just that, our retreat will discuss three of the most common objections to Christianity.

## 5th & 6th Grade Gathering

April 24th, 2015

What is your image? What is your identity? In other words, who or what are you like? As we look at ourselves, we don't have to look very far to see that we are unlike God. As we sin and experience the pain of sin in our lives, being Like Him might just be the last thing on our minds. That is why we need Jesus. Now that we identify with Jesus, what is life like? Join us in answering these questions as we explore life in Christ under our theme Like Him.

## Higher Things

The mission of Higher Things is to assist parents, congregations, and pastors in cultivating, encouraging and promoting a distinctively Lutheran identity among their youth and young adults. Through summer conferences, youth from around the country participate with hundreds of other Lutheran youth in worshipping as Lutherans, learning as Luther-ans, and playing as Lutherans. The theme for the 2014 conferences is “Crucified.” 1 Corinthians 2:2 says “For I decided to know nothing among you except Christ and Him crucified.”

**July 1-4**  
**University of Florida**  
Gainesville, FL

**July 8-11**  
**Concordia University WI**  
Mequon, WI

**July 22-25**  
**Utah State University**  
Logan, UT

## Until He Comes

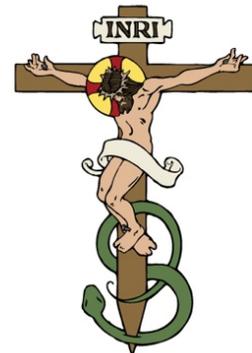
Confirmation Retreat  
October 10–11, 2014

Come and join us as we study how our celebration of the Lord's Supper is not just a private thing we do as Christians. Rather as St. Paul teaches in 1 Corinthians 11:26, the Lord's Supper is the Church's central act of public witness.

## “Oh, my God!”

Junior High Retreat  
January 30–31, 2015

There are no better prayers and hymns than the ones that are in Scripture. We use the Psalms all the time at church and personally in every time of need. But what do they mean? What is hyssop? Why is David always talking about rocks, caves, and fortresses? Why all the language of shields and battles? And what does it all mean for you? Come learn what was happening to David when he wrote the Psalms and learn from him how to pray them and find refuge in God our fortress.



# Focus on Schools

Lois Warnsholz  
Assistant to the President—Schools

June 2014

Thanks to the staff at Clemons Lutheran School, who have faithfully served the school and church, as a witness in the Clemons area. Although the school organization will no longer exist – the people remain to serve our Lord however He decides.

With the **Iowa legislature** having completed their session two items which affect our schools are: An additional \$50,000 in the textbook, technology funding for non-public students. The ESA – Education Savings Account – was talked about, with the hope (with some work from all of us) of continued discussion toward passage of ESA legislation.

**School Choice** supporters will meet on Tuesday, June 24, at Dowling Catholic High School in West Des Moines – a continental breakfast will be available beginning at 9:30 a.m., with our meeting commencing at 10 a.m. The agenda includes an STO rule update from Jim McNulty from the Iowa Department of Revenue, and an interactive, instructional session with Jeff Reed, Communications Director at the Friedman Foundation for Educational Choice, who will show us new ways to promote ourselves and our cause, expand our reach, and build more enthusiasm as we fight for increased funding for students to attend their school of choice. Jeff is an energetic, entertaining speaker who will challenge us with innovative communications and public relations strategies we can all use, no matter where we fit in the school choice/nonpublic school coalition. You will also hear an update on Iowa ACE/Advocates plans and pertinent questions and discuss STO/School Choice issues. Lunch will be provided with the meeting concluding between 1-1:30 p.m. All School Choice supporters are welcome and invited to attend, especially STO Board members and staff, school board members, administrators, development directors, and community activists to attend.

The bi-annual **IDE Summer Teachers' Conference** is scheduled for August 6-7 in Cedar Rapids. The topic is all things iPad! Please make sure you and other teaching staff are signed up for this conference. You can contact Pam Krog at [pam@lcmiside.org](mailto:pam@lcmiside.org).

## Dates for Your Calendars:

Sunday, June 1	Closing service at Clemons Lutheran School – 1 p.m.
Sunday, June 1	Retirement Reception for Jan Doellinger – 1 – 4 p.m.
Tuesday, June 24	Summer Iowa ACE-School Choice meeting (See above)
Friday, July 27	Last postmark date for summer STO apps
August 6-7	Summer Teachers' Conference
August 7	Principals Meeting at Mt. Olive Lutheran School, Des Moines
October 23-24	Iowa Lutheran Teachers' Conference

**ILSTO:** Applications are now being accepted for summer cut-off – must have a postmark no later than Friday, July 26. Principals should have received award information for the spring applications.

## Vacations and Health

Many people don't take vacations often enough. In fact, according to a poll on this site, around half of readers don't take annual vacations; in fact, many readers never take them! And now with increasing frequency, when we do take vacations, we often bring work along with us, keeping ourselves essentially still in the work mindset we're trying to escape. This is unfortunate for several reasons:

- ◆ **Vacations Promote Creativity:** A good vacation can help us to reconnect with ourselves, operating as a vehicle for self-discovery and helping us get back to feeling our best.
- ◆ **Vacations Stave Off Burnout:** Workers who take regular time to relax are less likely to experience burnout, making them more creative and productive than their overworked, under-rested counterparts.
- ◆ **Vacations Can Keep Us Healthy:** Taking regular time off to 'recharge your batteries', thereby keeping stress levels lower, can keep you healthier.
- ◆ **Vacations Promote Overall Wellbeing:** One study found that three days after vacation, subjects' physical complaints, their quality of sleep and mood had improved as compared to before vacation. These gains were still present five weeks later, especially in those who had more personal time and overall satisfaction during their vacations.
- ◆ **Vacations Can Strengthen Bonds:** Spending time enjoying life with loved ones can keep relationships strong, helping you enjoy the good times more and helping you through the stress of the hard times.
- ◆ **Vacations Can Help With Your Job Performance:** As the authors of the above study suggest, the psychological benefits that come with more frequent vacations lead to increased quality of life, and that can lead to increased quality of work on the job.
- ◆ **Vacations Relieve Stress in Lasting Ways:** It should come as no surprise that vacations that include plenty of free time bring stress relief, but research shows that a good vacation can lead to the experience of fewer stressful days at least five weeks later! That means that vacations are the gift to yourself that keep on giving.

The bottom line is that taking a good amount of time away from the stresses of daily life can give us the break we need so that we can return to our lives refreshed and better equipped to handle whatever comes. <http://stress.about.com/od/workplacestress/a/vacations.htm>

by Elizabeth Scott, M.S.

# Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca



June 2014

## SUMMERFEST FUNDRAISER - JULY 26

### QUILTS & CRAFTS NEEDED FOR ANNUAL AUCTION



Mark **Saturday, July 26** down on your calendars! We are about 2 months out from Camp's annual Summerfest fundraiser auction. Though our first quilts for auction have been delivered, we still need more quilts and other fine craft items to be donated and then auctioned off for the benefit of the camp. Send yours in today! Last year's festival brought in over \$11,000 for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca and we need your donations and attendance to make Summerfest 2014 a success. See you on July 26!

## Summer Camp Begins June 18

Thanks to help from volunteers, our Amphitheater seating received a much needed facelift this spring and is ready for summer camp. Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped make this possible! In addition to the amphitheater improvements, campers will enjoy new life jackets and paddles for canoeing. We hope you'll be able to join us this summer to see these and many more improvements to Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. We are still accepting registrations for summer camp! You can register online or download a registration form to mail in by visiting our website ([www.campiodiseca.org](http://www.campiodiseca.org)). Already coming? Bring a friend!



*The Amphitheater is ready to go!*

3271 Sandy Beach Road NE, Solon, IA 52333

phone 319.848.4187

web [www.campiodiseca.org](http://www.campiodiseca.org)

email [camp@campiodiseca.org](mailto:camp@campiodiseca.org)

## Camp Presentations

Would you like to know more about Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca? Camp Director Daniel Sanchez is available to speak to congregations and groups about Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca's mission, facilities, and programs. Call 319-848-4187 to schedule a speaker!



## Important Dates

June 18

*First Day of Summer Camp*

July 26

*Summerfest Fundraiser Auction*

September 12-13

*IED LWML Fall Retreat*

October 10-11

*IDE Confirmation Retreat*

November 21-22

*IDE Sr. High Retreat*

January 30-31

*IDE Jr. High Retreat & Snow-lympics*



Become a fan of Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca by clicking the 'Like' button on our Facebook page.

## THRIVENT CHOICE

Our total Thrivent Choice for 2013 contributions was \$14,653! Thank you donors for making this program a success for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Will you help make 2014 another excellent year in Thrivent Choice giving?

Go to <https://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice/> or call 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836) and state "Thrivent Choice" to designate your choice dollars for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca today. Thank you for making Thrivent Choice a valuable stream of revenue for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca!



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## Needs List

Miscellaneous Legos; Kickballs (10); Service Truck; Convection Oven; First Class Postage Stamps; Copy Paper; Smoke Detectors; Carbon Monoxide Detectors; Dining Room Chairs. **Please see our web site for a complete list:** [www.campiodiseca.org](http://www.campiodiseca.org).

## 2014 Summer Staff & Junior Counselors

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca needs LC-MS college-aged individuals to serve as camp counselors. Camp counselors serve as faithful witnesses, teachers, and mentors for youth while at summer camp in addition to leading fun games, hilarious songs, and adventurous activities. Apply online now at [www.nloma.org](http://www.nloma.org).

Junior Counselors (JC's) are also needed to assist the summer program. Applicants should be at least 15 years old and have completed the ninth grade. JCs spend the week with a cabin group enjoying the many camp activities and serving as a positive role model and motivator for younger campers while helping the cabin counselors supervise younger campers. Great fun and a great experience for only \$90 per week. Please contact our Program Director, Daniel Sanchez for more information.



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# Lutheran Church Extension Fund

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### Central Lutheran School, Newhall Grandfriends' Day



Student from Central Lutheran, Newhall completing the LCEF YI Challenge with a thumbs up!

Rev. Riggert presents Mrs. Doellinger Central Lutheran School principal with a check for a \$1,000, winnings from the LCEF YI Challenge contest that parents and students took earlier in the year.



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## GOLDEN TREASURE TRUTHS

By Rev. Bob Riggert

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Collecting coins can be an intriguing and profitable hobby. Collecting coins can also be thievery. Matthew collected coins. He did so in his occupation as a tax-collector for the Roman government. Caesar’s representatives collected taxes from the Jewish subjects to maintain the army and other governmental projects. Typically the tax-collectors added their own “fees” for their personal treasure chest. Tax collectors were usually hated because of their association with the Roman government and their thievery. Scripture often pairs “tax collectors and sinners.”

For Jesus to associate with tax collectors made Him suspect to the synagogue officials. For Jesus to invite Matthew, a tax collector, to “follow me” was shocking. Certainly Jesus could find more worthy and reputable individuals with whom to associate. Jesus’ call of Matthew emphasizes that Jesus collects sinners.

Jesus’ collection continues as He goes to the house of a tax collector named Zacchaeus. A woman with a bad reputation is at Jesus’ feet. Jesus converses with a Samaritan woman at a well. A thief on a cross next to Jesus is promised paradise. Jesus collected sinners.

The Good News is that His collection continues and includes you and me. Every gathering at the baptismal font is a sinner collection. Jesus wants His collection to grow. Jesus invites all who are welcomed by Him to be about seeking sinners so that they might be part of His eternal and priceless collection.

Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) collects the coins of investors. Those coins are used to provide funds and services to support the Church in fulfilling its mission of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The greater mission of LCEF and every agency of the church is be about Jesus’ mission of collecting sinners for His kingdom. LCEF investments are kingdom growth investments.

Reflections: Can you think of other sin collections in Jesus’ ministry? Why is it good news for us that Jesus collects sinners? How can we be part of God’s collecting sinners team?

Prayer: Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven; And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven. Dying, still to Him I cleave; Jesus sinners doth receive.” LSB#610, vs. 7

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### Disaster Response

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(1 John 4:19 ESV)

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1. The LCMS Disaster Response Program
2. Christian Care in Times of Disaster
3. Congregational Preparedness
4. Engaging in Community Response
5. The LERT Program
6. Safety and Equipment
7. General Volunteer Opportunities

Attendees also will receive an LCMS Disaster Response credential that will give them credibility as they enter disaster zones in a coordinated and collaborative effort to assist those in need.



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Saturday, June 7  
Bethany Lutheran Church,  
2202 Forest Drive SE, Cedar Rapids, IA

For more information or to register  
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# IDE GOLF OUTING FAWN CREEK COUNTRY CLUB ANAMOSA, IA



**WHO:** All Professional Church Workers, Pastors, Staff, and Spouses

**WHAT:** Annual Two-Person Best Shot Golf Tournament  
9 Holes – Bring Your Own Partner, or We Will Pair You Up

**WHEN:** Monday, June 23, 2014  
Arrive by 8:30 a.m.; Tee-Off @ 9:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** Fawn Creek Country Club  
1601 130<sup>th</sup> Street (right along US Hwy 151)  
Anamosa, IA 52205

**HOW MUCH:** \$15.00 Green Fees & Cart Rental (*payable to Fawn Creek at golf outing*)



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## REGISTRATION FORM – IDE GOLF OUTING

**Golfer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*Each Golfer must register separately*

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Church:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Golf Partner is:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please pair me up with a Golf Partner

**CHOOSE YOUR SANDWICH:**  Cheeseburger  Grilled Tenderloin

## REGISTRATIONS DUE MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2014

**MAIL REGISTRATION FORM TO:**  
Iowa District East  
1100 Blairs Ferry Road  
Marion, IA 52302



# Cedar Falls, Iowa

## AUGUST 18–22, 2014

Monday 1:00–5:30 p.m.  
Tuesday–Thursday 9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.



### Dr. John W. Kleinig

Dr. John W. Kleinig is retired after teaching for 26 years at Luther Seminary in Adelaide, South Australia. In the last 20 years he has taught in many different Lutheran seminaries in North America and Asia.

Dr. Kleinig is an Old Testament theologian with an M.Phil. and Ph.D. from Cambridge University in England and an honorary doctorate from Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne. His published

doctoral dissertation was on *The Lord's Song: The Basis, Function and Significance of Choral Music in Chronicles*.

Dr. Kleinig's commentary on Leviticus for Concordia Publishing House explores how the people of God share in His holiness through their participation in the divine service. He has published two books on spirituality, a congregational study on Prayer: *We Speak to God* and a handbook on Lutheran piety called *Grace Upon Grace: Spirituality for Today* (Concordia Publishing House, St Louis, 2008).

### Participation in God's Holiness in the Divine Service According to Leviticus

God instituted the divine service for the Israelites so that by their participation in it they could have access to Him and His blessings here on earth. This course will use the much neglected book of Leviticus to discover how God shared His life-giving holiness with them and to show how this foreshadows our participation in Christ's holiness by our involvement in the divine service of the church. (3 CEU)

#### Reading List:

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#### Location:

College Hill Lutheran Church  
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Cedar Falls, IA 50613

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## Reading List

### Required Readings:

- *Leviticus*. Concordia Commentary (St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 2003)

### Recommended Readings:

- Haran, Menahem. *Temples and Temple Service in Ancient Israel* (Winona Lake, Ind.: Eisenbrauns, 1985)

### Preliminary Reading by John W. Kleinig:

- "Witting or Unwitting Ritualists," *Lutheran Theological Journal* 22 (1988): 13-22.
- "Sharing in God's Holiness," *Lutheran Theological Review* 8 (1995/1996): 105-18.
- "The Blood for Sprinkling: Atoning Blood in Leviticus and Hebrews," *Lutheran Theological Journal* 33 (1999): 124-35.
- "The Lord's Supper as a Sacrificial Banquet," *Logia* 12 (2003): 11-16.
- "Introduction," *Leviticus*, Concordia Commentary (St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 2003), 1-30.