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Iowa District East—LCMS

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This issue of the Professional Packet is the sixth issue of 2015. The deadline for content that you would like included in the July issue is **July 15, 2015**. Content can be submitted anytime before then by emailing it to jon@lcmside.org.

President's Piece for Peace

Rev. Dr. Brian S. Saunders

July 2015

In the last two Professional Packets I have been writing about the possible persecution that we could be facing in the LCMS. One of the areas of deepest and immediate concern is over the "Same-Sex Marriage" decision that is yet to come from the U.S. Supreme Court. Once again I am not optimistic that the decision will be in concordat with our confession in the Church. Even if the court was to include religious beliefs in its decision, there are too many church bodies who have embraced this anti-biblical and unnatural view of a marital relationship.

In this edition, I will address the issue of weddings in the church. In the words of a professor from one of our seminaries "This will cause our confession and our practice to be one and the same." What he meant by that was the confession we make must also be seen in the practice of the ministry. Inconsistencies, or as we like to say "exceptions," are going to be the open door for law suits of which we will come out on the losing end.

What does this mean for us? Suggestions have run from the prohibition of all weddings in our churches to nothing will change. While I would like to believe the latter I think that is too naïve. I also think the prior is a bit too drastic. The answer, once again, lay within our confession. A pastor participates in the union of a man and a woman with the expectation that he will be able to nurture that newly formed relationship with the Word and the Sacraments. At the very least one of the couple is to be a participant in the Altar of the Church. Either he will be shepherding them or a pastor of the same confession will be doing so. If a couple has no intention of their relationship being nurtured under the shepherd given them by God's Call through the Church, he really ought not to be uniting them in the vows they make. The proper sequence is to catechize the couple in the Faith (which may call for confession and absolution), receive them as members and then assist them in uniting their lives as husband and wife.

I realize attempts are made with couples who are not members of the church with the hope they will become members but the freedom of such attempts has probably run its course. To unite a couple who are not members is going to be used by "same-sex couples" to sue when they are refused the ceremony because they are aberrant and un-repentant in their behavior. The courts only look at precedent, not our doctrine. While the government gives some weight to what we believe and teach, they care more about civil rights and justice which now has as one of its planks "inclusion" without the possibility of "exclusion" in the private sector. To deny a marriage service to a homosexual couple while marrying a heterosexual, non-member couple, will be fodder for the ACLU. (Make no mistake, the LCMS is in their cross-hairs).

There are many more questions to this issue than those I have addressed here. I just think the best place to start is with a practice that is consistent with our theology (which is the case in all of the ministry). Consistency will prove to be a great ally in the age we will face soon if we aren't already. Remain steadfast and true to what we believe, teach, and confess. God will see us through, for He is faithful.

President Saunders.

Calendar of Events

June

24

ALTOONA

**Lutheran Day
At Adventureland**

25

BETTENDORF

**Professional Workers
9:00am
Our Savior**

26-27

CEDAR RAPIDS

**District Convention
8:00am
Marriott**

29

ANAMOSA

**IDE Golf Outing
8:30am
Fawn Creek Country Club**

July

3

**District Office Closed
Independence Day Holiday**

21

MARION

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

23

MARION

**Professional Workers
9:00am
District Office**

30

MARION

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

August

3

CEDAR FALLS

**Principal's Meeting
9:30am
Valley Lutheran School**

17

MT. VERNON

**Youth Committee
6:30pm
St. Paul's**

Save the Dates

July 2015

Lutheran Day at Adventureland June 24, 2015

Adventureland
305 34th Ave NW,
Altoona, IA 50009

2015 District Convention June 26-27, 2015

Marriott Hotel and Convention Center

1200 Collins Rd NE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Worship Workshop August 29, 2015

Fall Pastors' Conference October 5-6, 2015

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

3271 Sandy Beach Rd NE,
Solon, IA 52333

Things to Share

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Genealogy Book of Horn Family

The Iowa District was served by four pastors with the surname of Horn: Pastor Gotthilf Horn (St. Stephen-Atkins 1870-1878); Pastor Jacob Horn (Dexter 1873—Maxfield 1882—Germantown 1893); Pastor Oskar H. Horn (Germantown 1899—Davenport 1910); and Pastor William J. Horn (St. Paul-Yorktown 1906—Ayrshire 1919). One of their descendants, Mr. Leroy R. Horn, has compiled a family history of the Horn family titled *Genealogy of Jakob G. Horn Jr. Family Generation V of Mumsdorf, Herzogsthum, Saxony—Altenburg, Prussia (Germany) with Jakob G. Horn Jr. Family Generation I to The United States of America in 1836* and donated a copy to Iowa District East. This is to inform the reader that this book has been deposited in the library of the IDE Archives and may be consulted if the need should arise.

Allen Konrad
IDE Archivist

2015 Convention

The 2015 IDE Convention is June 26th and 27th at the Marriott in Cedar Rapids. Please remember to bring the LCMS District Convention Voting Registration form. This form is to be filled out electronically, printed, and signed by 2 officers of the congregation. The form will then be turned in at Convention Registration Check—In.

If you have any questions in these days leading up to the Convention, please contact that District Office at 319-373-2112. or by emailing jon@lcmside.org.

The District Staff will be at the convention site beginning Thursday afternoon through Friday. If you need to reach us the best way would be by email to jon@lcmside.org.

Vacancy Updates

July 2015

Calling Congregations:

Messiah, Mason City—Clarke Frederick (vacancy pastor)
Redeemer, Ventura—Scott Kozisek (vacancy pastor)
Grace, Waterloo—pastoral transition

Pastors Call Update:

Accepted:

Pending:

Jordan McKinley, Stanwood/Bennett to Trinity, Vallonia, IN
Stephen Henderson, Risen Christ, Davenport to Trinity, Crown Point, IN

Declined:

Grant Bode, New Ulm MN to Redeemer, Ventura
Mark Brase, Fairfield to St. John, Baldwin, IL
Jeff Dock, Louisiana, MO to Redeemer Ventura
Jordan McKinley, Stanwood Bennett to Grace, Breckenridge, MN

DCE / School / Teacher Calls:

Vacancies:

Trinity, Davenport—Preschool Teacher
Community, Readlyn—Teachers

Accepted:

Hannah Keuning, Seward Grad to Central, Newhall
Josh Menke, Trinity, Davenport, to Immanuel, Giddings, TX
Nicholas Muench, Matteson, IL to Community Lutheran, Readlyn
Sandra Muench, Matteson, IL to Community Lutheran Readlyn

Pending:

Declined:

Directory Updates

July 2015

Please take a moment to add these changes and corrections to your Fall 2014 directory.

Page	Name	Change
75	Konrad, Allen (District Archivist)	New Email onamission1939@gmail.com

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.

We will soon begin compiling the Fall 2015 directory. Please have any updates to be included to jon@lcmside.org no later than August 15th.

It appears that the world and yes even our own country is becoming less tolerant of God's Word. It will be interesting to see how the Supreme Court rules on the issue of same-sex marriage. Persecution for the confession of the faith and for faithful adherence to the Word of God is here.

This should not come as a big surprise. Jesus said: "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world." (John 16:33). Jesus also said: "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful." (John 14:27). In the midst of tribulations and attacks against the Word of God, Christ has called His Church to be faithful to her confession.

I cannot help but think of Luther's hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is our God." There is no neutral ground. You are either with Christ or against Him. You are either of Christ or of the devil.

Luther wrote:

*"A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need (tribulation) That hath us now o'er taken.
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal."*

Let us never lose sight of who the enemy is, the devil, the world, and our own sinful flesh.

Our strength and power is not much in this battle.

From Luther:

*"With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is,
of Sabaoth Lord, And there's none other God;
He holds the field forever."*

Our faith receives the victory which Christ Jesus has won through His suffering, death, and resurrection.

How bad could it get?

From Luther:

*"Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him."*

John wrote of Jesus' work on behalf of all people. "The Son of God appeared for this purpose, that He might destroy the works of the devil." I John 3:8b.

Amidst the trials and tribulations of remaining faithful, stands Christ Jesus, given to us and received in His Word and Sacraments.

From Luther:

*"The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they are our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,
Though these all be gone, Our vict'ry has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth."*

In the midst of the troubled times (tribulation), Christ Jesus is with us.

What a privilege it is to remember our Baptism each day. What a privilege it is to receive Jesus' shed body and blood in the Holy Supper for the forgiveness of sins. What joy fills our ears and hearts as God's Word is proclaimed in the sermon and we hear that for Christ's sake and work all of our sins are forgiven. What comfort comes when the Pastor places his hand upon our head and pronounces the absolution and sends us forth with the Aaronic benediction and the sign of the cross placed upon our forehead. Thanks be to God for the gift He bestows upon us!

Capital Campaign Update



Proclaiming Christ Jesus! Luke 24:46-47

Capital Campaign (Update: 06-15-15)

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.
- Dr. Rothchild wishes to thank all our faithful donors, both individuals and congregations

Update:

Gifts received to date: \$ 492,593
Gifts promised in next 1-7 years: \$ 41,608

Total to Date: \$ 534,201

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

Here are some suggestions and resources for your summer use as you wrap up a great 2014-15 year and look ahead to Fall.

1. LEA: The Lutheran Education Association continues to provide strong monthly resources and contact for all levels of Lutheran Education. I have been a member since 1973 and have found these to be a great help. We are also looking forward to the National Convocation next year and to President Dr. Jon Laabs joining us in Urbandale this fall for our Fall Education Conference for Iowa Educators, bringing us information on LEA's future and the Convocation.
2. Our Fall Conference October 15-16 in Urbandale will provide speakers and resources for all levels with a special theme you will enjoy, a visit by a Comfort Dog, and more. Be sure to plan to join in. Registration will be sent in August.
3. Administrators for Iowa East and West Districts will gather Monday August 3 at Valley Lutheran in Cedar Falls. Dr. Terry Schmidt of the LCMS Schools Department will share on changes to the Department, new National Lutheran Schools Accreditation (NLSA) standards and procedures, Mr. Eric Gorenson will share on Iowa Legislative Measures, and more. You may register NOW through your District Office (c/o Pam Krog).
4. Think of possible Hearts for Jesus Projects for 2015-16 year and share them with Jeff Pool at the Administrative or Fall Education Conferences.
5. Iowa District East Convention is next week. Elections, many overtures and lots of new information will be presented along with congregational resources. All called workers are asked to attend.
6. IN HIS HANDS is a new resource from the Synod available through Concordia Publishing (CPH.org) for preschools and early childhood ministries. Order now.
7. Check resources available on other District Websites. See LCMS.org for sites.
8. I will be available for phone calls, site visits and resource all summer. Contact me at dcejff@yahoo.com, 319-784-7636 (corrected phone number) or through the District office. My contract as ATTP has been extended through the 2015-16 school year (July 2016) and I am pleased to once again serve you in God's Name. Thanks for your support this past year.



"Stand Up-Reach Out- Stand With" May 2015 LCMS Parish Nurse District Representatives Concordia University, Wisconsin

The LCMS Parish Nurse District Representatives met on May 26 & 27, 2015 at Concordia University, Wisconsin. Pastor Fred Zimmermann led our time of worship. Rev. John Fale, associate executive director of LCMS Mercy Operations, Dr. Marcia Schnorr, and Karen Hardecopf, Parish Nursing Program Coordinators, gave LCMS health ministry updates. Grant money has been given for each district to host a parish nurse convocation. IDE will be hosting one on Saturday, April 2, 2016. Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Prevention training was provided by Dr. Stephen Saunders, Marquette University.

Following the district rep meeting the 23rd Annual Concordia Conference for Parish Nurses and Congregational Health Ministers was held. A total of 96 attended from 20 states, six were clergy. Keynote speakers were Dr. Dan Paavola, Professor CUW; Tami Briggs, a therapeutic harpist, and Steve Gruenwald, Concordia Health Plans, looking at church worker health in today's world. Numerous breakout sessions of interest to health ministers were held during the remainder of the conference. The IDE parish nurse district rep is Ronda Anderson RN, Parish Nurse at Bethany Lutheran Church, Cedar Rapids. nurse.bethanycr@gmail.com

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca



July 2015

SUMMER CAMP HAS BEGUN!

“Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.” – John 8:34-36

After 10 days of staff training, our summer camp program began on June 10. We are off to a great start, but about 75% of campers will come between June 28 and July 28. There are still openings if you wish to register for a fun-filled week of Christ-centered learning!

Under the theme “Set Free”, campers are learning all about how Jesus frees sinners. Campers are introduced to the words of Jesus, where he tells us all who have sinned are slaves to sin. But by Jesus’ death and resurrection, he has set them free from the punishment of their sin, giving them a new and free life, living as God’s children!

Please review the rest of this newsletter and please come back to visit us at our annual Summerfest on August 1st or even come back for another week of summer camp! It’s been a blessing to have you here learning about Jesus and, how, because of Him, we are now *Set Free*.



QUILTS & CRAFTS NEEDED FOR SUMMERFEST AUCTION ON AUGUST 1

Mark **Saturday, August 1** down on your calendars! We are a little more than a month away 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! Past festivals have brought

in over \$10,000 for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca and we need your donations and attendance to make Summerfest 2015 a success. See you on August 1!

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email 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

August 1

*Summerfest Fundraiser Auction
1-Mile, 5K Fun Runs*

July 28

Last Day of Summer Camp

September 18-19

IED LWML Fall Retreat

October 9-10

IDE Confirmation Retreat

November 20-21

IDE Sr. High Retreat

January 29-30

IDE Jr. High Retreat & Snow-lympics



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In 2014, Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca received \$17,199 in Thrivent Choice contributions! Thank you donors for making this program a success for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Will you help make 2015 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.

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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; **Please see our web site for a complete list: www.campiodiseca.org.**

From the Kids, For the Kids Mission Offering

Each year the camp collects an offering called From the Kids, For the Kids. It's a way that we buy new program equipment here at camp so that kids can have a more enjoyable experience. We also take this opportunity to share this offering with kids who don't attend camp.

The Lutheran East Side Mission in Davenport, IA was started so that the Lord and his gifts would be available to ALL people, especially those who live in Davenport's urban east side neighborhoods. A portion of our From the Kids, For the Kids offering will go to support the after school program.

One of the things the East Side Mission provides for the community is an after school program. When their day at school has ended, the mission is a safe place to go for kids who live in this urban neighborhood east of downtown Davenport. At the after school program kids learn about Jesus, get help with homework, and enjoy a snack. Other activities include singing, playing, and exercising. We also venture out on an occasional field trip. For more information on how you can help this mission, please contact Pastor David Anderson at esmdav@gmail.com or call 563-323-6812.

THANK YOU!!!!!!

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Small Stewards - Big Blessing

Biblical Stewardship Lessons for and with Children

(You are encouraged to share this lesson with children in Sunday school openings, classroom devotions, children's worship messages, or other congregational settings. The lesson may also be a family devotion resource with the "Notes to Family" offering family applications and explorations.)

Genesis 17:15-19; 18:1-15; 21:1-2

It's important to learn when laughter is appropriate or inappropriate. It's appropriate to laugh at ourselves, the antics of an animal, or a good joke. It's inappropriate to laugh at someone else or to laugh at a crude comment. God comes to the tent of Abram and Sarah with the promise of the son they had been praying for. Sarah, who by this time is an older woman, laughs at God's promise.

When the promise of God comes true and Sarah and Abram have a son, God tells them to name the boy Isaac. "Isaac" means "He laughs." Abram and Sarah and their descendants would have reason to laugh because God kept His promise through Isaac. Through small Isaac God would bring big blessings to this family and to all families. God had promised Abram, "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing." (Genesis 12:2)

Many times we find ourselves in the sad world of sin. Because Jesus came to be our Savior, we have the joy of salvation. We can laugh at Satan, and we can laugh as we enjoy all God's blessings to us. Remembering God's promises we can have more than a small smile. We can have a big Isaac-like laugh.

Lutheran Church Extension Fund wants everyone to know about God's promises and the joy of salvation. LCEF investors help build churches and school where the laughter of children is heard in vacation Bible school experiences, Sunday school lessons, and joyful songs of praise. Children can participate in LCEF through the Young Investor Club. Many churches have a weekly or monthly routine where children bring their savings to the local club coordinator who records the investment and sends it to LCEF account. Ask your pastor or Y.I. Club coordinator for more information or visit lcef.org.

Prayer: Jesus, thank you for letting us hear laughter in our lives. We especially rejoice in Jesus as our Savior and look forward to sharing our joy with others. Amen.

Small Stewards Bring Big Blessings Home—Note to Family

When does Sarah's inappropriate laugh become an appropriate reason to laugh? When is it okay to laugh in church? When does your family laugh? Will we laugh in heaven? Birthdays, Christmas, and other gatherings are often times where family laughter is heard. These are also times where children are given gifts by parents, grandparents, and others. Enroll children as members of the Young Investors Club and give investment gifts that gain interest and grow the kingdom.

Visit lcef.org or contact Carole White, District Vice-President (carole.white@lcef.org)
Rev. Bob Riggert, Director of Customer Services (bob.riggert@lcef.org)
Ruth Gerken, Promotions Director (ruth.gerken@lcef.org)

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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 29, 2015
Arrive by 8:30 a.m.; Tee-Off @ 9:00 a.m.

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

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



*Sponsored by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Lunch and Prizes provided courtesy of Thrivent.
In case of inclement weather, call Fawn Creek @ 319-462-4115 or Rev. Rothchild @ 319-350-9564.*

Look for registration information on our website by February 1, 2015!



Cedar Falls, Iowa

July 13–15, 2015

Begins 1:00 p.m. on Monday and ends 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday



Dr. R. Reed Lessing

Dr. Lessing serves as senior pastor at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Prior to that he was on the faculty at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, for 14 years. His books include *Interpreting Discontinuity: Isaiah's Tyre Oracle* (Eisenbrauns, 2004), *Jonah* (Concordia Publishing House [CPH], 2007), *Amos* (CPH, 2009), *Isaiah: Chapters 40-55* (CPH, 2011), *Prepare the Way of the Lord: An Introduction to the Old Testament* (co-authored with Andrew Steinmann, CPH, 2013) and *Isaiah: Chapters 56-66* (CPH, 2014).

SPECIAL NOTE: Summer 2016 Isaiah 40-66 will be taught by Dr. Lessing

Isaiah 1–39

(1.5 CEU)

Located on the front of the historic Trinity Church in Boston are the sculptures of six men. At the center are the four Gospel writers who are flanked on the right by St. Paul and on the left by Isaiah. Isaiah's presence in this distinguished "cloud of witnesses" speaks volumes about his importance. This class will look at the prophet's first 39 chapters with a special eye towards preaching and teaching from these texts.

Suggested Readings:

The chapter on Isaiah in, *Prepare the Way of the Lord: An Introduction to the Old Testament* (Reed Lessing and Andrew Steinmann, Concordia Publishing House, 2013).

The introduction to Isaiah in, *The Prophecy of Isaiah: An Introduction and Commentary* (Alec Motyer, Intervarsity Press, 1993).



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July 13–15, 2015

Begins 1:00 p.m. on Monday and ends 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday

Dr. R. Reed Lessing: Isaiah 1–39

Please return this completed form with your check or credit card information to Concordia Theological Seminary, Continuing Education, 6600 N. Clinton Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46825. Please contact Kara Mertz at (260) 452-2103 or CE@ctsfw.edu with your questions or concerns. You may fax your registration to (260) 452-2121.

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2015 Summer Continuing Ed. Workshop
July 20-22, St. John Ev. Lutheran
Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577
641-673-6546

Presenter: Joel Okamoto

Title: Making Sense of [Your] Preaching

Preaching is becoming more demanding, because more hearers today come with less than they used to: less knowledge of the Bible; less understanding of the Christian faith; less patience with preachers. On top of these challenges, preachers know that many hearers' lives are growing more complex and confusing, and that they should also account for this.

There are no easy answers, but making sense of preaching in the congregation today might make direction easier to discern and purpose easier to accomplish. This workshop is designed to give participants ways to make sense of the preaching task and the preaching office in the congregation, and also to make sense of specific issues that often arise in discussing preaching, including "textual preaching," "distinguishing Law and Gospel," and "uses of the Law."

Schedule:

Monday,

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| 1:00 - 2:30 | Introduction to workshop |
| 2:30 - 2:45 | Break |
| 2:45 - 4:15 | Making sense of <i>being a Christian today</i> : After "the death of God" and "the triumph of the therapeutic" |
| 4:15 - 4:30 | Break |
| 4:30 - 5:30 | Making sense of <i>preaching</i> : Preaching as the Word of God |

Evening Free

Tuesday,

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| 9:00 - 10:00 | Making sense of <i>preaching</i> : Preaching as interpretation |
| 10:00- 10:15 | Break |

10:15 - 11:45 Making sense of *preaching*: Preaching in theological perspective
11:45 - 1:00 Lunch
1:00 - 2:30 Making sense of *preaching today*: Preaching as work of God and work of the Church
2:30 - 2:45 Break
2:45 – 4:15 Making sense of *preaching today*: Preaching *the* story
Evening Free

Wednesday,

8:30 - 10:00 Making sense of *your preaching*: Preaching to the people of God
10:00 - 10:15 Break
10:15 – 11:45 Making sense of *your preaching*: Preaching to the world

Required Readings

John W. Wright, *Telling God's Story: Narrative Preaching for Christian Formation* (Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2007).

Available as downloads for workshop participants

Gerhard O. Forde, "Preaching the Sacraments," *Lutheran Seminary Bulletin* 64/4 (1984): 3-27.

Uuraas Saarnivaara, "Written and Spoken Word," *Lutheran Quarterly* 2 (1950): 166-179.

Christian Smith with Melinda Lundquist Denton, "God, Religion, Whatever," in *Soul Searching* (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2004), 118-171.

Optional Readings

Gustaf Wingren, *The Living Word: A Theological Study of Preaching and the Church* (orig. ed., London: SCM Press, Ltd, 1960; reprint ed., Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock).

Hubert Dreyfus and Sean Dorrance Kelly, *All Things Shining* (New York: Free Press, 2011).

David Kinnaman, *You Lost Me* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2011).

Registration Information:

You may register online at www.csl.edu. Registration cost is \$140. If you have any questions please contact Erika Bennett: bennette@csl.edu, Phone: 314-505-7286



AUGUST 29, 2015 WORSHIP WORKSHOP

Liturgy, Music, and Art in the Divine Service

The Iowa District East Worship Committee is hosting a free workshop for pastors, organists, choir directors and others interested in church music, art, and liturgy.

This workshop will cover topics on liturgy, sacred music, playing organ, and what to do when you don't have an organist.

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Worship Workshop

Liturgy, Music, and Art in the Divine Service

August 29, 2015

	Time	Location	Presenter
Registration	8:15 – 8:45 AM		
Matins	9:00 AM	Sanctuary	
Plenary Session	9:30 – 10:30 AM	Sanctuary	President Brian Saunders Rev. Andy Wright
Sectional	10:45 – Noon	Sanctuary TBD TBD	Rev. David Hansen & Rev. Sean Hansen Mrs. Karen Godecke Rev. Chris Neuendorf
Lunch	Noon		
Sectional	1:00 – 2:15 PM	Sanctuary TBD TBD	Mrs. Katie Moss Mrs. Karen Godecke Mrs. Susan Benya
Vespers	2:30 PM	Sanctuary	
Dismissal	3:00 PM		

Worship Workshop

Liturgy, Music, and Art in the Divine Service

Plenary Sessions

Rev. Dr. Brian Saunders

The discussion about “liturgy” has been an ongoing topic for many years in the LCMS. Most of the discussions are centered on the familiarity we currently have with liturgy. A better place to start is with the New Testament use of the Greek word “Liturgia” both as a noun and in verbal forms. We will look at its use by St. Luke, St. Paul and the author of Hebrews to understand its New Testament origin. We will then look to the Lutheran Confessions and see how the Lutheran Fathers understood the term as it applies to the Church and Divine Service. A better appreciation for the theology of liturgy will greatly assist us with the issues concerning liturgy in the Divine Service today. This presentation will hopefully give us a foundation that will carry us through the day as we gather to further our knowledge, understanding, and appreciation for God’s Divine Service. Rev. Dr. Brian Saunders.

Rev. B. Andrew Wright

The liturgy of the Christian Church is rich in and steep in the history of the saints who have gone before us. Yet, where does it come from? We will take a look at the Divine Service as we have received it from our forefathers in the faith and see that really it has its source and substance in the Scriptures. The parts of the service sing and proclaim the Gospel of Christ using the words of the Bible itself. A theology and life of repentance and faith is proclaimed in the vivid words, which we sing, hear, and say culminating in the reception of the Lord’s Word and Supper. Come and join us as we study this wonderful topic and rejoice in the great gifts God has given to us including the liturgy of the Church.

Sectionals

Rev. Sean Hansen & Rev. David Hansen – Help My Church Doesn’t Have an Organist!

How do you make use of our hymnal's rich musical heritage when church organists are becoming so hard to find? One answer is provided by Church Music Solutions and their Substitute Organist Service. Using modern technology, this service plays high-quality music from LSB through your organ so that you can use the full resources of our hymnal and your own instrument even when an organist is not available. St. Paul Lutheran Church in Mount Vernon has been regularly using the Substitute Organist Service for the past four years. Pastor Hansen will talk about their experience with the program and its creator, Church Music Solutions. The presentation will include an overview of the ordering process and the experience of the resulting services. A member of the congregation will also be present to give their perspective on running the service program.

Another solution to the lack of organist situation is one used by Pastor David Hansen at St. John Lutheran Church, Center Point, and King of Glory Lutheran Church, Swisher. This dual parish makes use of a resource from Concordia Publishing House called “The Concordia Organist,” a 31 CD collection which provides pipe organ accompaniments for all of the hymns and liturgical music in *Lutheran Service Book*. The recordings in this collection feature organists Paul Grime, Kevin Hildebrand, and Richard Resch, playing the Schlicker organ in Kramer Chapel at CTS, Fort Wayne. Pastor Hansen and one of his volunteer music assistants will explain how they make use of this resource to accompany all hymns and liturgy for Divine Service.

Mrs. Karen Godecke – Making Liturgical Art with Community

This session is about engaging all ages of the worship-community on a path of love and service through their participation in the processes and products of Liturgical Art-making. View a progression of Scripturally-based projects as they come to life in worship-space and in the hearts and minds of the 'Body of Christ'.

Karen Godecke, a Liturgical artist in Cedar Rapids, and a graduate of Valparaiso University and The University of Iowa School of Art/Art History, makes Liturgical vestments, and whole-space Liturgical Art Installations including 'community-made' Art for Worship, which can be viewed online at www.artforworship.com

Rev. Christopher Neuendorf

In the first two centuries of her existence, the Lutheran Church produced a wealth of hymnody, with the influence of the Church Year largely determining content and presentation. Even the earliest hymnals began with an extended section of hymns appropriate to the seasons from Advent through Trinity, and as time went on these hymnals included appendices providing specific hymns for every Sunday of the Church Year. This presentation will delve into the astonishing wealth of musical resources for the Church Year available to the early Lutheran Church, as well as how those resources are made available to us today for the edification of our people.

Mrs. Katie Moss – “What do I do with my feet!?”: Transitioning from the Piano to the Organ

Church organists come to this unique and challenging instrument with different levels of keyboard training. This workshop will focus on the differences between the piano and the organ and will address specific elements of musical leadership unique to the organ: keyboard and pedal technique, tempo and rhythm, registration, and creativity. It will provide resources to help organists **prepare** and **play** a church service that is consistent, easy for congregations to follow, and faithful to the texts and styles of our hymns and liturgy. What a blessing to be able to facilitate our congregations' singing of the faith! Participants of any and all levels of keyboard experience welcome to attend.

Mrs. Karen Godecke – Beyond the 3' x 5' Felt Banner: Whole-space Liturgical Art for All Season

Take a visual walk through the Church year via Liturgical Art considering these questions: What is Liturgical Art, what does it include, and how can this 'visual voice' of The Word serve the community-in-worship-space effectively?

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Mrs. Susan Benya – (Hot!) Topics in Contemporary Church Music

(Hot!) Topics in Contemporary Church Music will examine issues and approaches relative to the planning, selection, presentation of music for worship that is free of limiting and divisive labels (i.e., "traditional" and contemporary") and restores worship music to its appropriate place as "handmaiden of the liturgy" and not an end in itself. Dr. Susan Benya, a lifelong church musician who serves as Director of Music at Trinity Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids, will review the reasons for the need to a return to "adjective-free worship" as opposed to the currently popular model of multiple services in different formats based largely on musical style. Dr. Benya has repeatedly witnessed the hazards of the popular approach and has worked to help restore a more holistic, unifying, and efficient worship model in the churches she has served. Specific suggestions and resources for accomplishing this goal will be provided, and difficult questions will be addressed.