



# Professional Worker's Packet

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February 2017**

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The Professional Packet is Iowa District East's monthly newsletter sharing updates on vacancies, upcoming events, and district news.

# President's Piece for Peace

Rev. Dr. Brian S. Saunders

February 2017

While on vicarage, many years ago in southern Florida, I was visiting with some of the preschoolers of the congregation. One of them told me that “Jesus died to take away our money.” When I asked why he thought that, the child responded “because you told us Jesus died to take away our cents.” Little ears heard the word cents rather than the word sins. Humorous as that may be it emphasized to me the necessity of preaching and teaching with clarity. This is always true especially when it comes to preaching the section of the text concerning the law. Good preaching includes clarity concerning the malady of all mankind and the need for a Savior.

Preaching the law is no easy task but it must be done. In the Smalcald Articles Part II, Article II Luther wrote “the chief function or power of the law is to make original sin manifest and show man to what utter depths his nature has fallen and how corrupt it has become. So the law must tell him that he neither has nor cares for God or that he worships strange gods... Thus he is terror-stricken and humbled, becomes despondent and despairing, anxiously desires help but does not know where to find it...”

Forgoing the Law in a sermon leaves for no purpose of the Gospel. In the Formula of Concord Solid Declaration, Article V, the Lutheran Fathers quote Luther when he said “everything that preaches about our sin and the wrath of God no matter how or when it happens, is the proclamation of the law. On the other hand, the Gospel is a proclamation that shows and gives nothing but grace and forgiveness in Christ. At the same time it is true and right that the apostles and the preachers of the Gospel, just as Christ himself did, confirm the proclamation of the law and begin with the law in the case of those who as yet neither know their sins nor are terrified by the wrath of God.”

As hard and sometimes unpleasant as preaching the law is, doing so with textual clarity makes preaching the Gospel ever more perspicuous. When a haughty heart has been stricken by the stinging point of identifying sin, it moves to the edge of its pew longing for a rescue from their malady. As Luther points out, the law is to identify the fact of a fallen nature that entraps everyone. True as that is, it doesn't always strike home. General statements about general sins that the general population generally commits is easily passed off from ear to brain to oblivion. When the text offers examples of the issue being confronted, it is appropriate to make a textual application to the lives of the hearers. The prophets did as much for Israel and the malady of Israel is the struggle we have today and every day.

Each Sunday there are three scripture lessons that form the theme of the day. In at least one of them if not in all three the law is used to kill the Old Adam in the hearer. There need not be any more than one or once in a while maybe two textual examples that are meant for that purpose. Stay within the texts used for the Sunday if possible. When the general becomes specific to the hearer the ears are opened and the heart hungers for relief.

Now the preacher has the wonderful and joyous privilege to preach Christ and Him crucified for the sake of forgiveness of our sins. The Gospel comes to rescue the lost, it raises the dead. For every malady confronting the hearer throughout the church year there is Christ taking the punishment for that sin upon Himself and bleeding His holy blood to wash the hearer clean. Clear and applicable law, even if only one application makes for clear and distinct application of the never ending flood of the Gospel. When the hearer desires the Good News they will hear it.

We credit the Law/Gospel paradigm to C.F.W. Walther and rightly so with his publication of a book by the same name. At the same time Walther was simply an excellent student of Luther who has handed to us a marvelous treasure of good and proper preaching.

President Saunders.

# Calendar of Events

## January 2017

**26**

**MT. VERNON**

Prof. Church Workers  
9:45am  
St. Paul's

**31**

**MARION**

Board of Directors  
9:00am  
District Office

## February

**3-4**

**OLON**

Middle School Retreat  
Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

**11**

**MARION**

LWML Board Meeting  
District Office

**17**

**FORT DODGE**

Preaching Seminar  
Iowa District West  
Office

**23**

**MT. VERNON**

Prof. Church Workers  
9:45am  
St. Paul's

## March

**4**

**CEDAR RAPIDS**

District Spelling Bee  
Trinity Cedar Rapids

**23**

**MT. VERNON**

Prof. Church Workers  
9:45am  
St. Paul's

# Save the Dates

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## **Middle School Retreat February 3-4, 2017**

Topic: Who Am I?

Presenter: Rev. Michael Kearney

**Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca  
Solon, IA**

## **Spring Workers Conference May 1-2, 2017**

**Bethany Lutheran Church  
Cedar Rapids, IA**

## **Fall Pastors' Conference October 2-3, 2017**

Presenter: Rev. Dr. John Stephenson

**Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca  
Solon, IA**



# Vacancy Updates

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## Calling Congregations:

New Hope, Charles City—Chris Gorshe (vacancy pastor)  
Trinity, Davenport—Senior Pastor  
Calvary, Deep River—Stuart Rethwisch (vacancy pastor)  
Immanuel, Grinnell—Fred Berry (vacancy pastor)  
Homestead/Wellman—Dean Rothchild (vacancy pastor)  
Messiah, Mason City—Clarke Frederick (vacancy pastor)  
St. Matthews, Sherrill—Kris Kincaid (vacancy pastor)  
St. John, Waverly—Keith Brustuen (vacancy pastor)

## Pastors Call Update:

**Accepted:** Dave Menet, Walnut, IL to Faith, Waterloo  
Daniel Ognoskie, S. IL District to Zion, Willton

**Declined:** Philip Bloch, Seymour, IN to Trinity, Davenport  
John Preus, Trinity, Clinton to Zion, Chippewa Falls, WI

## DCE/Schools/Teacher Update:

**Vacancies:** St. Paul, Latimer—Principal/Teacher Combo

**Pending:** Dan Scheild, Wausau, WI to St. Paul, Latimer—Principal/Teacher.

# Updates to 2016 Directory

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Page #	Name	Change
6	Secretary—Rev. Mark Brase	Cell Phone: 641-919-5457
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32	Anderson, Mark A.	Remove from Inactive. Add to Emeritus
39	Fairbank	Email: stjohnglcs@gmail.com

If you have changes to the Fall 2016 Directory please email them to [jon@lcside.org](mailto:jon@lcside.org).

# Out with the Old and in with the New

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Rev. Dr. Dean F. Rothchild—Assistant to the President

We have all heard the above expression, out with the old and in with the new. We have turned over another calendar year to 2017. We have a new President in office in Washington, D.C. I have changed my prayer list from praying for the Obama family to praying for the Trump family.

The expression "out with the old and in with the new" is very fitting for the baptized child of God. It is a daily occurrence as we return to our baptism. The Old Adam continues to cling to us and it manifests itself in daily sin: either in thought, word, or deed. It needs to be repented of, so that the new person in Christ Jesus can come forth.

John says to us: "If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. And the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin" (I John 1:8-9, 7c). We see a baptismal rhythm at work for the child of God whose life is centered in Christ Jesus. Confession of sin takes place, we return to our baptism, God forgives as we are told that it is the blood of Jesus which cleanses—forgives—all our sins.

That daily baptismal life is also expressed as we gather in the Divine Service. God serves us through His called and ordained shepherds. We confess our sins and we receive Holy Absolution. As the service continues on we hear the sermon (again we are receiving) and God's Law kills us so that the Holy Gospel can resurrect us. Christological preaching will lead us to the altar where we again are receiving. In the bread and wine we receive the Body and Blood of Christ Jesus and we receive the forgiveness of all of our sins.

It is from this altar that the baptized are sent out to confess Christ Jesus to their neighbor through words and acts of mercy. We return to our baptism each day and to the Divine Service to receive what Christ has earned and bestows, namely the forgiveness of sins. Too often the church has failed to grasp the simplicity of the life of the baptized. Our doing comes from our being in Christ Jesus. It is our being that receives what Christ has earned through His suffering, death, and resurrection. Paul wrote: "In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses according to the riches of His grace, which He lavished upon us" (Ephesians 1:7-8a).

As to the Lord's Supper, Martin Luther wrote in the Large Catechism: "Therefore, it is appropriately called the food of the soul since it nourishes and strengthens the new man. While it is true that through Baptism we are first born anew, our human flesh and blood have not lost their old skin. There are so many hindrances and temptations of the devil and the world that we often grow weary and faint, at times even stumble. For such times, when our heart feels too sorely pressed, this comfort of the Lord's Supper is given to bring us new strength and refreshment."

The Lord's Supper is always the new and helps to flush us of the old. Luther also wrote: "But those who feel their weakness, who are anxious to be rid of it and desire help, should regard and use the sacrament as a precious antidote against the poison in their systems. For here in the sacrament you receive from Christ's lips the forgiveness of sins, which contains and conveys God's grace and Spirit with all his gifts, protection, defense, and power against death and the devil and all evils." What a blessing it is to receive as God continues to cleanse us from the old and bring in the new!

# Capital Campaign Update



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

### Capital Campaign (Update: 1-16-17)

*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

### Corrected Update:

Gifts received to date: \$ 648,896  
Gifts promised in next 1-7 years: \$ 48,200

**Total to Date: \$ 697,096**

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

## HOW TO KEEP YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

by [Jonathan Lockwood Huie](#)

You made a New Year's resolution - maybe you made several New Year's resolutions. But you have already backslid a little and you are wondering whether to just give up on your well-intentioned resolutions. What now? How can you keep your New Year's resolutions and also keep your happiness and your sanity?

Here are some tips on re-evaluating your New Year's Resolutions and keeping those which still seem important...

1. For each resolution, revisit the reason you made that resolution. Do you have a deep commitment to making a change for your own betterment or long term happiness? Or did you resolve to change merely to please someone else? Or were all your friends making resolutions and you wanted to fit in?

Unless you have a deep commitment to making a lasting change, just stop now and forgive yourself. Change is only worthwhile when you undertake it for yourself and out of a deep commitment.

2. Have you chosen the best way to accomplish your underlying goals. If you went on a diet to become healthier, you might be better served by joining the gym. If your resolution to visit the gym daily is faltering, you might find a daily walk to be a better path toward your fitness goal.

3. Is your time frame realistic? Consider lengthening your time frame rather than abandoning your goal.

4. Get support. Find a friend, or perhaps create a whole team, to support you in keeping your resolutions.

5. Set interim goals, preferably daily goals.

6. Keep a journal of your progress. Record your progress daily, whatever the day's results turn out to be.

7. Reward yourself for each day's accomplishment.

8. Love, honor, and respect yourself whatever you do or do not do.

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# Not Another New Year's Resolution

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*"Let my teaching fall like rain and my words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants." Deuteronomy 32:2*

How many times do you hear the question, "What's your New Year's resolution?" Every year, right after Christmas, we hear a variety of TV commercials, newspaper articles, and other forms of social media encourage us to make changes and improvements in the way we do things as we start another calendar year. Then, in a few months, those resolutions have gone by the wayside, and we're back to square one.

So much for New Year's resolutions. Instead, I'd like to suggest that these words from Moses from Deuteronomy be considered a daily encouragement and reminder to each of us as leaders in the days ahead as we work with children in our schools, Sunday Schools, confirmation classes, and other areas of congregational children's ministry. Moses recited the words of this song as he was saying farewell to the Children of Israel. These "tender plants" in our care will be blessed with our teaching when they hear over and over that Jesus loves them, that He died and rose for them, and one day will take them to be Him in heaven. Later in the chapter (v. 47) we read, "They are not just idle words for you – they are your life."

As I was getting ready to write this article, I came across eight statements that emphasize the importance of children's ministry. These were written by Dale Hudson and can be found on his Relevant Children's Ministry website. I share them with you for your encouragement, benefit, and consideration.

**#1 – Children's ministry is just as much about adults as it is kids.**

Without adults serving in children's ministry, there is no children's ministry. Success rises and falls on the strength of the team we build and shepherd, whether they are paid professionals or volunteers. It takes some serious leadership skills to be able to minister to kids and adults.

**#2 – Children's ministry is the best place to invest your time and resources.** This is where the greatest mission field is. When we invest in children we see fruit now and for years to come. This is where you reach families. It is easier to build kids than to repair adults.

**#3 – It takes a lot of volunteers to run a children's ministry.** Teachers and volunteers just don't magically appear in a classroom. It takes a lot to make it happen.

**#4 – Nursery and preschool ministry is not childcare.** It's the preschool years that the foundation is laid for child's spiritual formation. Children absorb more information in their first three years than any other time in life. We teach preschoolers that God loves them and He sent Jesus to be their Savior. We teach them to pray. We plant the seeds early so they will grow in their saving faith.

**#5 – Success in children's ministry is just as much about helping parents as it is kids.** Parents are the primary influencers of children. We look for ways to encourage and equip parents to disciple their kids.

We partner with them in seeing their kids grow in their faith life.

**#6 – Kids deserve excellence just as much as adults do.** We cringe when we hear, “It doesn’t matter, they’re just kids, they won’t notice.” In Jesus’ day, women and children didn’t count. Instead, Jesus modeled excellence for us. He said, “Let the children come to Me. Don’t hinder them, the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as them.”

**#7 – There is no Jr. Holy Spirit.** Kids come to Jesus just like adults do. God answers prayers of kids just like He does adults. God can and does move in their hearts just like He can adults.

**#8 – Children are not just the church of tomorrow.** They are the church of today and tomorrow. They serve today. They can make an impact now. They can give now. They can pray big prayers now. They can lead now. They can bring people to Jesus now.

As leaders in our churches and schools, it is my prayer that our teaching be a blessing to our young people, our kids, our students, our parents, and our families. Ministering to our children isn’t a New Year’s resolution. It’s our challenge and opportunity, and for that we thank and praise God, cherishing each moment we have with our children. Many thanks for the blessing you are to the children whose lives we touch in IDE and beyond!

# ARCHIVES

## Parochial School Teachers in Iowa District East

During the decade that I have served as IDE Archivist, I have focused a lot on gathering information on the LCMS pastors who once serve in Iowa. I bypassed researching the Parochial School Teachers because I figured the next archivist might be of that profession and then would want to gather information on those who gave their lives to teaching the young people in our Iowa Parochial Schools. But one can only gather so much information on preachers (photos, pictures of their spouses and families, where they served, and obituaries—if that applies) and then one starts looking for something else to pursue. I guess I have arrived at that point. So I started wondering who the teachers were that served the various parochial schools in the Iowa District after the District was voted into existence at the LCMS Convention in 1878; and especially after Iowa District was divided in two and Iowa District East came into being in 1936.

### Parochial Teachers and the Iowa District:

When Iowa District met for the first time at St. Paul Lutheran in Ft. Dodge on 20 August, 1879, it was an era when the pastor usually served as the teacher in a congregation's parochial school. However, the Minutes of that 1<sup>st</sup> Convention show that three laymen teachers (*Lehrer*) were in attendance: F. Asmussen (Waterloo), J.P. Rademacher (Ft. Dodge), and H. Steuber (Luzerne) and no other teachers listed as absent.<sup>1</sup> A decade later, at the 8<sup>th</sup> Convention held at St. Paul-Waverly on 23 August 1889, 14 male teachers were recognized as serving in the District congregations at: Atkins, Davenport, Ft. Dodge, Homestead, Lowden, Luzerne, Maple Valley Twp—Buena Vista Co, Paullina, Sioux City, State Center, Warren Twp—Bremer Co.<sup>2</sup>

It is not so easy to compare records from convention to convention because of the way things are altered when the information in the report gets reworked. Two decades after the establishment of Iowa District, a synodical statistical report notes the following for activities during 1899: 2 teachers entered the District from Addison Teacher Training College of Illinois; 1 from another District; and 1 resigned from his office.<sup>3</sup> Because our archive is not in possession of all statistical reports, we have no information on the third decade. Four decades later, in 1919, synod statistics reveal that Iowa District had 23 pastors teaching school, 39 installed male teachers, and 14 female teachers.<sup>4</sup> Five decades after Iowa District was established, and eight years before Iowa District was divided in two, I try to figure out the 1929 statistics. It appears that not every congregation submitted its statistics (even as it still happens in our era), so some congregations are listed as having pupils in a parochial school, but there is no listing in the category of how often they met and if they had any teachers. So, with the information that is noted in 1929, Iowa District had the following listing of parochial schools teachers: 16 pastors [P]; 44 installed men [M]; 23 ladies [L]; and 4 students [S]. The schools of these teachers were



located in the following places: Adair (1L), Algona (1P), Alta (1M, 1L), Atkins (1M, 1L), Boone—StPaul (1M, 1L), Boone—Trin (2L), Cedar Rapids—Trin (2M, 1L). Charter Oak (1M), Charter Oak—StJohn (1M, 1L), Conroy (1M), Davenport—Im (1S), Davenport—Trin (2M, 1L), Delaware (1P, 1L), DeLoit (1P), Dubuque (1M), Fenton (1P), Fredericksburg (1S), Ft. Dodge—9NW (1P), Ft. Dodge—StPaul (3M, 1L), Garner (1M), Hampton—Zion (1P), Homestead (1M, 1L), Ida Grove (1M), Keystone (1M, 1L), Klinger (1M, 1L), Knoke (1S), Lacona (1P), Latimer (1M, 1L), Lidderdale (1M), Lone Rock (1M), Lowden (1M, 1L), Luverne (1M), Luzerne (1M), Marengo—StMartin (1P), Marshalltown (1M), Newhall—StJohn (1M), Ocheyedon—StPeter (1P, 1S), Ocheyedon—Zion (1P, 1L), Paullina—Zion (1M), Paullina—7 SW (2M), Pomeroy (1M), Readlyn—StPaul (1P, 1M), Reinbeck (1P), Rockwell City (1P), Sac City (1P), Sioux City (1M, 1L), State Center (1M), Storm Lake (1M; 1L), Sumner—StJohn (1L), Sumner—StPaul (1P), Victor (1M), Waterloo (2M), Waverly—StJohn (1P), Webster City (1L), Whittemore (2M), Williamsburg—6 SE (1M, 1L), Williamsburg—StPaul (1M), Wilton Jct (1M, 1L), Yorktown (1M).<sup>5</sup>

### Parochial Teachers and Iowa District East:

When Iowa District East [IDE] held its 1<sup>st</sup> District Convention in Cedar Rapids in 1937, the Christian Education Report noted that there were 29 (parochial schools), 23 called (men) teachers, 7 lady teachers, 4 candidate teachers, and 1 student teacher. The District enrollment was shown to be 1,188 pupils.<sup>6</sup> The numbers in the District Convention Report and the numbers in synod's annual statistical report do not agree. However, the following is a list of the congregations in the Iowa District East that had parochial schools at that time:<sup>7</sup>

#### 1937

School Location	Enrollment	Teachers				
		Pastor	Men	Ladies	Candidate	Student
Artesian-St Paul.....	38		01			
Atkins-St Stephen	33		01	01		
Bremer-Trinity.....	18	01	01			
Cedar Rapids-Trinity	58		01	01		
Clinton-St John.....	52		01		01	
Conroy-Trinity	32		01			
Davenport-Immanuel.....	44		01			
Davenport-Trinity	126		02	01		
Delaware-St Paul.....	17					01
Dubuque-St Paul	38		01	01		
Fairbank-St John.....	20					01
Fredericksburg-St Paul	16					01
Homestead-St John.....	49		01			01
Keystone-St John	44		01			
Klinger-Immanuel.....	51		01		01	
Latimer-St Paul	63		01	01		
Lowden-Trinity.....	71		01	01		

School Location	Enrollment	Teachers				
		Pastor	Men	Ladies	Candidate	Student
Luzerne-St Paul	35		01			
Marengo-St Martin.....	17	01				
Newhall-St John	30		01			
Readlyn-St Paul.....	37		01			
State Center-St John	19		01			
Sumner-St John.....	13				01	
Sumner-St Paul	22					01
Victor-St John.....	42		01			
Waterloo-Immanuel	147		01	01	01	01
Waverly-St John.....	09	01				
Westgate-St Peter	66		01			01
Williamsburg-Immanuel.....	79		01		01	
Williamsburg-St Paul	39		01			
Wilton Junction-Zion.....	60		01	01		
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<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,385</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>08</b>	<b>05</b>	<b>07</b>

Rather than list the schools for each year since IDE came into existence, I will indicate where our District was in regards to conducting Parochial (Elementary) Schools half way into its existence in 1977.<sup>8</sup> The Report reveals that some congregations had young people of school age, but attending a Parochial School elsewhere in the neighborhood. This is shown by an (\*) before the number. Enrollment with an (N) indicates only a Pre-school is offered by the congregation.

#### 1977

School Location	Enrolled	Teachers	School Location	Enrolled	Teachers
Atkins-St Stephen	*52		Luzerne-St Paul	*19	
Cedar Rapids-Bethany	*09		Marion-St Paul	*03	
Cedar Rapids-Trinity	224	11	Newhall-Central School	152	07
Clinton-St John	N23	02	Newhall-St John	*66	
Conroy-Trinity	*20		Newton-Our Savior	N21	
Davenport-Holy Cross	*06		Readlyn-Community	146	07
Davenport-Immanuel	*02		Readlyn-St Paul	*59	
Davenport-Trinity	153	09	Victor-St John	26	02
Dubuque-Our Redeemer	N35	01	Waterloo-Immanuel	170	09
Eldora-St Paul	N16	03	Williamsburg-Central	199	10
Eldridge-Park View	N37	02	Williamsburg-Immanuel	*54	
Hiawatha-Zion	*1		Williamsburg-St Paul	*106	
Homestead-St John	*19		Wilton-Zion	37	02
Klinger-Immanuel	*50			=====	==
Latimer-St Paul	26	03	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,756</b>	<b>70</b>
Lowden-Trinity	25	02			

How our church gathers statistics on our congregation schools keeps changing, and where to find those numbers moves around from Year-Books, to Annuals, and then seems to get buried in some other kind of reporting to the synod. Eighty years after IDE came into existence, in 1997, *The Lutheran Annual*, which reports those statistics in the 1999 edition, lists the following for Iowa District East:

#### 1997

# of Schools	Pupils	Men	Women
35	2,744	20	132

However, when consulting the IDE Church Worker Directory for 1997, it indicates that there were only 10 commissioned teachers working in the district: Cedar Rapids (JoAnn Schumacher, Karen Kroemer, Ruth Lavrenz, Mary Becker, Robin Wagner, and Diane Wolf), Clemons (David Saeger), Davenport (Janet Schanbacher, Tim Schumacher), and Waterloo (Donald Gade). That seems to be at odds with *The Lutheran Annual* figures which show 132 women teachers rather than the 6 just listed, and 20 men teachers rather than the 3 just listed.

Finally, down to the present, almost one hundred years later, the statistics for commissioned teachers are taken from the *IDE Directory—2016*. *The Lutheran Witness* no longer provides detailed Elementary School statistics for each district of the synod as it once used to.

#### 2016

School Location	Elementary	
	Men	Ladies
Cedar Falls-Valley Lutheran	03	05
Cedar Rapids-Trinity	02	06
Davenport-Trinity	04	10
Dubuque-Lutheran School	01	01
Latimer-St Paul	00	02
Newhall-Central Lutheran	01	07
Readlyn-Community Lutheran	01	01
Williamsburg-Interparish	01	07

#### Preschools in 2016

The *IDE Fall 2016 Directory* provides a listing of the 28 Preschools that are still operating throughout the district. Cedar Rapid-Bethany, Marengo-St John, and Burlington-Concordia closed their schools 2014-2015. Of all the staff teaching, 5 are commissioned teachers.

Belle Plaine-First Lutheran  
Bettendorof-Our Savior  
Cedar Falls-Immanuel  
Cedar Rapids-Share & Care

Cedar Rapids-Trinity  
Clinton-St John  
Coralville-Prince of Peace  
Davenport-Immanuel

Davenport-Risen Christ Little Blessings  
 Davenport-Trinity Lutheran School  
 DeWitt-Grace  
 Dubuque-Our Redeemer  
 Eldora-Good Shepherd  
 Eldridge-Share & Care  
 Fairfield-Mothers' Day Out  
 Fredericksburg-Fund in the Son  
 Hiawatha-Little Lambs  
 Iowa City-Our Redeemer

Mason City-Sunbeam Christian  
 Monticello-St John  
 Mt. Pleasant-Son Shine Academy  
 Newhall-Central Lutheran  
 Readlyn-Community Lutheran  
 Ventura-Redeemer  
 Vinton-TLC  
 Waverly-St John  
 Williamsburg-Lutheran Interparish  
 Wilton-Zion

As a follow-up to the above statistics, I am planning to share with you from the Teachers' Conference Minutes (1904-1939) and other reports what used to happen when our parochial school teachers used to get together.

### End Notes

<sup>1</sup> Erste Synodal Bericht Iowa Districts der deutschen evang.=luth. Synode von Missouri, Ohio u.a. Staaten im Jahre 1879 (First Synodical Report of Iowa District of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and other States in the Year 1879)

<sup>2</sup> Achter Synodal Bericht Iowa Districts der deutschen evang.=luth. Synode von Missouri, Ohio und anderen Staaten Anno Domini 1889 (Eighth Synodical Report of Iowa District of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and other States in the Year 1889)

<sup>3</sup> Synodal Berich. Statistisches Jahrbuch der deutschen evan.=lutherischen Synode von Missouri, Ohio und anderen Staaten für das Jahr 1899 (Synod Report—Statistical Year Book of the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio and other States for 1899)

<sup>4</sup> Statistical Year-Book of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States for the Year 1919

<sup>5</sup> Statistical Year-Book of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States for the Year 1929

<sup>6</sup> Proceedings of the First Convention Iowa District East of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States, 1937

<sup>7</sup> Statistical Year-Book of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States for the Year 1937

<sup>8</sup> 1977 Statistical Yearbook—The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

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**CHURCH FACILITIES OF YESTERYEAR:** Back in March, 2016, your archivist put out a request for congregations to provide him with pictures of original facilities used when the congregation got started. Pictures of first church building, first schools, first parsonages. As of now, no one has responded. Reason for this request? To put together a slide show to be shown in the Display Room at the next District Convention. Send pictures to [onamission1939@gmail.com](mailto:onamission1939@gmail.com)

**500<sup>th</sup> REFORMATION CELEBRATION in 2017:** If you are planning to provide the members of the congregation with some insight into the people who played a part in Martin Luther's life back in the 1500s, you may want to consider using the free **Bible Study**, or **Handout**, or **Bulletin Insert** located at <http://lutheranreformation.org/>. A few of the more recent releases are presented in the three following pages.

Allen E. Konrad  
 IDE Archivist

## FACES OF THE REFORMATION

### JOHANN VON STAUPITZ

**Born:** Date unknown | Motterwitz, Germany

**Died:** Dec. 28, 1524 | Salzburg, Germany



## Head of the German Augustinian Observantines and Luther's mentor and confessor

JOHANN VON STAUPITZ WAS THE HEAD OF THE GERMAN AUGUSTINIAN OBSERVANTINES, Luther's mentor and confessor and also the dean of theology at the University of Wittenberg. Staupitz played a pivotal role, though unintentionally, in the Reformation. When a long-standing conflict within the Augustinians arose once again in 1510, Luther and another monk traveled to Rome in order to get a resolution to the conflict from church authorities. While in Rome, Luther began to see some of the corruption in the church regarding the veneration of relics and the almost flippant manner in which the priests there were presiding over the elements of the Lord's Supper. He also felt the futility of his works of penance to free a soul from heaven. In the end, the resolution favored Staupitz's side of the dispute, and Luther returned to the monastery in Erfurt. Since most of the other monks in Erfurt did not favor Staupitz's interpretation of the Augustinian rules the way Luther did, Staupitz called him from that unsympathetic environment to serve at the University of Wittenberg in 1511.

This was not the only reason Staupitz brought Luther to Wittenberg. For some time, Staupitz had been aware not only of Luther's academic gifts, but also of his struggles with seeking to be "holy enough" for God to love him. As his confessor, Staupitz mentored the conflicted monk and tried to assure him that God was not out to punish him. Staupitz assigned Luther to the task of teaching the Bible at the university. This position also entailed preaching at the monastery in Wittenberg.

Up to this point, both of these academically trained men had concentrated their studies on the writings of theologians and philosophers more than the Bible. Luther now began to study the Scriptures themselves instead of other writings as he prepared his lectures on the Psalms, Romans and Galatians. As he studied in his room in the tower of the monastery, his eyes were opened and he began to realize that God's righteousness was not something that he could ever earn by doing good works. Instead, God gave it freely for the sake of Christ through faith. As the fog of confusion and doubt began to dissipate in the bright warming sun of God's Word, Luther's theology began to form and develop and strengthen.

Although Luther was no longer in need of Staupitz's constant counsel, the two remained close for some time. Interestingly, despite his support of Luther and the Reformation, Staupitz never became a fellow reformer, but remained in the Catholic Church.



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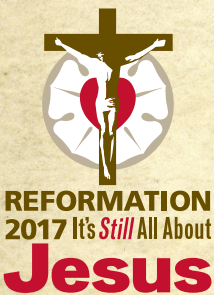
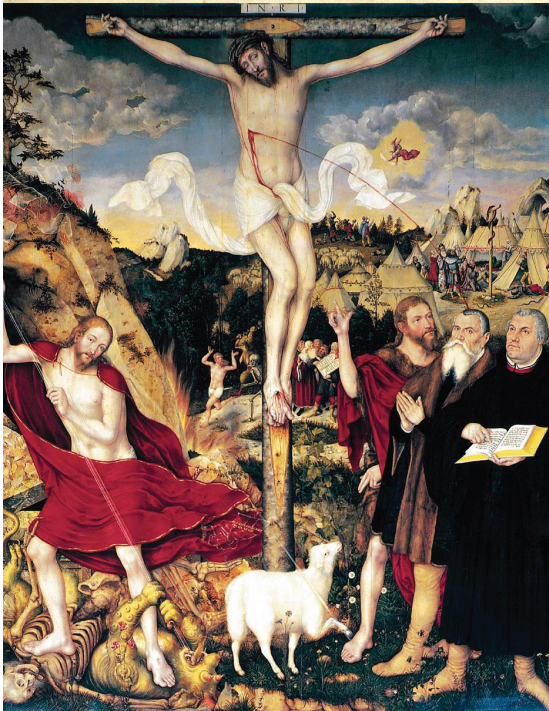
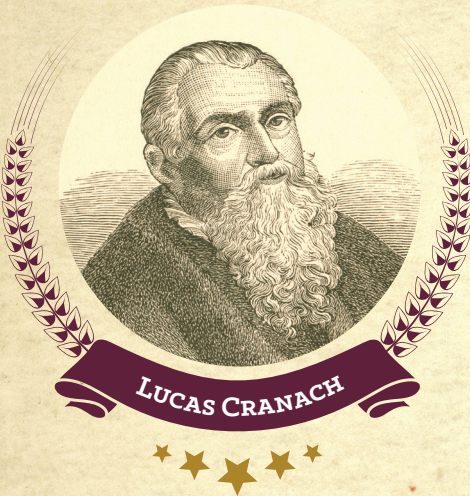


## FACES OF THE REFORMATION

### LUCAS CRANACH THE ELDER

Born: 1472 | Kronach, Germany

Died: 1553 | Weimar, Germany



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## Artist, businessman and friend of Luther

IN 1520 LUCAS CRANACH THE ELDER WAS, BY ALL ACCOUNTS, A SUCCESS. He had been serving the court of Frederick the Wise for 14 years. His works of art had become so famous that he moved his personal studio, with several apprentices, into the town of Wittenberg. He had expanded into pursuits of real estate and small business. Cranach was active in local politics, having just been elected to Wittenberg's city council the previous year. Things were, however, about to change for the artist-entrepreneur. In the wake of the death of Emperor Maximilian, which made the political climate for reformers more dangerous, Frederick and Court Secretary George Spalatin decided that Martin Luther's face needed to be presented before the people so that he might become a household name. Cranach was the man who brought Luther's face to the people. Most of the images we have of the reformer came from his brush.

While some reformers, like Zwingli, mistakenly believed that religious art and paintings were against the Ten Commandments, Luther embraced the responsible use of the arts in the church. While Luther, Melancthon and others led the charge of the Reformation with their writings, Cranach aided the cause through the use of images, specifically paintings and woodcuts. Cranach and Luther grew close when they became colleagues in the publication of Luther's writings and pamphlets, most notably his Small Catechism and German translation of the Bible. Be it children's textbooks or scathing propaganda against the papacy, Cranach provided visual representations of Luther's thought.

More than just a colleague, Cranach became an important part of Luther's personal life. When Luther required homes for refugee nuns, Cranach provided housing. Later, when Luther married one of the escaping nuns, Katherina von Bora, Cranach was a witness at the wedding. As time went on, Luther and Cranach served as godparents for each other's children.

Cranach's lasting appeal is multifaceted. Not only is he remembered for his pictorial contribution to the Lutheran Reformation, but he is also lauded by the art community for his late-Renaissance "Wittenberg" style of painting. He painted, for many patrons, a variety of subjects including Catholic saints and Greek myths. Today his paintings and altar pieces grace museums all over the world. He accomplished all of this while engaged in politics and enterprise. In addition to working under Frederick the Wise he also served the Saxon Court under John the Steadfast and John Frederick the Magnanimous. His loyalty was unquestionable; he followed John Frederick into exile in 1547. Painter, businessman and friend, Cranach was a man who exemplified Luther's doctrine of vocation: that all stations in life are necessary for society and are God-pleasing.

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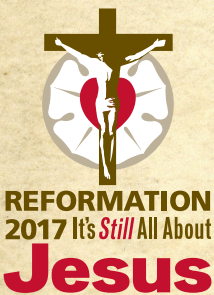
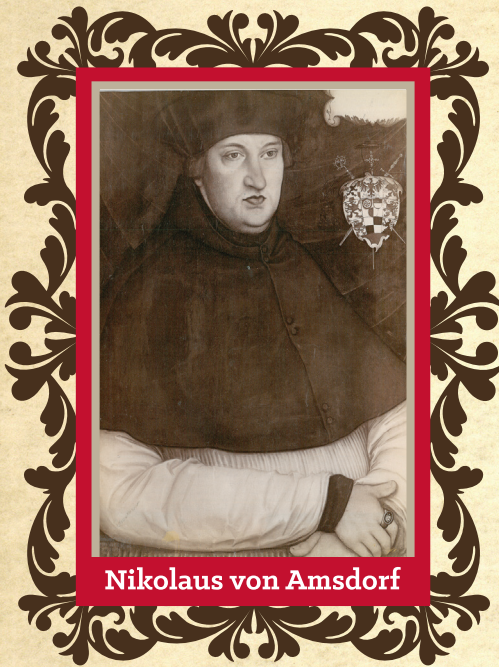


## FACES OF THE REFORMATION

### NIKOLAUS VON AMSDORF

**Born:** Dec. 3, 1483 | Torgau, Germany

**Died:** May 14, 1565 | Eisenach, Germany



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## Luther's faithful friend and defender

### BORN TO A NOBLE SAXON FAMILY, NIKOLAUS VON AMSDORF

first studied theology in Leipzig and then was one of the first students at the newly founded University of Wittenberg. There, he obtained his master's degree and a position as a professor. He also often served as rector. He was trained in and taught scholastic theology until he was won for the Reformation by his colleague Martin Luther, whom he accompanied to the Leipzig Debate and the Diet of Worms. His friendship with Luther would be the most definitive aspect of Amsdorf's theological activity.

After visiting Magdeburg with Luther in 1524, Amsdorf was encouraged by Luther to take a call there, where he served for nearly two decades. In Magdeburg, he battled radicals and Papists through his sermons and simply worded pamphlets, and he was instrumental in turning the city and surrounding areas into a bastion for Lutheranism.

At the behest of his prince, John Frederick, and against the wishes of the emperor, Amsdorf was made bishop of Naumberg-Zeitz in 1542. Due to the opposition of the clergy in his bishopric, he met with little success and was frustrated in his work. After the Smalcald War broke out in 1546, Amsdorf was driven from his position. Following John Frederick's capture by imperial forces at the battle of Mühlberg, Amsdorf served for a short time as counselor to his prince's sons in Weimar. Thereafter, Amsdorf retired to Magdeburg, where he was a leading voice against the compromises made by Melancthon and his followers to the Augsburg Interim imposed upon Saxony by Emperor Charles V.

From 1552 on, Amsdorf lived in Eisenach, where, though retired, he was engaged in matters of church and academia, including the founding of the University of Jena. Until his death in 1565, he was involved in a number of theological controversies and prodigiously published polemical works. Among the most famous of these controversies was his dispute with Georg Major, who argued that "good works were necessary for salvation." Amsdorf pushed for the other extreme and claimed that "good works" were detrimental to salvation, by which he meant those "good works" that are seen as contributing to salvation. Amsdorf's writing, though it seeks to reproduce Luther's legacy, is simple, unoriginal and lacks the depth and intensity of Luther's work. In some cases, Amsdorf missed the subtlety of Luther's theology, as can be seen in Amsdorf's systematic treatment of predestination, which is similar to the views of Calvin's followers. Nevertheless, Amsdorf's almost singular focus on the exclusive action of God in Christ for our salvation and the prestige he enjoyed as a close friend of Luther's kept the Lutheran movement from drowning in a sea of compromise in the tumultuous years that followed Luther's death.

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# 2016—2017 IDE Youth Retreats

## Middle School Retreat

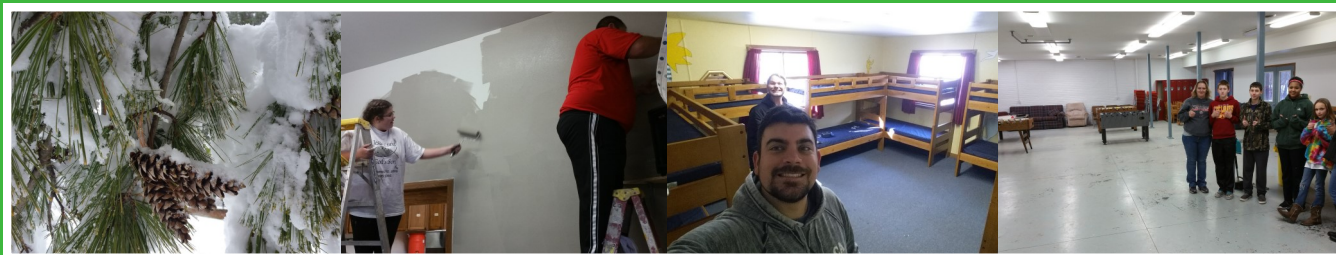
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Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca





# Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca



February 2017

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## Summer Camp Registration NOW OPEN!

**"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes..." - Romans 1:16**

Registration for our 2017 summer camp program "Not Ashamed" is now open! You can register by going to Camp's website at [www.campiodiseca.org](http://www.campiodiseca.org) to register online or to download and mail in a completed registration form.

Join us as we learn about God's great love for us in Christ, as we boldly and confidently believe the Word of God and say as Paul did, "I am not ashamed of the gospel."



## 2017 Summer Camp Staff

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca is one of dozens of Lutheran camps across the country looking for college-aged young adults to make a difference in the lives of children. The opportunity to serve at a camp awaits! Go to [www.nloma.org](http://www.nloma.org) and click on the employment tab at the top of the page to submit your application today!



Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca also needs Junior Counselors (JC's) to assist the summer program. Applicants should be at least 15 years old. 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. It's a great experience for only \$95 per week. Please contact Camp Director, Daniel Sanchez by emailing [director@iodiseca.org](mailto:director@iodiseca.org) for more information or to receive an application.

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!



## THRIVENT CHOICE

In 2016, Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca received \$15,614 in Thrivent Choice contributions! Thank you donors for making this program a success for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Will you help make 2017 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; Basketballs (10); Paper Towels; Toilet Paper; First Class Postage Stamps; Smoke Detectors; Carbon Monoxide Detectors; **Please see our web site for a complete list: [www.campiodiseca.org](http://www.campiodiseca.org).**

## Important Dates

February 3-4  
*IDE Middle School Retreat  
& Snow-lympics*

February 27  
*Registration Discount Deadline #1*

April 21-22  
*Higher Things Retreat  
Grades 7+*

May 1  
*Registration Discount Deadline #2*

June 14  
*Summer Camp Begins*

July 29  
*Summerfest Auction*

## Support Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca: Your 2017 Mission Budget

Though many of Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca's donations come from individuals and families, we also rely on congregations for financial support. Some congregations are generous enough to add Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca as a line item in their mission budget. Other congregations have groups such as their LWML societies make financial contributions.

Congregational contributions make the mission of Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca, that is, providing Christ-centered recreation, education, and inspiration for all, a reality. It merely about keeping the lights on or paying the heating bills, but it ensures that Camp's guests have a quality experience at a quality location. Does your congregation currently support Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca? If not, it can! We appreciate your support!



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

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*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come.  
The old has gone, the new is here!*  
—2 CORINTHIANS 5:17 (NIV)



### Open an emergency fund that also helps ministries

Get a fresh start financially this year. For those unexpected expenses in life, open an emergency fund that also helps ministries share the Good News.

Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) can help you build financial security while helping build God's kingdom through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod ministries. LCEF's Family Emergency StewardAccount® is designed to prepare you for those moments when you need funds not allocated in your monthly budget.

Your investment builds over time with electronic funds transfer (EFT) and interest earned. Access funds easily when you need them most. For complete details, visit [lcef.org](http://lcef.org) or call 800-843-5233.

### Eckert Receives Iowa District East 2016 LCEF \$1,000 Scholarship

Stephen Eckert received his Iowa District East Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) \$1,000 scholarship from LCEF Vice President - Iowa Districts East & West Carole White on Sunday, January 8, 2017.

In his scholarship application, Stephen wrote, "From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love as each part does its work." Working in tandem with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS), the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) does just as Ephesians 4:16 describes by supporting the Church in fulfilling its mission of making disciples of all nations.

LCEF is blessed to have the funds available to support our youth as they pursue post-secondary education. It is our prayer that they are equipped to become strong, Christian leaders as adults.

There is still time to apply for the 2017 LCEF upper Midwest districts scholarship due February 28, 2017. Learn more and apply @ [lcefuppermidwest.org/scholarship](http://lcefuppermidwest.org/scholarship)



Pictured with Stephen are sisters Rachel on left, Sarah on right and his mother Susan. Dad, Rev. Timothy Eckert was preaching at Word of God Lutheran Church and unavailable for

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# \$1,000 LCEF Scholarship

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*(pictured)* 2016 LCEF Scholarship winner Stephen Eckert, a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa.

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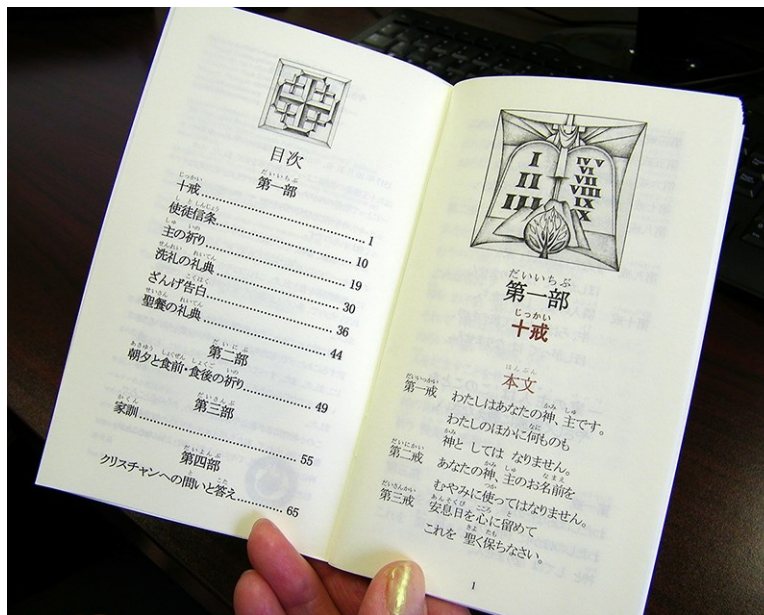
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## Congregational Statistics

You should have received a login information to access your 2016 Congregational Statistics report, Lay Leader form, and a Letter from Rev. Dr. John Sias, LCMS Secretary.

The Congregation Statistics report is to be completed online by February 28, 2017. This report requests essential information that is important for the Synod as it plans current and future ministry efforts.

# "Who Am I?"

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Visit <http://lcmside.org/2017-middle-school-retreat> for more information and to register online. For your convenience an Online Registration Planning sheet is included in this packet. You may use this to gather information before you register online.

The registration deadline for this event is **Friday January 27**.

The cost of the Middle School Retreat is \$45. Please fill out the online registration form. If paying by check, make checks payable to "Iowa District East." On the memo line write "Middle School Retreat." And mail to the District office at: 1100 Blairs Ferry Rd, Marion, IA 52302.

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact the District Office at 319-373-2112 or email [jon@lcmside.org](mailto:jon@lcmside.org).

In Christ,

Jon Kohlmeier  
[jon@lcmside.org](mailto:jon@lcmside.org)  
Communications/Technology Coordinator  
Iowa District East – LCMS

# Schedule

## Friday

7:00 PM	Arrive/Settle In/Register
8:00 PM	Opening Devotion & Meal Prayer (Fireside)
8:15 PM	Pizza (Dining Hall) Games (Activity Room)
9:15 PM	Session 1 (Fireside)
10:00 PM	Evening Devotion (Fireside Room) Free Time
11:00 PM	Lights Out

## Saturday

8:00 AM	Breakfast and Table Talk (Dining Room)
8:30 AM	Morning Devotion (Fireside)
8:45 AM	Session 2 (Fireside)
9:30 AM	Free Time
10:00 AM	Session 3 (Fireside)
10:45 AM	Broomball
11:45 AM	Review Session & Devotion
12:00 PM	Lunch and Cleanup (Dining Room)
1:00 PM	Sno-Olympics
3:30 PM	Awards
3:45 PM	Depart



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### **Things to Bring**

- Bible
- Sleeping bag or Linens
- Pillow
- Toiletries
- Towel
- Appropriate clothing (for 2 days) and shoes for activities (indoor and outdoor).
  - *Hats/gloves/snow gear for Snolympics!*
- Bag for dirty clothes
- Camera
- Flashlight

### **Things Not to Bring**

- Irreplaceable or valuable items
- iPods, mP3 players, etc.
- Electronic games
- Items of real, intrinsic or sentimental value
- Alcohol, tobacco, and other controlled substances
- Extra money



## Iowa District East Youth Event Health Form/Release

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Names \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### If not available in an emergency, notify:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
Doctor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Dentist \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Pharmacy \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### Name of Family Medical/Hospital Insurance:

Insurance Carrier \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_  
Insurance Phone # (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Insured's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Activity Restrictions by parent's/physician's advice: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other information: \_\_\_\_\_

### Allergies:

_____ Hay	_____ Poison	_____ Insect	_____ Asthma	_____ Foods
_____ Fever	_____ Ivy	_____ Stings	_____ Other	
_____ Peanut	_____ Nuts	_____ Penicillin	_____ Drugs	
_____ Butter				

Medications brought to event \_\_\_\_\_ Notes on giving \_\_\_\_\_

Acetaminophen, Ibuprofen, antacids, anti-diarrhea medication and first aid MAY / MAY NOT (circle one) be administered to my child, as needed, by designated chaperones.

Special Considerations? \_\_\_\_\_

### Authorizations / Release:

This health history is correct so far as I know and the person herein described has permission to engage in all prescribed event activities except as noted above. I also give permission to the event coordinator or chaperone to order x-rays, routine tests and treatment. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I give permission to the physician selected by the event coordinator to transport, hospitalize and secure proper treatment, order injection and/or anesthesia and/or surgery.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# IDE Youth Event

## Online Registration Planning Sheet

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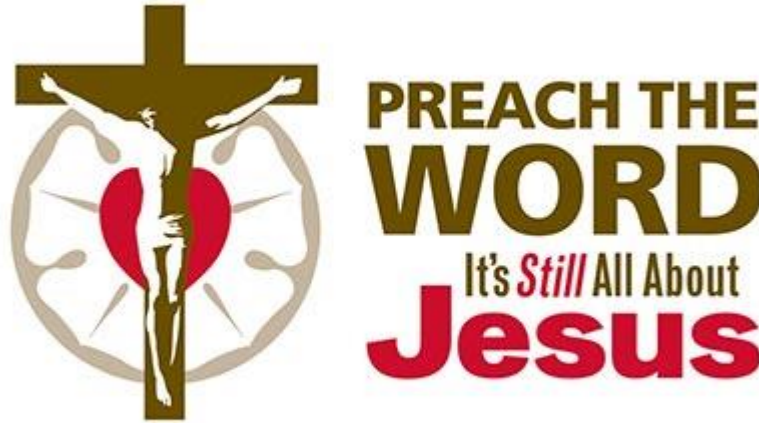
For current events visit: <http://www.eventbrite.com/o/iowa-district-east-lcms-6137224941>.

If you have questions please contact Jon Kohlmeier at [jon@lcmside.org](mailto:jon@lcmside.org) or 319-373-2112.



# MEMORANDUM

## The Richard G. Kapfer Memorial Symposium on Preaching



**DATE:** February 17, 2017 (9am-2:30pm)  
**PLACE:** St. Paul Lutheran Church, Fort Dodge, Iowa  
**TO:** Preachers of Iowa District West and LCMS  
**FROM:** Rev. Dr. Steve Turner, President Iowa District West

Dear Brothers in Christ,

The 2017 Kapfer Symposium on Preaching for pastors and vicars is scheduled for Friday, February 17 from 9am-2:30pm (8:30-9am fellowship, coffee, etc.) at St. Paul Lutheran Church (400 South 13<sup>th</sup> St., Fort Dodge). We are very excited about this year's Symposium. The Rev. Dr. David Schmitt will introduce *Preach The Word* (PTW), a synodical effort to foster excellence in preaching. I invite you to take a look at President Harrison's introduction to PTW at <https://youtu.be/HpfWZEIx-s8>.

Dr. Schmitt is the Gregg H. Benidt Memorial Professor of Homiletics and Literature. A Concordia Seminary, St. Louis faculty member since 1995, he is professor of practical theology. He is also chairman of the homiletics instructors group. His interests and areas of expertise include preaching, the intersections of faith and culture, particularly literary culture, spiritual autobiography and the devotional life.

The entire cost of the symposium (including registration and lunch) will be underwritten by the Richard G. Kapfer Memorial Fund and a grant from American Church Group/Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company. If you plan includes arriving Thursday evening, the district has a corporate rate with:

**Sleep Inn & Suites** – 110 Leah Lane (down the road from the district office)

515-302-8508 website: <https://www.choicehotels.com/iowa/fort-dodge/sleep-inn-hotels/ia217?source=gyxt>

Iowa District West rate: \$79 (plus tax) for a queen room \$89 (plus tax) for a king room

Another hotel option:

**AmericInn** – 100 West Kenyon Rd (down the road from the district office)

515-576-2100 website:

[http://www.americinn.com/hotels/ia/fortdodge?utm\\_source=google&utm\\_medium=local\\_listing&utm\\_campaign=google\\_local\\_page&chebs=ai\\_g](http://www.americinn.com/hotels/ia/fortdodge?utm_source=google&utm_medium=local_listing&utm_campaign=google_local_page&chebs=ai_g)

Rate: \$98.91 (plus tax) for a double queen room

To register please contact my assistant, Jill Davis ([jill.davis@idwlcms.org](mailto:jill.davis@idwlcms.org) or 515.576.7666) no later than Monday, February 13. I am looking forward to seeing you at this continuing education event.

Always in Grace,  
Pres. Steve Turner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve D. Turner'.

## Concordia Historical Institute

Concordia Historical Institute, located on the campus of Concordia Seminary in Clayton, Missouri, announces a major exhibit of rare books and coins documenting the 500-year history of the Reformation. Under the Title “*Pressed into Service by the Word of God*,” this special exhibit will explore—through books and coins—the history of Martin Luther (1483-1546) and the Reformation that began on October 31, 1517.

For 500 years, both the printing press and the coin press have given witness to the truths of the Word of God rediscovered. But more importantly, the exhibit will focus on men and women pressed into service for the sake of Christ and the Gospel. The focus of the exhibit is summed up by Martin Luther's confession at the Diet of Worms on April 18, 1521: “I am bound by the Scriptures I have quoted; my conscience is captive to the Word of God.”

The public is invited to attend the official opening of the exhibit on Saturday, February 18th, 2017 (10:00 AM - 4:00 PM) at Concordia Historical Institute, 804 Seminary Place, Clayton, Missouri 63105. Tours of the CHI archives will also be offered on February 18th.

"This is a special opportunity to view choice books, coins and medals - some from the 16th and 17th centuries - from Concordia Historical Institute's Rare Book Collection and Reformation Coin and Medal Collection," notes CHI Executive Director Daniel N. Harmelink. “These artifacts are rarely on exhibit and have been hand selected to give a fresh and challenging perspective on the Reformation and its on-going influence over the last 500 years.”

After opening day, regular exhibit hours will be Mondays through Fridays (9:30 AM to 3:30 PM).

The exhibit is suitable for not only adults but also youth - especially students taking classes for First Communion or Confirmation.

Special lectures and an exhibit catalog are scheduled for later this year.

Churches and schools interested in hosting a traveling version of the exhibit are encouraged to contact Dr. Harmelink (314-505-7900).

More information about the mission and ministry of Concordia Historical Institute and the exhibit “*Pressed into Service by the Word of God*” is available on CHI's website: [concordiahistoricalinstitute.org](http://concordiahistoricalinstitute.org).

The exhibit is wheelchair accessible.

Please call 314-505-7900 for more information. Groups of over 20 people are encouraged to make reservations to view the exhibit.

Concordia Historical Institute is the Department of Archives and History of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and the largest archive of Lutheran history in North America. CHI offers Lutheran history research services, publishes the *Concordia Historical Institute Quarterly*, operates two museums (804 Seminary Place, Clayton, MO 63105 and 1333 S. Kirkwood Rd., St. Louis, MO 63122), and two historic sites in Perry County Missouri: Saxon Lutheran Memorial (296 Saxon Memorial Dr., Frohna, MO 63748) and Hill of Peace Lutheran Memorial (County Road 304, Friedenbergs, MO 63775).



## 2017 National Essay Contest

**For students in Grades 6 through 12**

*(Any Lutheran student or student in a Lutheran school)*

**Sponsored by the Council of Federation Presidents, Lutherans For Life**

### **Contest Guidelines:**

1. Students will write a life-affirming essay based on the 2017 Conference theme: **Hope For Life** and 1Peter 3:15 *"in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect"*
2. Examples of topics the essay could deal with are: abortion, the handicapped, infanticide, cloning, stem cell research, physician assisted suicide or euthanasia.
3. Essays should include student's name, grade (Identify school or church) and email address. All entries submitted by a teacher or pastor, should include their name and email address. This information should be submitted on the rubric page used in grading the essay.
4. All sources for references, statistics and quotes should be incorporated within the essay and then included in a bibliography at the end.

Grades 6 - 8 should submit essays up to 400 words

Grades 9 - 12 should submit essays up to 750 words

5. Entries first should be submitted digitally using Microsoft Word to the State LFL Federation by March 15, 2017. Send State entries to: Kie Maas at [faithluth@aol.com](mailto:faithluth@aol.com)
6. Lutherans for Life of Iowa (Iowa Federation) will award a \$100 prize to one winner in each age category. The winners' essays will be forwarded to the National Contest.
7. Winning state entries (one from Grades 6-8 and one from Grades 9-12) from each State Federation should be submitted digitally by May 1, 2017 to: [essay@lutheransforlife.org](mailto:essay@lutheransforlife.org)
8. Grand Prize for national winning entry at each level: \$250 plus free conference registration to the 2017 Regional Conference of their choice and 1 hotel night at a conference hotel.
9. All entries become the property of Lutherans For Life.
10. For questions or resources on the sanctity of life, see: [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)

# COME, SEE & HEAR

## Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer

March 25, 2017

**500 years ago**, Martin Luther lit the candle that once again Illuminated Holy Scripture showing Jesus Christ as the only Way to eternal life.

**100 years ago**, the Lutheran Laymen's League was formed to support the work of the LCMS in proclaiming Jesus Christ.

**Come, see, and hear** the Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, and former Lutheran Hour Speaker share **"What does it mean to be the church of the Lutheran Hour in 2017?"** All are invited to register.



The convention will be held at **Park View Lutheran Church, 14 Grove Road, Eldridge, IA 52748**. Take exit 129 off of U.S. Hwy 61 and then go one mile east on 267<sup>th</sup> St. (Park View is an idyllic unincorporated community 13 miles north of Davenport and 3 miles north of the town of Eldridge.) Sign-in begins at 9:00 AM; the convention starts at 10:00 AM and will conclude about 4:00 PM. A noon meal will be served. Registration is \$15 in advance or \$18 at the door. **Please register by March 17<sup>th</sup> to allow for meal planning.** Please contact Dick Hoelz for reservation by mail, e-mail, or phone. Dick Hoelz, 3519 Heatheridge Dr. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402, [rahoelz@imonmail.com](mailto:rahoelz@imonmail.com) or (319) 363-1214.

Yes, we will be attending the LLL Convention on Saturday, March 25, 2017 at Park View Lutheran Church. Registration is \$15 and includes a catered meal and snacks.

**Make checks payable to IDE LLL.**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_



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