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Iowa District East—LCMS

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"What did you do this summer?" That question will be asked many times as we bid farewell to summer and welcome the cooler temperatures of fall. The answer to the question above will vary from person to person and place to place. My answer: I did what I absolutely love to do. This will be seen as strange and as the behavior of someone who needs special attention. That forewarning aside, I spent much of the summer reading through the Psalms in the original Hebrew. I love the Hebrew language and translate it much of the time when preparing a sermon even when I don't preach on the Old Testament lesson. As I did that this summer, I came across some old notes I had taken many years ago when I spent a great deal of time with Psalm 51.

Psalm 51 is known as King David's confession of sin and plea for God's infinite mercy. While the entire Psalm is a masterpiece of Law/Gospel (confession and absolution) doctrine, I find verses 1-3 very useful in ministry. In the first three verses David uses all three Hebrew words commonly translated as "sin". He speaks of his "transgression" which is out and out rebellion against God's Holy Law, he also identifies the sin humanity is conceived in causing an inequality with God (often translated iniquity), and finally there is also the third word which agrees with God's Law and attempts to keep it but simply cannot no matter how hard one tries. Mankind just simply misses the mark with every self-attempted effort. David is guilty of all of them (the Bathsheba narrative) and has been crushed by the Law when confronted by the prophet Nathan.

David's confession includes his sins against Uriah, Bathsheba, the nation Israel, and the shame he brought upon the Office of King. Ultimately, he confesses that his sins are against God. So it is to God he makes his plea for mercy. Mercy calls for recognition of a covenant to which vows have been made. God made a covenant vow to Adam and Eve, to Noah, to Abraham and his descendants and others that a Messiah would come and rescue sinful mankind from the Devil and death. David believes God is true to His vows and makes a plea based on them.

"Wash me, cleanse me with hyssop, blot out, wipe out my sins and iniquities", David cries. One cannot help but see the Old Testament reference to what would be the Christ established sacrament of Holy Baptism in the New Testament. In each of David's confessions he uses imperfect verbs in the imperative case. These are requests, or even demands, of David based on God's continuous mercy; a covenant-based vow and promise of God to mankind. The imperfect case of the verb is best understood as an ongoing action, or the need for an ongoing action.

The Psalms are always a place of peace and rest.

David says that, "his sin is ever (continuously) before him". It pains him to see it as a part of his life and the harm he caused so many by them. Here is what is so important about these verses: The request is founded on that which cannot be broken. David trusts God's Word and God's honesty to provide a savior. He does not doubt about the cleansing, washing, wiping out of his sins. Yet they remain before him.

That is not a bad thing. It certainly does not detract from the completed work of Christ to atone for the sins of all the world, including David. When God obliterates, wipes out, washes away the guilt of sin, He sees them no more upon us. That is indisputable and sure. So, what benefit can there be if the actions of sin, forgiven as they are, remain before David? Sin, in any of the three categories the Hebrew language identifies is a gash against God and us. It also does harm to those around us. It is good to be reminded what harm is done, who it hurt, why it ought not happen again, and what steps will be taken so as to eliminate it from our thoughts and behaviors.

The answer to that litany is Holy Absolution pointing us back to our baptism (washed and cleansed) and the Lord's Supper, where God's ongoing mercy is exercised and given freely (blotted out). When a gash is healed, it still leaves a scar. The scar is not there to cause us depression and doubt over our sins. The scar is there to remind us of a healing that has taken place. It is also there to remind us how the gash got there in the first place that we may avoid it in the future.

President's Piece for Peace

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It is clear that David understood this from his confession of Psalm 51. The Hebrew spells it out for us better than our English translations. This is how I spent much of my time this summer. Odd as that may seem it is truly what I love to do. I pray you spent time doing what you love to do and that you are refreshed and ready to go. Schedules fill up and even get hectic at times. That is why we benefit from taking time to be in the Word and receive its holy blessings. The Psalms are always a place of rest and peace. God be with you all.

Rev. Dr. Brian S. Saunders
District President

Calendar of Events

September 2022

September

5	Labor Day Holiday	IDE Office Closed
9-10	LWML Fall Retreat	Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
20	Administrative Assistants Conference	Urbandale

October

3	Circuit Visitors Meeting	AM @ Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
3-4	Fall Pastors' Conference	Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
7-8	Confirmation Retreat	Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
20	Preaching Workshop	St. Paul's Chapel, Iowa City
25	IDE Board of Directors	IDE Office

November

4-5	Pastors' Wives Retreat	Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
18-19	Sr. High Retreat	Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

Vacancy Updates

As of 9.1.22

September 2022

Calling Congregations

Cedar Rapids, King of Kings	Bob Weinhold (Vacancy Pastor)
Davenport, Trinity - Associate	
Davenport, Holy Cross	Steve Anderson (Vacancy Pastor)
Delaware, St. Paul	David Weber (Vacancy Pastor)
Hiawatha, Zion	Dean Rothchild (Vacancy Pastor)
Latimer, St. Paul	Paul Beisel (Vacancy Pastor)
Swisher, King of Glory	

Pastor Calls

Accepted:	Andy Wright, Keystone	St. John Topeka, KS
	Nathan Grewe, Davenport	Trinity, Davenport & Lutheran Family Service
Pending:	Andrew Ratcliffe, Perham, MN	King of Kings, Cedar Rapids
	Andrew Gerike, Omaha, NE	St. Paul, Latimer
Declined:		
Retirement:	Mark Halvorson, Cedar Rapids	King of Kings, 8.31.22
	Daniel Krueger, Hiawatha	Zion, 8.31.22

Commissioned Calls

Accepted:
Pending:
Declined:

Directory Updates

September 2022

The 2022-2023 Fall Directory is in development and will be distributed at the Fall Pastors' Conference. If you are unable to attend the Fall Pastors' Conference, your directory will be available for you to pick up at your next circuit meeting. **Please review your current directory information and send any updates to:**

pam@lcmside.org

"¹⁸ While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him." Matthew 4:18-20 ESV

What's in a name? When your parents gave you a name at your birth they probably had a list of names to choose from. You might be named after a special relative or a friend of your parents or someone else in your family history. Whatever the reason may be that you have the name you do one thing it does do is it gives you an identity. It distinguishes you from your brothers and sisters and when you got your social security number. Your students know that when they say, "Mrs./Mr./Ms/Miss _____, we're late for lunch!!!!", they know and you know who they are talking to.



You have another name that became yours when you were baptized. That name is "disciple". It also distinguishes you from others and gives you an identity as a follower of Jesus. It's not a title. It's a job. A responsibility. It's an opportunity to tell others about Jesus. And, it's personal. As I wrote in last month's article, "The Greek meaning of "disciple" is "one who engages in learning through instruction". Though we aren't living in ancient Greek culture today, we can still say that today you are a disciple of Jesus, and as a Lutheran school teacher you are about the business of making disciples. As His disciple, you get to testify to your disciples – your students - about this Jesus, who He is and who He is for all!

Jesus called His disciples from different backgrounds and places. He chose common people of His time. There was no one amongst his team of disciples with a crown on their head or thousands of denarii in their pocket. All of them were sinful human beings. Matthew records it this way: *"¹⁸ While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him." Matthew 4:18-20 ESV*

At once they left their nets and followed him. One of the notes in my Bible says in reference to discipleship, "The call to discipleship is definite and demands a response of total commitment." In Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book, [The Cost of Discipleship](#), he distinguishes between cheap and costly grace. "Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate." Cheap grace says "Of course you've sinned, but now everything is forgiven and you can stay as you are. There is no demand for discipleship because there is no true repentance." On the other hand, Bonhoeffer explains, "costly grace confronts us as a gracious call to follow Jesus, it comes as a word of forgiveness to the broken spirit and the contrite heart. It is costly because it compels a man to submit to the yoke of Christ and follow him; it is grace because Jesus says: *"My yoke is easy and my burden is light."*

"Baptized to make disciples of all nations, we, too, can be willing to suffer for Jesus and tell others about the Jesus we know from the Bible." For various reasons, we miss or don't take advantages of opportunities to witness to others about Jesus. But many times, it happens simply just by living our life that's different from the world. Other times its sharing a comforting word to someone when no one else is paying attention. In your day-to-day life in the classroom or on your social media what you say and what you do lets people realize that Jesus is the Key to everything you think, say, and do. When others see that, they want to know Him, too.

As you know, my husband, Jerry, is on dialysis. Three times a week for up to four hours a session he sits in a recliner, hooked up to a machine that takes his blood out, filters out the toxic waste, and puts the filtered blood back in. It's been a life-saver, and for that we are grateful. He's been doing this since the end of January. It's been a journey. As the sessions go by, he's formed relationships with the technicians and doctors that have attended to him as well as other dialysis patients. Now that he has been doing this for a few months, when he gets home, I'm hearing more about his discipling stories. He doesn't wear his cleric collar which would instantly distinguish him as a pastor or priest, but in his conversations with these workers or other patients, it usually becomes apparent that he is "different" by what he says and how he treats them. Several days ago, he came home with a story about one of the nurses who confided in him that she was not having a good day. As they talked more, this person trusted Jerry enough to tell him what was presently going on in her life. Jerry offered to pray for her every day for the next month, and then they would check back in with each other to see how she was doing. She would start doing the same, praying about her situation. When Jerry left the dialysis center that day, this same nurse came up to him and said, "Thank you being a friend to me today. I really needed that."

What's in a Name?

September 2022

Another example, if you don't mind. One of Jerry's classmates from his seminary days has been on his own personal campaign to get the word out about Jerry's need for a kidney donor for a transplant. I mean Ed has been intentional. Because of Ed's persistence a reporter from "The Cedar Rapids Gazette" contacted Jerry asking if he would be willing to be interviewed for an article about his health journey. We talked about it, and he agreed to the interview. Wow! Here was an opportunity for us to witness about our journey as believers in Christ. Whether or not what we said about this earthly trip will make it into the newspaper is unknown, but one thing is for sure. Machaela heard how Jesus is the center of our lives whether a donor happens or not, and regardless, heaven is our home. We pray our time with her brought her amazement and she will be blessed as a disciple in her faith walk as well.

Those are Jerry's stories. What about yours? What opportunities will the Lord be giving you to make disciples this school year? Fellow disciples...don't ever sell short what the Word of God, the Good News of the Gospel can do through you to others. God has always worked through the least and lowly to do great work for others. Just keep it simple. Remember who He is and be open to whomever He brings into your life.

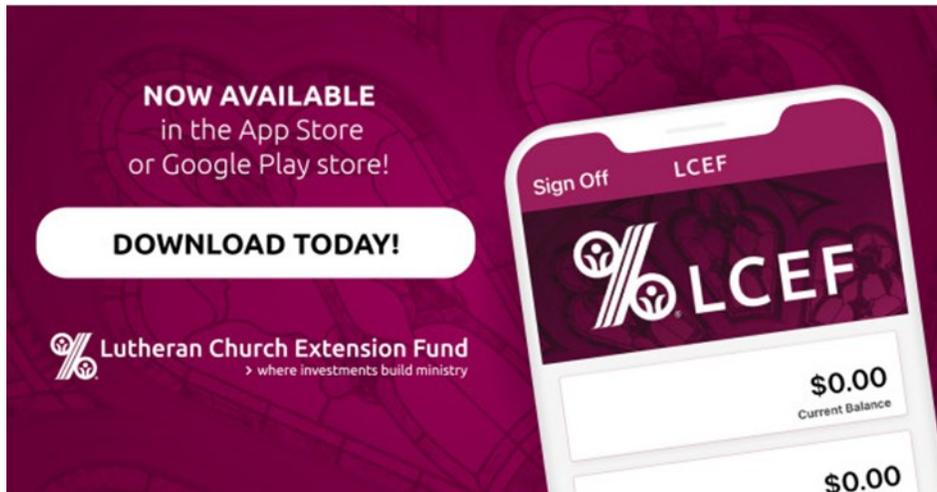


Jan Doellinger

Assistant to the President, Schools

It's Here: LCEF Mobile Banking

September 2022



Would you like to check your LCEF balance or make a transfer on the run? Now you can! With LCEF's Mobile Banking App you can even make remote deposits. It's so easy to use. LCEF Mobile is currently available to individual investors in LCEF who are enrolled in LCEF MyAccount. If you are not already enrolled in LCEF MyAccount, go to <https://lcef.org/login/> and click on "Enroll Now". Once you are enrolled in MyAccount, sign up for LCEFMobile. It's free! You can download the app from the app store on Apple products or download the app on Android devices. You may use the app on your phone or tablet. Keeping it simple, you will use the same password that you use for MyAccount. And you can authorize Touch ID for LCEF Mobile to provide fast, secure access to your LCEF account information. Bill pay is available if it's set up on MyAccount. And you can easily make internal transfers of \$10,000 or less between your LCEF demand accounts. For more information, contact Carole White at 515-240-2229 or carole.white@lcef.org or call an LCEF Customer Relations Specialist at 800-843-5233.

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Equipped for Life Seminar

A Fresh Approach to Conversations About Abortion



Saturday, September 10, 9:00 - 2:00

St. Patrick's Parish Center, 120 5th St. NW, Cedar Rapids

Keynote speaker Emily Albrecht from Equal Rights Institute

Register at <https://coalition-for-life-of-iowa.square.site>

Direct questions to Lisa Gignac 319-360-5039



National Day of Remembrance of Aborted Babies



Sunday, September 11, 1:00

Murdoch-Linwood Cemetery, by the Memorial for the Unborn

520 Wilson Ave SW, Cedar Rapids

Please join us for the memorial service in our community to commemorate the more than 60 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child.



Laurie Pinski

lpinski156@gmail.com



40 Days for Life

September 28 - Nov. 6

Join us to pray and fast for an end to abortion

Pat Semelroth 40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids

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National Life Chain

Sunday, October 2, 2:00 - 3:30

St. Matthew church parking lot, 2310 First Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids

Make a public, prayerful, peaceful stand for Life.

"...if *my* people, who bear my name, **humble** themselves, **pray** and **seek** my face, and **turn** from their evil ways, then I will hear from heaven, forgive their sin, and heal their land."

Participants pre-register with Sue Martinek 319-270-0054 susjmar@aol.com

Sign In Pick up Signs Prayer Rally Send-off

Coalition For Life of Iowa lifeiowa.org





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Crosses for Life

Wednesday
September 28, 2022

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Fairfield

Erect crosses @ 5:30PM



Guest speaker:
Deaconess Dr. Chrissie Gillet
Director for the
Word of Hope Hotline Ministry

Program @ 6:30PM

Compassionately Responding to Suffering

Recognizing Christ's
suffering, enduring
suffering as Christians,
and caring for your
suffering neighbor.

Vigil for Life to follow

No RSVP necessary

For more information contact:

Rev. Brase, Immanuel Lutheran Church
Jill Watson, Jefferson County Right-to-Life

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Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca



September 2022

IDE Confirmation Retreat - October 7-8

This year's Iowa District East - LCMS Fall Confirmation Retreat will take place at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca over October 7-8. The topic for this year's retreat is The Ten Commandments. Specifically, we'll be looking at *How to Pray the Ten Commandments*. Participants will discuss the background and nature of the Ten Commandments and also examine each commandment in turn. When discussing the meaning of each of the commandments, youth will also do exercises in applying these commandments in personal prayer.

Our presenter will be Pastor Isaac Johnson from New Hope Lutheran Church in Charles City. The retreat will take place beginning on Friday, October 7th at 7pm and going through around 3pm on Saturday the 8th. Registration is \$50 per youth and \$30 per chaperone. This retreat includes a pizza snack on Friday evening and breakfast and lunch on Saturday. You can register online or download a registration form at www.lcmside.org. A full schedule can be found at the link above.



2022-2023 Iowa District East Youth Events

October 7-8 - Fall Confirmation Retreat

How to Pray the Ten Commandments - with Pastor Isaac Johnson

November 18-19 - Sr. High Retreat

Theology in "that" Music - with Pastor Andrew Gray

January 27-28 - Middle School Retreat and Snowlympics

Lord, Teach Us To Pray - with Pastor Mark Squire

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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 2021, Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca received over \$10,000 in Thrivent Choice contributions! Thank you donors for making this program a success for Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Will you help make 2021 an even better 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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Important Dates

September 9-10
LWML Fall Retreat

October 3-4
IDE Fall Pastors' Conference

October 7-8
IDE Fall Confirmation Retreat

November 4-5
IDE Pastors' Wives Retreat

November 18-19
IDE Sr. High Retreat

January 27-28, 2023
IDE Middle School Retreat

From the Kids, For the Kids

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.

In just the past few years we've been able to replace all of our canoes at the camp pond, buy new lifejackets and paddles, put in new basketball hoops and paint the basketball court, and improve our rec field and challenge course! THANK YOU for your help in making Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca a more enjoyable facility! This year, our campers donated \$1,400! Thanks be to God!

This year, we're going to focus on rebuilding our human foosball arena! We think having a great human foosball experience is another solid activity not just for summer camp, but year round! The other neat thing is that we'll share a portion of these donations with another children's ministry in Eastern Iowa. This year we will be supporting the food pantry at Bethany Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids. After all, it's from the kids, for the kids!

THANK YOU!!!!



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EMMA SQUIRE joins the team at Lutheran Family Service

Lutheran Family Service is proud to announce the addition of a new staff member, Emma Squire. Emma is putting her master's degree in social work to use as the newest Pregnancy Counselor and Adoption Caseworker on the Lutheran Family Service team.

Emma will provide counseling and support for women who are experiencing unplanned pregnancy as well as help prepare Christian couples who are hoping to build their family through adoption.

Based out of St. Ansgar Iowa, Emma will serve primarily in the surrounding Iowa communities, especially Blackhawk County. She will work closely with Pregnancy Resource Centers in northeastern Iowa to carry on the work they often begin with an ultrasound or positive pregnancy test.



LFS Pregnancy Counseling & Adoption worker, Emma Squire.
Reach out Emma by email at esquire@LutheranFamilyService.org

Many-Hearts Unplanned Pregnancy Support – a division of Lutheran Family Service, carries on the work of preparing women for child birth, training them up to be ready to parent, exploring the idea of adoption (when needed) and providing case management to secure housing, employment, Medicaid insurance, and help provide the stability necessary while their precious child grows and thrives.

The LFS team is thankful to God and very fortunate to have Emma Squire use her skills and empathy to serve Iowa women as part of the Lutheran Family Service ministry. Emma and her family are members of Immanuel Lutheran Church in St. Ansgar, Iowa, where her husband, Mark serves as pastor.

Welcome, Emma!

Take a moment to check out the new web site at www.Many-Hearts.com to learn more about this exciting outreach for life. Explore the LFS web site at www.LutheranFamilyService.org for additional resources and information regarding mental health and marriage/family counseling, educational resources, and life advocacy.





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To: Church Administrative Assistants/Secretaries/Professional Office Workers
From: Roger Curtis, Business Manager
Date: Summer 2022
Subject: September 20, 2022 Administrative Assistants Conference

The Administrative Assistants Conference Committee is excited to share with you another educational, encouraging, and enjoyable Conference. Our keynote presenter is Katie Schuermann who will add inspiration and joy to the day. To learn more about this awesome presenter, go to <https://katieschuermann.com>.

I encourage you to register by September 1 to receive the discounted registration fee and to assist the Committee with planning details. The Conference registration is \$45, but if registered by September 1, the early registration fee is \$35. Make checks payable to Iowa District West and mail to committee registration coordinator Crystal Cross at P.O. Box 422, Spirit Lake, IA, 51360.

Additional Conference expenses will be covered by our sponsor, Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Company/American Church Group.

Your congregation is encouraged to pay for your registration, mileage, and lodging (if necessary). The Conference Committee has a block of rooms under Iowa District West reserved at the Stoney Creek Inn (Des Moines) located at 5291 Stoney Creek Court in Johnston. The hotel is less than 2 miles north of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and just off Interstate 35 and 86th street. To make reservations, go to www.stoneycreekhoteis.com and enter Group Code: 2209IDW. The negotiated conference rate is \$84 plus tax; includes complimentary wireless internet, warm breakfast, pool, and more. To receive this special rate, reservations must be made by August 17. Any questions, email shelley.smith@stoneycreekhoteis.com or call Shelley at 515-348-6623.

The attached brochure contains more details about the Conference. If others in your community wish to attend, feel free to copy the brochure and share with them.

We look forward to seeing you in September!

Registration Form

Administrative Assistants Conference for ministry assistant professionals

Tuesday, September 20, 2022, 8:00 am - 3:30 pm at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Urbandale, Iowa

Name: _____ Church Name: _____

Church Address: _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Church Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

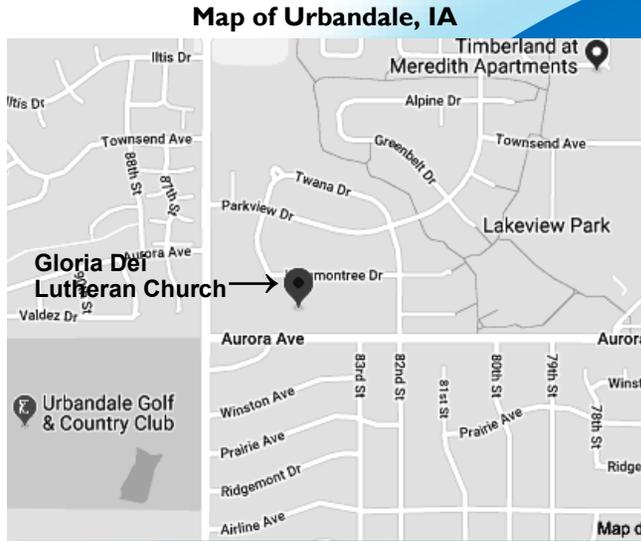
(Registration confirmation will be sent via email.)

Enclose registration fee of \$45 (\$35 if postmarked by September 1)

payable to [Iowa District West](#) and mail to:

Crystal Cross
PO Box 422

Spirit Lake, IA 51360



Registration fee is \$45.00
(includes all materials and lunch)
*Register before September 1
and take \$10 off your
registration fee!*

Conference Committee

Roger Curtis.....Iowa District West
Crystal Cross.....Immanuel, Spirit Lake
Lisa Gibson.....Gloria Dei, Urbandale
Bonita Meyer.....Trinity, Algona

Mission Statement:
Serving Christ by Serving Others!

**Contact the District Office: 515.576.7666
Email: Roger@IowaDistrictWest.org**



2022
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS
CONFERENCE



**SECRETARIES ARE THE
HEROES
IN MY BOOK**

Sponsored by
Iowa District West

Tuesday, September 20, 2022
8:00 am - 3:30 pm
GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH
8301 Aurora Ave, Urbandale, Iowa

BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS

DO NOT BE AFRAID; DO NOT BE DISCOURAGED, FOR THE LORD YOUR GOD WILL BE WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO. JOSHUA 1:9

ALL ARE INVITED!

SCHEDULE

8:00 AM	Registration/Breakfast
9:00 AM	Opening devotion
9:30 AM	Katie Schuermann <i>"Secretaries are the Heroes in my Book"</i>
10:30 AM	Morning break
10:45 AM	Rev. Tim Phillips
12 Noon	Lunch
12:45 PM	Deann McCue
1:45 PM	Afternoon break
2:00 PM	Katie Schuermann <i>"Courage on the Front Line"</i>
3:00 PM	Door Prizes & Closing devotion

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Author Katie Schuermann's "earthy and joyful" voice is as refreshing and invigorating as the Midwestern sunshine in which she was raised. Writing in vignettes which so perfectly suit the charm of small-town life, Schuermann's words call to mind the warmth and realism of Montgomery's Avonlea. Always leaning toward the arts, Schuermann earned graduate degrees in music. Her professional experiences are as varied and eclectic as any writer's, ranging from walking beans to singing with a Baroque orchestra to directing children's musical theater camps. No doubt, Schuermann's cornfield roots and musical adventures factor heavily in her stories, but it is her confession of faith in the Triune God that readers have come to expect and trust in her books. When not writing, Schuermann can be found singing, gardening, cooking, holding babies, or trying to climb the nearest tree.



Dalend Mackey will serve as our host for the event introducing the speakers and leading us with music. Dive into devotions with Gloria Dei Lutheran Church's Senior Pastor Joe Meyer and enjoy sessions with Pastor Tim Phillips and Director of Women's Ministry, DeAnn McCue.

KATIE SCHUERMAN



2022 Fall Pastors' Conference

Gospel Comfort for the Grieving, Gospel Relief for the Despairing

October 3-4 @ Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca, Solon

Registration

Registration and Check-In begin at 12:00 PM on Monday, October 3.

Cost is \$50 (Emeriti and wives \$25)

Register online at lcmside.org/fallconference, or fill out a paper registration form and return to the district office with a check. Mail to: Iowa District East LCMS, 1100 Blairs Ferry Rd, Marion IA 52302-3093.

The Fall Pastors' Conference is an official district conference, hence an obligatory event for pastors serving in congregations and parishes. Fees should be paid by your congregation. Every pastor must submit a registration regardless of attendance. If you are unable to attend, you must [submit an official excuse](#).

Housing

A housing package is available at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca for an additional \$28 which includes breakfast. **Rooms have been reserved at a nearby hotel for \$99, but reservations must be made by September 9 in order to secure the \$99 rate.**

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Guest Speaker:

Rev. Peter Preus

Pastor Peter Preus graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana in May of 1982. After serving congregations in Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan, he most recently served The Lutheran Church of the Triune God in Brooklyn Center, Minnesota from August of 1999 until August of 2017, when he retired. Pastor Preus's first wife, Jean, committed suicide in September of 1994. He remarried in May of 1997 to Julie Lams. Julie, in addition to serving as a loving wife and mother, retired from teaching at St. John's, Corcoran MN in 2018. In 2011 Pastor Preus's book: "*And She Was a Christian - Why Do Believers Commit Suicide?*" was published by Northwestern Publishing House. In the fall of 2021 his book, *I Will Grieve for the Suicide* was produced by Life Ministry with The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. Pastor Preus has also written various articles on grieving for the suicide and ministering to the despairing Christian.



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With Pastor Peter Preus

Name _____ Congregation _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____

REGISTRATION TYPE

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_____ Emeriti, Wives (**\$25** registration fee)

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IDE Youth Event

Online Registration Planning Sheet

Name	Email	Home Phone	Cell Phone	Gender	Age	Church / City	Registrant Type
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This information is confidential. Youth leader needs to collect and bring this form along for each IDE youth event.

Iowa District East Youth Event Health Form and Photo Release

First Name _____ Last Name _____
Gender _____ Birthday ___ / ___ / ___ Age _____ Grade this Fall _____
Address _____ Information Provided By: _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____
Parent 1 First Name _____ Last Name _____ Cell _____ Work _____
Parent 2 First Name _____ Last Name _____ Cell _____ Work _____

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 we need to know? _____

ALLERGIES: Hay Fever Poison Ivy Insect Stings Asthma Food(s): _____
 Peanut Butter Nuts Penicillin Other Drugs: _____

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 AND PHOTO 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.

I grant to Iowa District East the right to take photographs of me and my family in connection with the Iowa District East youth events and retreats. I authorize Iowa District East, its assigns and transferees to copyright, use and publish the same in print and/or electronically. I agree that Iowa District East may use such photographs of me and my family with or without my name and for any lawful purpose, including, for example, such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web content. I agree that if I have any concerns or questions regarding the use of such photographs I should contact the Iowa District East office, in writing, in a timely manner.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND GIVEN TO YOUR YOUTH COUNSELOR ATTENDING THE EVENT WITH YOU. THE YOUTH COUNSELOR COLLECTS AND RETAINS THE IDE YOUTH EVENT HEALTH FORM FOR EACH PARTICIPANT. DO NOT SEND THIS FORM TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

What should I bring to Camp?

Bible

Sleeping Bag

Pillow

Appropriate clothing and shoes for activities

DO NOT BRING

Irreplaceable or valuable items

Cell Phones

iPods, mp3 players, etc.

Extra money

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Sharpen Up! Old Dogs Can Learn Better Tricks **IDE Preaching Workshop**

St. Paul's Lutheran Chapel and University Center
Thursday, October 20
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

9:00 – 9:45	Matins <i>Rev. Mons preaching</i>
9:45 – 11:00	Plenary <i>Rev. Kincaid</i>
11:00 – 12:00	Sectional <i>Revs. Beltz and Dodgers</i>
12:00 – 1:30	Lunch on your own
1:30 – 2:45	Plenary <i>Rev. Mons</i>
2:55 – 3:55	Sectional <i>Revs. Saunders and Schewe</i>
4:00 - close	Vespers <i>Rev. Saunders preaching</i>

Rev. Kris Kincaid

Plenary Lecture:

Preach You the Word: The Pastor's Ordination Vows and the Sermon

Rev. W. Max Mons

Plenary Lecture:

Mixing It Up! Text Driven Sermon Structures

Rev. Brian Saunders

Sectional:

The Narrative Art: Imitating the Style of Scripture

Rev. Samuel Beltz

Sectional:

Preaching the Works: Reviving a Classic Catechetical Approach in Preaching

Rev. Anthony Dodgers

Sectional:

Poets in the Pulpit: Learning the Love of Words from the Great Poet-Preachers

Rev. Caleb Schewe

Sectional:

Deliberate Practice: Yes, You Should Monday-Night Quarterback Your Sermons

November 4 - 5, 2022

*Iowa District East
Pastors' Wives' Retreat*
at
Camp IO-DIS-E-CA

Guest Speaker:

Renee Gibbs

SPEAKING ON

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A Study in Ephesians*

Spend time with your sisters in Christ
as we gather for fellowship
and time in God's Word.

Save the Date!



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REGISTRATION (Go to www.lcmside.org for online registration.)

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

Name of Congregation _____

Lap Baby Yes No

Dietary Restrictions (please list) _____

PAYMENT

The cost for this retreat is **\$65**. If attending Saturday only the fee is \$45. This includes 3 meals, a night's lodging, supplies, and good Christian fun and fellowship. Please mail this form along with a check for payment to the IDE office. Make checks payable to Iowa District East - LCMS.

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for a time of relaxation and refreshment*

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November 4-5, 2022 *with Special Guest:*

Renee Gibbs

Check In at 4:30pm on Friday

Ending around 3:00pm on Saturday

Lap babies welcome

Feel free to bring a snack to share with your Sisters in Christ

Satan throws many challenges at us, but we are in Christ! We can put on the armor of God in our many callings—marriage, family, work, church, and even within ourselves. When we focus on our identity in Christ, we can better live out our many vocations. Paul's letter to the Ephesians is full of wonderful Gospel images and then wonderful ways to live and love our neighbors. Come and enjoy Ephesians so you will be equipped and ready to stand against the enemy and enjoy God's grace. Please join us for an encouraging time in the Word with Renee Gibbs, November 4-5.

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca is located at
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Solon, IA 52333



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