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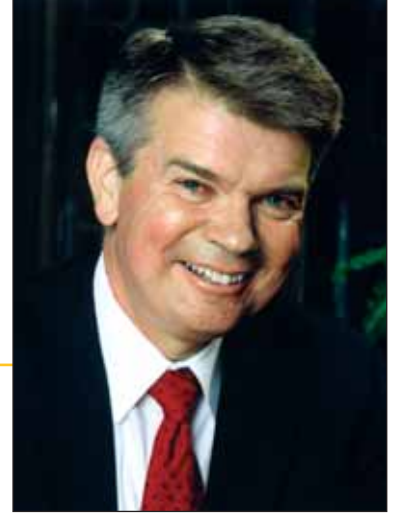
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From the President



Present but not recognized, Jesus asks the Emmaus disciples, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?” (Luke 24:17). Cleopas and his unnamed friend were talking about recent events affecting the disciples, much as we in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) love to talk about things of the church. The word “synod” is derived from Greek words that mean “assembly,” “group of travelers” or a “fellow traveler.” That’s us, the LCMS, Emmaus disciples who love to talk about church.

Much of the talk I hear goes like this: “What the Seminary needs to do is produce missional pas-

He who walked the Emmaus road graciously journeys with us and promises to make Himself known in His Word.

tors” or “more confessional pastors,” depending on the opinion of the fellow traveler. “What the Seminary needs to do is make it easier for men to become pastors without moving to St. Louis” or “not water down the quality of the ministry.” “What the Seminary needs to do is teach contemporary worship” or “stick to liturgical worship.” Whew! Out of the volley of opinions, I find myself more focused on Christ, more searching His Word and our Confessions, and yearning to hear more cordial and more theological talk about our differences.

Wasn’t the Emmaus walk a theological talk? The disciples were puzzled about the meaning of the last three days. “We had hoped that He [Jesus] was the one who was going to redeem Israel,” they told the stranger, and then shared their disappointment at His death and the perplexing rumors of His resurrection.

Jesus took their theological problems back to the Scriptures, deep into the Scriptures, using texts to demonstrate that all that had happened was according to God’s promises (Luke 24:13-35). Result: Led deep into Scripture, the disciples were given a correct theological understanding, exuberant joy and confident participation in a worldwide mission.

Shouldn’t Concordia Seminary be an Emmaus road of theological discussion? Rather than hear “What the Seminary needs to do,” I’d like contending voices to know Concordia Seminary as a place where fellow travelers can talk openly about theological issues. This campus should be a place where issues churning within our church can be discussed cordially under the authority of Scripture and the Confessions so that the Spirit will lead us to greater consensus and joy in our resurrected Lord.

Looking beyond our synodical fellowship, we should not be afraid to welcome on campus and dialogue with those who disagree with our public doctrine. The occasional presence on campus of disagreeing voices will stimulate our study and teaching so that our pastors and deaconesses can more clearly present the pure doctrine we have been blessed to receive in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Our commitment to that public doctrine will not waver.

Concordia Seminary strives to serve church and world in the name of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod by encouraging the Emmaus experience, not just walking together but also talking together under the guidance of the word of Christ. He who walked the Emmaus road graciously journeys with us and promises to make Himself known in His Word for our greater unity and joyous witness to the world. We wish you and yours joy as we all journey this Easter with Jesus!

Dale A. Meyer, President

Schmitt Appointed Endowed Chair in Homiletics and Literature

Concordia Seminary is pleased to announce that Dr. David R. Schmitt has been appointed The Gregg H. Benidt Memorial Endowed Chair in Homiletics and Literature. Former Seminary faculty member Dr. Dean Nadasdy was the first occupant of the chair, followed by Dr. Dale A. Meyer, president and professor of practical theology at Concordia Seminary.

Established by a \$1.5 million gift, the endowed chair supports a full-time faculty member who teaches courses in homiletics, literature and related disciplines, and acts as a resource for the church at-large through writing, speaking, and conducting



Schmitt

workshops and symposia. The Gregg H. Benidt Memorial Endowed Chair in Homiletics and Literature is one of three endowed chairs at Concordia Seminary. The endowments that fund these chairs provide salary and other benefits to the chairs' occupants and alleviate tuition costs to students.

"I am honored by the appointment and deeply grateful to Dean Nadasdy and Dale Meyer who held this chair before me," commented Schmitt. "In different ways, they have opened the door to several exciting projects and demonstrated the creative and engaging ways in which this position can foster

preaching and the literary arts both in the Seminary community and in the church at-large. I pray that I will be given God's wisdom as I go about building upon their work."

Dr. David R. Schmitt has served as assistant professor of practical theology at Concordia Seminary since 1995. He also serves on the advisory board for *Concordia Pulpit Resources*, and previously served as pastor at St. John the Divine Lutheran Church, Chicago, Ill. He received the B.A. degree (1984) from Concordia College, Ann Arbor, Mich.; the M.Div. degree (1988) from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, the M.A. degree (1990) from University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., and the Ph.D. degree (2005) from Washington University, St. Louis.

Celebrate Concordia Seminary Sunday

On April 17, Concordia Seminary will send a packet of Concordia Seminary Sunday materials to the pastor of each Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation. Special bulletin inserts, Bible studies, sermon notes and other worship resources are available to assist congregations in observing Concordia Seminary Sunday. The suggested date for Concordia Seminary Sunday is July 9, the fifth Sunday after Pentecost. Yet, the materials are not dated and may be used in a variety of ways throughout the year.

"We want to use one of the

appointed Scripture readings in the three-year lectionary series to make Concordia Seminary Sunday

**Concordia Seminary Sunday
July 9, 2006
"The Ministry of Reconciliation"**

an appropriate observance for the suggested Sunday," commented Rev. Glen Thomas, vice president for seminary relations at Concordia Seminary. "This year, 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 serves as the Epistle reading appointed for July 9, and "The

Ministry of Reconciliation' is the suggested sermon and Sunday theme."

Concordia Seminary offers these materials as an annual opportunity for congregations to emphasize the importance of forming men for service in the pastoral ministry and to assist in the crucial process of identifying, informing and encouraging future pastors.

For more information or to order Concordia Seminary Sunday materials, contact the Communications Department, Concordia Seminary, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105; (314) 505-7374; communications@csl.edu.

Winter Placement Announced

Concordia Seminary is pleased to announce that seven students received calls to be pastors and missionaries, and two students received vicarage (internship) assignments in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). The assignments were given during the Seminary's morning chapel service on Jan. 20. An additional two students have calls pending at this time.

Calls into the Pastoral Ministry

Hispanic Institute of Theology Program

Joel Hormachea, Trinity Lutheran Church (Missionary-at-Large), Lexington, Nebraska

DELTO Program

Jenina Gatnoor, Call Pending to Sudanese Mission, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Edward Gross, Call Pending to Trinity Lutheran Church, Delray Beach, Florida

One Chanh Keoouthai, Asian Lutheran Mission, Des Moines, Iowa

Michael Meyer, Trinity Lutheran Church, Fremont, Nebraska

Max Phillips, Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Bouton, Iowa

David Prentice, Faith Lutheran Church, Westchester, Illinois

Jerome Terry, Epiphany Lutheran Church, New Orleans, Louisiana

Simon Yiech, Sudanese Mission, Des Moines, Iowa

Vicarage Assignments

Master of Divinity Degree Program

Daniel Koyn, Trinity Lutheran Church, Panama City, Florida

DELTO Program

Travis Lackey, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Birmingham, Alabama

The master of divinity degree (M.Div.) program is the academic degree program in which most students who desire to be pastors, missionaries or chaplains in the LCMS enroll. It is a four-year program, including a one-year vicarage (internship). The certificate (alternate route) program closely parallels the M.Div. program. Although certificate students do not receive a degree, they study alongside those in the M.Div. program, including the study of the New Testament in Greek.

The Distance Education Leading to Ordination (DELTO) program allows students to gain the experience of a vicarage along with their academic work, rather than as an intensive one-year internship. During their formation, the students are engaged in Word and Sacrament ministry in some capacity. The Hispanic Institute of Theology, based in Oak Brook, Ill.,

provides a linguistically and culturally contextual route to certification for ordination of qualified men in Hispanic contexts.

These graduates join more than 12,000 graduates from Concordia Seminary who have been prepared to serve as pastors, missionaries and chaplains in the LCMS. The Seminary's spring placement is scheduled for April 25. On this day, approximately 159 men will receive vicarage assignments, and 110 will receive calls into the pastoral ministry during worship services at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., respectively.



Seven calls, two vicarages and two calls pending were issued during chapel service at Concordia Seminary on Jan. 20. Students who received placements are pictured with Seminary faculty. They are, from left, front row, David Prentice, Michael Meyer, Jerome Terry, Daniel Koyn, Jenina Gatnoor, One Chanh Keoouthai; back row, Dr. Glenn Nielsen, Simon Yiech, Max Phillips, Edward Gross, Dr. David Peter and Prof. David Wollenburg.

Seminary Celebrates 80th Anniversary of Campus

On June 13, 2006, Concordia Seminary's campus in suburban Clayton, Mo., will reach its 80th anniversary. The following excerpt from the award-winning publication, *Proclaim His Salvation* (written to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the campus), reviews the early history of the campus. It begins with the 1920 Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod Convention decision to move the Seminary from its overcrowded campus on Jefferson Avenue in St. Louis.

A group of faculty members and St. Louis pastors, including Theodore Graebner, Ludwig E. Fuerbringer and John H. C. Fritz (names that are well-known among Lutherans even today) pressed the Synod to construct a new campus on a different site in or near St. Louis. The St. Louis contingent raised nearly \$75,000 toward the purchase of a suitable site, which influenced the final decision to keep the Seminary in St. Louis.

According to Synod lore, a layman at the convention proposed that \$1 million—a sum well beyond the resources of the Synod—should be appropriated for the construction of a new seminary. That was the ultimate figure he could conceive of for such a grand



Smoke rises from the ground that had to be warmed before the ground-breaking ceremony in 1924.

undertaking. Theodore Graebner, quoted by Carl S. Meyer in *Log Cabin to Luther Tower*, wrote that after five minutes of discussion, the convention unanimously approved the \$1 million figure, though a site had not been chosen and there were no building

plans. The 1923 convention voted an additional \$1.5 million for the project when it became apparent that the original appropriation was not enough.

In 1921, the board of directors of the Synod empowered the Seminary's board of control to act as the building committee. This committee selected and purchased an ideal site in rural St. Louis: 71 acres that had been deeded to the DeMun family by the King of Spain in territorial days. It was determined that the new campus should consist of

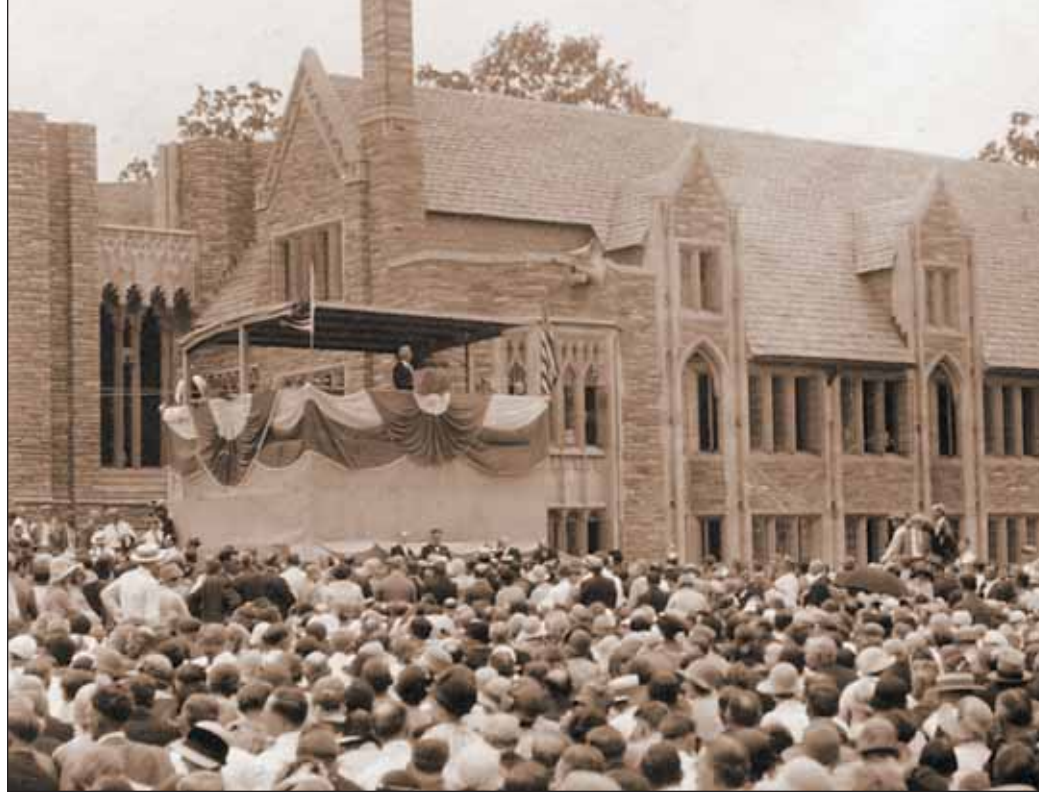


Approximately 75,000 guests attended the dedication of the Clayton campus. Officials from the Synod and the Seminary addressed the crowd.

an administrative building, a lecture hall, dormitories, dining halls, an assembly hall to seat 800, a service building and a power plant. The campus would immediately serve 400 students and allow for expansion to 800. On March 31, 1922, the committee signed Charles Z. Klauder, renowned for excellence in the collegiate Gothic style, as architect.

Frederick Pfothenauer, president of the Synod, turned the first shovels of dirt during the groundbreaking ceremony on January 18, 1924. The cornerstone was laid on October 26 that same year, and the event was transmitted to St. Louisans via the first broadcast of KFUD Lutheran Radio. During that broadcast, as Francis Pieper delivered an

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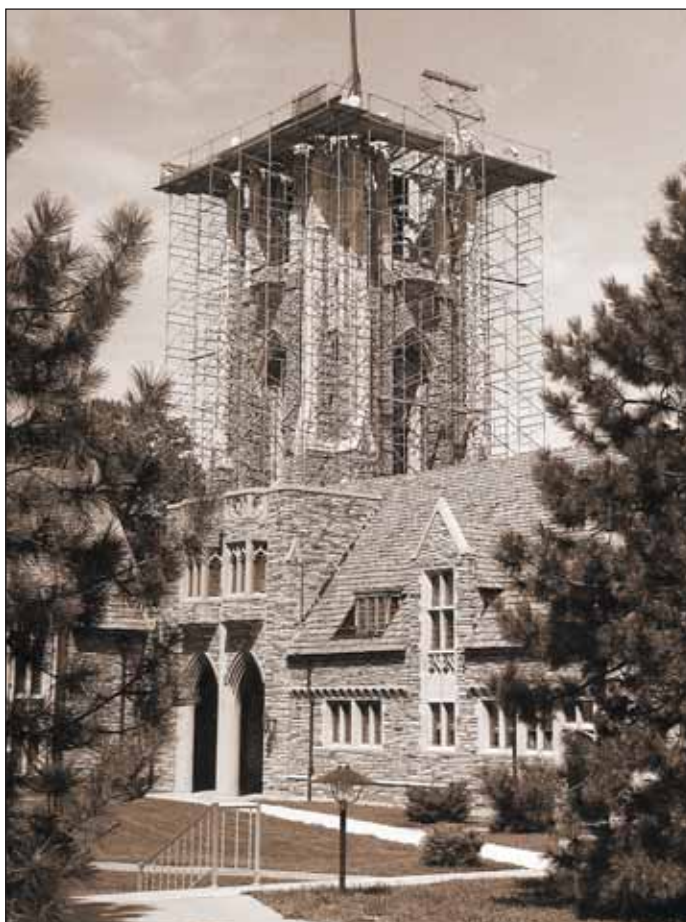
address in Latin, a biplane flew overhead. Pieper stopped speaking, and he and the audience looked skyward to take in the spectacle. The irony of that moment, bathed in the language of antiquity and the buzz of modern technology, is etched on a special capstone visible in the east gable of Wartburg Hall.

The new campus was officially dedicated on June 13, 1926, during a ceremony attended by more than 75,000 people from the United States and several foreign countries. A documentary about the event was recorded in "silent movie type" film. At the time, Luther Tower was not completed (and would not be for 40 more years). With dust still settling on the project, the building committee was already scrambling to find more money to build two extra dorms (due to surging enrollment).

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Ludwig E. Fuerbringer was president of the Seminary from 1931 to 1943.



Construction of Luther Tower. The completion did not take place until 1966. In 1970, the 49-bell carillon was dedicated as a memorial to the pastors of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

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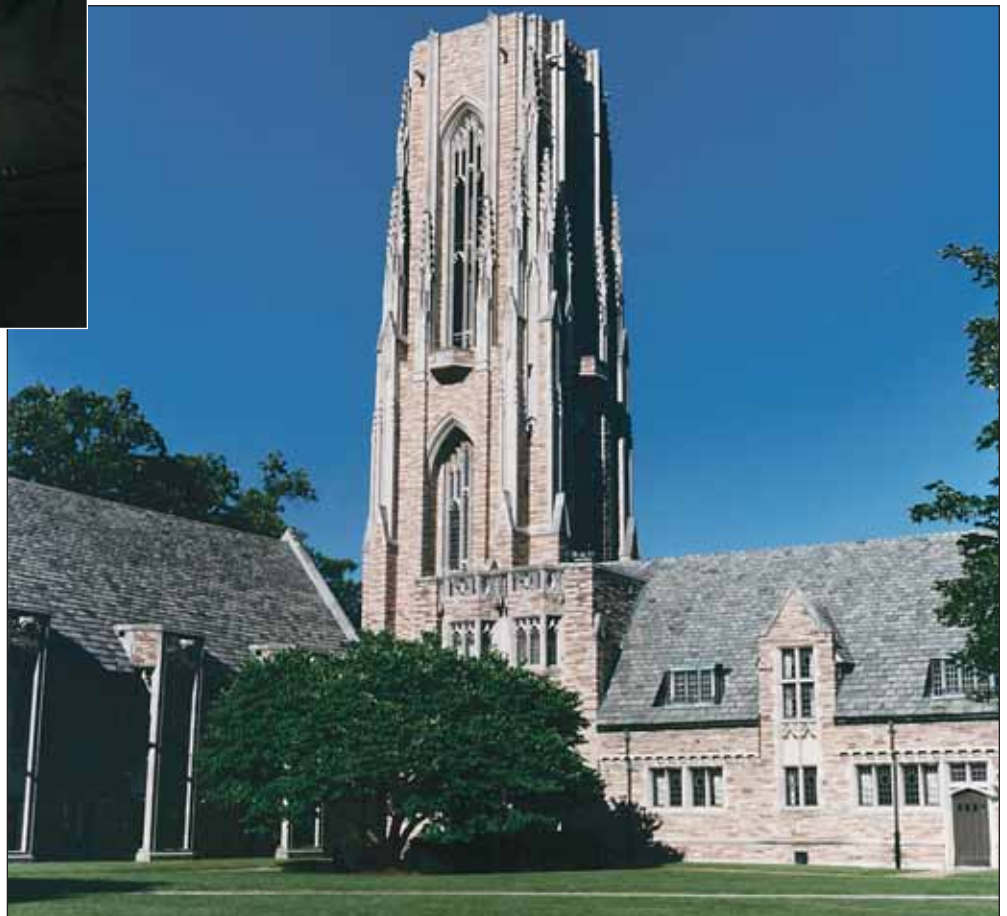
While the magnificent building project looms largely in the early history of the Clayton campus, the era can also be defined as one of confessional conservatism. Men such as W.H.T. Dau, Fredrick Bente, Francis Pieper, Theodore Graebner and Ludwig Fuerbringer dedicated themselves to preaching and teaching Lutheran orthodoxy passionately. The same is true of then Synod president Dr. Pfothenhauer who, during the installation of Fuerbringer as Seminary president, delivered a sermon in which he emphatically declared that the

Bible should always be the official textbook of Concordia Seminary.

Today the campus serves more than 806 theological students with 46 faculty and 135 staff. More than 12,000 students have graduated from the Seminary and have served as pastors, missionaries, deaconesses and chaplains in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.



***Above: President Dale Meyer congratulates Charles Kanefke on his vicarage assignment.
Top Center: Construction of The Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus in 1990.
Right: Luther Tower is the focal point of the Seminary's main quadrangle.***



Day of Homiletical Reflection

Concordia Seminary will host its 4th annual Day of Homiletical Reflection on May 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. The event is designed for pastors, students involved in homiletical education and others interested in the proclamation of the Gospel in today's world. Registration for the Day of Homiletical Reflection is \$20 and does not include meals.

Dr. Fred B. Craddock, the Bandy Distinguished Professor of Preaching and New Testament, emeritus, at the Candler School of Theology, will be the main presenter, speaking on "Are We Preaching to Post-Moderns?" and "Enabling Listeners to Speak."

Craddock is an ordained minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), serving in various

positions in this church, as well as a guest professor at several universities and seminaries. He is the founding pastor of Cherry Log Christian Church and the present director of The Craddock Center (a program for serving the needs of people of Southern Appalachia).

Craddock has written numerous books, articles and commentaries. *Newsweek* named him one of the 12 most effective preachers in the English-speaking world. He received the B.A. degree (1950) from Johnston Bible College, Knoxville, Tenn., the Bachelor of Divinity (1953) from Phillips and



Craddock

the Ph.D. degree (1964) from Vanderbilt. He has done post-doctoral study in Tübingen, Germany, and Yale.

The Day of Homiletical Reflection combines the annual Wenchel Lecture that promotes critical thought about preaching and practical enhancement in this art with the Ernie and Elsie

Schneider Endowment for Excellence in Preaching that fosters support for innovative 21st century proclamation.

For more information concerning the Day of Homiletical Reflection or its webcast, contact the Office of Continuing Education at (314) 505-7123, ce@csl.edu; or visit the Seminary's Web site at www.csl.edu.

Dellinger Lecture to Feature Cal Thomas

Cal Thomas, a 35-year veteran of broadcast and print journalism, will deliver the eighth annual Hubert L. Dellinger, Jr., Lecture at Concordia Seminary. The public is invited to attend his lecture on Sept. 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the Seminary's Clara and Spencer Werner Auditorium. The lecture will conclude the first day of the 17th Annual Theological Symposium. There is no admission charge and no tickets are issued.

Cal Thomas is the author of a twice-weekly column that appears in over 550 newspapers nationwide, hosts his own weekly television show titled *After Hours with Cal Thomas*, which appears on Fox News Channel, and hosts a daily radio program that is



Thomas

syndicated to more than 300 stations nationwide. He also co-writes a forum page with Bob Beckel titled "Common Ground" for *USA Today*.

A graduate of American University, Thomas has worked for NBC, CNBC, PBS television and the Fox News Network, where he currently provides political commentary. He has appeared on *NBC Nightly News*, *Nightline*, *The Today Show*, *Good Morning America*, CNN's *Crossfire*, *Larry King Live* and the *Oprah Winfrey Show*, and is considered one of the most widely read and highly regarded political voices in America.

In 1995, Thomas was honored with a Cable Ace Award nomination for Best Interview Program. Other awards include a George

Foster Peabody team reporting award, and awards from both the Associated Press and United Press International. He has written 10 books and frequently lectures on college campuses and other venues worldwide.

The Hubert L. Dellinger, Jr. Lecture Series, established in 1997, is designed to feature nationally-known speakers who address subjects which intersect the disciplines of theology, sociology, philosophy and law. Previous speakers have included United States Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, Prof. Stephen L. Carter of Yale University, William F. Buckley, George Will and television political analyst Tony Snow.

For more information, contact Seminary Relations, Concordia Seminary, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105; (314) 505-7370; semrelations@csl.edu.

Seminary to Host Theological Symposium

Recapturing a Full-Bodied Theology of the Resurrection: Christ's and Ours" is the title of the 17th Annual Theological Symposium, to be held Sept. 19-20 on the campus of Concordia Seminary.

The true meaning of Easter and Christ's resurrection is often omitted in modern day theology and preaching. As a result, many Christians have lost sight of the reality of their own resurrection on the Last Day. This Symposium will look at how the church has reached its current state and discuss the importance of a restored biblical emphasis on the resurrection. Additionally, the Symposium will explore topics pertaining to pastoral care, such as end-of-life issues, environmental issues and human sexuality.

Presenters

Plenary presenters include Joel Biermann, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.; Donald Hagner, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, Calif.; David Maxwell,

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Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.; Gilbert Meilander, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind.; and Timothy Saleska, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo. Plenary responders include Paul Robinson and Jeffrey Kloha, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo.

Parish pastors, district and synodical officials, Seminary and Concordia University students and

faculty, and interested laypersons are welcome to attend. One CEU is available for attending the Symposium. Plenary sessions of the Symposium will be webcast.

Sectional presenters will include Revs. Kristian Kincaid, Robert Schallhorn and Spencer Mielke, in addition to Seminary professors William Carr, Jeffrey Gibbs, Reed Lessing, Glenn Nielsen, Joel Okamoto, Henry Rowold, Leopoldo Sánchez and David Schmitt.

More Information

For more information and/or registration information, contact the Office of Continuing Education and Parish Services at (314) 505-7123 or ce@csl.edu, or visit the Seminary's Web site at www.csl.edu.



17th Annual Theological Symposium

September 19-20, 2006
Concordia Seminary

“Recapturing a Full-Bodied Theology of the Resurrection: Christ’s and Ours”

The Symposium will highlight the implications of a restored biblical emphasis on the resurrection. The Symposium also will explore specific implications for pastoral care, such as end-of-life issues, environmental issues and human sexuality.

For more information,
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Seminary Offers Summer Workshops

Concordia Seminary is pleased to announce its summer 2006 series of workshops for pastors, professional church workers and interested lay persons. Eleven workshops, covering a wide variety of subjects, are offered nationwide.

Workshop Cost

The cost for each summer workshop is \$110, except for “Church-State Issues from a Lutheran Perspective” (June 13-15), which is \$195 and is limited to seven participants. Payment is due 21 days prior to the beginning of each workshop, and workshops have a minimum required enrollment. Housing and meal information may be obtained from the host pastor.

More Information

To register or to receive further information, contact the Office of Continuing Education and Parish Services, Concordia Seminary, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105; (314) 505-7123; ce@csl.edu.



June 5-7—Journey with Jonah—Dr. Reed Lessing

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Albany, New York

Host Pastor: Rev. Paul Koehn, paulkoehnoslc@nycap.rr.com, (518) 459-2248

June 13-15—Church-State Issues from a Lutheran Perspective—Dr. Dale Meyer

Luther Institute, Washington, D.C.

June 19-21—Worldwide Prayer, Worldwide Mission—Dr. Jeffrey Gibbs

St. Andrew Lutheran Church, West Fargo, North Dakota

Host Pastor: Rev. Clark Jahnke, chjahnke@qwest.net, (701) 282-4195

July 10-12—The Book of Revelation and the End Times—Dr. Louis Brighton

Christ Lutheran Church, Phoenix, Arizona

Host Pastor: Rev. Jeff Schrank, jschrank@cclphoenix.org, (602) 955-4830

July 24-26—Incense Rising and Screens Descending: How Do We Worship God in the 21st Century?—Dr. Kent Bureson

College Hill Lutheran Church, Cedar Falls, Iowa

Host Pastor: Rev. Tom Ogilvie, rev.togilvie@cfu.net, (319) 266-1274

July 24-26—Why Some and Not Others? The Canon of the New Testament in Historical and Theological Perspective—Prof. Jeffrey Kloha

Concordia University, Portland, Oregon

Host Pastor: Dr. Norman Metzler, nmetzler@cu-portland.edu, (503) 288-9371 or (800) 321-9371

August 7-9—Two Kinds of Righteousness: A Better Paradigm than Law and Gospel—Dr. Joel Biermann

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Cedar Crest, New Mexico

Host Pastor: Rev. Devon Woodyard, dwoodyard@spinn.net, (505) 281-2430

August 7-9—Why Some and Not Others? The Canon of the New Testament in Historical and Theological Perspective—Prof. Jeffrey Kloha

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Seymour, Indiana

Host Pastor: Rev. Ralph Blomenberg, rblomenberg@immanuelseymour.com, (812) 522-3118

August 7-9—Restore the Roar: Studies in the Book of Amos—Dr. Reed Lessing

St. James Lutheran Church, Cleveland, Ohio

Host Pastor: Dr. Paul Hoffman, stjamescleveland@juno.com, (216) 351-6499

August 14-16—The Johannine Epistles and the Apostle of Love—Dr. Louis Brighton

Trinity Lutheran Church, Tryon, North Carolina

Host Pastor: Rev. Matthew Versemann, youdaman@alltel.net, (828) 859-0379

August 21-23—The Uniqueness of Christ in a Pluralistic Culture: Through Lutheran Eyes—Dr. Joel Okamoto

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Wichita, Kansas

Host Pastor: Rev. Jeffrey Crane, jeffreycrane@holycrosslutheran.net, (316) 684-5201

Providing Financial Assistance for Seminarians

Seminarians, especially single first-career students, rely heavily on the generosity of those in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) for the financial aid that keeps tuition costs manageable. Without help from many individuals, congregations and organizations, these students would face the difficult choice of withdrawing from the Seminary or borrowing heavily to pay their annual tuition. Through student aid grants, charitable gift annuities and year-end giving, individuals, congregations and organizations can help ease the financial burden of tuition on Seminary students.

Challenge Grant Offered

Recognizing the vital role that seminarians will fill when they enter full-time ministry, an anonymous family has offered a generous challenge grant to encourage gifts designated for student financial aid. Gifts from donors designated for student aid, between \$100 and \$11,400 (a full-tuition grant) are eligible to be matched dollar-for-dollar if postmarked by June 30, 2006, or until the \$200,000 has been subscribed.

Other matching programs (Thrivent, employer) can add to the impact of each donation, but are not eligible under the challenge grant criteria. Checks should be made payable to Concordia Seminary, with “student financial aid” in the memo line, and mailed with the special coupon on page 13 of FOCUS.

Charitable Gift Annuity

Given fluctuations in interest rates, consider the steady income offered through a charitable gift annuity designated for Concordia Seminary. With a minimum invest-

ment of \$10,000, an annuity can provide steady, reliable income through the remainder of a person’s life and, upon death, benefit the formation of pastors, missionaries and leaders at Concordia Seminary. Rates depend upon age and

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personal situation. Consult with a financial planner or attorney before making this gift to determine the potential tax implications of such a gift. Concordia Seminary offers annuities through the services of the LCMS Foundation and can provide a financial illustration specific to each situation.

Information about this special way of earning steady income while supporting the mission of Concordia Seminary can be obtained by contacting the Development Office at 1-800-822-5287.

Year-end Giving

Concordia Seminary operates on a fiscal year that runs from July 1 to June 30. The second half of the fiscal year (January through June) presents more of a financial challenge to the Seminary than the first. The appeal is to consider prayerfully how a gift prior to June 30 can help Concordia Seminary finish its fiscal year within a balanced budget. Today, nearly 70 percent of the income needed to operate the Seminary comes through direct charitable donations

compared to less than two percent through Sunday-morning offerings.

“If you have offered financial support in the first half of this fiscal year, thank you,” commented Mark Hofman, vice president for development at Concordia Seminary. “If you haven’t considered a gift between now and June 30, we ask you to con-

sider how God might use you to carry His Good News to all the earth through the pastors who are being prepared here today.”

The chart included on the following page shows the urgency in fulfilling the commitment that has been made to offer students the financial aid they need to complete their Seminary studies. The Seminary’s goal this year is to receive gifts and grants totaling \$4,500,000 toward the tuition grants awarded to future pastors, chaplains and leaders.

For details, or to give a gift using a credit card or appreciated property (stocks, bonds, real estate), please call the Development Office at 1-800-822-5287.



Investing in Future Pastors

Tuition Grant Progress Report

July 1, 2005 through March 15, 2006



View updates at www.csl.edu.

This chart serves as a progress report for the 2005-06 effort designed to provide tuition support for full-time residential students whose tuition has been fully funded by donors. Outlined figures depict students whose tuition has not been funded to date. To give a gift for student financial aid, please call 1-800-822-5287 or go online at www.csl.edu/GivingtoCSL.aspx.

Challenge Grant Coupon

YES! I want to help future pastors!

Enclosed is my gift of \$ _____ for student financial aid.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

Make checks payable to **Concordia Seminary** and mail to Concordia Seminary, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105; (314) 505-7350. Secure online donation is available at www.csl.edu/GivingtoCSL.aspx.

Focus on a Seminarian

Name: Tim Ahlman

Home District: Rocky Mountain

How long have you known that you wanted to become a pastor?

I have wanted to be a pastor since I was about 12 years old. My father, Pastor Dave Ahlman, influenced me greatly. I saw the joy that was so evident in both his ministry and family. I determined that I could think of nothing better to do than tell people about Jesus on a day-to-day basis.

How does the Seminary experience differ from what you imagined earlier?

I did not anticipate forming as many solid relationships as I have in this place. The common bond among classmates and future pastors is very strong. Also, I did not view myself learning as much as I already have and being able to easily see myself being formed for my future ministry. This is not to say that I came in thinking I knew all I needed to know, but the Seminary has more than exceeded my expectations. The exciting thing is anticipating how God is going to use this quarter's classes and vicarage to mold me even further!

How would you describe life at the Seminary?

Life at the Seminary is a joy. I am able to study God's Word every day, learn from awesome professors and apply that Word to my own life and for the sake of others. I also love sports, and over the last two years I have been able to play on the "Preachers" intercollegiate basketball team.

What is the biggest challenge at the Seminary?

Classes can be quite challenging. I certainly have to work harder than I did during my undergraduate studies, but this was certainly expected.

How has your time at the Seminary impacted your view of ministry?

In this place I am being prepared to offer words of comfort and Gospel to others. I know I have so



Tim Ahlman, a second-year seminarian, with his wife, Alexa.

much more to learn. I have learned that ministry is not about me—how eloquent (or not) I can be in the pulpit or how winsome I can be in Bible studies. It is all about Jesus Christ and proclaiming His life, death and resurrection to a people in desperate need of what only He can give—forgiveness, salvation and eternal life. And if God blesses my future ministry in any way (which I fully anticipate Him doing), I will always deflect all praise, honor and adoration to our amazing Triune God.

What are your feelings about your future ministry?

Honestly, I am a little nervous, but extremely excited to experience ministry for the first time in my future vicarage congregation. I can't wait to deliver my first sermon, develop relationships with other staff members and members of the congregation, visit shut-ins

and see the transforming power of Word and Sacrament firsthand as it powerfully changes lives.

How would you describe the support that you have received while attending Concordia Seminary?

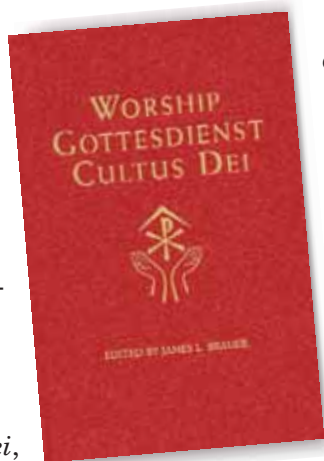
My family has been absolutely incredible in terms of the love and support that they have generously given me. My home congregation and district, and Lutheran Laymen's League also have been very encouraging through their financial assistance, without which it would have been much more challenging to attend the Seminary. I am deeply indebted to them for their kindness.

Is there any advice you would give to someone who is thinking about coming to the Seminary?

Spend a lot of time in prayer. Talk and pray about it with your family, friends and pastor. If possible, take Greek and Hebrew before coming to the Seminary, and pass as many of the five qualifiers as possible. This will make your class load much lighter when you're here. If you love people and love telling people about the love God has for them because of Christ, then I honestly cannot think of a better calling.

New Book Addresses Worship from Lutheran Confessions

Dr. James L. Brauer, chairman and professor of practical theology and dean of Concordia Seminary's Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus, has edited a book that addresses worship from the standpoint of the Lutheran Confessions. The book, *Worship, Gottesdienst, Cultus Dei*, collates quotes from The Book of Concord in general categories, forming chapter titles that include "Worship," "Word," "Baptism," "The Lord's Supper," "Absolution," "Prayer," "Praise," and "Rites and Ceremonies."



Within the individual chapters, specific questions are posed and addressed by quotations from the Confessions. These questions include "What is Christian Worship?" "Where do human traditions fit in the worship of God?" "How do rites and ceremonies contribute to Christian worship?" and "How should Christians handle their liberty in

matters of rites and ceremonies that are neither commanded nor forbidden by God?"

In describing the desired outcome of the book, Brauer writes, "It is hoped that the reader will

discover how the insights and teachings of the confessors defined and defended a Lutheran understanding of worship. With such an understanding, the Lutheran church today can once more identify the content of the true worship of God and be reminded how the church, in any language or place, will carefully select 'human traditions' to teach what people need to know about Christ and to express that content in their worship" (7).

Worship, Gottesdienst, Cultus Dei is published by Concordia Publishing House and is available through the Seminary's bookstore by calling (314) 505-7315. Further information is available by e-mailing bookstore@csl.edu.

Berger Lectures on 'Lutheran Identity in America'

Renowned scholar Dr. Peter L. Berger presented a lecture titled "Lutheran Identity in America" on March 16 in the Seminary's Clara and Spencer Werner Auditorium. The lecture addressed the role of the Lutheran Church and its proclamation in the midst of a post-Christian, post-modern society. It offered a critique of the successes and failures of the Lutheran Church in offering a public witness to its theological positions.

"Peter L. Berger is one of the world's foremost sociologists,



Dr. Peter L. Berger, center, is pictured with President Dale A. Meyer, left, and Dr. Uwe Siemon-Netto.

known especially for his penetrating analysis of the role of religion in contemporary culture," com-

mented Dr. Uwe Siemon-Netto, director of the Seminary's Institute on Lay Vocation, who arranged for Berger's visit.

Dr. Peter L. Berger is professor emeritus of religion, sociology and theology, and director of the Institute for the Study of Economic Culture at Boston University, Boston, Mass.

Concordia Seminary has established a Web page (www.csl.edu/Resources_InstituteonLayVocation.aspx) that contains links to an online discussion board and blog where the church and world might interact with the Institute on Lay Vocation. To listen to Berger's lecture, visit the resources section of the Seminary's Web site.

ECCE and EPM for High School Youth

The eighth annual Exploring Church Careers Event (ECCE) will be offered for high school youth July 29-Aug. 1 on the campus of Concordia Seminary. Immediately following the ECCE will be Exploring the Pastoral Ministry (EPM), offered for young men in high school Aug. 1-4.

Church Work Vocations

The two events are designed to identify, inform and encourage youth with respect to church work vocations. They will include Bible study, on-site visitation opportunities with those serving in the featured work vocations and opportunities for youth to gain college and seminary information pertaining to each of the featured vocations. While the ECCE will include information regarding a wide variety of church work vocations, the EPM will focus exclusively on the pastoral ministry.

The EPM will allow participants the opportunity to study theology with Seminary professors, worship with the Seminary community, hear pastors discuss the joys and challenges of the pastoral ministry, take part in a Servant Event and attend a St. Louis Cardinals baseball game.

“Our brightest and most gifted youth are receiving information and encouragement regarding a lot of non-church work vocations and we want them to receive the same type of information and encouragement regarding church work vocations,” said Rev. Glen Thomas, vice president for seminary relations at Concordia Seminary. “While all



ECCE is an event designed to inform high school age youth about church work vocations.

Christians serve God in their various vocations, we want youth to hear of the inherent joys and challenges they will face if they serve in church work vocations.”

A \$70 registration fee is the only charge youth pay to attend the ECCE, in addition to travel costs. All activities, meals during the event and on-campus lodging are provided at no cost to participants. Travel scholarships are available to ensure that travel costs do not prevent youth from attending. ECCE registration is limited to 80 high school youth.

“We are excited about the chance to offer this experience for young men who are starting to feel the desire to serve our Lord in the pastoral ministry,” commented Thomas.

Nomination Forms

Publicity and nomination forms for the ECCE and EPM were sent in February to all Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) pastors, youth directors, directors of Christian education, high school principals, high school teachers and guidance counselors.

Nomination forms may be printed from the Concordia Seminary Web site (www.csl.edu). Those who attended a previous ECCE will not be eligible to attend ECCE 2006 so that the largest number of youth possible are able to attend this event over the years. However, those who have attended a previous ECCE or EPM are able to attend this year’s EPM.

The ECCE is made possible by a \$150,000 grant Concordia Seminary received to assist in the process of identifying, informing and encouraging high school youth toward service in church work careers. The grant is from Lilly Endowment, Inc., headquartered in Indianapolis, Ind.

For more information on the ECCE or the EPM, contact the Admissions Office, Concordia Seminary, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105; ECCE@csl.edu. Additional information and a nomination form for both events are also available on the Seminary’s Web site at www.csl.edu/Admissions_HighSchoolYouth_ECCE.aspx.



July 29 - August 1

ECCE

Exploring Church Careers Event

An event for high school youth, male and female, to learn about a variety of church work vocations.

Concordia Seminary

St. Louis, Missouri

August 1-4

EPM

Exploring the Pastoral Ministry

An event for young men in high school to learn more about the pastoral ministry.



Nomination Form

Exploring Church Careers Event/Exploring the Pastoral Ministry

I wish to nominate the following young person to attend the Exploring Church Careers Event (ECCE).
 Exploring the Pastoral Ministry (EPM).

Name: _____ Your Name: _____

Address: _____ LCMS Congregational Membership: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Address: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

High School Class in Fall 2006: Fr. So. Jr. Sr. Home Phone Number: _____

Please do not send money with this nomination form. Upon receipt of this form, registration information will be mailed to the nominee. For more information, call (314) 505-7722 or e-mail ECCE@csl.edu.

Mail to: **Admissions Office**, Concordia Seminary, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105 or fax to (314) 505-7229.



Practical Service as a Deaconess Intern

In response to the need for theologically and synodically trained women to serve as professional church workers in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS), Concordia Seminary provides the opportunity for women to become certified deaconesses through its Deaconess Studies program. In order to equip these women to serve the church more effectively, deaconess students study alongside pastoral ministry students and receive sound doctrinal education. Following the completion of all class work and field education requirements, students complete a 12-month internship.

Deaconess Interns

Two of Concordia Seminary's current deaconess students who serve as interns are Tonya Eza and Maricela Flamenco. Tonya Eza serves at Lamb of God Lutheran Church in Wasilla, Alaska. As part of her internship, she leads a women's Bible study, assists with Sunday school classes, as well as other duties in the church. She also assists with "Super Sunday," a Sunday school class for children in Point Mackenzie, Alaska. Tonya and



Eza



Flamenco

parishioners from Lamb of God Lutheran Church have used "Super

Deaconess students study alongside pastoral ministry students and receive sound doctrinal education.

Sunday" as an opportunity to witness to both children and adults.

Maricela Flamenco serves two churches in San Antonio, Texas. At Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, she reads Bible stories to the children at the day care center, and meets and prays with the parents and teachers. At Misión Evangélica Luterana, Flamenco leads a women's Bible study and offers support to women displaced by the recent hurricanes. She has been involved with starting a shelter for abused women that will offer both medical and spiritual assistance.

Practical Experience

Field education and the internship provide deaconess students with valuable hands-on experience and help them decide which area of service they would like to pursue upon consecration. Deaconesses can serve in a number of settings: congregations, where they may serve by teaching, visitation, counseling, family ministries and other caring ministries; institutional settings, such as in chaplaincy departments of hospitals, prisons and homes for the aged or for people with developmental disabilities; or missions, where deaconesses may serve in both national and international settings as part of a ministry team.

Deaconesses help meet the increasingly vital need for women trained to do works of service and compassion, provide spiritual care and teach the Christian faith. Through this important work, deaconesses enrich and complement the ministry already established within the LCMS. For more information, contact Deaconess Studies, Concordia Seminary, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105; 314-505-7150; www.csl.edu.



Service and Compassion Spiritual Care Teaching the Christian Faith

M.A. in Deaconess Studies

or

Graduate School M.A.

The Deaconess Studies program is designed for Christian women who seek to further their knowledge of theology and its practical applications so they can serve as deaconesses in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Call Day Is April 25

Concordia Seminary cordially invites the public to share in the joy of Call Day on April 25. Approximately 159 students who will serve as vicars (a one-year internship) next year will receive their assignments during a 3:00 p.m. worship service. Rev. Arleigh Lutz, president of the North Wisconsin District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS), will serve as preacher.

During a 7:00 p.m. worship service, approximately 110 candidates for the pastoral ministry will receive their first calls to serve as pastors, missionaries and chaplains in the LCMS. Rev. William Ameiss, president of the Northern Illinois District of the LCMS, will serve as preacher. Both services will be held in the Seminary's Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus.

Also on that day, two deaconess students are expected to receive their internship assignments, and there are approximately nine deaconess candidates. This will be the third year that deaconess students from Concordia Seminary receive placement.

Those unable to attend may listen to the services via the Seminary's Web site (www.csl.edu). For more information, visit the resources section of the Seminary's Web site.

The vicarages and calls will be posted on Concordia Seminary's Web site on April 25 at 9:00 p.m. (CST).

The service during which calls will be distributed will be webcast in its entirety. Prior to the services, those wanting to make sure that they have the necessary soft-

ware on their computer may visit the webcast page and click on the test link provided.

"Anyone who has a computer with speakers and Internet access will be able to listen to both services on their computer," commented Rev. Glen Thomas, the Seminary's vice president for seminary relations. "The software necessary to play the audio signal is included with many computers. Yet, anyone without this software can download it free of charge through a link provided on our Web site one week in advance of the services."

The vicarages and calls will be posted on Concordia Seminary's Web site on April 25 at 9:00 p.m. (CST). Lists also will be e-mailed at the same time via the Seminary's e-mail list services, CSLNEWS and CSLPRESEM. Those who desire to subscribe to CSLNEWS prior to the April 25 services in order to receive the lists should contact Rev. Thomas at thomasg@csl.edu.

A complete listing of calls and vicarage assignments will be featured in the summer 2006 issue of FOCUS. Audio recordings of the sermons for both services will be available for listening on the Seminary's Web site within 24 hours.



Campus Pastors Provide Vital Ministry

Who provides Word and Sacrament ministry to young people when many are away from home for the first extended period of time in their lives and are facing new temptations and challenges? Who provides instruction in the Christian faith to students from all over the world who are studying at colleges and universities in the United States and may never again be able to hear about Jesus Christ as the way to eternal life?

God calls pastors to a special type of ministry, commonly referred to as campus ministry, to serve young people during some of the most challenging and critical times in their lives—their college years. Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) campus ministry sites throughout the nation provide a place for students to be strengthened by Word and Sacrament, and to enjoy Christian fellowship. Many campus



Pastor Paul Hoemann baptized and confirmed Jesse Carter, left, and Chauntelle Linden at University Lutheran Chapel, Texas A&M.

pastors also provide intentional outreach ministry to international students.

Context

No two campus ministry settings are exactly alike. Some are large congregations with a stable base of non-student members from the community. Others are stand-alone mission sites comprised almost entirely of student membership. Campus pastors serve students who are transient—coming and going from semester to semester and from year to year. Campus ministry is a challenging environment in which to serve as a pastor.

David Beagley serves as a vicar at a campus ministry setting at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill. “Having a campus ministry vicarage has been a wonderful blessing and a great challenge,” commented Beagley. “Learning and growing with college students, whether American or international, undergraduate or graduate, has helped me to grow more confident in my ability to do ministry and challenged me to be more prepared to share the Word of God.”



A Lutheran Student Fellowship group after worship on Sunday morning at University Lutheran Chapel, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. An average of 80 to 85 students worship each Sunday.

Campus Ministry in the United States

- The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) has more than 170 campus ministries with an additional 600 contact ministries.
- LCMS campus ministries cover about 25 percent of colleges and universities, and strive to reach out to both the 160,000 students from LCMS congregations and the millions not yet connected in faith.
- LCMS World Mission works in partnership with the Lutheran Campus Mission Association (LCMA) to help districts and congregations of the LCMS touch the lives of college students in North America.

Information reported by LCMS World Mission.



Rev. Kent Pierce serves as campus pastor at the University of Missouri in Columbia, Missouri.

Mission Opportunity

“The college/university campus is an incredible mission field, one filled with many people who are searching for answers to life’s great questions,” said Rev. Paul Hoemann, campus pastor at University Lutheran Chapel at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. “We must be there to point them to the love of God in Jesus Christ—the only way to salvation.”

Hoemann relates a story about an e-mail that he received from a student at Texas A&M. The young woman, Chauntelle, had been raised in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. But as a young teenager, she had left the Mormon faith. She was now seeking answers for her spiritual questions as a college student. She wrote, “Pastor Hoemann, I would really like to meet with you and learn more about your church. Because of my religious background, I think that meeting with someone is the only way that I can really learn things I need to know. Please let me know if you can meet with me.”

When Hoemann met with her, she took out a list of questions that she had written down on a

LCMS campus ministry sites throughout the nation provide a place for students to be strengthened by Word and Sacrament, and to enjoy Christian fellowship.

legal pad. For the next two and a half hours, she asked questions, covering everything from the deity of Christ to why the LCMS doesn’t ordain women. Following their meeting, she asked to be baptized. She was one of five American students who were baptized at University Lutheran Chapel on April 3, 2005.

Vital Ministry

Rev. Kent Pierce, a 1999 graduate of Concordia Seminary, was the recipient of campus ministry provided by Rev. Carl Selle, a 1969 Concordia Seminary graduate.

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Peer Ministry Retreat 2006 at the University of Missouri—Columbia. Pastor Kent Pierce stands in back.



International student ministry group at Campus Lutheran Church in Columbia, Missouri.

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“Campus ministry has been an important part of my life ever since my own days as a college student at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point,” commented Pierce, who is now a campus pastor at Campus Lutheran Church in Columbia, Mo. “Being connected with the Christian student community and Word and Sacrament ministry helped me navigate college life in accordance with my faith—rooted and growing in Christ’s love.”

Rev. Mark Couch, a 1995 Concordia Seminary graduate, serves as a campus pastor at Western Michigan University. The campus ministry site is operated under the auspices of Zion Lutheran Church in Kalamazoo, Mich., and is known as Solid Grounds Lutheran Student Ministries.

“Ministry services, activities and events happen every day throughout the week,” commented Couch. “We offer a fall retreat in October or November, and in December, there is a Winter Servant Event.” This year Couch took students to Biloxi, Miss., to help in hurricane recovery efforts. Other local activities include volunteering at the Gospel Mission, Habitat for Humanity and helping to rehab a home in a nearby neighborhood that serves as a place for tutoring and a safe place for youth to gather.

“Campus ministry at our public universities is a vital and crucial ministry for our church,” added

Couch. “These students are the future of the church. Campus ministry also is a place where students can live out their faith and learn to live as God’s people in a community as they serve, encourage and build one another up.”

Seminary Influence

All three campus pastors appreciate the formation they received at Concordia Seminary and see connections between that formation and the ministry they provide to college and university students. “Though I

had no idea that I would become a campus pastor immediately after graduation,” commented Pierce, “all of my courses, field work experiences and my year of vic-

arage were filtered through how the Lord touched and changed my own life through a campus ministry.”

Hoemann added, “It grounded me well, theologically, and helps me every day to minister to college students and their unique challenges.”

“My time at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, provided me with a very well-rounded and disciplined Seminary experience that taught me that God is a faithful God, shown most clearly in the gift of our Savior Jesus Christ,” said Couch. “The Seminary was a place where my faith in Christ was developed and where I was taught that the whole world is a mission field. Campus ministry is truly one of the most important mission fields today.”

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Rev. Mark Couch

Nagel Retires after 22 Years at Seminary

Dr. Norman E. Nagel, graduate professor of systematic theology at Concordia Seminary, retired at the close of the winter quarter of the 2005-2006 academic year after 22 years of distinguished service.

“Our Lord has been astonishingly generous in putting me into the Office of the Holy Ministry, and by culminating my work at Concordia Seminary with tasks and colleagues beyond imagining,” commented Nagel. “Deep thanks to our Lord, to my brothers in the Office of the Holy Ministry, to faithful family and friends, and all delightful companions along the way.”

Nagel, a graduate of Concordia Seminary (1953), was ordained in 1954 at Luther-Tyndale Church, London, England. He has served as instructor at Concordia College, Adelaide, Australia (1947); pastor at Luther-Tyndale Church, London, England (1954-57); pastor and preceptor at Westfield House Church, Cambridge, England (1957-68); dean of the Chapel of the Resurrection, preacher and professor of theology at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind. (1968-83); and visiting professor at Martin Luther Seminary, Lae, Papua New Guinea

(1975). Nagel has served Concordia Seminary as a visiting professor (1981-83), professor (1983-92), graduate professor since 1992 and chairman of the department of systematic theology (1986-92, 1994-95).

“When pastors get together, the talk sooner or later turns to professors we had back in Seminary,” commented Dr. Dale A. Meyer, president at Concordia Seminary. “The talk about Norman Nagel is fond and appreciative for his theological insight and personal warmth. We wish Norman and his wife, Betsy, God’s continued blessings!”

Seminary Recognizes Ordination Anniversaries

Concordia Seminary recognized significant ordination anniversaries and commissioning dates of 12 faculty and professors emeriti at the end of chapel service on Dec. 7, 2005. Each faculty member was recognized, and prayers of thanksgiving were offered for their service.

A reception was held following the

chapel service to allow individuals in the Seminary community the opportunity to express their gratitude. A special recognition of Dr. Norman Nagel’s retirement also was included in the service.

The following Concordia Seminary faculty members were

recognized: David Adams, 20 years; James Brauer, 40 years; Timothy Dost, 20 years; Victor Raj, 30 years; Henry Rowold, 40 years; David Schmitt, 15 years; Bruce Schuchard, 15 years; William Schumacher, 20 years; and James Voelz, 30 years. Professors emeriti included Arthur Graudin, 55 years; Harley Kopitske, 45 years; and William Schmelder, 45 years.

“In a community that holds high the privilege of serving in the Office of the Holy Ministry and is formed around the preparation and formation for such service, it is truly a delight to celebrate these milestones in the ministry of those who serve among us,” commented Dr. Andrew Bartelt, vice president for academic affairs at Concordia Seminary.



Professors who celebrated significant ordination anniversaries on Dec. 7, 2005, were, from left, front row, Bruce Schuchard, James Brauer, Timothy Dost, Arthur Graudin (emeritus), Victor Raj; back row, David Schmitt, David Adams, William Schumacher and James Voelz.

The Mission of Concordia Seminary

Concordia Seminary serves Church and world by providing theological education and leadership centered in the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ for the formation of pastors, missionaries and leaders in the name of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

• Coming Events •

- April 12-17 Easter Recess
- April 18 Bach at the Sem Concert
- April 25 Call Day
- May 3 Day of Homiletical Reflection
- May 18 Spring Quarter Ends
- May 19 Commencement
- May 30 - June 2 Alumni Reunion
- June 5 Summer Quarter Begins
- June 6, 13, 20, 27 . . Carillon Concerts

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