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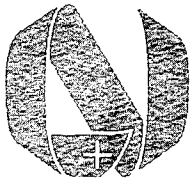
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**Luther Northwestern**  
Theological Seminary



**PASTORS' CONVOCATION**

**January 2-4, 1985**

# LUTHER NORTHWESTERN SEMINARY PASTORS' CONVOCATION

## THEME: TODAY'S BELIEVER AND THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE

### WEDNESDAY

#### REGISTRATION

10:30 Communion Service  
Preacher: Henry Horn  
Presider: Lloyd Svendsbye

### THURSDAY

8:30 Worship Service  
Preacher: Wilson Lugakingira  
Liturgist: Jeannine Leonard  
9:00 Authority of Scripture in the  
Light of the New Experiences of  
Women: Women's Experience  
with Scripture: Constance Parvey  
9:50 Coffee Break  
10:15 The Church, the University and  
Biblical Belief: Ben Johnson  
11:10 Symposium I  
Johnson, Juel, Larsen, Parvey

### FRIDAY

9:00 Authority of Scripture in the  
Light of the New Experiences of  
Women: The Authority of  
Scripture & Women: C. Parvey  
9:50 Coffee Break  
10:15 Symposium II  
Johnson, Juel, Larsen, Parvey  
11:10 Closing Worship: Celebration  
of God's Word  
Hymn Sing with Lessons  
and Prayers  
Leader: Paul Knutson

### NOON

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NW Alumni-Friends Luncheon

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1:30 Alumni Association Meeting  
2:00 The Power of the Word and the  
Interpreter's Task  
Donald Juel  
3:00 Coffee Break  
3:30 The Scripture Cannot be Broken:  
David Larsen

WORKSHOPS—Northwestern Building  
2:00 See listing on next page  
3:15 Coffee Break  
3:45 Workshops repeated

Evening: Class Reunions

7:00 Banquet  
Augsburg College Center  
Speaker: Jim Klobuchar,  
M.C.: Karen Bockelman

## CONVOCATION PARTICIPANTS

### LECTURERS:

Ben Johnson, Pastor, Riverside Lutheran Church, St. Cloud, MN  
Donald Juel, Assoc. Professor of New Testament, Luther Northwestern Seminary  
David Larsen, Assoc. Professor of Practical Theology, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL  
Constance Parvey, Resident in Religion, Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA

### PREACHERS:

Wed.: Henry Horn, Visiting Professor of Pastoral Theology and Ministry, Worship, Luther Northwestern Seminary  
Thurs.: Wilson Lugakingira, Pastor and international student, Luther Northwestern Seminary

### LITURGISTS:

Wed.: Lloyd Svendsbye, President  
Luther Northwestern Seminary  
Thurs.: Jeannine Leonard, Assoc. Pastor, St. Timothy Lutheran Church, St. Paul

### SONG LEADER:

Paul Knutson, Campus Pastor

### WORKSHOP LEADERS:

Fred Gaiser  
James Limburg  
Robert Roth  
Bill Smith  
Paul Sonnack  
All of Luther Northwestern Seminary

### ORGANIST:

Nancy Olson, Campus Organist

### WORSHIP COORDINATOR:

Paul Jacobson, Campus Choir Director

### BANQUET:

Speaker: Jim Klobuchar, Columnist  
Minneapolis Star and Tribune  
M.C.: Karen Bockelman, Campus Pastor,  
Luther College, LTS '79

### CONVOCATION COMMITTEE:

Paul Berge (Chair)	Gordon Omdal
George Bass	Mark Osthus
Neal Engbloom	Mary Ann Pratt
Robert Evenson	Donald Rudrud
Dorris Flesner	David Tiede
Paul Fransen	Julie Tweit
David Lindblom	Griffith Williams

### WORKSHOPS: Northwestern Building

**Fred Gaiser**  
The Use of Psalms in Christian Worship  
Classroom A  
**James Limburg**  
Psalms for Sojourners  
Classroom B  
**Robert Roth**  
Story Theology — a narrative hermeneutics  
and ontology, Classroom C

**Bill Smith**  
The Lay Person as Pastoral Care Giver:  
Ministry to the Acutely Grieving Widowed,  
Classroom D  
**Paul Sonnack**  
Pluralism and Consensus in American  
Religion, Auditorium

## LUTHER SEMINARY REUNIONS

Wednesday, January 2

Year	Convener	Seminary Representative/s
1939	Gustav Odegaard	Wendell Frerichs
1944	Silas Erickson	Wendell Frerichs
1949	Raymond Brien	Robert Boyd
1954	Ed Bersagel	Bill Smith Lloyd Svendsbye
1959	Mark Anderson	David Tiede
1964	Del Lind	Paul Knutson
1969	James Lindekugel	Roy Harrisville
1974	Samuel Kochei	Dan Simundson

### Luther Northwestern Class of 1979—Jan. 2

Convener: Robert Preuss

Seminary Rep.: Donald Juel

## NORTHWESTERN SEMINARY REUNION

Thursday, January 3 - 12:30 p.m.

Stub Hall Lounge (Stub Hall is the building situated between Aasgaard Hall and the Northwestern Building)

All Northwestern alumni, friends and spouses are invited to gather for a noon luncheon. Please purchase your ticket for this event at the special registration table on Wednesday.

## WARTBURG TRINITY ALUMNI DINNER

Wednesday, January 2 - 6:30 p.m.

Normandy Inn, Minneapolis, \$13.00

Late reservations:  
phone Pastor Paul Hesterberg, 776-3091

## TELEPHONE SERVICE

Incoming calls through the Seminary switchboard will be relayed to Aasgaard Hall, and messages will be posted on the wall opposite the entrance to the chapel.

The Seminary telephone number: 641-3456.

## LUNCHES: \$3.50

Northwestern Refectory only

Wed.: Soup, hamburgers, pickles, chips, dessert and beverage

Thurs.: Soup, sandwich bar, pickles, chips, dessert and beverage

## OVERFLOW

Closed Circuit TV will be provided in Aasgaard Hall for overflow audience.

## EMERGENCY FIRST AID

A qualified person will be on duty in Aasgaard #202.

## ALC and LCA STAFF ROOM:

Aasgaard #303.

## SPECIAL CONFERENCE ROOMS:

Northwestern Building.

## BOOK and ECCLESIASTICAL ARTS DISPLAYS

Augsburg Publishing House and Fortress Press displays are located in the Northwestern Commons. Coffee breaks in the Northwestern Building are courtesy of Augsburg and Fortress.

## THURSDAY EVENING BANQUET

Places are limited and it is advisable to purchase your tickets early (\$10 each) at the special registration table. Due to Minneapolis winter parking restrictions it is best to park in the Augsburg College parking lots.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHEDULE: JANUARY-MAY, 1985

- Jan. 14-18** CHRISTIAN FAITH IN A PLURALISTIC WORLD  
Leaders: Paul Sonnack, Todd Nichol, Patrick Keifert, Steven Charleston, Lance Barker, Carl Volz, Mary Farrell Bednarowski
- Jan. 21-25** PASTORAL LEADERSHIP AND THEOLOGICAL INTEGRATION  
Leaders: Don Juel, Robert P. Roth, Fred Gaiser, Paul Sonnack, Sheldon Tostengard, James Limburg, James Boyce, Barbara Linder, Steven Charleston, Gerhard Forde, Martin Lehmann, James Burtness
- Jan. 28-  
Feb. 1** BAPTISM, EUCHARIST, AND MINISTRY  
Leaders: Duane Olson, Patrick Keifert, Thomas Fisch, Charles M. Vogt, Carl Volz
- Feb. 4-8** UNDERSTANDING PRAYER  
Leaders: Terence Fretheim, Fred Gaiser, Loren Halvorson, Donald Juel, Eugene Kreider, Paul Martinson, Paul Sonnack, Paul Sponheim, David Tiede, Carl Volz
- Feb. 11-15** THE FIRST CENTURY: CRUCIBLE OF CHRISTIANITY  
Leaders: David Tiede, Wendell W. Frerichs, Mark Hillmer, Donald Juel, James Boyce, Barry Cytron
- Apr. 8-12** MILIEU FOR MISSION: OUTREACH AND RENEWAL  
Leaders: James Burtness, Vergil Anderson, David Tiede, Paul Berge, Paul Fransen, Dale Trautman, Charles Anderson
- Apr. 15-19** DOING THEOLOGY IN LIGHT OF CROSS-CULTURAL REALITIES  
Leaders: Steven Charleston, Craig Lewis, Magaly Rodriguez Mossman, Eleanor Hunsberger, George Latimer, Marc Kolden, Lorraine Ordemann, Fr. Puthiyottil Cherlan
- Apr. 22-26** PASTORAL COUNSELING AND CONTEMPORARY PSYCHOTHERAPY  
Leaders: Bill Hulme, Bill Smith, Bob Albers, Mel Kimble
- Apr. 29-  
May 3** CHRISTIAN MINISTRY WITH RETARDED PERSONS  
Leaders: Norman Neumann, Sandra Holloway, Curt Peter, Ken Pohlman, Mary Amundson, Norm Doeden, Jerry Walsh, Robert Mader, Kent Johnson, Paul Sponheim, James Burtness, Wilmer Friesth, John Carlsson
- May 6-10** "SEEING WITH A NATIVE EYE" — NATIVE AMERICAN WEEK  
Leaders: Leo Wilkie, Harrel Davis, Virgil Foote, Marlene Helgemo Whiterabbit, Steven Charleston, Gary Cavender

**JEWISH-CHRISTIAN SEMINAR — Feb. 28—Freedom Together: Passover and Last Supper**  
Leaders: Rabbi Barry Cytron, Dr. Eugene Kreider, Dr. Ruth G. Fredman, Rabbi Leon Klenicki

**THEO-PROBE V—Feb. 24-March 2—From Sacred Story to Contemporary Proclamation**  
Steamboat Springs, Colorado  
Leaders: James Limburg, Sheldon A. Tostengard

**BASIC TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR LEADER COUPLES OF MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT EVENTS—Feb. 21-25**  
Leaders: Anita and Bill Smith

**WORKSHOP FOR CHURCH WOMEN — Mar. 22-23—Assisting Women to Minister to Each Other**  
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, St. Paul  
Leaders: Doris and Rollie Larson, Irene and Merton Strommen, Lucy and Bill Hulme

**For Continuing Education information write: Kairos, 2481 Como Ave., St. Paul, MN 55108**

### LAY SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

Second Term—Monday Evenings, January 28—February 25—7:30-9:30 p.m.

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Donald Juel

ETHICAL ISSUES

Robert Roth

CRISIS IN A CHRISTIAN CONTEXT

Robert Albers

Third Term—Monday Evenings, April 8—May 6—7:30-9:30 p.m.

FAITH AND MORAL DEVELOPMENT

Kent Johnson

THE CHRISTIAN AND OTHER RELIGIONS

Paul Martinson

AGING AS A SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE

Melvin Kimble

### SPECIAL LECTURES

Jan. 22 10:00 a.m. Aus Memorial Lecture

James Burtness

Jan. 23 10:40 a.m. Second Aus Memorial Lecture

James Burtness

Feb. 8 10:00 a.m. Helmut Koester, Professor of New Testament, Harvard

April 11, 12 The Hein Lectures (3 lectures, times to be announced)  
by Dr. Margaret Wold  
Theme: Images of Hope From the Church in the City

## SUMMER SCHOOL 1985

Three-week courses: June 3-21, 1985

New Testament Guest Professor — Robert Kysar, Lutheran Theological Seminary,  
Philadelphia

384 THE CONCEPT OF THE CHURCH IN CHRISTIAN THOUGHT Walter Sundberg

454 STORY THEOLOGY Robert Roth

555 CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE AND RELIGIOUS ISSUES Gracia Grindal

Workshops: Christian Education, Evangelism, Care Giving as Evangelism

The Summer School brochure will be available from the Office of Graduate Studies in March of 1985.

### **TODAY'S BELIEVER AND THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE:**

The merging Lutheran churches are currently reaffirming classic Christian convictions about the authority and use of the Scriptures. These convictions have been subject to intense discussion and debate in recent years, and many of today's believers are concerned and confused about the issues. The following statement has been proposed by the Commission for the New Lutheran Church (CNLC) after consultation with the merging churches. It will serve well to guide the discussion and debate which will be part of this convocation.

We confess the Gospel as the power of God that saves all who believe and that creates and sustains the Church for God's mission in the world.

On the basis of the holy Scripture, the Church's creeds and the Lutheran confessional writings we affirm that:

- (1) The Word of God, through whom God created everything, is Jesus Christ, God incarnate, through whose person and life God fashions a new creation.
- (2) The Word of God is God's message to us, both Law and Gospel, revealing judgment and mercy through word and deed, beginning with the Word in creation, continuing in the history of Israel, and centering in all its fullness in the person and work of Jesus Christ.
- (3) The Word of God is the canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. Inspired by God's Spirit speaking through their authors, they are the record and witness of God's revelation centering in Jesus Christ. Through them God's Spirit speaks to us to create and sustain Christian faith and fellowship for service in the world. They are the authoritative source and norm of the Church's proclamation, faith and life.

Statement from the CNLC which met October 29-November 2, 1984.