

35th Annual Minnesota Lutheran Free Conference

(At a free conference the speakers are free, free to speak as individuals, not as representatives of a church body.)

Saturday, October 29, 2022

9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

“The Future of Education in the USA” *What Can Christians Do?*

Redeemer Lutheran Church

2719 Third Street North

St. Cloud, Minnesota

Hosted by Minnesota North Confessional Lutherans and Other Friends and Supporters

SPEAKERS:

Dr. Ryan MacPherson, Professor, Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, MN. The title of his presentation is: **“State Teacher Requirements vs. the Bible, the Hymnal & the Catechism.”** What are we to do when the state imposes upon teacher training programs and teacher candidates a set of licensing standards that contradict Scripture? Can state-licensed teachers “teach about” evolution without “advocating” evolution? Does critical race theory have any redeemable qualities? What are teachers, parents, and students to do when the state misconstrues something as basic as gender?

Rev. Dr. Christian Preus, Pastor. Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, Casper, WY. His presentation is titled: **“Return to the Wittenberg Way: The Lutheran College of the Past & of the Future.”** The Lutheran university of the sixteenth century was without rival. The fusion of classical learning, Lutheran theology, and Christian piety made for a Lutheran culture that benefited the church, the state, and the family. Return to the Wittenberg model of classical learning and unapologetic Lutheran theology is the way forward for Lutheran higher education in our country.

Rev. Dr. Gregory Schulz, Professor, Concordia University, Mequon, WI. The title of his presentation is: **“The Only Means by Which We Learn & Teach.”** He will elaborate on the Lutheran first principle that God cannot be dealt with *Nisi Per Verbum*, that is, except through His Word.

Cost: \$30/person; \$10/high school or college student (includes coffee, rolls, & lunch). Though the fee is not due until you attend, for meal and refreshment planning, please RSVP to Redeemer on or before Monday, October 25th: (320)-252-8171 or office@redeemerstcloud.org.

Though Redeemer is the host congregation, it does not plan this conference. A committee of pastors from both the MNS and MNN Districts of the LCMS is responsible. Therefore, questions about it are not to be directed to Redeemer or her pastor, but to committee member Rev. John Grein (320) 583-7788 or johngrein84@gmail.com