

## 2017 Saskatchewan Church Workers Conference

**Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Hellwege, Jr.** B.A., M.Div., S.T.M., Ph.D.

Concordia College, Seward NE (B.A. Theology 1993); Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (M.Div. 1999); Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (S.T.M. Historical and Systematic Theology 2000); Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (Ph.D. Historical Theology, the Modern World 2009); Pastor, Grace and St. Peter Lutheran Churches, Platte Center, NE and Humphrey, NE (2000-2005); Adjunct professor of Theology, Concordia University, Nebraska (2003-2004); Pastor, Emmaus LC, St. Louis, MO (2008-2015); Adjunct professor, Concordia University, Wisconsin – St. Louis Center (2008-2015); Guest Lecturer, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO (2009-2015); Freelance Editor, Concordia Publishing House (2009-2011); Assistant Professor of Theology since Aug 2015.

### **Research interests**

American Lutheranism, Nazism and religion, Interaction between philosophy and theology, Ethics, Just War doctrine

**Topic:** *Nazism and Religion*

**When:** September 17-19, 2017

**Where:** St. Peter's Abbey, Muenster, SK

**Who:** All active LCC rostered church workers of Saskatchewan

**Basic Assessment:** \$400 per active church worker or per congregation/parish without an active church worker.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With this year's special fall synodical convention, when we last gathered together in 2015 it was suggested we meet in the Spring. However, Lent and Easter crept up on your lowly organizers and all our vaunted plans of yesteryear (fall 2016) fell to the side till after Easter. Then, upon hastily planning, and checking with the District office, we discovered there was no such resolution, overture, or fiat from on high (Synod BoC or higher) that the retreats be moved to the spring, thus, we sought to keep it this fall.

Our conference speaker this year will be the Rev. Dr. John Hellwege of Concordia Lutheran Seminary, Edmonton. He will be presenting to us on the topic of his doctoral dissertation, so this is a wonderful opportunity to get to know his theological mind and rub shoulders with a brother in arms and new doctor of our church who is shaping new pastors.

Here's the pertinent information:

**Cost:** \$400/parish or parish worker, with cheques payable to "Saskatchewan Church Workers Conference."

(Unfortunately, due to the change in ownership at St. Michaels the costs continue to sky rocket there, so to maintain costs we have switched locations, increasing the mileage, but lowering the room & board costs, so it is similar in price).

1. All actively rostered LCC church workers in Saskatchewan are required to attend this conference, barring an excused absence (see below). If I've missed anyone, please let me know so I can send them the information.
2. If your congregation/parish has none of its pastors/DPSes/vicars/interns attending, **an assessment of \$400 is still owed** to the conference, as the sharing of costs for the conference is done by all the congregations/parishes of Saskatchewan, whether their workers attend or not.
3. Retired church workers who wish to attend are required to pay a subsidized rate of \$250. If the retired pastor serves a congregation/parish regularly (defined as receiving pastoral service on at least two Sundays a month), then on account of that congregation's paid assessment, they do not need to pay.

**Arrival Time:** 5:00p-6:30p on Sunday, 17 September

**Departure Time:** after lunch on Tuesday, 19 September

**Attendance:** **Mandatory, barring an approved excuse\***, which would include the following:

- funerals or oddly scheduled Monday and Tuesday weddings
- pastoral or family emergency
- your being in the hospital
- an appointment with a specialist that cannot be rescheduled in an adequate timeframe
- natural disaster, plague and/or pestilence

\*Please note: despite past precedent, general busyness or Kings of Leon concerts are no longer accepted as excuses. Actively rostered workers, along with vicars and DPS interns, are required to attend unless they are physically unable to do so.

Please download the registration form attached to the email, fill it out, and return it as soon as possible, in a reply email to this address: [pastorhaberstock@gracelutheranregina.com](mailto:pastorhaberstock@gracelutheranregina.com).

Registration deadline is September 5<sup>th</sup>.

You may also print out the form, fill it out and send it by regular mail, although that will need to be done quickly if you prefer that method (in the mail by September 5<sup>th</sup>, thank you). Mail the forms to this address:

Saskatchewan Church Workers Conference  
c/o Rev. David Haberstock  
1037 Victoria Avenue,  
Regina, SK S4P 0N6

Payment can be sent to the address given above, or it can be brought to the conference at the time of Registration. If payment is received after September 5<sup>th</sup>, your mileage cheque will be mailed to you after the conference. If it is received before September 5<sup>th</sup>, it will be given to you before you leave Muenster.

**2017 Saskatchewan Church Workers Conference  
Registration Form**

**Cost: \$400.00**

(Cheques payable to: **Saskatchewan Church Workers Conference**)

Please enter your name and parishes in the lines provided.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish(s): \_\_\_\_\_

I will be present for (please mark with an **X**):

Sunday Supper: \_\_\_\_\_ Monday Supper: \_\_\_\_\_

Monday Breakfast: \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday Breakfast: \_\_\_\_\_

Monday Lunch: \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday Lunch: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you have any questions, please feel free to email, call, or text me at 306.552.5254.

Directions to St. Peter's Abbey:

From Saskatoon (from the west, going east), follow Highway 5 into the village of Muenster. Turn right (south) onto 4th Ave. Go south, out of town (past Railway St.) till 4th curves to the left (east). Turn right (south) on College Dr. The Abbey is on the campus of St. Peter's College.

Or google the college's address: 100 College Dr, Muenster, SK S0K 2Y0

Or consult their website: <http://stpetersabbey.ca/wp/location/>