

**Fax/send this sign-up form to:**

Administrator,  
Grace Lutheran Church of LaGrange  
P.O. Box 207, LaGrange, IL 60525  
Ph.708-352-0730, Fax 708-298-0498

**2011-2012  
Anniversary Lecture Series**

Participant name:

Preferred email address:

Preferred phone number:

If childcare is needed, please list name and age for each child:

<b>Indicate Mon. or Wed. course Preference →</b>	<b>Monday 7-8 PM</b>	<b>Wednesday 10-11 AM</b>
Course 1		
Course 2		
Course 3		

Registered participants may change days/times of attendance as suited to personal schedule. Weekly course audio & slides will be posted on [www.gracelutheran-lg.org](http://www.gracelutheran-lg.org).

**Optional information:**

Church home ?

(name of church, city, state)

How did you find out about this course?

**Anniversary Lecture Series**

Please complete and send the sign-up form to register by US mail, or sign-up online by visiting the Grace Lutheran home page at [www.gracelutheran-lg.org](http://www.gracelutheran-lg.org).

Attendance and childcare are free, however space is limited.

**Please note the following details:**

Each course is 4 weeks long with a 1-hour lecture each week and is offered at 2 convenient times.

Three courses are being offered:

**Course 1**—The Life of Martin Luther and the Reformation, Sept.12 through Oct. 5.

**Course 2**—Lutheranism 101, Oct. 10 through Nov. 2.

**Course 3**—The Messiah in the Old Testament and Jesus Christ, Nov. 7 through Dec. 7.

Participants choose the day & time that works best for their schedule:

Monday evenings from 7–8 p.m.

Wednesday mornings from 10–11 a.m.

Registered participants may change days/times of attendance as suited to personal schedule.

Weekly course audio & slides will be posted on [www.gracelutheran-lg.org](http://www.gracelutheran-lg.org).

Advance registration is required. There is no fee to participate. All courses held at:

**Grace Lutheran Church  
200 North Catherine Avenue  
LaGrange, IL 60525  
Near Ogden Ave. (Route 34) &  
LaGrange/Mannheim (Routes 12/20)**



**2011-2012  
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**A Free Bible Study Opportunity  
Open to all**

*All courses held at*

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200 North Catherine Avenue  
LaGrange, IL 60525**

Near Ogden Ave. (Route 34) &  
LaGrange/Mannheim (Routes 12/20)

*For more information, please contact the church  
office at 708-352-0730, or  
find information and register online  
[www.gracelutheran-lg.org](http://www.gracelutheran-lg.org)*



The Anniversary Lecture Series will help you grow and nurture your faith.

Discover the extraordinary faith and courage that came to define Martin Luther's life.

Experience the transformative struggle at the heart of Martin Luther's journey.

Delve into Lutheran theology, learn about the central tenets of the Lutheran tradition, and consider the difference they can make in your life.

Investigate Old Testament promises about the Messiah and contemplate their relationship to Jesus, man, and Savior.

## About the Anniversary Lecture Series

### Course 1 **The Life of Martin Luther and the Reformation, Sept. 12 through Oct. 5.**

*Taught by Dr. Ralph W. Klein*

In these illustrated lectures, Dr. Klein will follow the life of Luther from his birth in 1483 to his death in 1546, describing his amazing journey from law school to the monastery, and then as university professor who became a reformer of the church. Along the way Luther married a former nun, published a huge number of books and essays, wrote hymns, translated the Bible and was the guiding theological light in what was to become the Lutheran church. At the center of his life was a personal search for God and a commitment to share God's grace in Jesus Christ with all people.

## About the Anniversary Lecture Series

### Course 2 **Lutheranism 101, Oct. 10 through Nov. 2.**

*Taught by Dr. Kurt K. Hendel*

The course will explore central themes of the Lutheran theological tradition based on Martin Luther's writings and the Lutheran confessional documents included in the *Book of Concord*. Lectures will focus on Lutheran understanding of human nature, of the free will, of law and gospel, and of faith and of forensic justification. The question of faith and baptism will also be addressed with regard to infant vs. adult baptism, and the Lord's Supper. The course will conclude with a description of Luther's vision of the Christian life as that of living in Christ through faith and in the neighbor through love.

### Course 3 **The Messiah in the Old Testament and Jesus Christ, Nov. 7 through Dec. 7.**

*Taught by Dr. Ralph W. Klein*

In four weekly sessions this course will look at the central messianic promises in the Old Testament and how they shaped Jewish expectations of God's deliverance. The New Testament and Christianity find these promises fulfilled in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Many of these promises are still to be fulfilled through the ministry of Christians or at the second coming of Jesus.

As part of the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of Grace Lutheran Church of La Grange, the congregation is pleased to welcome two distinguished professors to lecture in the areas of Lutheran and Biblical heritage.

Professors Ralph W. Klein and Kurt K. Hendel from Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago will serve as guides on this transformative journey of faith.



**Ralph W. Klein is Christ Seminary-Seminex professor of Old Testament at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.**

An ordained pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Klein is committed to the church-at-large and is a widely published author and speaker. Klein and his wife are parents to two grown daughters and grandparents to five grandsons. On almost every Sunday during the academic year he teaches adult forums in Chicago area congregations. He also is a tennis player and avid golfer.



**Kurt K. Hendel is the first Bernard, Fischer, Westberg Distinguished Ministry Professor of Reformation History at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.**

Hendel was born in Germany, is an ordained pastor of the ELCA and has taught at Concordia Seminary, Christ Seminary—Seminex, and the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. Teaching is his passion. Hendel is married, has three children and five grandchildren and enjoys sports, music and the beauties of nature.

# The Emotional Function of Beliefs: 2011-2012 Case Study Series

Co-Sponsored by BeliefsChart.org LLC & The Center for Family Consultation

## Overview

Counselors, therapists, and clergy can wonder how someone can't seem to reflect critically about their beliefs, or what might be going on when someone suddenly adopts a strikingly different religious stance, political position, or philosophical worldview. Dr. Murray Bowen understood the family – not the individual – as the basic unit of human functioning. This series is built around the notion that *beliefs – though emerging in an individual brain – can be a product of the family unit*. The series will present seven case studies illustrating the emotional function of beliefs through the use of the Beliefs Chart. The Beliefs Chart is a tool to organize facts and enhance objectivity about changes in beliefs and relationships. Bob Williamson of the faculty of the Center for Family Consultation will present each case and lead discussion.

## Continuing Education Credits

10.5 CEU's are available for Illinois social workers, counselors, and marriage and family therapists who attend all seven sessions, or 1.5 CEU's for each session attended.

## When

The series will be presented October - April on the first Thursday of each month from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Location

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
350 East Madison Street  
Lombard, Illinois  
630-620-0072

(At the northwest corner of  
Grace and Madison Streets)

## Cost

\$220 for the entire series or \$35 per session.

## Presenter

Bob Williamson is on the faculty of the Center for Family Consultation (CFC). Bob is a graduate of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (M.Div., 1976).

## Schedule of Cases & Topics

October 6, 2011 – Dietrich Bonhoeffer & the Family as an Emotional Unit  
November 3, 2011 – Walter Inglis Anderson & Nuclear Family Emotional Process  
December 1, 2011 – Client A & Emotional Triangles  
January 5, 2012 – Henry David Thoreau & Unresolved Attachment to Family  
February 2, 2012 – Henry James & Emotional Cutoff  
March 1, 2012 – C. F. W. Walther & Leadership Within an Anxious Group  
April 5, 2012 – Robert Lowell, Jean Stafford & Beliefs as the Product of the Family Unit

## Information & Registration

For more information on this series, contact Bob Williamson at [Bob@BeliefsChart.org](mailto:Bob@BeliefsChart.org) or 630-910-1856.

For information on BeliefsChart.org LLC, go to: [www.BeliefsChart.org](http://www.BeliefsChart.org)

For information on the Center for Family Consultation, go to: [www.thecenterforfamilyconsultation.com](http://www.thecenterforfamilyconsultation.com)

To register, complete the form below and mail with your check (\$220 for the series or \$35 per session) payable to **BeliefsChart.org LLC**, 2217 Wharf Drive #306, Woodridge, IL 60517.

Please register me for the 2011-2012 Case Study Series to begin on October 6, 2011.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

MUSIC:  
MESSAGES, MINISTRY &  
MYSTERY OF FAITH

**WHO:** All Rostered Lay Leaders and non-rostered lay ministry leaders are invited to explore faith and their ministries through music. All are welcome! This year non-rostered leaders are invited to learn about the ELCA rostered community and connect with other ministry people in Region 5 (Wisconsin, Iowa & Northern Illinois). There will be break out sessions for ministry specialties such as

- **Worship and Music Ministry**
- **Children, Youth & Family Ministry**
- **Chaplains & Hospice Care**
- **Retired Lay Leaders**

Each of us brings a unique gift to the table. Let us share our resources, hopes and dreams and challenges together.

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** Suzanne Holtz, Music Therapist, Minneapolis, Minnesota will lead us in exploring ways we can use music for self-care or renewal as well as a ministry tool regardless of your area of ministry. This weekend will be focused on hearing God's Word—messages—through music, experiencing a deepening of faith, and of course, sharing our ministry with one another.

**WHAT:** The focus of this conference will be on Music and how it affects us in our faith, through our ministry and how we are connected through a deeper faith. There will be:

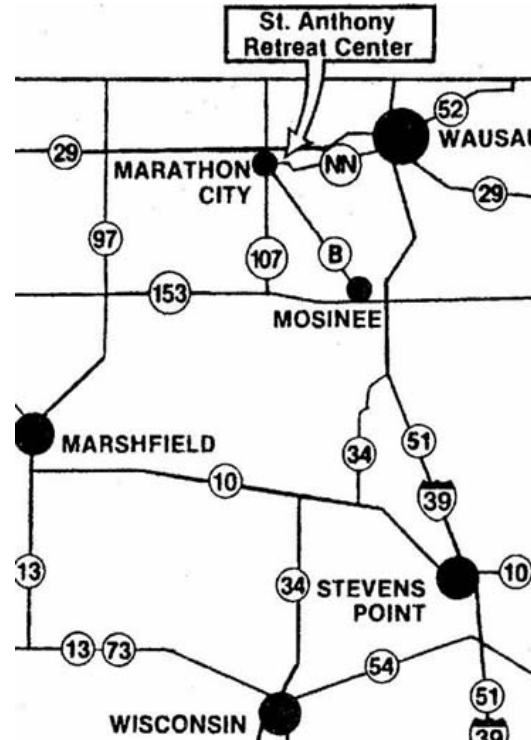
- large group sessions & Keynote Speaker
- small group break out sessions.
- focus on ministry specific discussions.
- connect as a great church—Region 5 lay leaders
- share resources
- vision as Lay Leaders in the ELCA.

There is also time for rest, wandering through the grounds, napping, reading or just connecting with other ministry people in your Region.

**All are welcome! We hope to see you in Marathon!**

**ST. ANTHONY SPIRITUALITY CENTER IS JUST MINUTES  
WEST FROM WAUSAU, WISCONSIN**

St. Anthony Spirituality Center is located at the eastern edge of the Village of Marathon off County Trunk NN, about 10 miles West of Wausau. Directions follow. Please scroll downwards. Do not use Mapquest—it will take you the wrong direction!



**From Wausau:** Take US Highway 29 to State Highway 107, turn South (Left) into Marathon City, turn left on to Fourth St. in Marathon City, travel about 8 blocks and the Spirituality Center will be on your left.  
OR take County Trunk NN west (North Mountain Road) off US Highway 51 and travel 10 miles to eastern edge of Marathon City and the Spirituality Center will be on your right.

**From Milwaukee, Madison or Chicago:** Take 90/94 North to Interstate 39 north (marked 'Wausau'). After going through Stevens Point, take the Mosinee exit (State Highway 153 West). Follow State Highway 153 West to County Road B. Keep going straight on County Road B. Take County Road B all the way into Marathon (about 15 miles). Then turn right on State Highway 107 (also Main St). Follow State Highway 107 and turn right on Fourth St. (also County Trunk NN). Travel about 8 blocks and the Spirituality Center will be on your left.

**From the Twin Cities:** Take 94 west to US Highway 29 East (near Elk Mound). Continue on US Highway 29 East another 90 miles to Marathon City (State Highway 107 South) exit. Follow State Highway 107 South to Fourth St. (also County Trunk NN) and turn left. Travel about 8 blocks and the Spirituality Center will be on your left.

**From Green Bay:** Follow State Highway 29 West all the way through Wausau and take the Marathon City exit (State Highway 107 South). Follow State Highway 107 South and travel to Fourth St. (also County Trunk NN) and turn left. Travel about 8 blocks and the Spirituality Center will be on your left.

ELCA  
REGION 5  
ROSTERED LAY  
LEADER  
& LAY LEADER  
CONFERENCE

MUSIC:  
MESSAGES,  
MINISTRY AND  
MYSTERY OF FAITH



Sun, Nov 13 -  
Tues., Nov. 15, 2011

*St. Anthony Retreat Center*

*Marathon, WI*

# AGENDA

# REGISTRATION

## ELCA REGION 5 ROSTERED LAY LEADER & LAY LEADER CONFERENCE

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

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_

MINISTRY TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

I AM:

ROSTERED  AIM  DIACONAL  OTHER  
NON-ROSTERED  PAID STAFF  VOLUNTEER  
RETIRED

I WOULD LIKE:

A SINGLE ROOM \$ 150 BEFORE SEPT 15  
 IN-SUITE ROOM \$ 175 BEFORE SEPT 15  
 ACCESSIBLE ROOM ON MAIN FLOOR

I AM INTERESTED IN:

SHOPPING AT THE BOOK STORE  
 USING THE ART ROOM  
 WORKING ON THE 2012 PLANNING COMMITTEE

**Early Registration due by September 15, 2011**  
**\$150 single \$175 single in-suite/private bath**

**Registration due by October 15, 2011**  
**\$175 single \$200 single in-suite/private bath**

Send Registration Form & Check to:  
Emmanuel Lutheran Church  
Attn: Amanda Burke  
349 North Main Street  
Seymour, WI 54165

Questions? Email Molly Haggerty-Brewster at  
molhagbrev@charter.net

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2011

3:00 p.m.—5:00 PM Check In

5:00 PM Welcome &  
Opening Worship

6:00 PM Simple Dinner

7:30 PM - The Messages In Music  
Key Note Speaker  
Suzanne Holtz,  
Music Therapist

8:30 PM Break Out Session 1  
What Is God's Message for Me?

9:30 PM Closing

## Monday, November 14, 2011

8:30 AM Breakfast

9:30 AM -Music in Ministry  
Key Note Speaker  
Suzanne Holtz,  
Music Therapist

11:00 AM -Community Connections  
Break Out Sessions by Ministry clusters

12:00 PM Lunch

12:30—2PM Art room & Book Store open; free time

2:00 PM Break Out Sessions 2  
- Cleaning up the stress of Ministry mess—  
self care is in there!  
- Why Me? Called To Be....  
ELCA Rostered Leadership and  
what it means (for non-rostered lay leaders)  
- Ministry Team—without the scream!  
Being a part of the team and overcoming conflict.

3:30 PM Visioning for the Future:  
Lay Leadership in the ELCA

4:30 PM Free time

5:30 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Worship

8:00 PM -Mystery of Music in our faith  
Key Note Speaker  
Suzanne Holtz, Music Therapist

9:30 PM Community Time

## Tuesday, November 15, 2011

8:30 AM Breakfast

9:30 AM Lay Ministry: God's Work, Our Hands

10:30 AM What is God's Message for Us?  
Break Out Sessions in ministry clusters

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM Closing Session & Worship

2:00 PM Check out

We have intentionally planned for unscheduled time. Use this for that long needed nap, building friendships or walking the grounds of the St. Anthony Center. This is a time for you to recharge, reflect and remember yourself.



## ST. ANTHONY SPIRITUAL CENTER MARATHAN, WISCONSIN

The retreat center offers:

- Single rooms with  
-Linens, pillows & desk
- Great meals
- Ample grounds for prayer and relaxation
- An art room
- Spiritual Book Store
- In-suite restrooms are available in a small percentage of  
the rooms for an additional price
- Large meeting space for our group

There are no telephones in the rooms and there is no wireless access. Please let us know if you need accessible rooms. Due to the age of the building, there is not full accessibility to all areas of the dorms.

# SAVE THE DATE

The Metropolitan Chicago Synod Justice Team, Lutheran Social Services of Illinois and Lutheran Advocacy-Illinois invite you to a special synod-wide event.

# Jesus & Justice

WE ARE CALLED TO ACT

SATURDAY

**October 22, 2011**

Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago  
1100 East 55th Street  
Chicago, IL 60615  
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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\$15 registration fee  
(covers the cost of a continental breakfast and lunch)

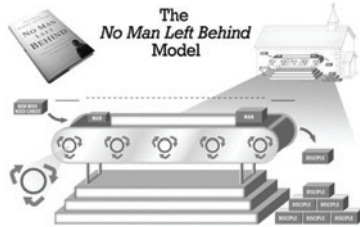
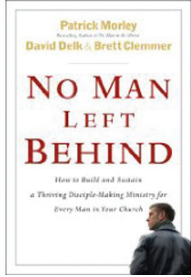
The event will offer models of local, regional, national and international justice ministries that are currently working in congregations across the synod. It will also offer new models for the engagement of congregational members, congregations and clusters of congregations in the development of local initiatives around church-based community development and justice advocacy. Confirmed major speakers for the event are MCS Bishop Wayne Miller, Pr. Stephen Bouman, executive director of ELCA Congregational and Synodical Mission, Pr. Denver Bitner, president/CEO, Lutheran Social Services of Illinois and Rev. Beverly Conway, pastor of Redeemer Lutheran, South Holland, Illinois.

**To register, please go to [www.MCSELCA.org](http://www.MCSELCA.org).  
For questions, please contact  
Joy Medrano at 847/635-4653 or [Joy.Medrano@LSSI.org](mailto:Joy.Medrano@LSSI.org).**

## Workshop Resources

### BOOKS:

**No Man Left Behind — A model for a thriving disciple-making ministry for every man in your church.**



**Coming of Age — Exploring the spirituality and identity of younger men.**



### WORKSHOP TOPICS INCLUDE:

The Big Idea  
What Do Men Want? What Do Men Need?  
The No Man Left Behind Model Overview  
The Portal Priority  
I-GO Strategy  
    Identify - Invite - Invest  
Create Value, Capture Momentum,  
    Sustain Change  
Now What? Build Your Plan  
How Do We Move on from Here?

## Hotel Info

Quality Inn and Suites  
105 Business Park Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590  
Phone: (608) 834-9889

## Registration and Info

Registration fee includes:  
Lunch, plus two resource books (Coming of Age and No Man Left Behind) and workshop materials.

Contact & Questions:  
Kelly Thompson  
404 Hillcrest Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590  
Phone: 608-577-0094

## Workshop Presenters:



**Rich White**  
Vice President  
Lutheran Men in Mission

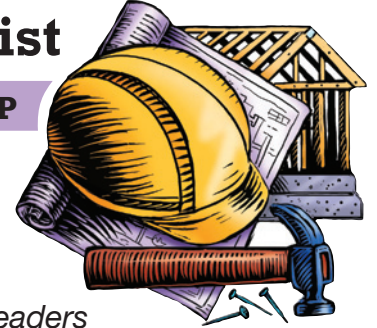


**Lon Buss**  
Region 5 Board Rep  
Lutheran Men in Mission

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MEN IN MISSION®

## Building Men for Christ

WORKSHOP



*A one day workshop to help church leaders develop a life-changing men's ministry for their congregation.*

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**Saturday, October 29, 2011**  
8:30 am to 5 pm

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**  
550 Lincoln Drive  
Sun Prairie, WI 53590

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# Building Men for Christ

WORKSHOP



### Workshop Takeaways:

- Mission/Vision Statement
- First Pass Action Plan
- Capturing/Sustaining Momentum Strategies
- and much more!!



## Workshop Schedule

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2011

**8:30 am**  
Registration and gathering time

**9:00 am**  
Welcome and Introduction  
Opening Devotion  
Our Call to Action  
Ministry to Men Audit  
No Man Left Behind (NMLB) Model

**10:30 am** — Break

**11:00 am**  
Portal Priority – Discipleship  
The Engine – Create/Capture/Sustain  
The 5 Types of Guys

**Noon** — Lunch  
LMM Overview

**1:00 pm**  
Building a Men's Ministry Plan  
Mission/Vision Statement  
Moving Forward – Two Steps Ahead  
Plan - First Pass

**2:30 pm** — Break

**3:00 pm**  
Group Sharing Plan - Second Pass

**4:00 pm**  
Wrap-up and What's Next  
Commissioning  
Adjourn

**LUTHERAN  
MEN IN MISSION®**

Saturday, October 29, 2011  
Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Sun Prairie, WI  
**Registration Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Deadline:** October 20, 2011

**Registration Fee Schedule:** \$69 per person.  
No charge for clergy (male or female) with at least two men from their congregation.

**Mail registration forms and checks to:**  
Kelly Thompson  
404 Hillcrest Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590  
Phone: 608-577-0094

Make checks payable to: Lutheran Men in Mission with BMFC in memo

### Pay by credit card:

\_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_ Am Express

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City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## Aramaic Dance and Meditation Group (ADAM)

Are you interested in a **practical way to nourish and live your faith**? Try a monthly experience of meditating on the words of Jesus in his native language, Aramaic, and putting them into action in simple group dancing.

That is the way early Aramaic Christians did it. The spirit of the resurrected Christ lived in them and animated them. They sang and danced his words.

Neil Douglas Klotz, a Sufi mystic and scholar, has set Jesus' words to music and dance. They make the words of the Lord's Prayer and the Beatitudes literally come alive. Persons regularly practicing this way have found a renewal of spirit and have gained strength for compassionate or truly Christ-like living.

Join members of Christ the Mediator, who have been dancing the Beatitudes in two recent retreats, on the **second Thursday of each month, beginning September 8th.**

Participants need not worry about learning another language or being self conscious about the dancing. It is all easy and fun. The leader encourages you to do only that which is comfortable for you.

**Sessions begin at 7:00 pm and will run till 8:15 pm.** For those interested, a light Mediterranean style meal will be served at 6:30pm. For more information and to register call Frank Showers at 570-971-8978.

Location: Christ the Mediator Lutheran Church  
3100 South Calumet (one block west of King Drive)  
Chicago, IL 60616

