The 22nd Annual

Hartwick Seminary

Summer Institute of Theology

at

Hartwick College
Oneonta, New York
29 July–3 August 2012

Adult Christian education for clergy and laity

Presented by the Foothills Conference
of the Upstate New York Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Greetings and Welcome from the Foothills Conference

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

The Hartwick Seminary Institute of Theology was established in 1991 by the Foothills Conference, a group of Lutheran congregations in five counties of upstate New York, for two primary purposes:

• To provide training for Deacon Candidates in a variety of ministries within congregations, for the support of pastors, and to build up the Body of Christ;

• To provide continuing education and growth in faith for clergy, other rostered leaders, and commissioned deacons and to offer personal enrichment for anyone in an environment of worship and fellowship.

An Invitation

The costs for the Institute are underwritten by parishes of the Foothills Conference through a congregational subsidy. See the registration form in this brochure for the fee schedule and information regarding required texts.

Congregations or individuals who wish to support this ministry are welcome to do so in any amount at any time by sending a check to the address on this brochure payable to Foothills Conference Deacon Program.
Who Can Be a Deacon Candidate?

A Deacon Candidate shall be a baptized, communing, and contributing adult member of an ELCA congregation who seeks to witness and serve Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Speak to your pastor and read the Upstate New York Synod Deacon Handbook, available on the Synod website: www.upstatenysynod.org.

Required Candidate Retreats
Saint Margaret’s House
New Hartford, New York
2–3 November 2012
25–26 January 2013

Commissioned Deacon
Continuing Education Retreat
Saint Margaret’s House
New Hartford, New York
19–20 April 2013

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General Information

Check-In and Room Assignment
Sunday, July 29, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Hilltop House Dormitory (near the back of campus)
Sign-up to carpool for daily rides to classes.

Important: Check for signs and directions. Campus traffic patterns may change from one year to the next.

Required
bed linens (twin-long) or sleeping bag (no rental linens)
towels
toiletries

We encourage casual clothing, comfortable shoes, sweaters, and so on for upstate New York summers: warm or hot days, cool nights.

Recommended
lamp, fan, garbage bags, window screen, and other creature comforts. This is college dormitory living.

Name badges must be worn at all times for classes and meals.

Arriving later in the week?
Please report to the Institute office, Clark Hall, 2nd floor, for badge and packet.

Deacon candidate orientation
Sunday, 7:30 p.m., Shineman Chapel

Welcoming reception (for all participants)
Sunday, 8:30 p.m., Shineman Chapel

Institute choir organizes after Sunday evening worship.

Smoking is not allowed inside any Hartwick College building.

Meals are served in Dewar Hall Commons Cafeteria.
Breakfast 7:30—9:30 a.m.
Lunch 11 a.m.—1 p.m.
Dinner 4:30—6:30 p.m.
Weekly overnight and commuter registrants use a meal card.
Daily registrants must pay cash for each meal.
**Worship services** are held in Shineman Chapel.
Mornings 7:30 a.m.
Evenings 9:15 p.m. (Sun./Mon./Tues./Thurs.)

**Holy Eucharist**
Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. Pre-service music at 7:15 p.m. An offering for the Institute and a ministry of the church will be received.

**Individual confession and forgiveness offered daily**
Times, place, and Confessor will be announced and posted each day.

**Tuesday night fellowship** – Party time at the dormitory. Bring snacks to share, instruments to play, voices to sing, and stories to tell. (Some limited refrigerator space available.)

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**Resources**

Ecumenical Book Service—our own Institute bookstore!
Augsburg Fortress 800-328-4648
Christian Book Distributors 978-977-5000
Cokesbury Books 800-672-1789
Concordia Pub. 800-325-3040
Eerdmans Books 800-243-7521
LTS Gettysburg 800-668-8437
Amazon.com, abebooks.com, alibris.com, your local bookstore

Ecumenical Book Service and Theology Institute items will be in the Clark Hall office. Buy used books for your personal and church libraries and souvenirs of your experience. The Barnes and Noble campus store is in Dewar Hall for Hartwick items and personal needs.
**Faculty**

**Mark Bartusch** — Associate Professor of Theology, Valparaiso University, Indiana; BA, Valparaiso Univ., MDiv and PhD, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago.

**Leslie Bauer** — American Guild of Organists; BM in Organ Performance, Texas Christian University; Organist at churches in Maryland, Texas, North Carolina and Ohio; presently organist at Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hartwick Seminary.

**Richard Carlson** — Professor of Biblical Studies, Lutheran Theological Seminary, at Gettysburg; BA, Concordia College, Moorhead; MDiv, Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque; PhD, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, VA; Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Theologian-in-Residence at the Institute.

**Patrick Duffy** — Freelance Musician; BA, Music Performance, Hartwick College; Institute accompanist for daily prayer services.

**Paul Herpich** — Pastor, King of Kings Lutheran Church, Liverpool; MDiv, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia; DMin, Congregational Mission and Leadership, Luther Seminary, Saint Paul.

**William Hodgetts** — Pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church, Amsterdam; MDiv, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia.

**Daniel Hoffman, STS** — MDiv, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg; DMin in Ecumenism Graduate Theological Foundation, Bristol, IN.

**Mark Honstein** — Vicar, Christ Lutheran, Little Falls, New York. MDiv, Denver Seminary; STM Candidate, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg.

**Diana Luscombe** — Deaconal Minister, King of Kings, Liverpool, New York. MA, Ministerial Studies/Christian Education, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg.
John Medwid — Pastor, Saint Mary’s Roman Catholic Church, Amsterdam; BS, Mathematics and BA, Religious Studies, Saint John Fisher College, Rochester; STB (Pontifical degree), Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

Peter Meilaender — Professor of Political Science, Houghton College; BS, Kenyon College; MA and PhD, Notre Dame University.

Paul Messner, sts — Pastor, Otsego County Lutheran Parish; MDiv, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg; Administrator, HSIT.

Allison Michael — Pastor, Zion Saint John Lutheran Church, Seward/Sharon Springs; BA, Duke University; MDiv, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg.

Troy Mulvaine, sts — Pastor, Augustana Lutheran Church, North Tonawanda; Dean, Upstate New York Chapter, Society of the Holy Trinity (sts); MDiv, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, OH.

Carl Onofrio — Pastor (Ret.), Niagara Falls, Ontario; degrees from Hartwick College; Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, University of Iowa, University of Western Ontario, and Graduate Theological Foundation. Former church administrator, university chaplain. Proprietor of Ecumenical Book Store at the Institute.
Judith Van Osdol — Director of Evangelical Mission, Upstate New York Synod, ELCA; BS in Linguistics, Cornell University; MDiv, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia; additional studies at Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago and Luther Seminary, Saint Paul. Has served in bilingual ministry.

John Priest, sts — Pastor, Immanuel-Delhi; MDiv, Christ Seminary-Seminex, Saint Louis; National Secretary, Society of the Holy Trinity.

Roberta Rowland Raybold — Minister of Music, Christ Episcopal Church, Cooperstown. Composer, recitalist, and organ instructor; BM, Organ Performance and Sacred Music, Wittenberg University, Springfield, OH; Colleague Certification, American Guild of Organists.

Donald Roberts — Rabbi, Temple Beth El of Oneonta; BSM and honorary doctorate, Hebrew Union College/Jewish Institute of Religion; Rabbinical Studies, T’fereth Yisrael Rabbinical Seminary, Sayville.

Sandy Shear — Associate in Ministry, Otsego County Lutheran Parish; MA, Ministerial Studies/Christian Education, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg.

Joan K. Terry, CFSP — Codirector, Houk-Johnston-Terry Funeral Home, Edmeston; President Leatherstocking Funeral Directors Association.

Randy Velez — BBusAdmin, Manhattan College; Juris Doctor, Fordham University, Bronx; Ordained Deacon, St Mary’s of the Lake Roman Catholic Church, Cooperstown, past Director of Human Resources, Archdiocese of New York; Jail Ministry of Otsego County.

Diane Wheatley — Pastor, Saint Paul’s-Liverpool; MDiv, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pacadena, CA.

Gail Wolling — Pastor, Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, North Syracuse; MDiv, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg.
Curriculum

Two formats are offered.

Seminars
- two and a half hours
- afternoon or evening
- Monday–Thursday

Courses
- one hour a day
- Monday–Friday
- or Monday–Thursday

Core courses are required for deacon candidates. They are marked with an asterisk*. Others may enroll in these courses.

All classes meet in Clark Hall unless otherwise noted

Register for any and all classes by completing and returning the registration form in this brochure by July 15 to guarantee your selection. You can register for one class or seminar or for the entire week. Deacon candidates need a Study Bible and a copy of The Book of Concord. These may be borrowed from your church or pastor, purchased on your own, or purchased from the Institute office at cost ($40).

Courses / Monday—Friday

8:45 A.M.

100 Old Testament Survey *
Mark Bartusch
The Hebrew Scriptures are the foundation narrative from which the Messiah comes, yet they stand on their own as the story of God’s call and blessing of the Chosen People. Required: good study Bible. Suggested: A Beginner’s Guide to the Books of the Bible, Jacobson/Kysar

228 Luther, Mary and Worms
John Medwid
Luther, the Virgin Mary, and the Diet at Worms are an explosive combination whose ripples are still being felt today. Based on Luther’s Commentary on the Magnificat.

815 The First Amendment
Peter Meilaender
An overview of issues around church, state, and religious liberty.
960    Rekindling Your Fire for Mission
       Judith Van Osdol
       ABCD’s of mission, building your missional tool kit, strategic planning, and best-kept stewardship secrets.

10:00 A.M.

230    Back to Basics: An Overview of Religious Identity
       and Christian Faith
       Paul Messner
       The Bible, the creeds, the catechism, and the hymnal define Lutheran Christian faith. Texts: Baptized, We Live: Lutheranism as a Way of Life, Daniel Erlander; Lutheran Identity, Frank Senn

150    New Testament Survey *
       Richard Carlson
       Survey of the New Testament documents. Main themes and theological reflections. Read Matthew, Acts, Romans, 1 John, and as much of the rest as possible.

235    Cross or Glory?
       John Medwid
       Which would you choose? Luther’s choice might surprise you! Based on Luther’s Heidelberg Disputation of 1518.

820    Public Policy
       Peter Meilaender
       How Christians can think about public policy around current issues. Case study on immigration law.

11:15 A.M.

220    Lutheran Identity *
       Daniel Hoffman
       Overview of the Lutheran Confessions as they inform and shape our life of faith. Texts: Bible; Book of Concord
705  Church History
William Hodgetts
The first four centuries, from A.D. 33 through the Council of Chalcedon, and the significance of this history for the church today.

171  The Gospel of Luke
Richard Carlson

710  Luther: A Man Called by God
Gail Wolling
Get to know Luther the man and the context in which his theological perspective was formed. PBS documentary as background

1:15 P.M.

88  The Bible and Human Vocation
Mark Bartusch
Explore how various Bible stories, including texts about creation, understand the purpose of humanity in the world.

300  Corporate Worship and Spiritual Formation *
Paul Messner
Overview of the Lutheran/Christian worship tradition. Bring your congregation’s worship books (LBW, WOV, ELW, and LSB will be used), a Bible, and the Book of Concord.

930  Nostra What?
Donald Roberts, John Medwid and William Hodgetts
The Second Vatican Council’s Nostra Aetate was groundbreaking for the relationship between Jews and Christians. A rabbi, a priest and a pastor lead an open forum on Jewish-Christian relations with this document as a backdrop.
2:30 P.M. (Mon–Thurs only)

400 Proclaiming the Good News *
Gail Wolling
The role of the sermon in worship; the movement from Biblical text to proclamation; the structure of a sermon for good listening. Suggested Text: *The Preaching Life*, Barbara Brown Taylor

501Sp El Descarello del Diakonate
William Hodgetts
The emergence of the diaconate (en espagnol).

3:45 P.M. (2:30 P.M. Fri.)

500 Introduction to Deacon Skills *
Paul Messner and Diane Wheatley
An overview of the Upstate New York Synod Deacon Handbook and deacon practices/skills. Introduction to Boundary Awareness included.

5:30 p.m. Mon–Wed

301 Institute Choir
Roberta Rowland Raybold and Leslie Bauer
Music selection and rehearsal for Wednesday evening holy communion.

Seminars

Monday / 2:30 p.m.

321 Writing and Voicing the Prayers of the Church
Dan Hoffman
A practical guide to composing prayers for worship using *LBW/ELW* model. What to include. How to pray for difficult situations. Making prayer a genuine, local expression of concerns rather than using canned prayers.
274  “Heaven Is for Real”  
*John Priest*  
Read the popular book of the same name by Todd Burpo ahead of time and discuss it at this seminar.

312  Sacred Ground or Battle Ground  
*John Medwid*  
An ecumenical approach to the Lord’s Supper from Lutheran and Roman Catholic perspectives. Can the Eucharist truly be a sacrament of unity?

701  The Early Church through the Eyes of Those Who Were There  
*Troy Mulvaine*  
Examine the life and worship of the earliest centuries of the church—to astound, challenge, shame, and ultimately inspire us to be disciples of Christ.

**Monday / 6:30 p.m.**

672  The Funeral Industry  
*Carl Onofrio*  
Funeral homes are central for many at the time of a death. Does this end-of-life choice conflict with or marginalize Christian understanding?

955  The Presidency  
*Peter Meilaender*  
How American Christians evaluate the choices before us this election season. Reflections on ways of thinking about political decision-making.

305  Spirituality for Worship Leaders  
*Dan Hoffman*  
Tools and resources to enable leaders to worship even as they lead.

266  Interview with the Devil  
*Troy Mulvaine*  
What are the marks of demonic influence and possession on mind, body, and spirit? How to identify demonic activity and reinforce a life of prayer, sacrament, and proclamation. Has the church forgotten its struggle with evil or has it lost the battle?
Tuesday / 2:30 p.m.

675  New York State Funeral Law
Joan Terry
Learn about trusts, pre-need and pre-funding funeral arrangements, funeral arrangements, and so on from a licensed funeral director.

293  Open Our Eyes Lord, We Want to See Jesus
Dan Hoffman
Great works of Christian art help us to see Jesus. How do artists’ interpretations bring deeper insights to familiar scenes of the nativity, crucifixion, and resurrection.

560  Passing on the Faith
Sandy Shear
How can we do this in today’s culture? Discussion of the book Almost Christian (Kenda Dean), a study of American youth and religion.

314  Theology and Its Influence on Great Music
Roberta Rowland Raybold
A look at the spiritual lives of some great composers and the influence of faith and theology on their calling as musicians. Suggested reading: Spiritual Lives of the Great Composers, Patrick Kavanaugh.

Tuesday / 6:30 p.m.

143  Job and the Theology of the Cross
Mark Bartusch
Introduction to the theology of the cross and how the character and the book of Job reflect this way of doing theology.
**Bowing and Breast Beating**
*Paul Messner*
Christian postures and gestures in worship—the how and why of these signs of personal piety.

**On the Road with Jesus**
*Gail Wolling*
Energize mission work in your local community—encourage organization and participation. Learn about the work of the Lutheran Church in Zambia from someone who has been there.

**Wednesday / 2:30 p.m.**

**Niagara Falls: Center of Spirituality or Tourism or War**
*Carl Onofrio*
One of the top tourist attractions in the world and its significance—reflections by an eighteen-year resident

**“The Cruelty of Heresy”**
*Allison B. Michael*
What we think and believe has serious consequences for practical everyday life. Wrong beliefs can lead to damaging behaviors (from eating disorders to embezzlement to genocide). False teachings about God are just as insidious and actually hurt people. Suggested reading: *The Cruelty of Heresy*, C. Fitzsimmons Allison.
240A  Forgive for Good  
*Diane Wheatley*  
By request, part two of last year’s seminar—only for those who took part one. (Speak with Pastor Wheatley if another time would work better).

577  Legacy Keepers: Your Congregation’s Heritage  
*Mark Honstein*  
Preserving your church’s past is more than just keeping up church records. Learn how to capture the heritage of your congregation’s life and history.

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– HOLY EUCHARIST –

7:30 p.m.  
7:15 p.m. Pre-Service Music  
SHINEMAN CHAPEL

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**THURSDAY / 2:30 P.M.**

630  Youth Ministry  
*Paul Herpich and Diana Luscombe*  
Reflections on this vital ministry from two viewpoints. Learn about trends from those deeply engaged in working with youth.
315  Images of Holy Communion
Diane Wheatley
Explore five ways of understanding holy communion from scripture (Passover lamb, feast of victory, wedding feast, pledge of friendship, food for the soul). Deepen understanding and appreciation of the sacrament.

410  His Words, Your Voice
Randy Velez
A workshop to strengthen the ministry of preaching deacons and other proclaimers of the Word.

214  Heresy and Orthodoxy through the Centuries
Dan Hoffman
In a postmodern world where all “truths” are held equally valid, how do the faithful discern and proclaim the truth we live by? Ancient heresies and the battle for orthodoxy (meaning “correct praise”) have much to teach us so we may avoid pitfalls.

THURSDAY / 6:30 P.M.

229  Life Together
Paul Herpich
A conversation about Christian community. Read Bonhoeffer’s classic Life Together ahead of time.

332  “Sing to the Lord a New Song”
Paul Messner
What are the new hymns we sing and where do they come from? Bring the hymnals you use so we can explore and sing!

166  Paul’s Understanding of Justification
Richard Carlson
Explore Paul’s teaching and the meanings of this essential doctrine.

247  Christ Our Bridegroom
Diane Wheatley
Learn about wedding rituals, implications from biblical times, and the implications for celebration and forgiveness imbedded in these images.
HELPFUL HINTS AND REQUESTS

Please register for all courses and seminars by returning the registration form in this brochure, whether for the week or just one course or seminar. Timely registrations are appreciated.

If you do not check-in on Sunday afternoon and arrive later in the week, go to the Institute office in Clark Hall as soon as you arrive. Receive your name tag, meal card (if applicable), and packet, which includes a class schedule and room assignments.

Prepare for your courses. Do reading in advance.

Study Bibles and The Book of Concord are available to purchase at the Institute office in Clark Hall for $40.00 each.

If the LBW and WOV are required for a course, students must bring their own. Hymnals should not be removed from the chapel.

Please give us your feedback: course/seminar evaluations and general evaluations are read and taken seriously. Suggestions have led to many improvements over the years. Fill them out and return them before you leave or mail them back.

IMPORTANT

Printing and postage costs prohibit us from filling requests for extra copies of this brochure. Every congregation in the Upstate New York Synod and all prior registrants receive a copy. Please share yours with others and make as many copies as needed. A printable PDF of the brochure is available from Pastor Paul Messner or Josh Messner (by email).
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