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CCLE XXII

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## CCLE XXII

The Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education (CCLE) welcomes you to our annual summer conference. We gratefully acknowledge Redeemer Classical School of Fort Wayne, IN, for hosting this year's conference and for providing volunteers, meals, a children's program, and worship services among many other things.

The CCLE would like to thank the 2022 Conference Planning Committee: Dr. Jacquelyn Veith, Mr. Justin Benson, Dr. Gabriel Haley, and Mr. Nathaniel Pullmann for working with our executive director to prepare for this conference. We would also like to thank Wittenberg Academy for hosting Tuesday evening's *Gemütlichkeit*; Concordia Theological Seminary—Fort Wayne for sponsoring Wednesday evening's *Gemütlichkeit*; Redeemer Classical School for catering our Thursday evening banquet and all of our lunches; vendors who have joined us from across the country; Gene and Rob Wilken for capturing the conference through audio and video recording; the many speakers who will edify our minds and enrich our spirits; and most of all, YOU—the conference attendees—for joining us to promote classical Lutheran education in our homes, in our schools, and throughout the world.

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# CCLE XXII PLENARY SPEAKERS



## Rev. Dr. Christian A. Preus

“The Primacy of Piety in Lutheran Education”

*Virtue must always be directed to something—humility under God’s Word, faithfulness to Jesus, courage against sin, etc. The concept of virtus directa, directed virtue, helps us define virtue biblically and teach it practically, so that Christian piety can be stressed in all areas of study and life.*



Rev. Dr. Christian A. Preus has served as pastor of Mount Hope Lutheran Church since 2016. He is the son of Pastor Rolf and Dorothy Preus. Pastor Preus received a BA in Classics from the University of North Dakota (2006) and an MA and PhD in Classics from the University of Iowa (2008, 2012). He studied at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana, graduating with his M.Div. in 2016. Dr. Preus’ scholarly works include his translation of Philip Melanchthon’s *Loci Communes 1521* (CPH) and a translation of Luther’s *Labors on the Psalms* to be included in an upcoming edition of *Luther’s Works* (LW 64). He has a regular column in *LOGIA* and has published numerous articles on the Lutheran exegetical tradition. Dr. Preus is the Chairman of the Board of Regents for Luther Classical College and editor of the quarterly magazine, *Christian Culture: A Magazine for Lutherans*. He and his wife, Lisa, have eight children. They live happily at the foot of Casper Mountain, in Casper, Wyoming. Dr. Preus enjoys skiing and running on the mountain, playing Lutheran chorales on the piano, playing football with his boys at the park, and talking theology, politics, and history with his wife and children.

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## Rev. Dr. Adam C. Koontz

“Truly Human: Biblical Education of the Soul for Life in Christ”

*Cultivating good habits means knowing what soil we’re working. What in the human soul hinders and what helps the life of faith?*

Rev. Dr. Adam C. Koontz is pastor and evangelist of Trinity Lutheran Church, Denver, Colorado and trains church planters nationally for the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. He has pastored and planted congregations in Lancaster and Lebanon Counties, Pennsylvania and taught New Testament at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana. He writes and speaks on topics ranging from classical education to rhetoric to the New Testament and is writing a commentary on Acts for the Concordia Commentary series. He and his wife, Jennifer, have seven children and live in Lakewood, Colorado.



# CACLE XXII PLENARY SPEAKERS



## Rev. Robert W. Paul

“Justification and Habit: Reconciling Luther and Aristotle?”

*Luther notoriously eschewed Aristotle’s ethics. Ad fontes requires dealing with the Aristotelian inheritance. In advocating for ad fontes, how do Lutherans work with Aristotle and what does this have to do with life in a Lutheran school?*



Rev. Robert Paul is a native of Sayville, New York, a town on the south shore of Long Island. He serves as Associate Pastor and Headmaster of Memorial Lutheran Church and School, Houston, TX. Pastor Paul holds a bachelor’s degree from Concordia College-New York and a Master of Divinity and a Master of Sacred Theology from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN. He is currently a candidate in the Ph.D. program at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. Rev. Paul and his wife Amy have two sons and three daughters. He serves on the Board of Regents of Luther Classical College. He is a proud board member of the CACLE and proponent of classical Lutheran Education. He presents regularly

on the topics of Lutheran Theology in the classical Lutheran school.

  
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# CLASSICAL LUTHERAN EXEMPLAR EXCELLENTIAE AWARDS



The CCLE is honored to announce this year's recipients of the Classical Lutheran Exemplar Excellentiae Award:

Classical Lutheran Exemplar Excellentiae Domi Award:

Mrs. Marie MacPherson, Family Altar Lutheran Homeschool, Mankato, MN

Classical Lutheran Exemplar Excellentiae Award:

Mrs. Erika Mildred, Faith Lutheran School, Plano TX

Mrs. Christine Rivers, Faith Lutheran School, Plano, TX

## BOARD MEMBER NOMINATION



### Mr. Justin Benson



The CCLE Board of Directors is grateful for the service of Justin Benson for the last three years. The board gladly recommends him for renewed membership for the 2022-2025 term.

Name: J. Justin Benson

Congregation: St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chatfield, Minnesota

Vocations: Husband, Father, Son, Layman, Executive Director for Wittenberg Academy, Elder and Council Member, Regent for Luther Classical College, Term Director and Treasurer for CCLE  
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Friendly Fox, 4001 S. Wayne St.: Coffee shop serving breakfast, lunch and dinner.

The Club Room/ Crescendo Coffee, 1806 Bluffton Rd.: Full-service restaurant for lunch and dinner. Coffee shop open for breakfast and lunch.

Tasty Pizza, 4302 Fairfield: Carryout only.

Hainan House, 1820 Bluffton Rd., Chinese. Lunch and dinner.

Las Lomas Mexican Grill, 2202 Fairfield: Lunch and dinner.

Bahn Mi Pho Shop, 1925 Fairfield: Lunch and dinner.

Chance Bar: 4301 Fairfield: For the foodie. Dinner.

Mad Anthony Brewing Company, 2002 Broadway: Brewpub. Lunch & Dinner.

### **Downtown:**

King Gyro's, 302 W. Jefferson: Gyros, fast food. Lunch and dinner.

JK O'Donnell's, 121 W. Wayne: Irish Pub. If you have kids along go to the back door for the Family seating. Lunch & dinner.

Proximo, 898 S. Harrison St.: Pan-Latin, breakfast, lunch, dinner.

The Deck, 305 E. Superior: Lunch & Dinner outdoors overlooking the river. Sandwiches & salads

Junk Ditch Food Truck Rally, 1825 W. Main, TUESDAY night only, 5-8.

Coney Island, 131 W. Main Street: Cones and burgers. Lunch and Dinner.

## TRANSPORTATION

There will be a sign up sheet for ride-sharing to the airport for Friday flights. If you are departing from FWA on Friday afternoon or evening and would like to share an Uber, Lyft, etc., look for the sign-up sheet on the information table on Thursday and Friday.

If you have a car and are willing to drop people off at the airport on your way out of town, please contact those who have signed up for ride-sharing.

# CCLE CONTEST WINNERS



## **Congratulations to the winners of the 2022 CCLE Recitation Contest:**

### English Division:

Grand prize in Early Grammar English Recitation: Colin Geigel of Memorial Lutheran School  
 Runner-up in Early Grammar English Recitation: Jax Dacus of Our Savior Lutheran School  
 Grand prize in Grammar English Recitation: Levi Yang of Redeemer Classical School  
 Runner-up in Grammar English Recitation: Samuel Burfiend of Redeemer Classical School  
 Grand prize in Dialectic English Recitation: Price MacPherson of Family Altar Lutheran Homeschool  
 Runner-up in Dialectic English Recitation: Lillian Walker of Memorial Lutheran School  
 Grand prize in Rhetoric English Recitation: Grace MacPherson of Family Altar Lutheran Homeschool  
 Runner-up in Rhetoric English Recitation: Susannah Reavis of Memorial Lutheran School

### Latin Division:

Grand prize in Grammar Latin Recitation: Newman MacPherson of Family Altar Lutheran Homeschool  
 Runner-up in Grammar Latin Recitation: Theodore Burfiend of Redeemer Classical School  
 Grand prize in Dialectic Latin Recitation: Eva Maria Askins of St Paul Lutheran School  
 Grand prize in Rhetoric Latin Recitation: Jackson Allen of Our Savior Lutheran School

## **Congratulations to the winners of the 2022 CCLE Penmanship & Calligraphy Contest:**

### Manuscript/print:

Early Grammar 4-5 Grand Prize: Constance Vogeler of Memorial Lutheran School  
 Grammar 6-7 Grand Prize: Nellya Norinsky of Memorial Lutheran School  
 Grammar 6-7 Runner-Up: Joy MacPherson of Family Altar Lutheran Homeschool

### Cursive:

Grammar 6-7 Grand Prize: Patrick Paul of Memorial Lutheran School  
 Grammar 6-7 Runner-Up: Alexander Vinh of Memorial Lutheran School  
 Grammar 8-9 Grand Prize: Claudia Dyck of Immanuel Lutheran School  
 Grammar 8-9 Runner-Up: Anna Koller of Immanuel Lutheran School

### Calligraphy Black Lettering:

Rhetoric Grand Prize: Noah Waterbury of Mount Hope Lutheran School  
 Rhetoric Runner-Up: Erika Abegg of Immanuel Lutheran School

### Calligraphy Illuminated:

Rhetoric Grand Prize: Silas Witkop of Mount Hope Lutheran School  
 Rhetoric Runner-Up: Evelyn Witkop of Mount Hope Lutheran School

## **Congratulations to the winners of the 2022 CCLE Essay Contest:**

Dialectic Grand Prize: Emelyn Royster of Immanuel Lutheran School  
 Dialectic Runner-Up: Evan V. of Faith Lutheran School  
 Rhetoric Grand-Prize: Olivia Thoelke of Wittenberg Academy

# CHILDREN'S CAMP SCHEDULE

	Ages 1-3		Ages 4-8		Ages 9-12	
	July 5-7	8-Jul	July 5-7	8-Jul	July 5-7	8-Jul
9:00 AM	Bible, Hymns, and Coloring (Nursery)	Bible, Hymns, and Coloring (Nursery)	Bible Reading, Memorization, and Illustration (Classroom)	Bible Reading, Memorization, and Illustration (Classroom)	Bible Reading, Memorization, and Illustration (Classroom)	Bible Reading, Memorization, and Illustration (Classroom)
9:15 AM	Outdoor Play (Playground)	Outdoor Play (Playground)	Snack and Outdoor Play (Playground)	Snack and Outdoor Play (Playground)	Snack (Classroom)	Snack (Classroom)
9:30 AM	Snacks (Nursery)	Snacks (Nursery)	Read Aloud or Free Reading (Classroom)	Indoor Games and Fable Performances (Classroom)	Aesop's Fables Read Aloud and Skit Planning (Classroom)	Aesop's Fables Skits Practice and Performance (Classroom)
9:45 AM	Folk Songs, Poetry and Crafts (Nursery)	Folk Songs, Poetry and Crafts	Lunch with Parents	Lunch with Parents	Outdoor Play (Playground)	Outdoor Play (Playground)
10:00 AM	Story Read Aloud (Nursery)	Story Read Aloud (Nursery)	Organized Games Outside (Playground)	Organized Games Outside (Playground)	Craft (Classroom)	Craft (Classroom)
10:15 AM	Free Play Indoors (Nursery)	Watch Fable Performances	Folk Songs, Poetry, and Crafts (Classroom)	Folk Songs, Poetry, and Crafts (Classroom)	Free Reading (Classroom)	Free Reading (Classroom)
10:30 AM	Lunch with Parents	Lunch with Parents	Free Reading, Board Games, or Puzzles (Classroom)	Free Reading, Board Games, or Puzzles (Classroom)	Outdoor Games (Playground)	Outdoor Games (Playground)
10:45 AM					Board Games (Classroom)	Board Games (Classroom)
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All children should be brought upstairs to the top floor of the school by their parents and picked up again by their parents. Please do not send your older children to collect your younger children. They should all be picked up for lunch by 12:10 and for Vespers by 4:10 to allow our helpers time to eat and worship.

# CCLE XXII CONFERENCE SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

Pre-conference      Conference

	Tuesday, July 5	Wednesday, July 6	Thursday, July 7	Friday, July 8
7:30	Registration	Registration	Information	Information
8:30	Matins	Matins	Matins	Matins
9:00	Announcements	Announcements	Announcements	Announcements
9:15	Session 1	Plenary Session Rev. Dr. Adam Koontz	Plenary Session Rev. Robert Paul	Plenary Session Rev. Dr. Christian Preus
	<b>Rev. Cain</b> N What is Classical about Classical Lutheran Education?			
	<b>Rev. Kieser</b> C The Office of the Lutheran School Teacher			
	<b>Mrs. Wagner</b> L Benefits of Children Learning Outside			
10:15	Session 2	Session 7	Annual Business Mtg	Session 16
	<b>Rev. Cain</b> N What is Lutheran about Classical Lutheran Education?	<b>Rev. Cain</b> N Foundations of Public Speaking: The Five Canons of Classical Rhetoric		<b>Mrs. Benson</b> N If It Isn't Lutheran, It Isn't Classical and If It Isn't Classical, It Isn't Lutheran.
	<b>Mrs. Habrecht</b> L Beauty in the Classroom/Habits of Space	<b>Dr. Thompson</b> C Ennobling the Servile Arts: A Case that Christian Classical Education is for Nurses and Scientists too.		<b>Dr. MacPherson</b> L Getting the Facts Straight: How Grammar, History, and Logic Can Rescue Education from Postfactualism
	<b>Mr. Babisak</b> C Designing Sports Programs for Athletes of All Abilities	<b>Mrs. Saunders</b> L A Heart of Flesh: Ordo Amoris and Knowledge as Soil for Faith		<b>Rev. Fischaber</b> C The Bible as Foundation and Example of Rhetoric, Practical Applications from David Chytraeus' Rhetorica

### Sectional Location Key:

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L - Luther Room

C - Cafeteria

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	Tuesday, July 5	Wednesday, July 6	Thursday, July 7	Friday, July 8
11:15	Session 3	Session 8	Session 12	Session 17
	<b>Rev. Cain</b> N How is Classical Lutheran Education Done?	<b>Mr. Pauling</b> N Recovering the Classroom as Sanctified Space: Human Formation Away from the Screen	<b>Mr. Barnett</b> C Vitae Discimus: The Economic Estate in the Lutheran School	<b>Dr. Haley</b> N Ad Fontes, Non Ad Stagnata: A Theory of Reading Great Books
	<b>Rev. Frese</b> L Cultivating Piety: Why and How to Implement Daily Matins in Your School	<b>Mr. Rivers</b> L Johann Sebastian Bach's Primary Sources - Luther and Scripture	<b>Dr. G. E. Veith</b> N Teaching Omnibus from the Lutheran perspective	<b>Rev. Koble</b> L The Challenges of Starting a Classical Lutheran High School in a More Liberal-Minded City
	<b>Mrs. Mussmann</b> C Applying the Principles of Classical Education to Homeschooling	<b>Mrs. Swope</b> C Classical Education and the Home School Part I	<b>Mrs. Schuermann</b> L The Gift of Story	<b>Mrs. Babisak</b> C What's Past is Prologue: Learning from U.S. Precedent to Secure Future Educational Freedom
12:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Itinerarium & End
1:15	Session 4	Session 9	Session 13	
	<b>Mr. Gerth</b> L How to Teach Literature to Middle School Students	<b>Mrs. Pullmann</b> N Research Shows What Preschoolers Need Isn't School	<b>Mrs. Mildred</b> N Cultivating Mathematical Eloquence: Building Mathematical Literacy, Fluency, and (yes, even) Oratory in our Students	
	<b>Rev. Schultz</b> N Finding Lutheran Theology in the Great Books.	<b>Mr. Pullmann</b> L More than the Trivium: The Liberal Arts as the Center, Not the Whole of Classical Education	<b>Mr. Kemnitz</b> C How I Teach Middle School Science	
	<b>Mr. Gercken</b> C Pietism & Rationalism in the Classroom: Where Have We Been? Where Must We Go?	<b>Rev. Christiansen</b> C Grammatical Sleight of Hand with a Boring Bridesmaid	<b>Rev. Richard</b> L The Habit of Writing Poetry	

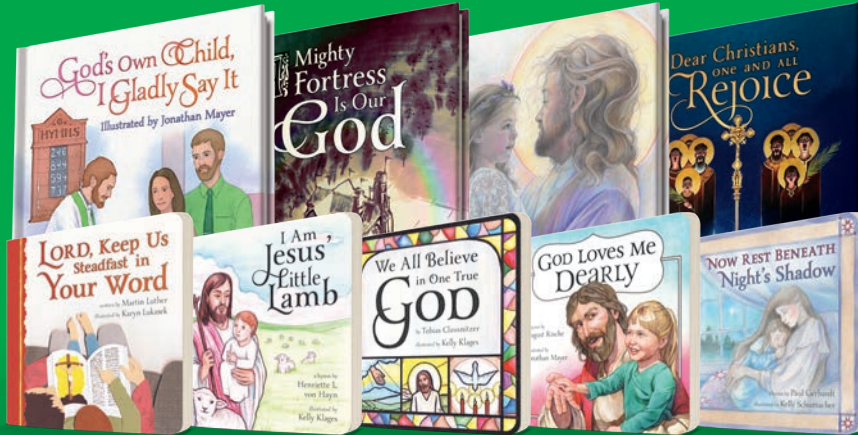
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	Pre-conference	Conference	
		Wednesday, July 6	Thursday, July 7
<b>2:15</b>	<b>Session 5</b>	<b>Session 10</b>	<b>Session 14</b>
	<b>Miss Engwall</b> L Teaching Music Theory through Lutheran Hymns	<b>Mrs. Rivers</b> N A Heritage of Beauty: Teaching Sacred Art in Classical Lutheran Schools	<b>Rev. Dr. Nordling</b> N Archias and Staupitz as Didactic Models for Cicero and Luther
	<b>Mrs. McPherson</b> N Classical Lutheran Education in Theory and Practice: A Primer	<b>Dr. J. Veith</b> C Certification	<b>Dr. Haley</b> L Ad Fontes, Non Ad Stagnata: A Theory of Reading Great Books
	<b>Mr. Morrissey</b> C Oratio Eloquentium	<b>Dr. Staub</b> L Canons and Bicinia in Lutheran Latin Schools During the Reformation Period and Applications for Today's Classical Lutheran School	<b>Mr. Brandt</b> C Expunging the Term Classroom Management From the Teacher's Handbook
<b>3:15</b>	<b>Session 6</b>	<b>Session 11</b>	<b>Session 15</b>
	Administrators C Roundtable with Mrs. Habrecht: Fundraising and Donor Management	<b>Rev. Ulmer</b> C Baptism, Vocation, and Education	<b>Rev. Kieser</b> N The Office of the Lutheran School Teacher
	Teachers L Roundtable with Mrs. Cholak: Being Classical Beyond the Classroom	<b>Mr. Vogeler</b> L Ad Fontes in the Sciences: The Joys and Difficulties of Reading Scientists in their own Words	<b>Dr. J. Veith</b> C Accreditation
	Homeschoolers N Roundtable with Mrs. MacPherson: Myth vs. Fact: Home Education Amidst Matrimony, Maternity, and Motherhood	<b>Mrs. Roberts</b> N Developing a Children's Kernleider, or Core Hymnody	<b>Mrs. Swope</b> L Classical Education and the Home School, Part II
<b>4:30</b>	<b>Vespers</b>	<b>Vespers</b>	<b>Vespers</b>
<b>5:00</b>	Gemütlichkeit sponsored by Wittenberg Academy	Gemütlichkeit sponsored by CTSFW	<b>Banquet</b>
<b>8:00</b>	<b>Compline</b>	<b>Compline</b>	

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 Mrs. Julia Kieser, Educator, Faith Lutheran School

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 Mount Olive Lutheran School, A Classical Academy, Billings, MT  
 Our Savior Lutheran School, Houston, TX  
 Redeemer Classical School, Fort Wayne, IN  
 St. Paul Lutheran School, Hamel, IL  
 Trinity Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY  
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 Concordia Lutheran Elementary & Learning Center, Riverton, UT; accredited

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 that Scripture, hymns, prayer, devotion, and talking about God belong **in our homes** every day;

that **children** are a heritage from the Lord, the only thing in all the earth we can take to heaven with us;

that **piety** is better than wealth and **virtue** is better than fame;

that the **Western tradition**, with its literature, philosophy, music, scientific discovery, and Christian theology, is by far the greatest tradition the world has ever seen;

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# CONFERENCE SESSIONS BY DAY: 1

PRE-CONFERENCE: TUESDAY, JULY 5			
Session Period	Location	Title	Presenter
9:15 a.m.	N	What is Classical About Classical Lutheran Education?	Rev. Cain
	C	The Office of the Lutheran School Teacher	Rev. Kieser
	L	Benefits of Children Learning Outside	Mrs. Wagner
10:15 a.m.	N	What is Lutheran About Classical Lutheran Education?	Rev. Cain
	L	Beauty in the Classroom/Habits of Space	Mrs. Habrecht
	C	Designing Sports Programs for Athletes of All Abilities	Mr. Babisak
11:15 a.m.	N	How is Classical Lutheran Education Done?	Rev. Cain
	L	Cultivating Piety: Why and How to Implement Daily Matins in Your School	Rev. Frese
	C	Applying the Principles of Classical Education to Homeschooling	Mrs. Mussmann
12:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch &amp; Vendors</b>		
1:15 p.m.	L	How to Teach Literature to Middle School Students	Mr. Gerth
	N	Finding Lutheran Theology in the Great Books	Rev. Schultz
	C	Pietism & Rationalism in the Classroom: Where Have We Been? Where Must We Go?	Mr. Gercken
2:15 p.m.	L	Teaching Music Theory Through Lutheran Hymns	Miss Engwall
	N	Classical Lutheran Education in Theory and Practice: A Primer	Mrs. MacPherson
	C	Oratio Eloquentium	Mr. Morrissey
3:15 p.m.	C	Administrators' Roundtable with Mrs. Habrecht: Fundraising and Donor Management	Mrs. Habrecht
	L	Teachers' Roundtable with Mrs. Cholak: Being Classical Beyond the Classroom	Mrs. Cholak
	N	Homeschoolers' Roundtable with Mrs. MacPherson: Myth vs. Fact: Home Education Amidst Matrimony, Maternity, and Motherhood	Mrs. MacPherson
4:00 p.m.	<b>Vendors</b>		

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# CONFERENCE SESSIONS BY DAY: 2

MAIN CONFERENCE: WEDNESDAY, JULY 6			
Session Period	Location	Title	Presenter
9:15 a.m.	Plenary Session: "Truly Human: Biblical Education of the Soul for Life in Christ"		Rev. Dr. Adam Koontz
10:15 a.m.	N	Foundations of Public Speaking: The Five Canons of Classical Rhetoric	Rev. Cain
	C	Ennobling the Servile Arts: A Case that Christian Classical Education is for Nurses and Scientists too	Dr. Thompson
	L	A Heart of Flesh: Ordo Amoris and Knowledge as Soil for Faith	Mrs. Saunders
11:15 a.m.	N	Recovering the Classroom as Sanctified Space: Human Formation Away from the Screen	Mr. Pauling
	L	Johann Sebastian Bach's Primary Sources - Luther and Scripture	Mr. Rivers
	C	Classical Education and the Home School Part I	Mrs. Swope
12:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch &amp; Vendors</b>		
1:15 p.m.	N	Research Shows What Preschoolers Need Isn't School	Mrs. Pullmann
	L	More than the Trivium: The Liberal Arts as the Center, Not the Whole of Classical Education	Mr. Pullmann
	C	Grammatical Sleight of Hand with a Boring Bridesmaid	Rev. Christiansen
2:15 p.m.	N	A Heritage of Beauty: Teaching Sacred Art in Classical Lutheran Schools	Mrs. Rivers
	C	Certification	Dr. J. Veith
	L	Canons and Bicinia in Lutheran Latin Schools During the Reformation Period and Applications for Today's Classical Lutheran School	Dr. Staub
3:15 p.m.	C	Baptism, Vocation, and Education	Rev. Ulmer
	L	Ad Fontes in the Sciences: The Joys and Difficulties of Reading Scientists in their own Words	Mr. Vogeler
	N	Developing a Children's Kernleider, or Core Hymnody	Mrs. Roberts
4:00 p.m.	<b>Vendors</b>		

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# CONFERENCE SESSIONS BY DAY: 3

MAIN CONFERENCE: THURSDAY, JULY 7			
Session Period	Location	Title	Presenter
9:15 a.m.		Plenary Session: "Justification and Habit: Reconciling Luther and Aristotle?"	Rev. Robert Paul
10:15 a.m.		Annual Business Meeting	Rev. Kieser
11:15 a.m.	C	Vitae Discimus: The Economic Estate in the Lutheran School	Mr. Barnett
	N	Teaching Omnibus from the Lutheran perspective	Dr. G. E. Veith
	L	The Gift of Story	Mrs. Schuermann
12:00 p.m.		<b>Lunch &amp; Vendors</b>	
1:15 p.m.	N	Cultivating Mathematical Eloquence: Building Mathematical Literacy, Fluency, and (yes, even) Oratory in our Students	Mrs. Mildred
	C	How I Teach Middle School Science	Mr. Kemnitz
	L	The Habit of Writing Poetry	Rev. Richard
2:15 p.m.	N	Archias and Staupitz as Didactic Models for Cicero and Luther	Rev. Dr. Nordling
	L	Ad Fontes, Non Ad Stagnata: A Theory of Reading Great Books	Dr. Haley
	C	Expunging the Term Classroom Management From the Teacher's Handbook	Mr. Brandt
3:15 p.m.	N	The Office of the Lutheran School Teacher	Rev. Kieser
	C	Accreditation	Dr. J. Veith
	L	Classical Education and the Home School, Part II	Mrs. Swope
4:00 p.m.		<b>Vendors</b>	

# CONFERENCE SESSIONS BY DAY: 4

MAIN CONFERENCE: FRIDAY, JULY 8			
Session Period	Location	Title	Presenter
9:15 a.m.	Plenary Session: "The Primacy of Piety in Lutheran Education"		Rev. Dr. Christian Preus
10:15 a.m.	N	If It Isn't Lutheran, It Isn't Classical and If It Isn't Classical, It Isn't Lutheran	Mrs. Benson
	L	Getting the Facts Straight: How Grammar, History, and Logic Can Rescue Education from Postfactualism	Dr. MacPherson
	C	The Bible as Foundation and Example of Rhetoric, Practical Applications from David Chytraeus' Rhetorica	Rev. Fischaber
11:15 a.m.	N	Ad Fontes, Non Ad Stagnata: A Theory of Reading Great Books	Dr. Haley
	L	The Challenges of Starting a Classical Lutheran High School in a More Liberal-Minded City	Rev. Koble
	C	What's Past is Prologue: Learning from U.S. Precedent to Secure Future Educational Freedom	Mrs. Babisak
12:00 p.m.	Itinerarium & End		

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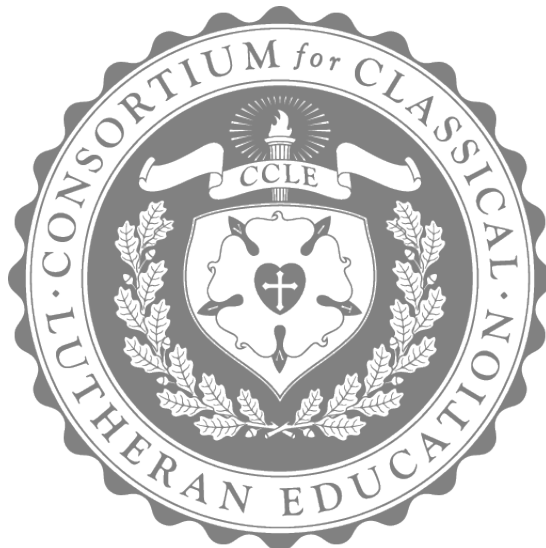


Thomas James Korcok (pronounced Korchok) (b. 1961) has a B.A. in History and Political Science from Concordia College, Ann Arbor, Michigan; an M.Div. from Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines, Ontario; an M.Phil. from the University of Glasgow in Scotland; and a Ph.D from the Vrije University in Amsterdam. A parish pastor for over 20 years, Dr. Korcok also serves as a reserve chaplain to the Lincoln and Welland Regiment of the Canadian Armed Forces.

In 2001, Dr. Korcok developed Grace Evangelical Lutheran School in Pembroke, Ontario, and taught Logic to the upper grades. This initiated an interest that led to researching the application of the Liberal Arts in an elementary setting. He has taught at Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary in St. Catharines, Ontario and Niagara University in Lewiston, New York. From 2013-2021 he served as Associate Professor of Theology at Concordia University Chicago.

There he developed the Center for the Advancement of Lutheran Liberal Arts (CALLA) and oversaw the Classical Lutheran Pedagogy program. In January of 2021 Dr. Korcok accepted a call to serve as Associate Professor at Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary in St. Catharines, Ontario.

Dr. Korcok is the author of *Lutheran Education: From Wittenberg to the Future* (CPH, 2013) and *Serpents in the Classroom* (1517 Publishing, 2022). Dr. Korcok has many different interests including white-water canoeing, camping, skiing and private aviation. His wife, Doreen, is an Academic Accommodations Coordinator at Brock University. He has two sons: Andrew, who is married to Katie and works as a communications specialist with the Niagara Region government in St. Catharines, and Mark, who is a commercial pilot with Air Canada. He also has three grandchildren.







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**Mr. Matt Babisak**

**Faith Lutheran Church and School, Plano, TX**

Matt Babisak is a Licensed Athletic Trainer, and Certified Teacher who has worked with Texas high school athletes the past 14 years. He is a father of four, Athletic Director, PE teacher and coach at Faith Lutheran School- Plano, TX.



**Mrs. Jennifer Babisak**

**Faith Lutheran Church and School, Plano, TX**

Jennifer Babisak is the wife of a Lutheran teacher and mother of four classically schooled children. She homeschooled her children for 12 years, taught and tutored students living across the United States and internationally, and has published extensively as a magazine and corporate writer.



**Mr. Shawn Barnett**

**Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN**

Shawn Barnett taught Latin, history, and theology at Immanuel Lutheran School, Alexandria, Virginia, from 2017 to 2021. Currently, Mr. Barnett is a seminarian at Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne. Mr. Barnett is married and has two young children.



**Mrs. Jocelyn Benson**

**Wittenburg Academy, Chatfield, MN**

Jocelyn Benson grew up in Fort Dodge, Iowa, attending Lutheran school through 8th grade. She has a B.A. in English-teaching and an M.A. in Educational Psychology from the University of Northern Iowa. Mrs. Benson serves as Head Teacher of Wittenburg Academy. She lives in Chatfield, Minnesota, with her husband, Justin, and their four children.



**Mr. John Brandt**

**Lutheran North High School, Mount Clemens, MI**

John Brandt grew up in Saginaw, Michigan. He teaches English at Lutheran High School North in Macomb, Michigan. He has a B.A. in English from Concordia University Ann Arbor and an M.A. in Education Leadership from Saginaw Valley State University. John and his wife Ronda have two children and a daughter-in-law: Alayna, Aaron, and Amanda.



**Rev. Paul Cain**

**Immanuel Lutheran Church and Academy/Martin Luther Grammar School**

Rev. Paul J Cain was born in Burwell, Nebraska and currently lives in Sheridan, Wyoming with his wife, Ann. Rev. Cain attended the University of Nebraska and went on to Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. He is First Vice-president of the LC-MS Wyoming District and is Chairman of the WY District Board of Directors.



**Mrs. Stephanie Cholak**  
**Our Savior Lutheran School, Houston, TX**

Stephanie Cholak recently moved to Houston, TX (where her husband was called to be assistant pastor) from Roswell, NM where she taught at Immanuel for six years.



**Rev. Brennick Christiansen**  
**Peace Lutheran Church & Academy, Sussex, WI**

Pastor Brennick Christiansen is associate pastor and headmaster at Peace Lutheran Church & Academy in Sussex, Wisconsin. Brennick has a B.A. from Concordia University Chicago and an M.Div. from Concordia Theological Seminary. Brennick and his wife Bethany have three children.



**Miss Hannah Engwall**  
**Mount Hope Lutheran School, Casper, WY**

Miss Hannah Engwall teaches K-2 at Mount Hope Lutheran School in Casper, WY, where she also teaches Advanced Music Theory and directs two choirs. She holds a B. A. in Parish Music from Concordia University Wisconsin with a minor in Christian Thought.



**Rev. Phillip Fischaber**  
**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Walnut, IL**

Rev. Phillip Fischaber is pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Walnut, IL and pastoral advisor to Christ Lutheran School in Sterling, IL. He is a 2017 graduate of Concordia Theological Seminary Ft. Wayne, IN and holds an M.Phil from Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, OH with a major in history of biblical interpretation. He and his wife Sierra have two sons and another child due the end of the year.



**Rev. Michael Frese**  
**Redeemer Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, IN**

Pastor Frese serves as Associate Pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church. He is the Wing Chaplain with the 122nd Fighter Wing in the Air National Guard in Fort Wayne. He has recently accepted a call to serve in the Office of the President of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod as the Deputy Director of Church Relations. He and his wife, Janet, own and operate Emmanuel Press. They have three children, Alexander, Nadia, and Gabriel.



**Mr. Scott Gercken**  
**St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School, Brookfield, IL**

Mr. Scott Gercken is Kantor of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School in Brookfield, IL. He completed a bachelor's degree in music education at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (2006), Master of Arts degrees from Concordia University Chicago in music (2017) and religion (2020). He resides in Brookfield with his wife, Rebecca, and their seven children.



**Mr. Joe Gerth**  
**St. Paul Lutheran School, Hamel, IL**

Joe Gerth graduated from Concordia University Wisconsin in 2010 with a bachelor's degree in mathematics and secondary education. Currently, he teaches at St. Paul Lutheran School, a classical Lutheran school in Hamel, IL (2017-present) and in 2021, was called to be the principal. He and his wife live in Worden, IL and have one child.



**Mrs. Julia Habrecht**  
**Immanuel Lutheran Church and School, Alexandria, VA**

Julia Habrecht currently serves as Headmaster of Immanuel Lutheran School in Alexandria, VA. She earned a bachelor's degree in art history from the University of Toledo.



**Dr. Gabriel Haley**  
**Concordia University, Nebraska**

Gabriel Haley is an associate professor of English at Concordia University, Nebraska.



**Mr. Dirk Kemnitz**  
**Our Savior Lutheran School, Houston, TX**

Dirk Kemnitz has been teaching for 40 years. He and his wife have two boys and three grandchildren.



**Rev. Steve Kieser**  
**Faith Lutheran Church and School, Plano, TX**

Pastor Kieser is associate pastor at Faith Lutheran Church of Plano, Texas and headmaster of the congregation's school. Pastor Kieser graduated from Concordia—Ann Arbor in 1993 and received a Master of Arts in School Leadership from Concordia—Chicago in 2000. He graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary in 2006. He has served as the president of the Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education since 2006.



**Rev. Brandon W. Koble**  
**Trinity Lutheran Classical High School, West Allis, WI**

Rev. Koble is the pastor of Oklahoma Avenue and Trinity Lutheran Churches in the greater Milwaukee area. He graduated from Purdue University in 2004 with a B.A. in history. He graduated from CTSFW in 2015. He and his wife, Trisha, have been blessed with six children.



**Mrs. Marie K. MacPherson**  
**Family Altar Lutheran Home School, Mankato, MN**

Marie MacPherson is a certified classical educator (CCLE), and teaches for Venture Upward, a hybrid educational model in partnership with school districts and home educators. Her Bachelor's Degree is in Elementary Education, with a specialty in Communication Arts and Literature and Synod Certification, from Bethany Lutheran College in Mankato, MN. She and her husband, Ryan, home school their seven children.



**Dr. Ryan C. MacPherson**  
**Into Your Hands, LLC, Mankato, MN**

Dr. Ryan C. MacPherson serves as director of the Center for Apologetics and Worldviews for the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and chair of the History Department at Bethany Lutheran College. He holds a Ph.D. in History and Philosophy of Science from the University of Notre Dame. Since 2017, he has served as an adjunct faculty for the M.A. in Theological Studies program at Martin Luther College.



**Mrs. Erika Mildred**  
**Faith Lutheran Church and School, Plano, TX**

Mrs. Mildred lives in Texas with her husband and two daughters. In 1999, Erika earned her B.A. in Secondary Education – English and Communications, along with the Lutheran Teachers Diploma, from Concordia University, Chicago, IL. In 2021, she earned her M.Ed. in Mathematics Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Texas at Arlington. She currently teaches for both Faith Lutheran School in Plano, TX, and for Wittenberg Academy.



**Mr. Erik Morrissey**  
**Our Savior Lutheran School, Houston, TX**

Mr. Morrissey is a teacher in the Logic School at Our Savior Lutheran School in Houston, Texas. He is married to Sarah; they have four children who have all attended OSL.



**Mrs. Anna Mussmann**  
**First Trinity Lutheran Church, Pittsburgh, PA**

Anna Mussmann is a second-generation homeschool mom of four. She taught in Lutheran schools for several years and enjoys applying the principles of classical education to her children's upbringing.



**Rev. Dr. John G. Nordling**  
**Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN**

Dr. Nordling joined Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, in 2006 as professor of Exegetical Theology. He is a graduate of Concordia University, Portland (A.A., 1977), Valparaiso University (B.A., 1980), and Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (M.Div., 1985). Nordling has completed two academic degrees in Classics: the first, at Washington University in St. Louis (M.A., 1985), and the second, at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He has been married to Sara Anne Nordling since 1985.



**Mr. Joshua Pauling**  
**Classical Conversations; All Saints Lutheran Church, Charlotte, NC**

Joshua Pauling is a classical educator with Classical Conversations. Head elder at All Saints Lutheran Church (LC-MS) in Charlotte, NC, he and his wife, Kristi, have two children who are being classically homeschooled. He studied at Messiah College, Reformed Theological Seminary, and Winthrop University.



**Mrs. Joy Pullmann**  
**Redeemer Classical School, Fort Wayne, IN**

Joy Pullman is a mother of six children and co-founder with her husband of a Lutheran classical school as well as an editor at *The Federalist*. She is a graduate of Hillsdale College's honors and journalism programs, and was honored by the college as a "distinguished alumna" in 2022.



**Mr. Nathaniel Pullmann**  
**Redeemer Classical School, Fort Wayne, IN**

Nathaniel Pullmann is a husband and the father of six children. He graduated from Hillsdale College in 2009. In 2012, he founded a Classical Conversations homeschool group in Fort Wayne. He earned his master's degree from Hillsdale College in 2016 and founded Redeemer Classical School in 2017. He is the headmaster of the school.



**Rev. Andrew Richard**  
**Mount Hope Lutheran Church and School, Casper, WY**

Pastor Andrew Richard is the Assistant Pastor and Headmaster of Mount Hope Lutheran Church and School. Pastor Richard serves on the board of regents for Luther Classical College. He is married and has five children.



**Mrs. Christy Rivers**  
**Faith Lutheran Church and School, Plano, TX**

Mrs. Christy Rivers graduated from Concordia Chicago with a B.A. in Secondary Education in English and from The Ohio State University with an M.A. in English Literature & Rhetoric. She is currently the 4th grade teacher at Faith Lutheran School in Plano, TX. Christy and her husband Matt have three children.



**Mr. Matt Rivers**  
**Faith Lutheran Church and School, Plano, TX**

Matt Rivers earned his Bachelor's Degree in Music from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music in Oberlin, Ohio and earned his Master's Degree in Music from the University of Maryland, College Park. Matt and his wife Christy have three children.



**Kantor Christina Roberts**  
**Our Savior Lutheran Church and School, Grand Rapids, MI**

Christina J Roberts is the Kantor of Our Savior Lutheran Church and School in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She attended the University of North Texas (Bachelor of Music), and Concordia University Chicago (Master of Church Music). She and her husband Jerry Roberts, have five children.



**Mrs. Katie Saunders**  
**Redeemer Classical School, Fort Wayne, IN**

Katie Saunders is a graduate of Hillsdale College and taught for 6 years in Lutheran classical schools. She currently serves on the high school committee at Redeemer Classical School in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and enjoys being a stay-at-home mom.



**Mrs. Katie Schuermann**  
**University Lutheran Church, Champaign, IL**

Katie Schuermann is a baptized child of God, pastor's wife, and author of *He Remembers the Barren*, *He Restores My Soul*, *Pew Sisters*, and the acclaimed *Anthems of Zion* fiction series: *House of Living Stones*, *The Choir Immortal*, and *The Harvest Raise*.



**Rev. Aaron Schultz**  
**Redeemer Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, IN**

Rev. Schultz attended Concordia Theological Seminary and by the time of the CCLE Conference, will have graduated from CTSFW and will have a Call to an LC-MS congregation. He and his wife Katherine, have four lively and ardent boys.



**Dr. Michael Staub**  
**Memorial Lutheran School; Houston, TX**

Michael Staub serves at Memorial Lutheran School in Houston, TX.

Dr. Staub earned his Bachelor's Degree from Concordia University Nebraska (2002), a Master of Music in Conducting from Southern Oregon University (2007) and a DMA in Music Education from the University of Houston (2019). Dr. Staub serves on the Board of Regents of Concordia Seminary. He and his wife, Clare, have three daughters..



**Mrs. Cheryl Swope**  
**Cheryl Swope Consulting, Bonne Terre, MO**

Cheryl Swope, M.Ed., has served on the Board of Directors for the Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education for over a decade and assists with CCLE Press publications. Cheryl and her husband of 30+ years homeschooled their adopted twins from infancy through graduation.

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**Dr. Dylan Thompson**  
**Concordia University Wisconsin**

Dr. Thompson is an Inorganic Chemist and has been teaching at CUW since obtaining his Ph.D. from Purdue university in 2014.



**Rev. Kurt Ulmer**  
**Faith Lutheran Church, Wylie, TX**

Rev. Ulmer has been pastor of Faith Lutheran Church in Wylie, Texas since 2014. He and his wife, Alissa, have two children. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Truman State University and his Masters of Divinity degree from Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, IN with an emphasis in Systematic Theology.



**Mr. Jason G. Vogeler**  
**Memorial Lutheran School; Houston, TX**

Jason Vogeler earned a Bachelors in 2006 and a Masters in 2013 at the University of Nebraska. Jason is married to Tram and they have three children.

**Mrs. Crystal Wagner**  
**St. Paul Lutheran Church & School, Hamel, IL**

Crystal Wagner is the PreK teacher at St Paul Lutheran School in Hamel, IL. She holds a BS in Elementary Education from Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville and completed her Colloquy from Concordia Chicago. In addition to being a teacher for over 25 years, Crystal is a wife, the mother of one son and one daughter and the grandmother of two grandchildren.



**Dr. Gene Edward Veith**  
**Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education**

Dr. Gene Edward Veith is a retired professor and author. He graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1973 in Letters (Classics) and earned his M.A. and Ph.D in English from the University of Kansas. He and his wife, Jackie, have three children and twelve grandchildren.



**Dr. Jackie Veith**  
**Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education**

Dr. Jackie Veith works with schools and accreditation. She graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1973, earned a M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction from Concordia University Wisconsin, and Ed.D from Shenandoah University. She and her husband, Gene Edward, live in Blackwell, OK, where they are members of Trinity Lutheran Church.

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The CACLE welcomes the following newly appointed members to the Board of Scholars:

Rev. Dr. Joel Heck

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A call for presentations for CACLE XXIII will be announced this winter. If you are interested in presenting at next year's conference, please be sure to submit your presentation proposal for the conference committee's consideration before the published deadline. Presentation proposals will be accepted only after the announcement has been made.

**You are invited to join the CACLE for a pre-conference event, "Classical Lutheran Education: A Growing Movement," at Concordia University, Nebraska on Friday, October 21, 2022.** Please contact Anna Martin at [executive.director@cacle.org](mailto:executive.director@cacle.org) for more information.



