

September 2016

Dear Friends,

We often hear pastors (which means shepherds) referred to as ministers. This is a very accurate designation and fits well with the description of the office given in the Bible. The word minister is used frequently in the KJV to render a Greek word that means as a verb “to serve” and as a noun “servant”. A classic example of this is found in 1 Timothy 4:6:

If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained. (1 Tim. 4:6 KJV)

As Paul instructs Timothy to be a good servant of Jesus Christ we understand that he was doing so concerning the office of pastor that Timothy held in the very ancient church. Jesus Himself made it clear that He came not to be served but to serve and that anyone who would follow Him would need to become servant of all. Service work is the major concern of the pastoral office and any and every office within the church. To follow Jesus’ example means to be called to serve as He did and continues to do.

Service is central to everything we do at our seminary. We study the Word of God to equip people to serve the church, the body of our Lord Jesus Christ and to go forth and serve the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

As always, we are looking for people who have received the call from God to serve and we are inviting you to come and join us. It may be in full-time study of perhaps just taking a course or two. You may sense a calling to the pastoral office, to the deaconess program or perhaps a need for in-depth study of the Word to enhance whatever place of ministry you currently feel God has placed you in. The one thing we can be sure of is that there is always a need for more service work and servants to carry it out. Our Fall semester begins on the 7th of this month, please join us in the most marvelous privilege given to human beings; the act of serving God and one another.

Blessings on all of you for your support. Pray for us as we do for you.

God’s Peace,

Jay Weidner



FALL SEMESTER BEGINS

The fall semester for daily classes will begin on Wednesday, September 7, 2016. Below is the list of classes being offered.

	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
8:00a.m.	History of Ancient Church		Pastoral Counselor	History of Ancient Church	History of Ancient Church
8:30a.m.	Chapel	Chapel	Chapel	Chapel	Chapel
9:00 - 9:50a.m.	Christian Dogmatics II	Evangelism	Pastoral Counselor	Pastoral Counselor	Christian Dogmatics II
10:00 - 10:50a.m.		Evangelism		Christian Education	Christian Dogmatics II
11:00 - 11:50p.m.		Christian Education			
12:00 - 12:50p.m.					
7:00 - 8:40p.m.	In Hancock Isaiah Begins 9/12/16			In Negaunee Isaiah Began 8/25/16	

Ministry to the Youth (2 credits) will be offered at later date during the fall semester; dates and times will be posted on our website [www: ilseminary.com](http://www.ilseminary.com)

For additional information or if you would like to enroll in a class, please email cilseminary@ilseminary.com or call 906-482-3337.



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FALL SONGFEST service
hosted by the Inter-Lutheran Seminary

Please join us for our Fall Songfest service at the seminary on **Sunday, September 18 at 7PM**. The service will include singing by the students, staff and local musicians. The service will take place in the sanctuary which is located at 916 Pine Street in Hancock. Refreshments will be served afterwards. A free will offering will be collected and used to carry on the work of teaching and preparing our students for ministry. Hope to see you there!



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