September 2017

Dear Friends,

The only good thing about seeing Summer fade away is that we begin a new school year and classes resume. Every year I look forward with great anticipation to teaching the classes on our schedule and the opportunity to encounter new information and revisit old information in preparation to share that material with others. This year I am especially excited to be teaching Romans again as I have had the opportunity to preach a series on its texts at Laurium. Martin Luther wrote often on the profound effect this book had on his understanding of the faith and many church people throughout history have shared his enthusiasm for its deep influence upon their lives. One need only cite a few passages to see what caused their zeal for the book.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. 17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith. (Rom. 1:16-17 KJV)

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; 24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: (Rom. 3:23-24 KJV)

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: 2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. (Rom. 5:1-2 KJV)

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. (Rom. 8:1-2 KJV)

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. 38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Rom. 8:37-39 KJV)

What wonderful things our God has to say and how marvelous it is to study them and understand the great love and grace our Father has shown us through His Son Jesus by His Word and Spirit. If this study is of interest to you, or any of our classes capture your attention, please feel free to join us as we mature in the understanding of these great and awesome things. May God richly bless you and thank you for all your support.

God's Peace.

Jay Weidner



In memory of Luella Bergstedt From Edwin Jr. & Kathleen Bergstedt

In memory of Rebekka Wahala From Larry & Sharon Wahala



You are invited to our Fall Songfest service at the seminary on **Sunday, September 10 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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SAVE THE DATE...OCTOBER 8, 2017 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INTER-LUTHERAN SEMINARY

The seminary announces plans for a 50th Anniversary celebration which will take place at the Plymouth Apostolic Lutheran Church on Sunday, October 8, 2017 at 3:00PM with dinner to follow. Plymouth, Minnesota is where the seminary was founded and we would like to celebrate the anniversary as part of our annual Seminary Rally.

If you have pictures you would like to display in honor and in memory of the last 50 years, please feel free to bring them to the Plymouth church the day of the celebration. Looking forward to seeing you at this special occasion.



The fall semester for daily classes will begin on Wednesday, September 6, 2017. Below is the list of classes being offered.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
9:00 - 9:50a.m.	History of American Lutheranism	Christian Education	History of American Lutheranism Deaconess History	Evangelism	History of American Lutheranism
10:00 - 10:50a.m.	Gospel of Luke	Christian Education	Gospel of Luke Deaconess History	Evangelism	
11:00 - 11:50p.m.	Homiletics		Homiletics		
7:00 - 8:40p.m.	In Hancock Romans Begins 9/11/17			In Negaunee Romans Begins 8/31/17	

History of American Lutheranism (3 credits) - A study of Lutheranism in America from the colonial period.

Christian Education (2 credits) - The principles of the theology of Christian Education. Preparation for teaching Sunday School, Confirmation Class, Adult Bibles Classes, etc.

Evangelism (2 credits) - A study of the principles and methods for Christian outreach in one's own church and community, including home visitation.

Homiletics (2 credits) - A study of the objectives, construction and delivery of sermons.

Deaconess History (2 credits) – A study of the role of deaconess through the history of the Christian Church.

Romans (2 credits) - Exegesis and interpretation of portions of the epistle emphasizing its doctrinal content and theology.

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