

Fall Schedule: Faith Builder Events

“Journey Together: Preparing to Lead Bible Studies”

Session Leader: Rev. Dr. James Boyce, Emeritus Professor of New Testament, Luther Seminary

Saturday, September 18, 2010. 9 a.m. to noon.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, St. Cloud, MN

Cost: \$20/person (\$50 max per congregation)

Do you want to learn the joy and challenge of leading a Bible Study session for people in your local congregation? The Book of Faith Initiative of the ELCA encourages all members to read the Bible actively and thoughtfully. We need trained lay persons to help with this effort. In this session you will learn about good techniques and excellent resources for leading Bible studies and for helping your congregation to become a vibrant Book of Faith congregation. You will also be inspired to be an active, informed Bible reader yourself. Snacks provided. Bring your Bibles.

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“Relational Evangelizing 101”

Session Leader: Pr. Larry Strenge

Saturday, October 2, 2010. 9 a.m. to noon.

Trinity Lutheran, Montevideo

Cost: \$20/person (\$50 max per congregation)

In this workshop we will spend time developing relationships and learning the foundations and principles of evangelizing. If “location, location, location” are the three key words in real estate then “relationship, relationship, relationship” would be the three key words in evangelizing.

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“Church Finances: *Sharpening good process, practices and checks & balances for treasurers in larger and smaller congregations*”

Session Leader: David Anfinson, CPA (Anfinson, Thompson & Co of Willmar)

Saturday, October 9, 2010. 9 a.m. to noon.

Vinje Lutheran, Willmar

Cost: \$20/person (\$50 max per congregation)

Our synod council treasurer, David Anfinson, will guide church treasurers in best practices for congregations of varying sizes. Come and share your wisdom with other church treasurers and learn from them as well.

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“Lay Visitation & Prayer Ministries”

Session Leader: Dr. Gary Wilkerson, Luther Seminary

Saturday, October 16, 2010: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Shalom Hill Farm

Cost: \$40/person (\$100 max per congregation)

This workshop will equip lay persons to assist with visitation in hospitals, care centers and homes; developing listening skills and practice of prayer. Some segments from *Courage and Light: a conversation with Parker Palmer and Jim Brandenburg* will be used to stimulate discussion and interaction.

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Session Leader: Rev. Dr. James Boyce, Emeritus Professor of New Testament, Luther Seminary

Saturday, October 30, 2010. 9 a.m. to noon.

Trinity Lutheran, Montevideo, MN

Cost: \$20/person (\$50 max per congregation)

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