**GENERAL SCHEDULE FOR THE**

**CONGRESS ON THE LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS 2015**

**Wednesday, April 15, 2015**

 11:00a Registration Begins

 1:00p Welcome and Introductory Remarks

 1:15p “Cohabiting Couples in the Congregation: Pastoral Ministry and Church Discipline from a Confessional Lutheran Perspective” – **Rev. Jonathan Fisk** (Pastor, Naperville IL**;** creator of “Worldview Everlasting” video series)

 2:30p “Homosexuals in the Congregation: Pastoral Ministry and Church Discipline from a Confessional Lutheran Perspective” – **Rev. Dr. Gary Zieroth** (Pastor, Chaska MN**;** Adjunct Professor, Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne IN)

 4:00p “Women’s Ordination and Congregational Roles Revisited: Can the Confessional Lutheran Synods Hold the Line?” – **Rev. Brent Kuhlman** (Pastor, Murdock NE**;** Board of Directors of “Higher Things”)

*Wednesday evening is open for visiting and relaxing.*

*Please visit the Hospitality Room, sponsored by friends of The CLEF*.

**Thursday, April 16, 2015**

 8:00a Breakfast hosted by The Confessional Lutheran Education Foundation (CLEF) and the Luther Academy

 9:30a “Same-Sex Marriage: The Challenges of its U.S. Legalization for Pastors and Congregations” – **Mark Stern, Esq.** (Attorney**;** member of Concordia University Chicago Board of Regents)

 10:45a “Luther: What is Marriage Really?” – **Rev. Paul Strawn** (Pastor, Spring Lake Park MN**;** President, Lutheran Press)

 12:00p Lunch

 1:30p “Marriage and the Family in the Lutheran Confessions” – **Mr. Tim Goeglein** (Senior Advistor “Focus on the Family”)

 3:00p “Women’s Ordination: More Than Bible Passages” – **Dr. David Scaer** (Professor: Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne IN)

 5:00p Social Hour

 6:00p Thursday Evening Banquet –Banquet Speaker: **Rev. Rolf Preus** (Pastor: Mayville, North Dakota and Crookston, Minnesota)

**Friday, April 17, 2015**

 9:00a “Divorce and Remarriage in the Parish and the Parsonage” – **Rev. Brian Saunders** (District President, Iowa East District LCMS)

 10:30a “Canaan or Israel? The Old Testament’s Doctrine of Marriage in the Pentateuch and the Prophets” – **Rev. Steven Briel** (Pastor, Corcoran MN**;** ChairLCMS Board for National Mission)

 11:45a ACL Meeting