2017 Seminary Service Anniversaries

5 years
Lewis Berkwit  Manager, Annual Fund, Sustaining Fund
Lara Harris   Director, Campus Services
Roger Dow    Senior Gift Officer, Seminary Support
Ray Foreman  Learning Management System Specialist, Technology Services
Rachael Velius Gift Processing Operator, Advancement Services-Gift Operations
Chris James  Administrative Assistant, Seminary Support
Erika Bennett Coordinator, Continuing Education; Administrator, Campus Store
Kim Braddy    Manager, Advancement Operations and Events
Beth Hoeltke  Director of the Graduate School; Administrator, Public Services, Library Services

10 years
Beth Menneke Registrar, Registrar’s Office
John Klinger  Chief Information Officer, Technology Services
Michael Flynn Director, Principal Gifts, Seminary Support
Blake Wolf    Director, Sustaining Fund

15 years
Melodie Bostic Senior Coordinator, Alumni and Congregation Relations, Alumni Relations
Joel Biermann  Professor of Systematic Theology; Faculty Marshall
Timothy Dost  Associate Professor of Historical Theology; Faculty Secretary
Jeffrey Oschwald Associate Professor of Exegetical Theology; Chairman of the Department of Exegetical Theology

20 years
Timothy Saleska Associate Professor of Exegetical Theology; Dean of Ministerial Formation
Bruce Schuchard Professor of Exegetical Theology

25 years
Jeffrey Gibbs  Professor of Exegetical Theology

Service of Holy Communion

2nd Week in Lent
8 March 2017

Celebration of Seminary Faculty and Staff Service Anniversaries
Confession and Absolution
Presider: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Assembly: Amen.
Presider: Disciples whom the Lord loves: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Word from the Father, has taught us that the work of God is to believe in Him whom God has sent and that this faith is demonstrated when we love as Jesus has loved us. Here, in the presence of God, will you say that you have no sin?
Assembly: We have sinned. We have not loved one another as Jesus has loved us.
Presider: Little children, God is faithful and just, and He, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, forgives your sins for the sake of His name, for the blood of Jesus cleanses you from all sin. He takes your sin upon Himself; He leaves you His peace. Go in peace. Abide in His Word. Walk in the Light.
Assembly: Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

First Reading

Genesis 12:1–9
Notes Regarding Communion

- The campus Lord’s Supper is sponsored and hosted by St. John Lutheran Church in Columbus, NE and Pastor Brad Birtell.
- When receiving the cup to partake of Christ Jesus’ blood, please place your hand on the cup in some way to assist the server in guiding it to your mouth. Depending upon how those distributing the cup are holding it, you can either take hold of the cup at the base on the bottom OR on the stem of the chalice OR at the bowl itself on the upper part. By doing so you will assist the server and help to prevent any unwelcome spillage.
- The Reliquary (unconsecrated, additional bread) will be distributed after the service in the narthex if there is sufficient quantity. You are invited to take a piece with you.
- If you would prefer not to drink wine directly from the chalice, you may intinct the bread by dipping it into the chalice.
- If you have a gluten allergy or any other special need, please contact Dean of the Chapel Kent Burreson.
- The concluding prayers are spoken by the assembly in the hope that these traditional collects might become part of your remembered repertoire of prayer.

Private Confession and Absolution
Check SemNet to see when Chaplain Sieveking will offer confession at the altar.

Prayer Requests

- Persecuted Christians: Nigeria; North Korea; Oman
- Ethiopia in the Midst of Conflict and the Ethiopian Evangelical Lutheran Church (Mekane Yesu)
- Partner Church Bodies: Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ingrina in Russia (ELCIR), Rev. Arri Kugappi, Bishop
- Synodical Leaders: Rev. Daniel Preus, Fifth Vice President
- Districts and District Presidents: Oklahoma District and President Rev. Barrie E. Henke
- Concordia Theological Seminary, President Larry Rast, Dr. Dean O. Wenthe, Dr. Roland F. Ziegler, staff, and students.
- Concordia University System: Concordia University, Nebraska and President Rev. Dr. Brian Freidrich
- Those seeking discernment and guidance: Professor Todd and Susan Jones
- Those who are ill/undergoing surgery: Rev. Erich Kaelberer suffering from ALS; Pastor Rodney Wise, Glendale Lutheran Church, battling cancer; Pastor Mike Piper, New Melle, MO, brain hemorrhage; Roger Drinnon, father of Seminarian Roger Drinnon, undergoing treatment for prostate cancer; former EIIT student Shad Deah facing serious medical issues;

Lenten Hymn Verse

All Our Hope

Sung by the assembly

Gospel Reading

John 3:1–17

Hymn of the Day

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Homily

Please be seated

Apostles’ Creed

Please stand if you are able

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Prayers of the Church

—Please kneel if able—

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Offertory

—Please stand if you are able—

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Service of the Sacrament

—Please be seated—

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Communion Music

Come Home! Return to Me!

Salutation, Benedicamus, and Benediction

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Recognition of Honorees

Post-Service Music

The Servants of the Word

Presider: Professor Jeff Oschwald
Preacher: President Dale Meyer
Assistants: Chaplain Paul Sieveking, Seminarians Peter Williamson and Sean Carpenter
Organist: Director of Music Arts Jim Marriott

In Preparation for Communion

To Our Guests:

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated on our campus in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God’s Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased.

—Kent J. Burreson, Dean of the Chapel

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Dismissal

—Please stand if you are able—

Prayed by Assembly

O Lord and Master of our lives, give us not a spirit of idleness, despondency, ambition, and vain talking, but rather besow on us, your servants, a spirit of purity, humility, patience, and love. Yes, Lord and King, grant us to see our own faults, and not to judge our brother and our sister. For blessed are You unto the ages of ages. Amen. (St. Ephraim the Syrian)