Purpose

In a day in which Lutherans are being challenged to re-examine traditional pasition, and search for new relationships and ministries, it is if adjust necessity to understand what it means to be truly

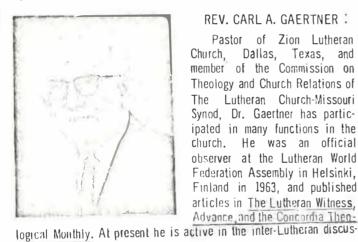
"evangel cal." The Seventh Annual Justitute on Theology in Practice Today will provide an opportunity for participants to examine and

discuss the historical and contemporary ineanings of being "evangel-

ical." In view of the discussions concerning pulpit and altar fellowship between The American Lutheran Church and The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, it is appropriate that the speakers in this institute represent both church bodies. Every pastor and church worker will

benefit from this in depth discussion. Those who plan to attend the alumni gatherings at Concordia Seminary at this time or to enroll for summer sessions beginning June 19 will note that this institute is

Personnel



scheduled at a time convenient for them.

REV. CARL A. GAERTNER

Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Dallas, Texas, and member of the Commission on Theology and Church Relations of

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, Dr. Gaertner has participated in many functions in the church. He was an official

observer at the Lutheran World Federation Assembly in Helsinki, Finland in 1963, and published articles in The Lutheran Witness, Advance and the Concordia Theo-

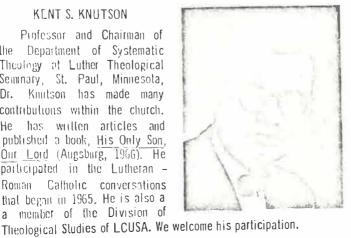
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KENT S. KNUTSON

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Theology at Luther Theological Semmary, St. Paul, Minnesota, Knutson has made many contributions within the church. has written articles and published a book, His Only Son, Our Lord (Augsburg, 1966). He participated in the Lutheran -Roman Catholic conversations that began in 1965. He is also a

a member of the Division of



Frogram SUNDAY, JUNE 16

1:30 - Presentation and Discussion by Carl Gaertner

Early registration in Loeber Hall from 4:00 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 17

7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast

8:30 - Registration in Sieck Hall

10:00 - Chapel Worship 10:30 - Presentation and Discussion by Kent Knutson

12:00 - Lunch

3:00 - Coffee Break

3:30 - Small Group Discussions

5:30 - Dinner

7:00 - Presentation and Discussion by Kent Knutson

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

7:00 - 8:00 Breakfast

8:00 - Chapel Worship

8:30 - Presentation and Discussion by Carl Gaertner

10:00 - Coffee Break

10:30 - Small Group Discussions

11:45 - Closing Devotion

12:00 - Lunch

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THE NATURE OF THE CHURCH--AN EVANGELICAL APPROACH

- I. The New Testament and the Church -- How did We Come into Being?
 - The church is a principal category.
 The church is understood from a variety of perspectives.
 - 3. The church is an historical reality.
 - 4. The two great words--ccclesia and some tou Christou.

 5. The church is thus inescapably a sociological reality.
- II. The Signs of the Church in the World--How is the Church Known to
 - 1. The Word of God theology
 2. The Event Character of the Church
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 3. The symbolic and effective signs.
- III. The Reformation and the Church--How do We Understand this Renewal?
 - 1. The functional methology of Reformation theology.
 2. The living character of the church.
 - 3. The simplicity of Reformation language.
 - 4. The principle of simultaneity.
- IV. The Ministry and the Church--What is a Valid Ministry?
 - 1. The New Testament and the Warlety of ministries.
 - 2. The functional formula for ministry.
 - 3. The charima of ministry.
 4. The public and private ministry.
 - 5. The symbolic character of public ministry.

Kent S. Knutson June, 1968