

## Registration Form



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Please check which course: \_\_\_\_\_ Waynesboro \_\_\_\_\_ Video

The enrollment cost is **\$175** per person or a group rate per congregation/parish for **\$900** and is payable by check or credit card. If your registration will be applied to a group please attach the group and manner of payment

I have enclosed a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to the Virginia Synod.

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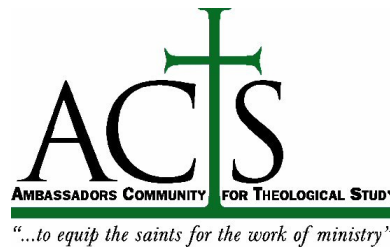
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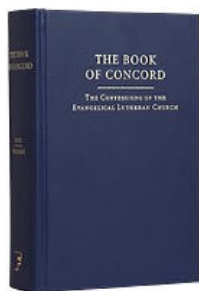


## Lutheran Confessions



We will look at the fundamentals of Christian theology from a Lutheran perspective, with a particular focus on the Christian life and Christian mission. The Lutheran Confessions will serve as primary reading. The Lutheran witness will be examined within the larger unity of the catholic faith, beginning with our shared confession of the Trinity and the Incarnation. The specific Lutheran emphasis on justification by grace through faith because of Christ and the way that emphasis shapes our understanding of the sacraments and the Christian life will be explored.

We will offer the course in Waynesboro on October 3 and November 14. We will offer the same course on video October 10 and November 21 in the Tidewater area.



**The Textbook** for this course will be: *The Book of Concord*, edited by Robert Kolb and Timothy Wengert. It is available from Augsburg Fortress or Amazon. Please purchase the text book before the course and read as much as you can.

If you are interested in supplemental reading you should get the *Introduction to the Lutheran Confessions*, by Gunther Gassmann and Scott Hendrix.

### Our Professor

Michael Root is Professor of Systematic Theology at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, SC, where he served as Dean from 2003-2009. He is also Visiting Adjunct Professor at the Institute for Ecumenical Research in Strasbourg, France. He has taught at Davidson College, Davidson, NC and Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, OH. Since January 2006, he has been Executive Director of the Center for Catholic and Evangelical Theology.

Root is a native of Norfolk, VA., attended public schools in Chesapeake, VA., studied at Dartmouth College (B.A., summa cum laude), and Yale University (Ph.D. in theology). He received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Wittenberg University, Springfield, OH in 2002 in recognition of his contribution to the unity of the church. In 2010, he will serve as the McCarthy Visiting Professor at the Gregorian University in Rome.



Root is a member of the US and international Lutheran-Catholic dialogues and has served on the US Lutheran-United Methodist dialogue, the Anglican-Lutheran International Working Group, and the Anglican-Lutheran International Commission. He was the Faith and Order Commission Observer for the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission. He served as coopted staff at the 1990, 1997, and 2003 Assemblies of the Lutheran World Federation and the 1993 World Conference on Faith and Order and was a consultant at the 1998 Lambeth Conference. He served on the drafting teams that produced the Lutheran-Roman Catholic Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification and Called to Common Mission, which established full communion between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Episcopal Church. He is the author (with Gabriel Fackre) of Affirmations and Admonitions (Eerdmans 1998) and editor of Justification by Faith (with Karl Lehmann and William Rusch, Continuum 1997), Baptism and the Unity of the Church (with Risto Saarinen, Eerdmans 1998), and Sharper than a Two-Edged Sword: Preaching, Teaching, and Living the Bible (with James Buckley, Eerdmans, 2008).

**When do I register?** You can register right now. I strongly encourage you to register as soon as you can so we can make arrangements accordingly.

### Where will the Course be offered?

The Course will be offered at Grace Lutheran Church in Waynesboro. We will offer a video course in the Tidewater area too.

### When does the small group meet?

The Small Group suggested dates are October 8, 22, November 5, 19 and December 3. Small groups can change the dates that will be best for their group.

### Where does the small group meet?

Participants will be geographically grouped with the leadership of a rostered leader. Small groups may determine their own meeting site.

**What will the course cost me?** The course is \$175 per person. If you have a group of 6 or more from your congregation/parish there is a group rate of \$900. You will also need to purchase the textbook for the course.

**Are there scholarships available?** First, some congregations have established funds to support student participation. Obviously there are many benefits for the local congregation. Check with your pastor or council president. Secondly, due to the gifts of some special donors, partial scholarship assistance may be available: Apply through Jean Bozeman.