Mission Statement

Concordia Theological Seminary has formulated a short yet powerful mission statement: “Concordia Theological Seminary exists to form servants in Jesus Christ who teach the faithful, reach the lost and care for all.” This statement provides the goal of CTS’s educational programs including the Graduate School. Pastors, missionaries, students and church workers attend classes to learn how to provide excellent pastoral care and how to reach out to non-Christians. We pray that future students will want to attend our school in order to be inspired by its theology and spiritual life and become excellent pastoral and mission-minded instructors in whatever part of the world they may serve. Changes to our Master of Sacred Theology (S.T.M.) and Ph.D. in Missiology programs demonstrate positively how the programs may facilitate the best education for a student in accordance with the CTS mission.
Dr. Rast Chosen from a Strong Field of Candidates as President-Elect of Concordia Theological Seminary

Rev. Heath Trampe
Associate Pastor, Saint Peter Lutheran Church
Fort Wayne, Indiana

May 21, 2011

The Concordia Theological Seminary community rejoices at the announcement of her new President, Dr. Lawrence Rast Jr. Dr. Rast has served the seminary community as a professor since 1996 and as Academic Dean since December 2006. He has also served as a faculty representative on the LCMS’s Commission on Theology and Church Relations (CTCR) since 2006 and as Chairman of the CTCR since 2010.

Dr. K. Detlev Schulz, Dean of Graduate Studies and supervisor to both the Doctor of Philosophy in Missiology (Ph.D.) and Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) programs, was among the candidates nominated for the position. The candidates were Dr. Carl Pickenscher, Dr. Daniel Gard, Dr. Charles Gieschen, Dr. Nathan Jastram, Dr. Walter Maier III and Prof. Jeffrey Pulse. We recognize the abilities of every man considered for the presidency of CTS, and we praise God for such capable leaders.

In the official press release issued through CTS, President-Elect Rast offered these words of wisdom: “The seminary is a gift of God and all the people who serve here are His gifts as well...While we are looking forward to the future and the changes to come, we also look to the one thing that does not change. That is, the life-saving Gospel of Jesus Christ and our mission to get that message out to a world that is so in need.”

We in the Graduate Studies Program look forward to a bright future at CTS under Dr. Rast’s leadership!
If you’ve kept up with *For the Life of the World* recently, you’ll know that May 20, 2011, marked another milestone as part of many months of hard work and careful planning towards the Walther Library expansion project. I myself had never taken a formal tour of the new library expansion, and what I discovered exceeded all of my expectations.

Upon breaching the protective plywood barriers posted in the upper and lower levels of the original (historic) library, a new world awaits. With flowing lines, spacious rooms and wall-to-wall windows offering generous natural lighting, the new space seems ideal for study and contemplation. Director of Library Services, Prof. Robert Roethemeyer, was pleased to inform me that every study room, every reading area and nearly every inhabitable space of the new library building has a view to the outside—and what a view it is! With the stunning lakeside visible from either level, one is simply transported into the new space.

A new resource area is one of the most functional new facets of the expansion, featuring a nearly wall-to-wall whiteboard, cutting edge projection technology and colossal flat panel televisions for everything from PowerPoint presentations to YouTube video clips. The space will allow for a nearly unlimited variety of teaching techniques. High technology classes like “Bib and Tech” will utilize the space immediately. It will also be ideal for graduate seminars, as well as a variety of other classroom settings. Twenty students can sit with laptops and have space to work, while as many as 70 can comfortably convene in regular chairs.

Every element of the building has been attended to with great care. The original vision of Eero Saarinen is complemented by accents of Concordia Brick (diamonds) and roof tile (matching other structures on campus) throughout the building, as well as modestly tasteful sections of white-washed brick reminiscent of the historic library’s exterior. This new library doesn’t so much rise from its surroundings as perfectly complement them with an undeniable aesthetic.

One cannot help but feel that this building has been on campus all along.

Of immediate interest to graduate students are the five new study rooms, two of them accommodating eight students and three accommodating six students. Each of these rooms will have a view to the outside while offering nearly complete privacy from the rest of the library. Perhaps less immediately appreciated, but vitally important nonetheless, a

The new library expansion complements the natural beauty of the campus while offering a multitude of new resources for students.
new technical services area will bring most of the current services of the library together in one modern and functional space. This new area will allow the daily background “minutiae” often missed by most students to be performed at a more efficient pace. New kiosks around the building will offer students more convenient and immediate access to the library catalog, with some providing table space for those slightly more intense research sessions. This translates into much more than a new and beautiful library—indeed, it means a whole new way to interact with the research facilities at our beloved seminary.

In addition to increased access to the nearly 175,000 bound volumes already at Walther Library, the two phases of expansion will allow for an additional 2,000 volumes per year for the next 50 years. Keep in mind that over 90,000 of those present volumes are directly related to the subject of Christianity, with many contributing to the study of Missiology.

Beyond the physical walls of Walther Library—new and old—our seminary continues to maintain relationships with many other libraries in the area. Through the wonders of interlibrary loan, we are able to access the collections of larger universities like Notre Dame or Indiana University. Prof. Roethmeyer has even been selected by the State Library to serve on the Indiana Statewide Resource Sharing Committee. These partnerships will reap large dividends for students far into the future.

Of course, the treasury of features listed here is merely part of the first 21,000 square feet of expansion, with much more to come in subsequent years. That new space will roughly double as the rest of the library vision is carried into completion. May the Lord of the harvest continue to shower His blessings down upon us as we carry out His commission in the years and decades to come!

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Annual S.T.M. Open House

Dr. Naomichi Masaki

The annual S.T.M. Open House was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Naomichi Masaki on May 18, 2011. Current and graduating S.T.M. students and their wives, as well as incoming students and their wives, were invited. Not all of them could make it, but it was a fun evening of relaxation, laughter and fellowship, celebrating everyone’s accomplishment and anticipating another wonderful year to come.

We thank the Graduate School’s Dean, Dr. K. Detlev Schulz; Supervisor of the M.A. Program, Dr. Peter Scaer; and the Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Cindy Johnson, for joining us in our get-together. As always, the S.T.M. Program includes students from abroad. Students from England, Finland and Russia graduated this year, and currently we have students from Sweden, Kenya and Japan as resident students.
Princeton Theological Seminary’s Science for Ministry Institute was designed to promote an informed and productive discourse on issues of scientific and theological inquiry within the community of faith. The institute aims to equip Christian leaders and scientists of faith to competently address questions that arise at the intersection of religion and science in the 21st century. The curriculum of this program is as unique as its educational approach, which pairs a scientifically-minded minister with a theologically-sensitive scientist.

Upon completion of the requisite core course, participants are able to select from a variety of elective intensives that are offered over a three-year period. Among such courses are The Creation of the Universe in Science and Scripture, Christian Education in a Scientific Age; Cognitive Science, Neuroscience and the Human Person; Spirituality in Theology and Psychology; The Problem of Suffering in Science and Theology; Science as a Challenge and Resource for Theological Ethics; A Brief History of Science and the Church; The Challenge of Human Evolution; and The Evolution of Human.

Having advanced my understanding of questions at the interface of science, theology and Christian ministry, I eagerly anticipate the opportunity to apply my training in obedience to Christ and service to His church.

Perhaps the most noteworthy benefit of my time at Princeton has been in the area of my doctoral research. My dissertation was an interdisciplinary study that focused upon the question of epistemic justification within the kerygma of Paul. Thus, readings and lectures on the complementary relationship between scientific and religious knowledge offered valuable insights.

What is more, having extensively discussed Michael Polanyi’s philosophy of science, I found myself well-prepared to answer a comprehensive exam question which concerned the use of Polanyi’s epistemology in the missiology of Leslie Newbigin!

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Josh Pagan
**Ph.D. Dissertations Successfully Defended**

**Robert H. Bennett**
“From Darkness into the Light: A Phenomenological Study of the Events Surrounding Exorcism and Conversion as Found in the Fifohazana Movement of the Malagasy Lutheran Church”–May 20, 2011

**Je Cheol Cook**
“A Study of Adult Education Programs and Their Impact on Evangelism in the Korean Immigrant Church”–May 20, 2011

**MooYoung Lim**

**Joshua A. Pagan**
“Epistemic Justification in the Pauline *Kerygma*”–May 20, 2011

**James R. Vermilya**
“Lutheran Literary Influences on John Wesley’s Theology of Mission”–May 20, 2011

**D.Min. Theses Successfully Defended (Cont.)**

**Peter A. Meier**
“Missional Leadership in Lutheran Schools: A Key Component of Lutheran Schools as Mission Outposts”–May 20, 2011

**Lucas V. Woodford**

**S.T.M. Theses Successfully Defended (Also non-thesis graduates)**

**Steven T. Cholak**
November 12, 2010 (Systematic Major)

**Richard A. Lammert**

**Anssi Tapani Simojoki**

**Mark P. Braden**–May 20, 2011 (Exegetical Major)

**David D. Ohlman**
May 20, 2011 (Systematic Major)

**Markus J. Pöyry**

**Thomas N. Reeder Jr**
May 20, 2011 (Systematic Major)

**Philip D. Sievers**–May 20, 2011 (Exegetical Major)

**Alexey M. Streltsov**
“Cyrilline Theology of Scythian Monks in the Context of Early Sixth Century”–May 20, 2011 (Advisor: Dr. William C. Weinrich)
Annual Trip to Missiology Conference at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School a Success

On a crisp winter morning in February, five Ph.D. students set out before the break of dawn to the annual Missiology Conference at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in the Chicago suburb of Deerfield, Illinois. With experts from a variety of seminaries and universities representing a number of mission fields, the Deerfield Missiology Conference offers a wealth of information to the student of mission.

Reese, Michigan pastor Robert Bennett—who recently earned his Ph.D. in Missiology from CTS—presented on “Urban Missions in Madagascar: Evangelism and Mystery in the Crowded Streets” in the Mission and the City section of the conference. Dr. Bennett has been asked to present before, and he is just one of many professors and students from CTS who have, at one point, contributed to this national gathering of scholars.

With numerous lectures on every subject from Diaspora Missiology to Social Justice, to Short-Term Missions to Witch Accusations, the conference offered something of interest to just about anyone looking to further his or her understanding of mission. Participants ranged from college students to Ph.D. students, with many active pastors, professors, missionaries and other church workers attending. Besides the five students previously mentioned, CTS Missiology students John Mondi and Wayne Bearden were also in attendance.

It’s vital for Concordia Theological Seminary to continue her participation in the annual conference. While not the only confessional voice present, our seminary has a wealth of theological understanding and practical advice to offer the rest of the mission oriented church. Indeed, this is Missouri’s moment to shine in the field of outreach and evangelism—both domestically and around the world. We are proud to represent our seminary in this unique and wonderful way.

Missiology students from left to right: Heath Trampe, Mung Kham, Yeongjin Ha, Geoffrey Robinson and Dam Park

2011 St. Paul D.Min. Graduates

In May 2011, the following students of Concordia Theological Seminary graduated with their Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) degrees from Concordia University St. Paul (left to right): Mike Iannelli, Peter Meier, Calvin Siegel and Lucus Woodford.
Some Swedish students studied theology in Wittenberg in the time of the Reformation. That had an impact: the church in Sweden became Evangelical Lutheran. However, partly because of its close connection to the Swedish government, the 20th century was a spiritual and confessional divestment of the church. Today, Sweden is perhaps the most secularized country in the world.

In 2003, a number of pastors and laymen in the Church of Sweden formed the Mission Province in reaction to the Church of Sweden’s decision to stop ordaining theologians who were not willing to cooperate with woman pastors. The Mission Province called their own bishop to ordain theologians with the classical view of the Office of Pastoral Ministry.

I come from the small town of Vännäs in the snowy northern area of Sweden. I was baptized within the Church of Sweden, but since the preaching in many congregations of the state church was liberal, my parents brought me up within a mission society: Swedish Lutheran Mission. I became a high school teacher, but after a few years of teaching, I enrolled at the small, confessional Swedish School of Theology (ffg.se), which offers a three year education. In 2010, I was ordained in the Mission Province.

Three students from the Swedish School of Theology have recently attended Concordia Theological Seminary for further education—Daniel Johansson, Jakob Appell and Kristina Sundström. This year, I am participating in the S.T.M. Program. In the mission of taking care of the Evangelical Lutheran remnant in Sweden, as well as in reaching out to non-believers, a deep knowledge of the Bible and our spiritual heritage is a precious tool!
## 2011–2012 Course Overview

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- **E/H/S/P 598** Advanced Theological German
- **HIT 520** Seminar: Luther on Church and State
- **HIT 534** Renaissance and Reformation
- **PMMP 504** Preaching Law and Gospel
- **SYT 540** Seminar: Luther Text

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- **EXTE 584** I & II Corinthians
- **SYTS 590** Office of Holy Ministry

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- **EXTE 507** Advanced Greek
- **EXTE 554** Job
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- **HIT 520** Seminar: Calvin’s Institute
- **HITH 581** Religion in Colonial America
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- **SYTS 510** Justification
- **SYTS 529** Theology of Lutheran Confessions

#### Winter Intensive Session
- **HITH 508** Tertullian: Apology and on Baptism
- **PMMP 560** Pastor’s Devotional Life

#### Spring 2012
- **EXTE 590** Revelation
- **HIT 520** Seminar: TBA
- **HITH 550** C.F.W. Walther and His Times
- **PMMP 507** Theology and Music of J.S. Bach
- **SYTS 570** Baptism and Lord’s Supper

#### Spring Intensive Session
- **EXTE 523** Old Testament Theology
- **SYTS 523** Theology of Martin Chemnitz

### September 6–November 11, 2011
- **MF** 11:00 a.m.–12:25 p.m. W. Maier III
- **TR** 8:30–9:55 a.m. R. Lammert
- **MWF** 9:00–9:55 a.m. C. MacKenzie
- **MWF** 3:00–3:55 p.m. C. MacKenzie
- **MWF** 1:00–1:55 p.m. C. Fickenscher II
- **MWF** 2:00–2:55 p.m. R. Ziegler

### October 3–14, 2011
- **MTWRF** 6:30–9:30 p.m. P. Scaer
- **MTWRF** 3:00–6:00 p.m. N. Masaki

### November 28, 2011–February 24, 2012
- **TR** 1:00–2:55 p.m. J. Nordling
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**D.Min. Class Schedules**

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- DMST 920  Missionary Nature of the Church

**Winter 2012**
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**Spring 2012**
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- PMMP 897  Ministering in Context

**October 3–7, 2011**
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