



Previous Symposia

The Christian View of Embryonic Stem Cell Research, May 21, 2005

Dr. Maureen Daddona, The Rev. Randolph Jon Geminder

The Rev. John G. Fleischmann, Mr. Raymond J. Keating

Contemporary Culture: A Christian Wasteland?, October 22, 2005

Mr. Raymond J. Keating, Mr. David Hahn, The Rev. John G. Fleischmann

The Role of Christian Education, February 18, 2006

The Rev. Andrew Jagow, Mr. Robert Everett Gustafson, Brother Kenneth M. Hoagland

Mr. Raymond J. Keating



Upcoming Symposium

God on the Job: Work, Business and the Christian Life

February 10, 2007

Lunch will be provided.

**The Reformation:
Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow**



A Presentation of the Christian View Series of

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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East Moriches, New York

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Holtsville, New York

7:00pm – 11:00pm



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The Program

7:00pm Arrival

7:30pm

Welcome

Mr. Raymond J. Keating, Moderator

Opening Prayer

The Rev. John G. Fleischmann, *Pastor*

7:40pm

SALAD

8:00pm

The Reformation: Yesterday

The Rev. Dr. Alan G.R. Steinberg

8:45pm

DINNER

9:30pm

The Reformation: Today and Tomorrow

The Rev. Larry Vogel

10:15

DESSERT

Discussion will follow each presentation.

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

**A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon.
He helps us free from every need that hath us now o'ertaken.**

**The old evil foe now means deadly woe;
Deep guile and great might are his dread arms in fight;
On earth is not his equal.**

**With might of ours can naught be done, soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.**

**Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is,
Of Sabaoth Lord, and there's none other God;
He holds the field forever.**

**Though devils all the world should fill, all eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpower us.**

**This world's prince may still scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done;
One little word can fell him.**

**The Word they still shall let remain nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain with His good gifts and Spirit.**

**And take they our life, goods, fame, child and wife,
Though these all be gone, our victory has been won;
The Kingdom ours remaineth.**

Amen.

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CHRIST LUTHERAN *Christian View Series*

The *Christian View Series* of Christ Lutheran Church is an ongoing series of presentations designed to explore contemporary issues facing the Church of Jesus Christ today.

Begun in May, 2005, these symposia seek to provide Christ Lutheran Church, the surrounding communities and the Church at Large with quality speakers who are experts in their fields of study with pertinent information needed to address the challenges facing Twenty-First Century Christianity.

The *Christian View Series* is unashamedly Biblical in its view, seeking to give Scriptural and Confessional direction to the Body of Christ in the midst of cultural chaos, pointing to the Lord Jesus Christ as our unchanging Foundation and Rock, Who alone is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

The topics picked are necessarily diverse so as to stay as current as possible.

Tonight's presentation was selected because in many ways contemporary Lutheranism has lost its bearings. In so doing, she has lost her distinctive voice. Like Lutheranism, much of modern Protestantism has also lost its distinguishing characteristics, leaving adherents in a theological quagmire. Indeed, it is shameful that much of modern theology is influenced more by the lure of the world than by the Word of God.

In the presentations tonight, listen carefully to what is said about how we began and where we are now. Hear the challenge to remain faithful in spite of grave temptations to change or leave the Church whose Confessions have made clear the Gospel of Jesus Christ for five centuries.

It is our prayer that you will not only learn of our heritage, but that you will go forth tonight with a better understanding of how you will live out that "Lutheran difference."

It is also our prayer that tonight's presentations will further the mission of Christ Lutheran Church: *Caring and Sharing through Word and Sacrament so that We Know Christ and Make Him Known.*

The Rev. Dr. Alan G.R. Steinberg is a retired pastor of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. His academic degrees include a Bachelor of Science from Concordia College, River Forest, Illinois; a Master of Arts in history from Columbia University, New York; a Master of Divinity from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana; and a Doctor of Philosophy in European history from St. John's University, New York.

Pastor Steinberg's ministry has included service as both teacher and pastor. After teaching in Lutheran schools and ministering to Lutheran congregations in Pittsburgh and metropolitan New York for two decades, he joined the faculty of Concordia College in Bronxville in 1970. He spent thirty years at Concordia as a professor of European history and the history of the Reformation Era; he also held positions as chairman of the history department and director of the Teacher Colloquy Program. In 1980, Concordia published his We Will Remember, the centennial history of the college. During and after his years at Concordia, Pastor Steinberg served as a pastor in congregations in the New York metropolitan area. He taught courses on the Reformation in northern New York, and in Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland and Florida.

In connection with his Reformation studies, Pastor Steinberg has received research scholarships from New York and Columbia Universities. In 1985, at the invitation of the St. Thomas More Symposium of Yale University, he presented a paper at Yale's Graduate Club on the confrontation between Martin Luther and Thomas More. Most recently, he has done research in Reformation studies as a Scholar-in-Residence at St. Deiniol's Residential Library in Wales. In December, 2006, he will be joining scholars from the United Kingdom and France in a symposium at Yale University on European thought and writing during the era of the Reformation.

For many years, Pastor Steinberg has also been a student of British history, and he has a number of history publications to his credit. In 1973, he was the recipient of a Fulbright Research Scholarship to Greece, where he studied at the American School of Classical Studies in Athens and the Institute for Balkan Studies in Thessalonica.

In 1997, he accepted an invitation to participate in an international symposium on British history at the University of Paris, where he lectured at the Sorbonne.

He has also lectured on British history at Bard College, and in Charleston, SC, Dallas, Birmingham, Atlanta and Louisville.

The Rev. Larry Vogel is pastor of Martin Luther Chapel, Pennsauken, NJ and Eastern Regional Vice-President of the English District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Pastor Vogel has served in the teaching ministry as a called Worker-Priest on the Lakota Sioux Reservation in South Dakota (1975-1977), Missionary-at-Large for the English District in Southeast Queens, NY and later pastor of English Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in St. Albans, Queens, NY (1981-1990), and pastor of Martin Luther Chapel, Pennsauken, NJ (since 1990).

He is married to Beth Braunschweig Vogel and they have three children, Jessamyn, Michael, and Dominica.

He is the author of such notable theological works as *Fearless Pharaoh Foo Foo and Other Plays for Children* and *Command Performances: Playing with the Ten Commandments* (both books of children's plays published by CPH), as well as articles for *Concordia Journal*, *Concordia Theological Quarterly*, and *Lutheran Forum*.

