

Registration Form

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Lodging, Food, and Program

___ Retreat Center \$155

___ Lakeside Center \$165

Lodge Room FULL

___ Family Rate \$255

___ Number in Family

___ Food and Program Only \$100
(Off Campus Housing)

Arrival Information

___ Sunday, May 11, 2008

___ Monday, May 12, 2008

Roommate Preference

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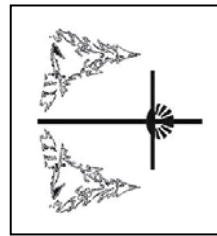
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Mere Christianity in a Post Christian Culture



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Conference Information

Another phrase for Mere Christianity is Creedal Christianity. This conference is going to explore what Mere Christianity is, and how it relates to a pluralistic culture that often promotes relativism over Biblical authority. Our speakers for this year are Dr. Robert Benne and Father Matthew Kennedy. Dr. Benne is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Father Kennedy is a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion and serves under the jurisdiction of the Anglican province in Kenya. Both of these men will discuss the current struggle of maintaining a commitment to creedal Christianity in church bodies where the faith of our fathers continues to be challenged. This is an important and timely topic that you will not want to miss. We look forward to gathering in the consolation of the brethren as we worship, learn, and fellowship together. We hope that you will leave this conference better equipped to engage the world with the Gospel of hope!

Speaker Information

Dr. Robert Benne

Robert Benne is Jordan-Trexler Professor of Religion Emeritus and Director of the Center for Religion and Society at Roanoke College, Salem, Virginia.

Dr. Robert Benne (continued)

He was Jordan-Trexler Professor and Chair of the Department of Religion and Philosophy at Roanoke for eighteen years. Prior to that he taught at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, where he was Professor of Church and Society for seventeen years.

A native of Nebraska, Dr. Benne received his BA from Midland Lutheran College and his MA and PhD from the University of Chicago. He has been a Fulbright Scholar to Germany (Erlangen, 1959-60) and has done post-doctoral research at Hamburg University in Germany (1971-72) and at Cambridge University in England (1978-79, 1985-85, 1992-93) where he continues as a Visiting Fellow at St. Edmund's College. Dr. Benne has written several books including *Ordinary Saints, An Introduction to the Christian Life,* and *The Paradoxical Vision: A Public Theology for the 21st Century.* Dr. Benne is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Rev. Fr. Matthew Kennedy

The Rev. Fr. Matthew Kennedy received his Masters of Divinity degree at Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria Virginia. He earned his BA degree in history at Southwestern University, a private liberal arts college in Austin, Texas. He was ordained into the Holy Order of Priests on December 22nd, 2002 in the Episcopal Church.

On December 23rd 2007, Fr. Kennedy left the Episcopal Church in the United States of America and was received as a Priest by the Anglican Church of Kenya under the Episcopal authority of the Rt. Reverend William Atwood.

Rev. Fr. Kennedy (continued)

Fr. Kennedy remains Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd in Binghamton, NY, which has also affiliated with the Anglican Church of Kenya. Fr. Kennedy is a contributing writer to the online Theological Journal called, *Standfirmfaith.com.*

Housing Information

The Lodge

This hotel-like facility has 12 rooms. Each room contains a double bed, a twin bed and a private bathroom. The lodge rooms will be occupied by two people during the Pastors Conference. The Lodge also has a conference area and kitchenette.

Lakeside Center

SonRise has four Lakeside Centers. The Lakesides each have three bedrooms, a sitting area, dining area and kitchen. Each Lakeside will be shared by six people during the Pastor's Conference.

Retreat Center

This house like structure is commonly used for youth groups, confirmation camps and servant events. The Retreat Center has a large common room, large kitchen and 9 bedrooms. Rooms in the Retreat Center will have double and triple occupancy during the Pastor's Conference.

Off Campus

Housing is also available off campus for those who wish for less of a rustic and more private experience.

Lee's Corner Motel 518-494-7678

Well's House 518-494-5995

The daily schedule for the conference will be mailed out at a later date. Please contact Pastor Jon Ellingworth at (845) 855-3169 for more information.