

# Elder's Retreat

## The Life of the Church



**Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
**8:00-4:00**

Hosted by Hope Lutheran Church  
1345 Macon St, Aurora, CO  
(303) 364-7416

*Cost:* \$10 (for lunch, refreshments and materials, payment due the morning of the retreat)

*What:* A day set apart to study the Scriptures, the Lutheran Confessions, and to consider the role of the Elder in the life of the church.

*Who:* All elders, decons, and men serving in elected positions positions in a Lutheran congregation.

So that we can prepare for lunch, would you please send registration information to Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller at [wolfueller@hotmail.com](mailto:wolfueller@hotmail.com) or call (303) 364-7416 by Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>.

## SCHEDULE with TOPICS

8:00 Registration and Refreshments

8:45 Opening Prayer

### 9:00 **Session 1: Men at Home and in the Church**

*Pastor Adrian Sherrill, Trinity Lutheran Church, Denver*

A topical Bible study about vocation, especially the vocation of father, the order of creation, etc. Why do more women than men come to church? Who should the theologians be in the church?

9:50 Break

### 10:00 **Session 2: Why Jesus Has a Church**

*Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller, Hope Lutheran, Aurora*

A study of the Large Catechism, Third Article. The uniqueness of the church, her divine origin and purpose, i.e. the distribution of the forgiveness of sins. This session should provide crystal clarity as to why the church exists.

10:50 Break

### 11:00 **Session 3: Church and Pastor, A Study of 1 Timothy**

*Pastor Steve Parks, University Hills, Denver*

Paul writes to Timothy to encourage him in his vocation as pastor. This session will study various verses in 1 Timothy to see the proper work of a pastor, and will offer some insights as to how the elders in the church support these God-given responsibilities.

12:00 Lunch (Provided at the church)

### 1:00 **Session 4: Liturgy, What and Why**

*Pastor Jared Melius, Mt Zion Lutheran Church, Denver*

Why do we worship the way we do? This session will extol the liturgy by extolling the Lord Jesus and His forgiveness which the liturgy dishes out. This session will conclude with a discussion of conducting the service, decorum, etc.

2:00 Break

### 2:10 **Moderated Discussion, Questions and Answers, Wrap-Up, Evaluation**

*Pastor Dwight Helmers, St Luke's, Golden*

3:30 Closing Service [Hosted by Hope Lutheran Church]