## **REGISTRATION FORM**

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### COME AND SEE JESUS SCHEDULE

Monday, October 24, 2022 Christ Lutheran Church, Elizabethtown, PA

8:15-8:45	Registration
8:45-9:15	Morning Prayer
9:15—10:15	Session I—Who are the Unbaptized and Uninstructed? <i>Rev. Albert J. Domines,</i> <i>Senior Pastor, Christ Lutheran Church</i> <i>Elizabethtown, PA—ELCA</i> <i>Rev. (Fr.) W.L. Barnes</i> <i>Pastor, Shells Lutheran Church</i> <i>Grantville, PA—ELCA</i>
10:15-10:45	Small Group Discussions
10:45-11:00	Break
11:00—11:45	Session II—How do we Organize? Mrs. Elsa Quanbeck, Former Chair Catechumenate Task Force—LSS— ELCA, present member of Zion Lutheran Church Lebanon, PA—NALC
11:45-12:15	Small Groups
12:15-12:30	Responsive Prayere
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:30—2:30	Session III –What is the Curriculum and Usage Suggestions? <i>Rev. Christopher Seifferlein,</i> <i>Pastor, Mount Calvary Lutheran</i> <i>Church–LCMS</i>
2:30-3:00	Small Groups
3:00-3:15	Break
3:15-4:15	Session IV—Walking through the First Stage (How and When do we do the Rites?) <i>Rev. Kenneth Elkin, Former member of</i> <i>Catechumenate Task Force –USS-ELCA</i> <i>Rev. Jerry Kliner, Associate Pastor,</i> <i>Christ Lutheran Church,</i> <i>Elizabethtown, PA—ELCA</i>
4:30-5:15	Evening Prayer

# CONTE AND SEE John 1:35-51

A seminar on the First Stage of the Catechumenate for Clergy and Lay Leaders

# Monday, OCTOBER 24, 2022

8:15am to 5:15pm

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church 125 E. High Street, Elizabethtown, PA 17022

#### "What do you seek? "I seek God and his Holy Church..."

Lutherans in North America are, by definition and history, an "Immigrant Church." For most of our history here, people got "off the boat" (both literally and figuratively) and looked for the nearest Parish church with the label "Lutheran" where they were now settling. But the days of "immigration" for Lutherans now have ceased; we can no longer rely on "new" people coming **TO** us, already "formed" and ready to take their place in the Parish. We must instead make the difficult change of identity from being an "Immigrant Church" waiting for the next wave to enter our doors to being a "Missionary Church," making new disciples from the people who are settled around us.

The Good News is that our Lord Jesus Christ knew this where he commanded and commissioned his Holy Apostles to "Go therefore, making disciples of all nations, Baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." (Mt. 28:19-20) Being a "Missionary Church" is what we are told we are to do! But how? How do we, a Church so steeped in being an "Immigrant Church," begin to faithfully and joyfully embrace our Missionary heritage? Most of our Christian Education materials and approach has been geared towards the "Immigrant." How do we begin to systematically reach out to those who are meeting Jesus Christ for the first time, who do not know "how" to worship him or even how to call upon him in prayer?

This is where the ancient practice of the Adult Catechumenate comes to our assistance. It is not that the Church has "no experience" in these matters and, therefore must "invent the wheel," instead the Church has an immense history of shaping and forming those who once did not know Christ into the faithful People of God. We don't even need to "reinvent the wheel," we simply need to let it turn again, to recover and use this ancient tradition to both shape those who are coming to the Church for the first time, but also to reinvigorate those of us who have been here the longest!

We invite you to "Come and See!" not only the ancient practice of the Adult Catechumenate, but also to re-encounter our Living Lord, Jesus Christ. Come and See him who calls us to be a "Missionary Church," who first called our forebears in Faith to come and follow him, but also calls us anew. Come and See how your brothers and sisters are using this ancient practice to renew the Church and come and see how it might work in your Parish as well!

#### Who is this workshop for? Pastors, Deacons, Directors of Christian Education, and other

"Rostered leaders" in the Parish.

**Lay People:** Catechists, "Sunday School Superintendents," Teachers, and other lay people engaged in Christian Education.

**Baptismal Sponsors**, "Godparents," and others who guide and support the Baptismal formation of Church Members.

**Other interested members** of Christian Education Committees, Worship Committees, and those who plan Christian Education and Liturgy.

#### Cost:

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\$25.00 per Parish or Congregation. (Cost includes materials and lunch) We want to encourage Parishes and Congregations to bring teams to this workshop, so a single price covers your whole attendance! The more people you register, the more "cost effective" it is for you!

#### Members of the Planning Group

Rev. Kenneth Elkin Mrs. Elsa Quanbeck Rev. (Father) W.L. Barnes III Rev. Jerry Kliner, Jr. Rev. A.J. Domines, Jr. Registrar: Mrs. Jeannette Thomas



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