

2017 Spring Pastoral Study Conference

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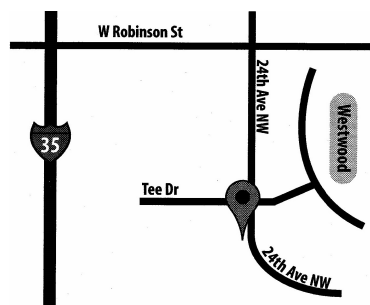
Excuses

If you are unable to attend conference for any reason, please excuse to 1) the Conference Chairman; 2) your Circuit Pastor; and 3) to the Conference Secretary. This helps *greatly* for planning purposes.

Dates & Agenda

We meet on **Monday-Tuesday, April 24-25, 2017**. The conference begins at 10:00am on Monday with the Divine Service w/ Holy Communion. We plan to adjourn no later than 2:30pm on Tuesday.

Location & Directions



If you are approaching Norman from the south on I-35, take the Robinson Street Exit, #110. The exit ramp widens to three lanes. The two right lanes circle south to Robinson. Take the further left of these two lanes, and make a left (east) on Robinson. The next light is 24th Ave. NW. Take a right on 24th Ave. (south). Grace will be about a quarter mile south of Robinson on 24th Ave.

If you are approaching Norman from the north on I-35 (Will Rogers Airport, for example), pass the exit for West Robinson Street, and take the exit for East Robinson Street, #110B. The exit ramp circles back north to Robinson. Take a right turn (east) at Robinson and cross the bridge over I-35. When you come to 24th Ave., take a right (south). Grace will be about a quarter mile south of Robinson on 24th Ave.

Airport Information

Norman is served by Will Rogers World Airport (OKC). The airport is located 20 miles northwest of the church, about a 30 minute drive away. If you decide to fly to this conference, we will try to accommodate requests for rides from the airport to the hotel. However, we recommend that you rent a car or share a car with others who are flying. As a mission our team of volunteers is limited in number.

Accommodations

We have 25 rooms blocked off at the Holiday Inn Express, 2500 Conference Drive, Norman, OK, 73069. Cost per room is \$94 per night. All rooms are two-room suites. They include a separate living room with a queen size sofa sleeper. Rooms we have blocked have two queen size beds. If desired, three men could share a suite and each would have his own bed. The hotel includes a full breakfast buffet. The special rate ends on **April 8, 2017**. Call (405)928-5300 for reservations. Mention that you are reserving a room with the Grace Lutheran Conference.

Parking at Grace

Grace Lutheran is located in a strip mall with a half a dozen other businesses. Our lease agreement prevents us from monopolizing the parking lot during regular business hours. This serves as a courtesy to our neighbors whose businesses require available parking for their patrons. Please carpool as much as possible when commuting from the hotel to Grace. On-the-street parking is available to the north of the church on Tee Drive, or Wall Street to the west of the church.

Food and Fellowship

Lunch on Monday and Tuesday, and snacks and drinks, will be provided by Grace Lutheran Church. There will be **\$10 per person** conference fee for those planning to eat the meals Grace provides. If you will be paying by check, please make it payable to Grace. For supper Monday evening, try one of the many restaurants just one half mile north of the church. Selections include Logan's Roadhouse, Cheddars, Pei Wei, Zio's Italian Kitchen, Chili's, Torchy's Tacos, Redrock Canyon Grill, Qdoba, Tucker's Onion Burgers, Wingstop, and more. Across the freeway within a mile of the church are a dozen or more other choices for casual dining.

Conference Presentation – Professor Earle Treptow, “Evangelical Firmness”

Conference Worship

The following worship assignments have been made.

Monday Opening Worship:

- John Vieths (Presiding), Dave Bivens (Preacher); Nate Bourmann (Alternate Preacher)

Devotional & Sermon Texts: TBD (Abe Degner – SCD Worship Coordinator)

Devotional Leaders:

Day 1 Evening Devotion: Nate Sutton (alt: Mark Bitter)

Day 2 Morning Devotion: Andy Schroer (alt: Abram Degner)

Day 2 Closing Devotion: Dan Schmidt (alt: Brad Taylor)

Future Conference Dates & Sites

The 2017 Fall Pastoral Conference will be held on **October 16-17** at Prince of Peace in Houston, TX.

According to our agreed upon rotation, the 2018 Spring Pastoral Conference will be hosted by a congregation in the Capital Circuit.