

2022 Living Faith Teacher and Leader Preparation

WHY PREPARATION FOR LIVING FAITH TEACHERS AND STAFF?

A team of athletes is not only a group of individuals with a common focus on winning games, not only with particular talents, particular skills, but a shared understanding of their team's particular philosophy, strategies and plays. In the same way, it is important that those leading others as **disciple-makers** in a local congregation not only be those who know Christ and who use their particular and varied skills to bring a common message, but also share in the foundational objectives of their congregation.

As a congregation, we want to bring a **clear and unified message** - the Good News of Salvation and New Life in **Jesus Christ** alone, by **Grace** alone through **Faith** alone as given in the **Word** alone. It is important that the **disciple-making team** be 'on the same page' when bringing this message to those we instruct. The lack of a common message will at best be confusing to our hearers and at worst, result in them rejecting the Gospel. For this reason we want to cultivate a common Biblical understanding regarding important questions such as:

- How God reveals Himself to people
- The Central Message of the Word of God
- The Trustworthiness of the Word of God (Holy Scripture)
- How the Word of God works to bring about salvation
- How the Word of God works in encouraging spiritual life
- How to properly interpret the Word of God

EXPECTATIONS

Living Faith's Board of Elders and Board of Christian Education recognize that preaching and teaching God's Word is a critical and high calling.

In preparation for the 2022-2023 year, Living Faith members and parishioners teaching Faith and Family Night lessons, leading Bible Studies, and presenting Sunday Worship children's messages will be expected to have reviewed and participated in the following:

FIRST, watch the five one hour video segments of the **Next Gen Ministry Conference**

SECOND, participate in a 90 minute gathering for **Lunch and Learning**

1 **The Next Gen Ministry Conference** features teaching by three Lutheran Brethren Seminary professors. This conference was held recently at our sister congregation in Minot - Our Redeemer's Lutheran Brethren Church.

Video Content and **Handouts** are available at livingfaithnd.org under the training tab.

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STUDYING THE WORD BY DR. BRAD PRIBBENOW

SESSION 1

- ◆ Jesus' Bible, The Church's Bible, and My Bible: An Introduction to the Structure, Content, and Translation of the Bible

SESSION 2

- ◆ "Everything Written About Me..." – Reading the Old Testament with Jesus at the Center

TEACHING THE WORD CORRECTLY BY DR. EUGENE BOE

SESSION 3

- ◆ The Relationship Between Repentance, Faith, Justification, and the Forgiveness of Sins

SESSION 4

- ◆ The Relationship Between Infant Baptism and Adult Faith

PREPARING THE LESSON BY DR. DAVID VEUM

SESSION 5

- ◆ Finding the Preaching/Teaching Point in Scripture and Relating it to the Gospel

2 Lunch and Learning July 31 or August 14

This 90 minute informal lunch gathering led by Pastor Roger will be offered two times during the summer following worship (11:30 - 1:00 PM) - on **July 31** and **August 14**. Choose the date that works best for you. This in-person session will be a time to review and highlight Living Faith's disciple-making objectives and to discuss questions.

Please complete the video learning before attending *Lunch & Learning*.