



In response to a resolution at the 2011 Synod Assembly, NRIT is looking for ways to offer budgeting and financial education as well as workshops discussing our relationship to money as Christians. If you have ideas for topics and/or speakers that would be especially helpful to you and your congregation, please email these ideas to Jenny Kunka, Dir. NRIT at j.kunka@nrit.org

Luther Seminary's Stewardship Conferences are highly recommended. The next conference titled "Rethinking Stewardship 2: Connecting Faith and Finances" will be held on the Luther campus July 24-26, 2012. Information will be on their website Feb. 1st. I looked into obtaining workshops from the last Stewardship conference to use for a webcast class but found they were not videotaped. They were recorded, however, and can be accessed at <http://www.luthersem.edu/stewardshipevent/presentations.aspx>. Also, each lecture was written into an essay and published in a special edition of Word and World. The edition is available at the Word and World office at <http://www2.luthersem.edu/word%26world/> Either of these resources could provide excellent materials for adult education or council retreats.

COMING NRIT EVENTS AND COLLABORATIONS:

- **Beyond the ELW: Exploring Music and Projection**

Presenters: Julie Long and Michelle McGuirl

Where? Gloria Dei Lutheran, Butte

When? Saturday Feb. 11 from 10am – 3pm

Details? This workshop provides time to become even more familiar with the ELW, to share ideas and see companion resources that have been published. It is also a chance to learn more about the use of projection during workshop. If you are already doing projection come and discuss what works and what doesn't and learn how to more effectively use technology in worship.

Cost and Registration: Cost is \$15 which includes lunch. Contact Gloria Dei Lutheran in Butte to register at 723-9182. Please pre-register so lunch can be planned

- **RENEW: Youth and Family Ministry Retreat cosponsored by NRIT and Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp**

Speaker: Dr. Andrew Root, professor of youth and family ministry at Luther Seminary

Where? Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp

When? March 1-3

Details? This retreat is for anyone interested in working with youth or family ministry in your church. Consider sending someone from your congregation to this retreat to gather new ideas for your youth and family ministries. The retreat begins with supper March 1 and ends at 11:30 on March 3.

Cost? \$85 for room and board at the camp, \$75 for the conference. \$160 total. Continuing education credits will be offered.

- **Domestic Violence Training for Clergy and Lay Leaders**

Speaker: Ms. Mitzi Vorachek, program director for domestic and sexual violence services, Red Lodge, MT

Where? April 23, 9am – 3pm **Northridge Lutheran Church, Kalispell**

April 24, 9am – 3pm **Our Redeemer's Lutheran, Helena**

May 7, 9am – 3pm **Peace Lutheran, Billings**

Cost? \$40, 5 continuing education credits

- **Luther's Spirituality of Prayer**

Speaker: Dr. Mary Jane Haemig, professor of Church History, Luther Seminary

Where? August 27th 9am – 3pm **St. Paul Lutheran, Cut Bank**

August 28th 9am – 3pm **Our Savior's Lutheran, Box Elder (tentative)**

August 29th 9am – 3pm **First Lutheran, Wolf Point**