

# Montana Synod Weekly Announcements July 24, 2023

Registration is Open for the 2023-2024 Basic Training in Transitions (BTT) Course Lutheran Transitional Ministry Association (LuTMA)

For all Pastors who sense a call to serve as Intentional Interim Ministers to help congregations through pastoral transitions.

2023-2024 BTT Course Phase 1: 12 virtual 90 minutes classes on Thursdays. Begin Oct 5, 2023 with an introduction to Google Classroom. Phase 2: 1 week residential April 8-12, 2024 (Location to be determined.)

#### For more information and registration:

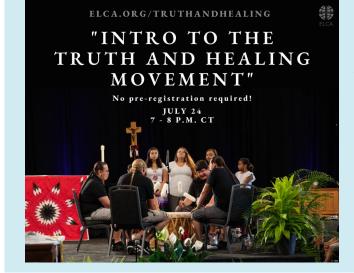
Visit the LuTMA website

**Link to the LuTMA Website** 

(Go to tab:Education - Basic Training)

# Class opportunities from the ELCA

We have two awesome classes coming up next week! Join us for "Introduction to the Truth and Healing Movement" on Monday, July 24, and "Indian 101" on Wednesday, July 26.



Both classes are from 7-8 P.M. Central time, and neither require pre-registration. Just go to ELCA.org/TruthAndHealing and click "join the class" to attend.



# Enhancing Worship with Art: Music, Design, Visual Elements and Themes

Led by Pr. Julie Long

**-September 9th,** 10:00am to 3:30pm at New Hope Lutheran in Great Falls

-September 23rd, 10:00am to 3:30pm at Zion Lutheran in Glendive



-October 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am to 3:30pm at Northridge Lutheran in Kalispell

#### **\$25**

All are welcome to come, learn and share ideas for music, liturgy and enhancing church spaces to emphasize worship and sermon themes. This workshop will involve singing a variety of songs and liturgies from "Evangelical Lutheran Worship", "All Creation Sings" as well as from other resources and composers. In addition to music, ideas will be presented using our senses to enhance worship spaces to highlight seasonal and sermon themes included in the Revised Common Lectionary and Narrative Lectionary. Led by retired pastor Julie Long.

Join us at **ELEA Innovative** 

### Leadership Summit: Developing the Leader Within

October 27-29, 2023

#### **Register**

ELEA Innovative Leadership Summit is intense training for leaders of ELCA Schools and Learning Centers who are interested in building a network for themselves, developing new skills and innovative strategies, and reinspiring passion for your mission. We encourage Pastors and Administrators to attend together and will offer ways to



connect if that is not possible. View our program guide (draft)

#### Date/Time

Our program will begin on October 27th at 1:00 pm. There will be an early-bird welcome on October 26th for those arriving early. Our program will conclude on October 29th by Noon. Please schedule travel accordingly.

#### **Fees/Admission**

This event is offered at a rate of \$375/person. This fee covers a multitude of engaging workshop offerings, Saturday Lunch, and breaks as well as resources, panelist time, and much more. Room rates have been secured at \$119. Once participants are registered we will share the attendee list in case you would like to share a room.





## **FLBC Updates**

THANKS to all for an awesome summer... FLBC is serving over 1200 campers this summer. THANKS for your care and prayers that sustain this ministry! Hard to believe we have two weeks of "regular" summer camp left, before we jump into our full retreat program, including a week with the Montana Youth Diabetes Association, Intermountain, Flathead Industries and more!

Join us for these upcoming FLBC sponsored events; See web site, or call 406-752-6602 for details!

**Aug 5, 9-5pm** (or whenever you can come!) Wood cutting, splitting and fun day!!

**Sept 1-4**- Labor day family and work retreat, with Pastor Abigail Cress-Orellano serving as Adult Bible study and worship leader.

**Oct 14th**- Annual meeting,(including worship and installation of Pastors Grant and Amanda Applehans as Co-Associate Directors.) followed by the Harvest Festival. Tickets on sale now for the dinner and event Saturday, to raise money for camperships. Donations needed!! Contact <a href="Events@flbc.net">Events@flbc.net</a> with your questions

**Oct 20-22**- Grief retreat, with expert leaders! Pastor Keith Weatherford will serve as the retreat pastor.

Oct 29-31 (Sunday-Tuesday) -"The Bible in 24 hours" Adult retreat for lay and pastors. With Dr. Rachel Wrenn, Trinity seminary.

The FLBC Outreach program is taking reservations for a one a month event at your church, October-April! A great outreach ministry for your church. Contact our office! Camp travels everywhere!!



# **Christikon Clips**

**July 2023** 

Information for our Congregations

We are grateful for all the hard work that our Work Weekend crew accomplished! Great group! Check out the pictures on our facebook page. Follow us: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Christikon">https://www.facebook.com/Christikon</a> Thank you to one and all!

It's not too late to register for camp this summer! Space remains in most youth sessions and in those for families and adults. You can register online at <a href="https://www.christikon.org">www.christikon.org</a> or call us at

the camp office for further information.

**Special guest speakers** become part of the Christikon life this summer during sessions for adults and families. Continuing Education Retreat (July 31-Aug 5) – we welcome our speakers Dr. Eric Meyer, Kent Claussen Gubrud and Paul Waldum – Go to our website for topics. Mountain Weekend (Aug 4-6) – watch our website for speaker(s) and topics as they become available.. Come spend a few days of relaxation, learning, and faith growth with us. Check out topic details on the website. <a href="www.christikon.org">www.christikon.org</a>

Remember to pray for our staff and campers. It is the mission of Christikon to awaken and nurture faith in Christ—exploring God's creation and the adventure of life together.

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