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CAW NEWSLETTER

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Dear friends of CAW,

Peace and forgiveness to you, bought by Christ's holy precious blood and innocent suffering and death, and announced and bestowed by him upon his resurrection from the dead.

There are several things we would bring to your attention.

First, a reminder of our conference on **Artificial Intelligence** (June 24-25). We strongly encourage you to attend – preferably **in person**. AI is one of the most important, current issues facing everyone, including Christians young and old. The presenters are excellent. **The conference is free**. This year we are also offering lunch on Thursday. See details below on registering and lunches. If you cannot attend in person, it will be **livestreamed**. There is also a link below for a flyer you can share or run off as an insert for church bulletins.

Second, please check out the **new videos** that explain how **false theories on the resurrection of Christ** fall short and can be debunked.

Finally, we also have reminders of **presentations we offer** (including new ones), other **upcoming events**, and our **Worldview Watch** page.

The Eighth Annual 2026 APOLOGETICS AND WORLDVIEW CONFERENCE

June 24 (7pm) & June 25 (10:30am-3:30pm)
Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato MN

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Is AI a “giant leap for mankind”? A return to Babel? How can it be harnessed and used well? What are the implicit dangers? How does it impact Christian anthropology, the *imago dei*, a liberal arts education, human relationships and interaction? And what comes next?

Presentation 1: Wed. 7:00pm-8:00pm (followed by 30 minutes of a panel & questions)
AI Explained: How does it work? What can it do and not do? What are its benefits and obvious dangers?
(Rev. Jonathan Conner)

Presentation 2: Thurs. 10:30am-noon (followed by 30 minutes of a panel & questions)
A Deeper Look (A): Anthropology, dehumanization, and AI's impact on a Christian liberal arts education
(Rev. Dr. Adam Brasich)

Presentation 3: Thurs. 1:30pm-2:30pm (followed by 50 minutes of a panel & questions)
A Deeper Look (B): Anthropology, companion bots, transhumanism, and what lies ahead
(Dr. Brandon Steenbock)

The lunchbreak on Thursday is from noon to 1:30.

To register for attending **in person** (no charge) AND if you wish to have **lunch** in Bethany's Dining Center on Thursday, use the **QR** code below (note: the lunch is free but a free-will offering of \$10 would be appreciated).

The conference will also be livestreamed (the livestream link will be posted online just prior to the presentation at <https://apologeticscenter.org/events/>).

Click **here** for a flyer you can share with others or print off for church bulletins, etc.

NEW VIDEOS DEBUNKING RESURRECTION THEORIES

There are five new videos that show that attempts to explain away the bodily resurrection of Christ are actually quite baseless and even rather silly. The Swoon, Wrong Tomb, Stolen Body, and Hallucination theories are discussed, followed by making the case for Jesus' real resurrection. Each video is three to eight minutes long. They would be good for a Bible study hour, family time, individual study, or to share with others. You can view them at our website ([false theories](#)) our Facebook page ([false theories](#)), or on YouTube ([false theories](#)).

PRESENTATIONS CAW OFFERS

(We can come to you)

Here is a list of presentations available to congregations, schools, colleges, conferences, Bible study hours, youth groups, men's groups, women's groups, etc. Each presentation by itself typically lasts anywhere from 50 minutes to 3 hours (the length can be adjusted based on the time available), or 2-5 hours if more than one presentation is requested (again, the length can be adjusted). For more information or to request a presentation, contact us at apologetics@blc.edu or call 507-344-7295. **NOTE: CAW offers these presentations at no cost** (though donations are welcomed).

AVAILABLE PRESENTATIONS:

- The Honor of Defending Christianity: The What, Why, and How of Apologetics
- Identifying Deceptive Worldviews
- Discerning Parents and Teachers

- The First and Highest Work of Love (Evangelism)
- What Happened to Jesus' Body? (False theories on the resurrection)
- Three Amazing Messianic Prophecies
- How Christianity Is Set Apart from Other Religions
- How Creation and the Fall Best Explain True Reality
- Evidence for a Young Earth
- Answers to the Problem of Evil and Suffering
- Being a Godly Husband and Father

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 29, 8:00am & 10:30am (worship); Bible study in between
Sermon: "Messianic Prophecies that Explain Palm Sun. Excitement"
Bible study: "What Happened to His Body?"
 Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Marshall MN

April 19, 9:30am (rescheduled from January due to snowstorm)
"The Honor of Defending Christianity"
 Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church, Zionsville IN

April 25, 8:45am – 3:30pm (rescheduled from March)
Fearless Faith Conference:
"The Honor of Defending Christianity" (Rev. David Thompson)
"What Sets Christianity Apart" (Rev. David Thompson)
"Evidence for a Young Earth" (Dr. Doyle Holbird)
"Evidence that God Exists" (Pastor Steve Lagoon)
 (Go [here](#) for details and registration)
 Cushing Baptist Church, Cushing MN

April 26, 3:30pm
ELS Circuit 8 Conference
Apologetics & Worldview presentation
 Oak Park Lutheran Church, Oklee MN

June 24 (7pm) & **June 25** (10:30am-3:30pm)
8th Annual Apologetics Conference
Artificial Intelligence (Go [here](#) for details)
 Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato MN

July 14-17
Consortium for Classical Lutheran Educators (CCLE)
 CAW breakout presentation: **"See to It That No One Takes You Captive: The Basic Assumptions of Cultural Marxism"** (Go [here](#) for details and registration)

July 23-26
Lutheran Youth Association Conference
"In the beginning..." (keynotes by Dr. Doyle Holbird & Dr. Chad Heins)
 Creation Museum & Ark Encounter, Kentucky

WORLDVIEW WATCH

Please see our updated lists of podcasts and articles here:

www.apologeticscenter.org/worldview-watch/

Or click on a topic below

- AI & Transhumanism
- Arts & Entertainment
- Apologetics and the Bible
- Church & Theology
- Christian Nationalism
- Christian Vocation
- Critical Theory
- Creation & Evolution
- Definitions Matter
- Economics
- Education
- Ethics
- Evidence
- Family
- Gender & LGBTQ
- Government Laws & Courts
- History
- How to Have a Conversation
- Justice & Civil Rights
- Life, Abortion, Euthanasia
- Persecution
- Science & Technology
- Sexuality
- Technology & Social Media
- World Religions & Paganism
- Worldviews & Ideologies
- Workplace & Business

The Lord bless your Holy Week and Resurrection celebrations.

Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;
I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart;
With tender mercy cheer me.
Earth has no pleasure I would share,
Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare
If Thou, Lord, were not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break,
My trust in Thee no one could shake.
Thou art the Portion I have sought;

Thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ,
My God and Lord, my God and Lord,
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

(Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary, 406)

Please keep CAW in your prayers and support us as you are able. Thank you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. David Thompson, Director

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Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person. (Col. 4:5-6; ESV).