

Schedule

Friday, July 21, 2017

6:00 p.m. Registration

7:00 p.m. Opening Worship

8:00 p.m. Fellowship/Refreshments

Getting to Know One Another

Saturday, July 22, 2017

8:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Opening Devotions

9:15 a.m. Keynote Speaker

Dr. Marney Fritts

10:15 a.m. Break/Refreshments

10:30 a.m. Keynote Speaker

11:30 a.m. Nomination for

Open District Council Positions

Noon—Break/Lunch at Church

1:00 p.m. LCMC Speaker

Pastor Mark Vander Tuig

National Service Coordinator

2:00 p.m. Business Meeting

Election of District Council Members

2:30 p.m. Installation of Council

2:45 p.m. Closing Prayer & Benediction

Accommodations

Days Inn & Suites

1716 East 23rd Street

Columbus, NE 68601

402-564-1266

Single or Doubles

\$89.99 to \$126.00

Sleep Inn & Suites

303 23rd St.

(US 30 & 23rd)

Columbus, NE 68601

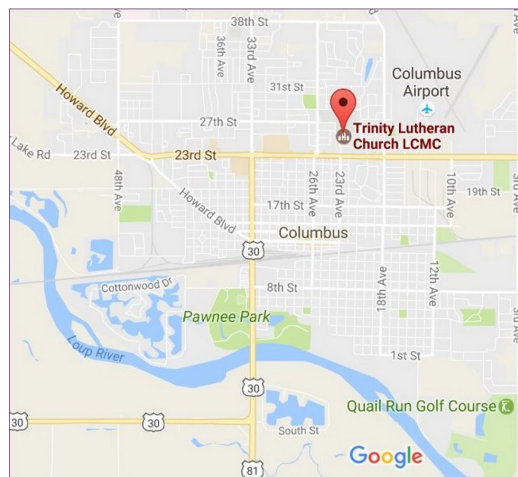
402-562-5200

Single or Doubles

\$94.00 to \$104.00

A block of rooms is reserved at each hotel. Please be sure to mention **“Heartland District Gathering”** when making your reservations. Rooms must be reserved before **JULY 7TH** to receive the group rate.

Directions



“In Christ Alone”

The Five
Hundredth
Anniversary of
The Lutheran
Reformation



**HEARTLAND
DISTRICT
ANNUAL
GATHERING**

July 21 & 22, 2017

*Trinity Lutheran Church
Columbus, NE*

In Christ Alone — We Never Stand Alone

Registration

On October 31, 1517, Dr. Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg. Luther's simple invitation to debate the fundamental Bible Truth (Scripture Alone) of Justification by Grace Alone through Faith Alone, set off a firestorm. That fire still burns today because these fundamentals of Lutheran theology point to an even greater truth: Christ Alone.

**In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought
and storm**

"In Christ Alone"

Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

Our keynote speaker for our annual district gathering will be Dr. Marney Fritts of Seward, NE, an LCMC pastor and professor for St. Paul Lutheran Seminary since its inception in 2011. Dr. Fritts holds degrees from Pacific Lutheran University (B.S. Biology, B.A. Religion) and from Luther Seminary (M.A. Theology and Doctrine, Ph.D. Systematic Theology).

Dr. Fritts message will help us understand how the events of the Lutheran Reformation, five hundred years ago,

continue to shape and influence the Lutheran Church today. Her focus will be on the importance of regaining and holding onto the four reformation solas (alone):



Also joining us at our gathering will be Pastor Mark Vander Tuig, the National Service Coordinator for Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ. Pastor Mark will be giving us an update on happenings throughout the LCMC.

Plan to join us on Friday night for opening worship, followed by a time of refreshments and fellowship. This meet and greet is a time to meet old and new friends; a time to join as partners in the Gospel ministry we share here in the Heartland!

**Registration deadline July 7, 2017
Cost of \$15.00 includes lunch on Sat.**

Please copy and complete one registration form for each person. District congregations are encouraged to send their pastor and a minimum of one lay delegate. Each congregation is allowed two voting delegates for the business meeting (either pastor or laypersons).

Name

Phone (cell preferred)

Email

Address

City

State

Zip

Congregation

City/State

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Number of Total Registrations _____

Mail to: **Sandy Kristensen/Registrar
1465 Butler St.
Blair, NE 68008**