A Wartburg Theological Seminary Life-Long Learning education program for rostered leaders and their families with an opportunity to experience Colorado's beautiful Rocky Mountains.

--25 contact hours or 2.5 continuing education units--

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Morning lectures, designed for adults, feature theologians from diverse backgrounds and create an academic atmosphere. A Biblically-based morning program for children and teens (ages 4-19 while adults are in lectures), provides an exciting team building experience, incorporating music, crafts, recreation and environmental awareness. Child care is provided for children ages 3 and under. Children and teens are welcome at all evening programs and events. Teens should come prepared to spend $40 - $45 for horseback riding or other activities during one of the morning sessions.

Afternoons are free for hiking, sightseeing, picture taking, horseback riding, or just quietly enjoying the beauty of the Rocky Mountains. Nearby Estes Park offers golfing, shopping, swimming, and other diversions. Evenings bring many surprises! There may be additional lectures, music, square dancing, potlucks, talent night, or other group participation events.

Cost:

Individual: $265 Repeater, $240 First-time Academy Participant (if registered by 2-15-2013); Couple: $330 Repeaters, $305 First-time Academy Participants (if registered by 2-15-2013); Each Child: $95. Full registration fees and a housing deposit of $265 must be paid at the time of registration. There will be a $50 processing fee for all cancellations. If the cancellation is received less than 21 days before the opening of the Academy, we cannot guarantee that the housing deposit will be fully refunded. Extended family (e.g., adult children, grandparents) staying for part or all of the Academy must pay housing for the full 10 days. If extended family members will be participating in the program of the LAR, they will also need to pay the registration fee. Generally, no part-time registration is possible. There is no housing charge for children ages 2 and under. A limited number of cribs are available for $15 each. Please indicate any need for a crib on the housing request. Pets are not allowed. If there is any change in your housing request, please notify us no later than May 15th, 2013. Participants will be notified of their housing assignment in early June. Special housing needs may be met by conferring with Rev. Kristi Beebe.

Staff:

Director: Dr. Gwen Sayler, Director of LifeLong Learners, Wartburg Theological Seminary
Dean: Dr. Frank Benz, Professor Emeritus of Old Testament, Wartburg Theological Seminary
Co-Coordinators: Revs Kristi and Scott Beebe

Register Now!

HURRY—THE ACADEMY TENDS TO FILL UP QUICKLY!
Registration for the Luther Academy of the Rockies will be limited to 70 registrants and their families. ALL REGISTRATION FEES GO DIRECTLY TO WARTBURG THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, and may be paid by check or credit card. Full registration fees and a housing deposit of $265 must be paid at the time of registration. All housing balances must be paid to Wartburg Theological Seminary by May 15, 2013, unless other arrangements are made in advance with Dean Frank Benz fbenz@comcast.net. Final payments will no longer be accepted on-site at the academy.

There are two ways to register!!

1. Complete the registration form online and pay online at www.wartburgseminary.edu under LifeLong Learning Events
2. Complete printable registration form and mail with payment to Wartburg Theological Seminary
   Attn: LAR
   PO Box 5004
   Dubuque, IA 52004-5004

QUESTIONS? Contact Dr. Gwen Sayler: 563-589-0302 or gsayler@wartburgseminary.edu

GO TO NEXT PAGE FOR PRINTABLE REGISTRATION FORM
ADULT REGISTRATION #1  ❑ First time Academy participant  ❑ Repeater
Name: ____________________________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________________________ City/State/Zip: ___________________________
Phone: (H)(____)_____________________ (W)(____)_____________________ E-mail _____________________________
Name of Congregation/Specialized Ministry/Retired: __________________________
❑ Rostered  ❑ Non-Rostered

ADULT REGISTRATION #2  ❑ First time Academy participant  ❑ Repeater
Name: ____________________________________________________________
Address: _________________________________________________________ City/State/Zip: ___________________________
Phone: (H)(____)_____________________ (W)(____)_____________________ E-mail _____________________________
Name of Congregation/Specialized Ministry/Retired: __________________________
❑ Rostered  ❑ Non-Rostered

CHILDREN (0-18) registering for children/youth program
Name                                           Age (as of June 18)  Gender
__________________________________________________________________________
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OTHER ADULTS IN YOUR PARTY (who are staying with you but not participating in the morning sessions)
Name
__________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________
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Note: We must have the exact number of people in your group. Extended family staying for part of the academy must pay housing for the full 10 days. If there is any change in the above, please notify WTS no later than May 15, 2013. Our limit is 70 registrants and families.
ATTENTION:
Are you considering attending Luther Academy of the Rockies for the first time?? All first-time registrants will receive $25 off adult registrations (individual or couple) if they register before February 15, 2013. Hurry and secure your spot now!

ACCOMMODATIONS
___ Meeker Lodge
___ Housekeeping cabin (within 3/4 mile)
___ Housekeeping cabin (over 3/4 mile)
___ Camping
___ I am willing to share a room/cabin with _______________________________

REGISTRATION FEES: (Registration fees and housing deposit due at the time of registration)

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Full registration fees and a housing deposit of $260 must be paid at the time of registration. All housing balances must be paid to Wartburg Theological Seminary by May 15, 2013, unless other arrangements are made in advance with Dean Frank Benz fbenz@comcast.net. Final payments will no longer be accepted on-site at the academy. Unless prior arrangements have been made, a late fee of $25 will be assessed for payments not received by May 15, 2013.

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Make checks payable to Wartburg Theological Seminary

Mail registration and payment to:
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PO Box 5004
Dubuque, IA 52004-5004

Meeker Park offers both cabins and rooms in the lodge. Cabins (which sleep up to 9 people) are fully equipped with bedding, basic cooking utensils, linens, and bathrooms. Some of the cabins have fireplaces. Privately owned cabins and cabin camps may also be available in the area. A few pleasant sleeping rooms, without cooking facilities, are available in the Meeker Park Lodge. Camping sites are available at Olive Ridge Campground, maintained by the National Forest Service, as well as in the Estes Park area. A primitive campsite is available one mile north of Meeker Park Lodge.

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