

## Presenters

### Karoline Lewis

A graduate of Northwestern University, Lewis received a Master of Divinity from Luther Seminary in 1994 and a Doctor of Philosophy in New Testament studies from Emory University in Atlanta in 2006. She has led conferences, workshops, and retreats throughout the US and Canada, and was one of the featured preachers at the Festival of Homiletics in 2011 and 2012.



Lewis is the author of “Rereading the ‘Shepherd Discourse:’ Restoring the Integrity of John 9:39-10:21; the introduction and study notes for the Gospel of John in the Lutheran Study Bible and co-author of “New Proclamation: Year B, 2009, Easter through Christ the King.” She has authored articles for *The Christian Century*, *Feasting on the Word*, *Lutheran Forum*, and *Word & World*. She is a contributing writer to [WorkingPreacher.org](http://WorkingPreacher.org) and co-host of the site’s weekly podcast, *Sermon Brainwave*.

### Jonathan Rundman

A Midwest-based songwriter, performer, and recording artist, Rundman’s critically acclaimed songs have been highlighted in publications such as *Billboard*, *The New York Times*, *The Christian Century*, and *The Lutheran*, and have received radio airplay across the US and in Europe.



Jonathan’s songs have been used as programmatic theme music for regional and national Youth Gatherings. Dozens of congregations across the country use his Heartland Liturgy for their church services. In addition to being a leading voice in new Lutheran music, he was also a contributing author for the bestselling theology/comedy manual *The Lutheran Handbook*.

Read complete bios at [nisynd.org/plc](http://nisynd.org/plc).



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## Northern Illinois Synod Professional Leaders Conference

**Celebrating  
Reformation 500  
through  
preaching,  
singing,  
and engaging**



**September 18-20, 2017**

**Sinsinawa Mound Center**  
585 County Road Z • Sinsinawa, WI 53824-9701  
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## Theme

It's almost here! October 31, 2017! As we come closer to this commemoration, let's gather at Sinsinawa Mound to learn more about preaching the Gospel of John from Professor Karoline Lewis of Luther Seminary; to learn from well-known musician Jonathan Rudman about how to engage the whole people of God in worship through music; and have a chance to build relationships through a variety of ways of engagement – fun, free time activities, and sabbath time with God. See the schedule for additional choices this year to engage with our presenters and with other colleagues, as well as enrich your work as ministers of the Northern Illinois Synod and the ELCA, wherever you are planted.

## Housing Information

On-site housing is very limited and reserved for those with restricted mobility or responsibilities with the PLC that require them to be on-site early and stay late. To inquire about a room, please contact Nancy Corey at 309-794-4004.

Please reserve your own hotel room. The hotels below have specially-priced room blocks (until August 16). Indicate that you are with the *Northern Illinois Synod Professional Leaders Conference*.

**Stoney Creek Inn** - 940 Galena Square Dr, Galena, IL 61036  
815-777-2223 - Special rate \$65 per night

**Galena Ramada** - 11383 Rt 20 W, Galena, IL 61036  
815-777-2043 - Special rate \$70 per night

Financial assistance is available through the Rostered Ministers Continuing Education/ Sabbatical Fund. Visit [nisynod.org/resources/cont-ed-sabbatical](http://nisynod.org/resources/cont-ed-sabbatical).

## Free time

Free time activities will include a Galena trolley tour, golfing, biking, hiking the trails, walking the labyrinth at Sinsinawa, and visiting sites in Galena or Dubuque. Sign-up sheets will be available at registration. Please bring your own sporting equipment and favorite games to share. The Ministry Support Committee will sponsor free chair massages during free-time on Tuesday afternoon.

## Registration

Fill out this form and mail with payment to the Rock Island Synod office or register and pay online at [nisynod.org/plc](http://nisynod.org/plc).

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse (if attending) \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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I am a first-time attendee

I am interested in a free chair massage at PLC

**Program and meals** (Mon: L D, Tue: B L D, Wed: B L)  
\$140 per person (add \$25 after 9/5) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Single-Day Registration** (program and meals)  
\$100 per person (add \$25 after 9/5) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

½ price for retired leaders & seminarians

**Total enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration is not complete until payment is received.  
If registering online, please send check ASAP.

**Refunds are not available after 9/10**

All meals are included, but, as good stewards, please note any meals that you plan to miss: \_\_\_\_\_

Sorry, no provision can be made for special dietary needs.

Send registration with payment and direct questions to:  
*checks payable to Northern Illinois Synod*

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## Schedule

### Monday, September 18

10:45 am Worship  
12:00 pm Noon Meal  
1:00-2:30 pm Presentation Session - Karoline Lewis: "Preaching John: Engaging and Embodying an Incarnational Homiletic" Part 1  
2:30-5:45 pm Free Time  
2:45 – 3:45 pm A Conversation with Karoline Lewis: "SHE Persisted: Unlocking the Power of Women in Ministry. Men are welcome!"  
5:45 pm Supper  
7:00-8:30 pm Reformation Follies (Talent Show)  
Vespers following presentation

### Tuesday, September 19

8:10 am Breakfast  
9:00-10:45 am Presentation Session – Karoline Lewis: "Preaching John: Engaging and Embodying an Incarnational Homiletic" Part 2  
10:45 am Worship  
12:00 pm Noon Meal  
1:00-2:30 pm Time with the Bishop  
2:30-5:45 pm Free Time  
2:45 – 3:45 pm Conversation with Jonathan Rundman  
5:45 pm Supper  
7:00-8:30 pm Presentation Session – Jonathan Rundman  
Vespers following presentation

### Wednesday, September 20

8:10 am Breakfast  
9:00-10:15 am Presentation Session – Karoline Lewis: "Preaching John: Engaging and Embodying an Incarnational Homiletic" Part 3  
10:30 am Worship  
12:00 pm Noon Meal and Depart