

## Schedule

### Monday, September 26

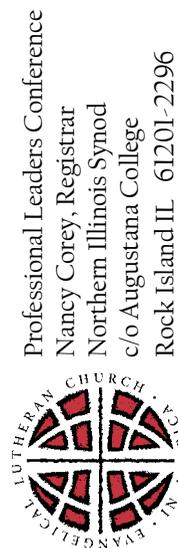
- 9:00–10:45 am Registration  
10:45 am Worship  
12:00 noon Dinner (Bishop dines with leaders new to the Synod in the private dining room)  
1:00–2:30 pm Matthew Fox: *Luther as Prophet at the Debut of the Modern Age: Ourselves as Prophets and Leaders at the Debut of the Post modern Age*  
2:30–5:45 pm Free time  
2:30–3:20 pm Spouse Gathering  
3:30–4:30 pm Elective: *The Continuing Reformation: Sexuality in our Churches*  
4:40–5:40 pm Elective: *The Continuing Reformation: Mission in the 21st Century*  
5:45 pm Supper  
7:00–8:30 pm Matthew Fox: *Creation Spirituality: the Non-fundamentalist and Wisdom Tradition of Israel and the Historical Jesus along with the Cosmic Christ*  
8:30 pm Refreshments & free time  
9:00 pm Vespers

### Tuesday, September 27

- 8:10 am Breakfast  
9:00 am Worship  
10:00–11:50 am Matthew Fox: *Elements of Church Renewal for the 21st Century*  
12:00 noon Dinner (Bishop dines with retired leaders)  
1:00–2:30 pm Time with Bishop Wollersheim  
2:30–5:45 pm Free time  
5:45 pm Supper  
7:00–8:30 pm Matthew Fox: *Deep Ecumenism: Interfaith, Interbeing, Interacting for Peace, Justice, and Sustainability*  
8:30 pm Dessert  
9:00 pm Vespers

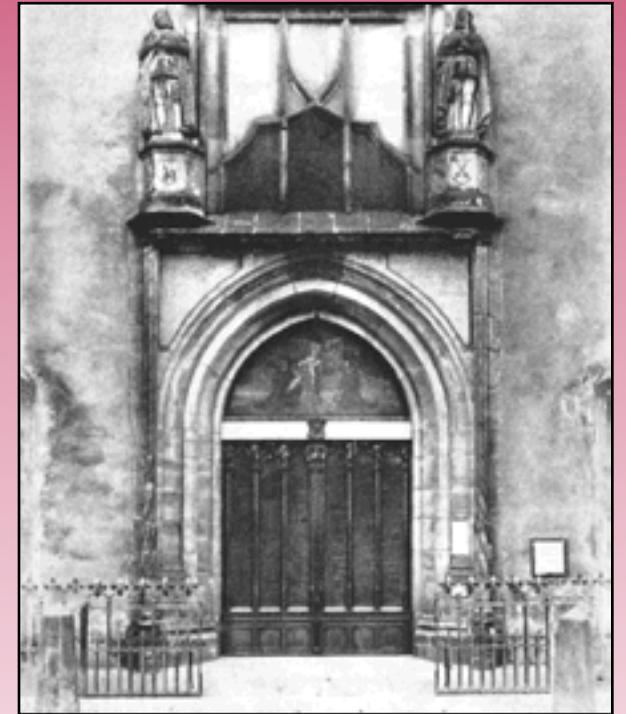
### Wednesday, September 28

- 8:10 am Breakfast  
9:00–10:30 am Tom Witt & Mary Preus: *Continuing Reformation: Worship in the 21st Century*  
10:45 am Worship  
12:00 noon Dinner & Depart (Bishop dines with spouses)



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Northern Illinois Synod Professional Leaders Conference  
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with Matthew Fox  
and Tom Witt & Mary Preus

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Sinsinawa Mound Center - Sinsinawa, Wisconsin

# Registration Form

Register online at [www.nisynod.org/events/plc](http://www.nisynod.org/events/plc) or fill out this form and mail to the address below.

The event will be limited to rostered leaders, seminary students, and paid professional congregational leaders and spouses.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Participate in worship music (check if interested)

Vocal  Instrumental (type \_\_\_\_\_)

## Conference Fees

No registrations will be accepted without payment.

Due to obligations to Sinsinawa, no refunds are available after Sept. 1.

Ninety single occupancy dormitory-style rooms are available at Sinsinawa Mound. Early registration is recommended.

Other lodging options can be found at [www.nisynod.org/events/plc](http://www.nisynod.org/events/plc).

## Registration for residents (program, meals, and housing)

\$175 per person (prior to September 1) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$185 per person (after September 1) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration for commuters (program and meals)

\$135 per person (prior to September 1) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$145 per person (after September 1) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Single-Day Registration Fee (program and meals)

\$100 per person (prior to September 1) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$110 per person (after September 1) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$30 discount for seminarians and retired professional leaders

**Total Registration Fee enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

All meals are included, but, as good stewards, please mark meals that you plan to miss: Mon. noon, Mon. evening, Tues. morning, Tues. noon, Tues. evening, Wed morning, Wed. noon

Send registration with payment to Nancy Corey, Registrar, c/o Augustana College, Rock Island IL 61201-2296.

For special registration arrangements, please contact Nancy Corey at [NCorey@nisynod.org](mailto:NCorey@nisynod.org) or 309-794-4004.

# Presenters

**Matthew Fox** is author of 26 books including “Original Blessing,” “The Reinvention of Work,” “Creativity: Where the Divine and the Human Meet,” “One River, Many Wells: Wisdom Springing from Global Faiths,” “A Spirituality Named Compassion,” and his most recent “A New Reformation!”



He was a member of the Dominican Order for 34 years. He holds a doctorate (received summa cum laude) in the History and Theology of Spirituality from the Institut Catholique de Paris.

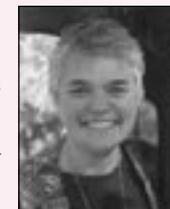
Seeking to establish a pedagogy that was friendly to learning spirituality, he established an Institute in Culture and Creation Spirituality that operated for seven years at Mundelein College in Chicago and twelve years at Holy Names College in Oakland, CA. For ten of those years at Holy Names College Cardinal Ratzinger, as chief Inquisitor and head of the Congregation of Doctrine and Faith (called the Office of the Holy Inquisition until 1965), tried to shut the program down. Ratzinger silenced Fox for one year in 1988 and forced him to step down as director. Three years later he expelled Fox from the Order and then had the program terminated at Holy Names College.

Rather than disband his amazing and ecumenical faculty, Fox started his own University called University of Creation Spirituality nine years ago in Oakland, CA. Its name has now changed to Wisdom University and Fox is president emeritus and a teaching professor there.

Matthew Fox has been renewing the ancient tradition of Creation Spirituality that was named for him by his mentor, the late Father Marie Dominic Chenu, o.p., in his studies in Paris. This tradition is feminist, welcoming of the arts and artists, wisdom centered, prophetic and caring about eco-justice and social justice and gender justice issues. Fox’s effort to reawaken the West to its own mystical tradition has included revivifying awareness of Hildegard of Bingen, Meister Eckhart, and the mysticism of Thomas Aquinas as well as interacting with contemporary scientists who are also mystics.

Read more about Matthew Fox at [www.matthewfox.org](http://www.matthewfox.org).

**Mary Preus** is a singer, song leader, and choir director. Her experience ranges from church choirs (directing and singing) to jazz ensembles. She focuses her current music research on diverse singing styles and on the worship and singing life of justice-centered communities of faith around the world. Mary is music director at Our Savior’s Lutheran in Minneapolis, MN and can sometimes be found hosting lunch at St. Martin’s Table bookstore and restaurant. Besides Bread for the Journey’s recordings, Mary’s voice can be heard on recordings by liturgical composers Ray Makeever and Marty Haugen. In 1995 she released her own compact disc, *Yonder Come Day*. Mary is a member of the ecumenical Community of St. Martin in Minneapolis, MN.



**Tom Witt** has been keyboardist, worship leader, and songleader for a wide variety of Lutheran church events. He has a depth of resources in worship planning and leads workshops on music, liturgy, and contemporary society. During 1998-99, Tom served as musician-in-residence at the Lutheran retreat center Holden Village, in Washington state. In addition to his current work with Bread for the Journey, Tom serves as worship coordinator for the ecumenical Community of St. Martin in Minneapolis, MN. He has released a CD recording of his own instrumental improvisations on hymns in the Lutheran Book of Worship, entitled *Dusting Off the Green Book*.



## How to Get There

Sinsinawa Mound Center, On County Road “Z” off Hwy 11, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin 53824-9999 608/748-4411

### From Rockford, IL:

Take Hwy 20 through Galena . . .

### From the Quad Cities:

Take Rt. 84 north to Rt. 20 west and travel through Galena . . .

. . . then

After passing through Galena, watch for the “Menominee” and “Sinsinawa” sign on the right. Turn right (north) on Menominee Rd (County Rd. ZZ). At County Road Z, turn right and proceed past Post Office. The center is on the left. Please park in the lot across the street to the south.

