**Partners Programs**

**Other Ministry Resources**

**Gustavus Youth Outreach**
(http://oncampus.gustavus.edu/oncampus/orgs/gyo/index.html) GYO is a student-led ministry at Gustavus dedicated to sharing the gospel with young Christians. The group is divided into teams of 7-8 members that meet weekly on campus. On weekends they travel to area congregations for overnight bookings with youth groups. Teams can plan lock-ins, family nights, and retreats for your church, and also may be asked to assist with worship. Teams utilize a variety of skills including:

- Camp Music
- Bible Studies
- Skits & Games

The congregation is asked to cover expenses of the team: mileage for van transportation, meals (if necessary), cost of special materials required, and housing and food for the team while they are visiting. To defray miscellaneous expense, an offering is appreciated. An on-line reservation form is available on this website and the GYO website, or you may contact the group at (youthoutreach@gustavus.edu) or 507-933-7585.

**Pulpit Supply**
(Church-Relations@gustavus.edu) or 507-933-7001

Gustavus has a limited number of ordained pastors and lay persons available for pulpit supply in congregations. Normal honorarium and mileage are acceptable compensation. Most successful requests are made at least three weeks in advance. Please e-mail or call the Office of Church Relations with your request. Be sure to indicate what the service times are and whether an ordained person is required for the assignment.

**Partners in Music: Musical Resources for Worship** (Church-Relations@gustavus.edu) Gustavus Adolphus is pleased to share with our partner congregations many choirs, ensembles and soloists who look forward to performing in worship on Sunday mornings or on special occasions. Some of the available ensembles include:

- Vocal Groups: Gustavus Concert Choir, The Choir of Christ Chapel, and several smaller ensembles
- Band: The Gustavus Wind Orchestra (formerly the Gustavus Band), Brass, Flute and Woodwind Choirs
- Orchestra: Several String Quartets and the Gustavus String Orchestra
- Instrumental and Vocal Soloists, and Ensembles are also available
Note: Please bear in mind that these musicians are college students so availability is limited. Congregations are responsible for travel costs associated with performances.

- Choral Music Clinics: Dr. Gregory Aune, professor of music and director of the Gustavus Choir, is available for music clinics and consultation with congregational choirs. The Office of Church Relations will cover the fee for this one to two hour clinic and the only cost to the congregation is mileage reimbursement to Dr. Aune.

Partners in Education (Check the Member Handbook for more information)

Presentations are available for adult forums, adult education classes, workshops and seminars. Congregations can schedule as many presentations as they desire and as many as the speakers' schedule can accommodate. As a courtesy and in an effort to make this program accessible to Association congregations, when speakers are booked by first contacting the Office of Church Relations, we will cover one speaker honorarium ($150) per congregation per academic year until our funds are depleted; congregations are responsible for additional presentations. Congregations are responsible for mileage reimbursement for the speaker at the current IRS rate per mile.

Art

1000 Years of German Church Architecture
This slide lecture will introduce the styles of church architecture in Germany and explain what leads to the features that distinguish them from each other. Examples of Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, Rococo, Neo-Classicist, Art Nouveau, and Modern architecture will be discussed in sufficient detail.

Horst Ludwig

The Winner Altar in Braunschweig, Germany
This slide lecture will introduce to the audience one of the finest examples of modern art in liturgical use. Gerd Winner, 1936 Chair for Painting and Graphics at the State Academy of Visual Arts at Munich, reorganized the altar space at St. Albert in Braunschweig when it was renovated in 1987. The new altar with its modern cross, in less than a decade, has been referred to as the "Brunswick Altar" and has thus been compared with the Isenheim Altar (by Gruenewald) and the Cremlingen Altar (by Riemenschneider). It continues the tradition of great altars into our time.

Horst Ludwig

The Church and the Problem of Authority in Postwar German Cinema
In the anti-authoritarian '60s, '70s, and '80s in Germany, the Church was not spared from criticism. In some segments of the population, the Church's response to Hitler's regime and to the Holocaust was seen as an unquestioned moral failure. This session will look at the ways in which this critique was articulated in feature films of the postwar period, and will include the opportunity to screen films together and discuss them.

Jenifer K. Ward

Bible/Religion

The Buddhist Religion: Philosophy and Practice
As the world continues to "shrink" through advances in communication technologies and increased migration between various countries, there arises the need for more understanding between the cultures of the world. For the past several decades Christian and Buddhist theologians have been engaged in serious dialogue concerning such topics as God, Buddha-nature, the problem of evil, ethics, salvation, and a host of other important issues pertaining to spirituality and social justice. As Buddhist thought and practice is becoming more mainstream in the U.S., a clear understanding of Buddhism's doctrinal foundations is necessary for a more thoughtful dialogue among the general populace. In this presentation John will discuss some of the doctrinal and meditative foundations of Buddhism.

John Y. Cha
History of Christianity
Throughout the past 2,000 years Christianity has been a tremendous molding force of the world. You are invited to explore one or more time periods of the history of Christianity. Mark will speak on a particular time period of interest to your congregation. You may also choose to engage Mark in a series of presentations covering various time periods.
Mark Granquist

History of Lutheranism
Lutheranism was born from the actions and thoughts of one man over four hundred years ago. Now Lutherans are located throughout the world in a diversity of forms and practices, yet holding to a central core of doctrine. In this session we will explore the history of Lutheranism, tracing it from its Reformation conception and following it through contemporary manifestations.
Mark Granquist

Luther
Learned. Profound. Cantankerous. Witty. Boisterous. Contemplative. Humble. Frank. Spiritual. All of these words and many more come to mind as we think about Martin Luther. Who was Martin Luther? What was his vision for the church? What were his intentions? Join Mark as we delve into the life and theology of Martin Luther.
Mark Granquist

Topics in American Religion
Religion in America is a vibrant, chaotic, and often confusing swirl of ideas, groups and individuals. New religious groups are appearing every day, religious issues are seen constantly in the media and the courts, and the questions of diversity and pluralism constantly abound. Mark will be glad to work with you to tailor presentation(s) for your congregation to address the questions that are alive in your community, or to explore groups and movements about which your congregation has questions.
Mark Granquist

Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Ethical Responsibility and Resistance to Tyranny
The German resistance to Adolf Hitler and National Socialism during WWII is a story of extraordinary conviction and courage. It is a story made even more exceptional by the participation and death of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, theologian and Lutheran pastor. Nevertheless, to this day a residue of moral discomfort with his martyrdom remains. Is it ethically or theologically possible for a pastor to be involved in political assassination? Did Bonhoeffer exceed his call as a minister of God? Did he go too far? Bonhoeffer's ethics, his notions of ethical responsibility and moral skepticism will be the focus of this discussion.
Douglas Huff

Vocation and Calling: Meaning, Passion, and Purpose in work and daily life
What really matters? Who am I and why am I here? How can I really make a difference in the world? What does God really want me to do with my life? Questions like these are with most of us all throughout our lives, and for many have taken on a new depth and urgency in light of "9/11." In a single session or (if you prefer) in a series, we'll explore a wide range of issues and questions surrounding the idea of vocation or "calling," including the rich theological insights of the Lutheran tradition, society's changing attitudes toward work and community, and each person's giftedness for "ministry in daily life."
Chris Johnson

Forgiveness, Justice, and Revenge
"To err is human; to forgive, divine." Forgiveness, it is said, can heal broken relationships, inspire moral improvement in those who receive it, bring inner peace to those who bestow it, break cycles of violence, and nourish patience and hope. Yet we often feel conflicted about forgiveness, torn between this sense that it is good
(or even "required" of Christians) to forgive and the "gut feeling" that it would just be wrong to forgive some people. Christians can be torn when facing the prospect that to forgive someone seems to invite further abuse, or when being a forgiving person seems to mean that evil goes unchallenged. Their experiences of evil-done directly to them or to their loved ones—cause many people to question or even reject the moral value of forgiveness. How could it be good to forgive such people (Nazis, rapists, child abusers, terrorists), and how could it be good to be a forgiving person in a world so corrupt? Still, the heart of Christian faith is about forgiveness and grace. In a single session or (if you prefer) in a series we’ll explore the nature and relationship of forgiveness and anger, justice and revenge in the Christian life.

Chris Johnson

God, Evil, and Suffering
If God is all-loving and all-powerful, then why is there evil and suffering in the world? If God can prevent it but chooses to allow it, is God really all-loving? If God wants to prevent it but can't, is God really all-powerful? In a world wracked by suffering and evil, what are we to believe, and how ought we to live? In a single session or (if you prefer) in a series, we'll explore various biblical, theological, historical, and literary attempts to wrestle with perhaps some of the most difficult of all human questions.

Chris Johnson

A Map of Contemporary Christian Ethics
What are the people who teach and preach Christian ethics in our schools and churches most concerned about today? This survey of contemporary Christian ethics looks at five major schools: The Liberationists, Liberals, Non-violents, Neo-conservatives, and New Christian Right; and at six areas of concern: politics, economics, sexism and racism, human sexuality, medicine, and the earth.

Garrett Paul

Understanding Buddhism
Buddhism continues to attract a growing interest in the United States, but it nevertheless continues to be rather poorly understood by Americans—sometimes even by those who think they practice it. This presentation is designed to give a brief introduction to key Buddhist teachings and practices, and to hint at some of the astonishing diversity within this major world religion.

Garrett Paul

Understanding Islam
Twenty years ago, most Americans heard very little about Islam, and understood it even less. Now we hear a great deal about it, but our understanding has not kept pace. This presentation is designed to give a brief overview of Islam, its practices, and its politics. Can be one session or two.

Garrett Paul

How to Think About Christian/Personal Faith
One of the continuing needs of every person is to think and reflect on her or his faith. Yet recent surveys of members of the historic Christian churches, including the Lutheran Church, indicate that most of us are not doing so. This program will present one model for thinking about a faith that is both personal and Christian, focusing on seven key questions: faith, God, the world, the self, redemption, community, and the end. Based on Garrett Paul's translation of Ernst Troeltsch's classic book The Christian Faith. Can be one or two sessions.

Garrett Paul

Liberation Theologies from Latin America, Africa, and Asia
Liberation theologies are a "new way of doing theology" that begins, not with the question, "Does God exist?" but rather with the question, "What can it mean to tell a nonperson that he or she is God's child?" Liberation theologians do their work alongside and on behalf of those who are economically, socially, and politically marginalized—in the midst of the daily struggle of this world's "nonpersons" for life and dignity. Liberation theologies understand themselves as a "second step," that is, as reflection on the practice of liberation in the
light of God's word. They critique unjust systems of injustice and work toward their transformation, consistently emphasizing the centrality of Scripture and the importance of context/location and lived experience. In a world shaped increasingly by economic and cultural globalization, liberation theologies' concern for those who are being left behind expresses a powerful and necessary challenge based on the hope born out of Jesus' life, ministry, death, and resurrection.

Mary Solberg

**Geography and Archeology of Ancient Israel**
Tel Masos is an ancient city located in the warm Negev of Israel, on the north bank of the Beersheba Valley. Located near several wells, the site is also referred to as Khirbet el-Mashash (Ruin of the Cisterns). This presentation will focus on some of the highlights of this site, including an Iron Age III fortress and ruins of a Nestorian monastery. Dr. Vaughn will also acquaint participants with the basics of biblical geography and archeology and their importance for Bible reading, teaching, and preaching.

*Andrew Vaughn*

**Special Feature: The Bernhardson Chair in Lutheran Studies**
"A college endows what is essential. By endowing a chair in Lutheran Studies, Gustavus has affirmed the centrality of its relation to the Lutheran tradition and the Lutheran community of faith."-Darrell Jodock

The first endowed chair in Lutheran Studies at Gustavus (and the first at any college related to the Lutheran church) was established in 1996 by Drell and Adeline Berhardson, the parents of four Gustavus graduates. Darrell Jodock, the initial Bernhardson Professor, is a highly regarded scholar in the field of Lutheran studies and has a special interest in Lutheran higher education. Jodock considers himself to be an historical theologian and is interested in shaping the thinking of the Church today. His primary areas of teaching and research focus on Lutheran studies, religion in American culture, Lutheran Higher Education, the history of Christian thought, and Jewish-Christian relations.

Jodock’s duties on campus keep him busy, but he is available for Partners lectures. To inquire about his availability contact the Church Relations Office. Several of his recent papers can be found on our Faith & Learning website. [http://www.gustavus.edu/oncampus/faith/](http://www.gustavus.edu/oncampus/faith/)

**Health Issues**

**The Wisdom of the Body**
In American society today, we tend to overlook and override our body's own innate wisdom. We rely on outside forces (primarily pharmaceutical interventions) to help us regain our balance and, therefore, our health. But what if the old Descartes argument had it wrong? What if mind and body are linked in some way? The new science of pschoneroimmunology shows that mind and body are one inseparable unit. Within the past decade more and more Americans have also been turning away from conventional medical treatments and embracing more holistic and natural treatments. Coincidence? Learn how the new medical paradigm allows body, mind, thought and prayer to play a distinct role in shaping your health. You'll never 'think' about your health in quite the same way again!

*June Kloubec*

**An Introduction to Medical Ethics**
Medicine and health care continue to consume ever greater amounts of our time, energy, and money, while posing new ethical questions with every advance. This presentation is designed to survey the range of moral issues connected with medicine, ranging from euthanasia and assisted suicide to abortion and assisted reproduction. Can be one or two sessions.

*Garrett Paul*
The Spiritual Dimensions of the Medical Cost Crisis

Medicine has achieved monumental victories over suffering and disease in this century, but now seems to have become a victim of its own success, consuming an ever-larger share of the Gross National Product (currently 11%). Recent work in medical ethics suggests that at least part of the financial crisis is rooted in a spiritual crisis: our unwillingness to accept our inability to eliminate suffering and death. This session will be devoted to an exploration of this troubling connection between our health care crisis and our spiritual crisis.

Garrett Paul

National & Global Issues

Christian Perspectives on International Affairs & Politics.

How is the Christian Church engaged in international political affairs? How is US foreign policy affected by the opinions of American Christians? Other subtopics that may be explored include:

- The United Nation’s role in global peace, welfare, and human rights efforts
- Faith-based efforts to promote reconciliation after war

Mimi Gerstbauer

Culture and Terror in America

This session addresses the confusion Americans feel about how to respond to terrorism—either foreign or domestic—and the American environment where individualism and fear combat impulses toward social regeneration. The program addresses the ordinary American citizen’s role in combating terrorism and outlines steps we might take to reverse an internal decay that gives rise to terroristic activity and continues to plague our society in many forms—violent crime, drug abuse, corporate greed, dishonesty, and exploitation of the weak.

Karen Larson

Teaching Children about Evil in a Post-Holocaust World

How do we teach children about evil in a post-Holocaust world? How is the Holocaust itself depicted in books for children and for young adults? Is it possible to define responsible and irresponsible ways of teaching young people about this event, or other controversial or difficult topics such as the bombing of Hiroshima? In this forum, we will discuss such issues, looking at many examples, both good and bad, of books for children and young adults.

Elizabeth Baer

Creating Positive Classrooms

In this session, the presenter will share strategies designed to help minimize negative behavior issues in religious education classrooms. Ideas for involving students and keeping them focused on the topics under discussion will be a part of the conversation. In addition, techniques for working with students who create distractions in the classroom will be shared.

Debra Pitton

Questions About the Holocaust

Two enduring questions about the Holocaust remain for us to ponder: How could this have happened? Could it happen again? In this forum, we will look at some of the explanations provided by historians and others and talk about the implications for our world today. This presentation can be amplified with slides.

Elizabeth Baer

The effects of pornography: Legal and social scientific perspectives on obscenity and indecency in the mass media

This talk looks at three broad areas: It begins with an overview of the current legal landscape regarding obscenity and the First Amendment. Secondly, the talk explores the problem of Constitutionally protected speech known as "indecency" in the electronic media, and the growth of sexual imagery in advertising, TV and
radio, and recorded music and music videos. Finally, it summarizes important social scientific research that has been done on pornography, especially as it relates to adolescents and the family.

Mark Braun

Religion and Politics in the 21st Century
The phrase "separation of church and state" might define the official relationship between governmental institutions and religious ones, but it does not begin to describe the connections found between organized religion and government at all levels and in all historical periods of U.S. political life. This presentation will consider the political impact of religion in the United States, focusing on current issues of constitutional interpretation, public policy, and citizen beliefs about church and state. An analysis of how the events of September 11, 2001 have affected the relationship of religion and politics will also be provided. The primary goal is to understand how the interrelationship between religion and politics continues to affect American public life, both in the actions of government and in the lives of citizens.

Chris Gilbert

Caring for God's Creation
Being concerned about the environment is biblically mandated and is our Christian obligation. Through our five senses, which God has given most of us, and with no other special equipment other than our alertness, we can receive the revelation of God in Creation. Many Christians recognize that an important way to witness to unbelievers is to honor the Creator in the way we act and react. Together, during this program, we will explore the ideas of the invisible fingerprints of God left on the little (like seeds and insects) and the large (rivers, oceans, and forests), and how we can be good stewards through our actions. Slides appropriate to the season, depicting Minnesota plants, animals and natural landscape scenes will accompany this presentation. A darkened room and screen are necessary.

Jim Gilbert

Contemporary Issues in the ELCA
After the first decade of its existence, the ELCA is involved in a series of lively debates over its future direction, and the stance it ought to be taking on certain controversial issues. We'll try to make sense of these issues facing our church, and attempt to examine the issues and the positions from many different angles and positions.

Mark Granquist

Cults, Sects, and new Religious Movements
What are these groups like? What is the difference between these kinds of groups, and how do they operate? What is the difference between a group we just don't understand or like, and a group that is harmful to our communities? Every time we look around, it seems that there is yet another group in the news, but how can we make sense out of them? In a session, or a number of sessions, we'll begin to answer these questions, using examples of groups that are in the news today. Can work with either adult or youth groups.

Mark Granquist

What's up with World Christianity?
While Christianity is stable or declining in Europe and North America, it is exploding in growth in Latin America, Africa, and Asia. The balance of power in Christianity is shifting southward, a movement which will have profound implications for the Church in the next century. This presentation(s) will survey the changes in world Christianity, and look at the issues facing the new Christians in the emerging countries of the Southern hemisphere.

Mark Granquist
Idealical Conflict in Israel
The presenter will discuss the history of Israel, early Judaism, and causes of the tension in the area that is Israel and Palestine. He will discuss the biblical, historical, and contemporary perspectives that have led to ongoing violence in the area.

Casey Elledge

Contributions of the Judeo-Christian Biblical Tradition
How has the Judeo-Christian tradition influenced the development of Western culture? This presentation will include specific emphasis to themes in our culture including, but not limited to, faith and reason; the shape of history; the world as the arena of divine creation, providence and redemption; the communal identity and ethical goals of persons; and aesthetic dimensions of their interrelationship with non-human life and inanimate being.

Casey Elledge

Apocalyptic Movements in Antiquity and Today
This focuses on the phenomenon of apocalypticism in both its ancient and modern expressions. The presenter will address Biblical apocalypses and examples from the Dead Sea Scrolls, and move on to more contemporary examples in Branch Davidians, Bible prophecy movements, and recent end-time popular literature and film.

Casey Elledge

Christian Perspectives on War and Peace
"For everything there is a season, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to love and a time to hate; a time for war and a time for peace" (Ecclesiastes 3). Human history seems to suggest that we've had little time for anything other than war, so did Jesus really mean it when he said, "Turn the other cheek" and "Love your enemies?" In a single session or (if you prefer) in a series, we'll explore a wide range of important biblical, historical, and contemporary Christian perspectives on violence and non-violence, war and peace.

Chris Johnson

The US-China Relationship
From the US perspective, the US-China relationship is one of complexity and competing emphases. US business people promote the notion of the world's largest consumer market; politicians debate whether the US should engage or isolate China for its suspected and/or documented human rights violations, and violation of international law (in the form of copyright infringement, among other issues); and scholars ponder whether the US and China will become rival hegemons with their own particular ideas of what constitutes "world order." How can we make sense of these competing and complex issues? We will examine contemporary Chinese domestic political and foreign policy issues, and will better appreciate their bearing on the US-China relationship.

Richard Leitch

How Not to be a Tourist When Touring Germany
This presentation is intended to make the audience aware of "the tourist" as a cultural phenomenon, and asks whether it is really worth one's while to cross oceans just to acquire a dubious status and whether there is a way to "tour" with dignity. (Presentation includes slides.)

Horst Ludwig

The Trouble with Wilderness
Environmental historian William Cronon suggests that we have paid so much attention in this country to preserving wilderness, spent so much of our environmental activism there, that everyday landscapes where we spend most of our time have suffered from neglect. The quality of these places is slipping away. Would you agree? What is "nature" anyway? Wilderness? How can we be stewards of everyday landscapes? What models are there? Let's discuss these issues a little!

Robert Moline
The Emphatic Christian Center: A Call to Political Responsibility
The effectiveness of the New Christian Right has grown so great that many Americans now think that Christianity is a form of political conservatism. Meanwhile, the Christian Left is splintered, disorganized, and largely ineffective. And the Christian Center, to the extent there even is one, is mostly vacuous, practicing an unprincipled tolerance without any content or principle. But there can be an emphatic Christian Center which is both self-critical and critical of the Left and the Right and their excesses and contradictions. This presentation, based on the book *Forming an Emphatic Christian Center*, offers a constructive theological and political alternative to our present vacuous center.

*Garrett Paul*

God and Politics
Somewhere beyond cliches about "Christian America" and "the wall of separation between church and state" there is a serious question about what the impact is of religious faith on political convictions and activities. This presentation explores the failures of mere secularism, pluralism, and religious activism (of both the left and the right) and proposes an alternative, as described in the presenter's recent book, *The Emphatic Christian Center*.

*Garrett Paul*

The I.M.F. and the Global Economy
Recently great controversy has been ignited concerning global economic issues and the International Monetary Fund. Dr. Reese will help participants bring clarity to the arguments of opposing views concerning the very confusing contemporary economic issues in their new global economy.

*David Reese*

The Mission of the Church in Multicultural Germany
In a unified and ever more multicultural post-WWII German society, the Church has had to keep step with a changing population, political restructuring, and the vexing question of its own relevance against the historical backdrop of the legacy of the Third Reich. How has it met these challenges? This session will look at initiatives in the Church's outreach to immigration/asylum-seeking/refugee communities in Berlin as one possible answer. We will examine the ways in which these peace and justice projects give vibrant expression to local parish life, even infusing liturgy and worship.

*Jenifer K. Ward*

**Relationships/Psychology**

Peer Ministry
Congregation life can be greatly enhanced by the incorporation of peer ministry models into committees, boards, and youth ministry. This workshop will focus on the partnership in ministry with young adults and the possibilities for expanding ministry with all ages. The value of mentoring will be a key concept.

*Brian Johnson*

Man: Wildman, Warrior, Pilgrim, or Promise Keeper?
Men are seeking new role models or archetypes as they seek ways to claim their birthright as men without falling into the old traps that cut short their promise. This introduction to the men's movement will look at some of the different and conflicting ways that men are being encouraged or challenged to change, focusing on four influential models: wildman, warrior, pilgrim, and promise keeper.

*Garrett Paul*

A Method of Moral Judgment
Making moral judgments is a complex skill, like driving a car or reading, that is part instinctive and part learned. It can be something that we do well without even thinking about it - until some crisis forces us to reevaluate, and then we discover that everybody does not do it the same way, and that some people cannot even
do it all—they are morally illiterate. Our society finds itself in just such a crisis today. This presentation is
designed to help us understand how we make moral judgments and to pay better attention to some
considerations that are often left out.

Garrett Paul

**Spirituality**

**Hildegard of Bingen: Medieval Mystic-Contemporary Message**
Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179) was a remarkable medieval woman whose spiritual journey as mystic, prophet,
poet, scientist, musician, abbess, and counselor draws us to her today. Her message of healing, wholeness, and global
interrelatedness is important to our time. In this presentation, we will explore Hildegard's mystical world through her
words, music, and the illuminations of her vision.

Patricia Kazarow

**Scandinavia and Scandinavians**

**Immigrant Churches**
One hundred and fifty years ago the landscape of Minnesota looked very different as immigrants began to settle the
area. In addition to a distinct way of life, they brought with them distinct forms of worship. What were these forms?
What did these churches provide for their congregations? How did these immigrant churches adapt to the rapidly
changing population influx of the past century? What are these churches like now? Mark will explore the world of
the immigrant (especially Scandinavian) churches in the area.

Mark Granquist

**Sweden-Social Welfare: Could it work here?**
Sweden's model of social welfare or social insurance offers Swedish citizens an amazing array of benefits and
privileges. These programs are often described as covering one from "cradle to grave". This session will explore
these benefits describing what Swedish citizens receive as a right of citizenship. We will examine the costs (the tax
cost) of such benefits, and we also contrast the Swedish model with what we believe to be the American model. The
Sweden/USA contrast becomes of interest as we, in this country, examine our system of delivering health care, of
providing access to higher education, and providing work environments which are family friendly.

Bruce Johnson

**What is a Swede?**
Sweden used to be a conspicuously homogenous country with respect to its population. Today, however, 20% of
Sweden's population is composed of first or second-generation immigrants. The presenter will talk about both the
"Old Swedes" and the "New Swedes" and how the relationship between the two may redefine Sweden as it enters
the twenty-first century.

Roland Thorstensson

**Vilhelm Moberg and his Times**
In this country, Vilhelm Moberg (1898-1973) is perhaps best known as the writer of the emigrant tetralogy,
chronicling the emigration of some Swedish families from Småland, Sweden, to Minnesota in the early 1850s. In
Sweden, Moberg is also known for his many novels, stories, and plays about the people he knew best, the ordinary
people of his own province of Småland, and for his indefatigable work as a social critic. This is a forty-five minute
slide presentation.

Roland Thorstensson

**The Sami — "The White Indians" of Scandinavia**
The Sami (also called Laplanders) are the indigenous people of northern Scandinavia and Russia. The victims of
discrimination and degradation for centuries, the Sami have recently been given extended rights and
experienced a cultural reawakening. Their writing, art, and music are being introduced to the world. The speaker, Roland Thorstensson, and his wife, Edi, lived in northern Norway in 1994-95, close to Samiland. Together, the Thorstenssons translated poetry, short stories and excerpts from novels by many Sami writers for an anthology in English (In the Shadow of the Midnight Sun, 1996) and traveled across the Sami regions in Norway, Finland, and Sweden. (Slides and music will accompany this presentation.)

Roland Thorstensson

Worship and Music

Music with a Mission
Piano duettists Paul and Helen Baumgartner will present a recital at your church for the benefit of the Global Mission Institute of Luther Seminary. A quality grand piano is essential for this presentation.

Paul and Helen Baumgartner

Hymns and Their Stories
Our worship is sustained by our music. We gather for services and sing both new and familiar, beloved hymns. But how often do we pause to meditate on the hymn text itself or take time to observe how the music works with the text to create a sometimes transcendent effect? Mark will lead participants through the stories of the hymns, enhancing our appreciation of our hymns and deepening our understanding of the theology of hymns. This presentation can be made in one or up to three sessions.

Mark Granquist

Sundays and Seasons
A new resource for parishes, Sundays and Seasons is designed to utilize a team approach to worship planning. This workshop will incorporate materials from this resource as well as other resources for upcoming cycles of the liturgical year.

Brian Johnson

The Community of Taizé-Its Worship, Music and Vision
This workshop will focus on the music of Taizé and the shape of liturgy that enhances prayer. The life and history of the Taizé community will also be explored since thousands of young adults make pilgrimage to this place each year. This workshop experience will focus on both theory and practice.

Brian Johnson

Music and Spirituality
This interactive workshop considers the role that music plays in our individual lives and communal worship services. We will examine the historical and philosophical background of the relationship between music and spirituality, the theological tradition of music in Lutheran worship, and how music can be transformational through an awakening of the mind, body, and spirit. Examples of worship experiences from Africa and Taizé will be shared.

Patricia Kazarow

Music and Worship: With One Voice
Patricia Kazarow is available as a resource person and/or clinician for church choirs, creative worship and liturgy planning, and the Lutheran book of worship, With One Voice.

Patricia Kazarow
Paul and Helen Baumgartner

Both have doctorates in piano and are teachers of piano in the music department of Gustavus. They served as missionary teachers in Japan and have been at Gustavus since 1964.

Elizabeth Baer

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Mark Braun

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(Chris Gilbert is on sabbatical leave during the spring semester 2005 and temporarily unavailable.)

Jim Gilbert  
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Brian Johnson  
Brian Johnson, a chaplain at Gustavus, was recently a lecturer at Luther Seminary in worship and also a contributor to worship publications for Augsburg Fortress including "Sundays and Seasons." Brian has specific interest in ecumenical dialogue and values development among young adults.

( Chaplain Johnson is on sabbatical leave during the 2004-05 academic year and temporarily unavailable.)

Bruce H. Johnson  
Bruce Johnson joined Gustavus in 1986. He is currently an associate professor of management in the Department of Economics and Management. His undergraduate degree is from Mankato State, his M.B.A. from Indiana (Bloomington), and his Ph.D. is from the University of Houston. He taught at Vaxjø University (Sweden) in 1990 and leads student study programs to Scandinavia during the January term.
Chris Johnson Christopher Johnson is director of Gustavus' new Center for Vocational Reflection, a major campus-wide initiative designed to challenge and equip students, staff, faculty, and friends of the College to live full lives of leadership and service to others. He also teaches courses in theology and ethics with the religion department. A 1985 graduate of Gustavus, Chris went on for a master's degree from Luther Northwestern Seminary in St. Paul and his Ph.D. in theology, ethics and culture from the University of Iowa. He served as assistant professor of religion and director of service learning at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa, prior to returning to Gustavus to launch the Center in 2001.

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