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**DR. BEV YAHNKE &
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FLEMING**
**"IN HIS IMAGE" -
CHRISTIAN
SEXUALITY**

DOXOLOGY

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In His Image: Sexuality Conference

Presenter Bios:

Rev. David Fleming is DOXOLOGY's Executive Director for Spiritual Care. He also remains part-time at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Grand Rapids, MI, where he has served as Senior Pastor from 1993-2019. He is a 1986 graduate of Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, IN. And, he serves on the Concordia University Wisconsin Board of Regents. Pastor Fleming is an often requested presenter for district and regional conferences, Lutheran Worship conferences and has served missionaries and pastors throughout the US and the world. He has authored a variety of articles and the Concordia Publishing House Advent resource, "God Loves me Dearly." He LOVES teachers! Fleming and his (teacher) wife, Marie, Nee Wunderlich, have three children and three granddaughters.

Dr. Beverly K. Yahnke is a clinical psychologist serving as the Executive Director of Christian Counsel for DOXOLOGY. During her 25 years in private clinical practice, she provided care for church workers and their families. She has also served as Department Chair and Professor of Psychology at Concordia University Wisconsin where she was named "Faculty Laureate". Most recently, her work with DOXOLOGY has focused on providing pastors, teachers, and church workers with opportunities for renewal and advanced training. Dr. Yahnke has written numerous articles about psychology, education, and faith, and is a frequently invited speaker for clergy and educator conferences. She also serves on the Board of Regents of Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.



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Pastoral Care for Those Who Cohabit

Every pastor is challenged by couples who cohabit. The nature of this public sin afflicts the consciences of those engaging in this outward act of inward sin, as well as the consciences of parents, grandparents church members, congregational leaders and the pastor, as well. Consciences are burdened and there is need to confront worldly wisdom with confident Christian invitation to a “more excellent way. (Fleming)

GPS Essentials for Travel Through Demanding Conversations

Maintaining relationships throughout a conversational minefield is one of the things that most of us must confront whether we are pastors, principals or teachers. We’ve all responded to angry or challenging parents, students, or colleagues. Unfortunately, we don’t always navigate with the confidence and tools that could be most helpful. This presentation will take a careful look at the anatomy of difficult conversations, outlining professional/pastoral strategies for maintaining control, respect and reducing our own anxieties- while working towards the best possible outcomes for the student, parent, parishioner or colleague. (Yahnke)

Pastoral Support for Families of Transgender Children

The need to support families of transgender children has become increasingly clear to pastors. This presentation explores how it is that pastors and parishes may be able to become places of refuge and support for family members. This presentation will include the review of case study, complete with resources that have been used effectively to create Christian support groups for family members. (Fleming)

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Tuesday, June 4, 2024

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Pastors Conference

12:30pm	Check In & Registration
1:00pm	Welcome, Greetings, and Opening Prayer
1:30pm	Pastoral Care for those Who Cohabit (Fleming)
2:30pm	Break
2:45pm	GPS Essentials for Travel Through Demanding Conversations (Yahnke)
3:45pm	Break
4:00pm	Pastoral Support for Families of Transgender Children (Fleming)
5:00pm	Closing Prayer
5:15pm	Dinner

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A Clear Look at the Landscape of Sexuality and Culture

For each individual with same sex attraction who comes out, a parent, sibling, spouse, or child must respond to new realities. Parents who learn about transgender contagion in their children's school will reel in disbelief, family relationships are often tested mightily, and family members endeavor to respond wisely to the person they love. This presentation will be helpful in providing a candid and compassionate response to the culture's assault on marriage and the family. (Yahnke)

Light into Darkness

The culture is much at work to promote and perpetuate unhealthy sexual behaviors, causing polarization, enmity, and conflict. It's essential to learn how to manage conflict, to lead with wisdom and to be confident and long-suffering instead of quick-tempered. But we need to look beneath the surface to realize that spiritual warfare is involved in this battle. Ultimately Christians are to ground their joy, confidence, and conscience in the judgment of Christ. (Fleming)

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Community Event**

6:30pm Opening Prayer

6:35 A Clear Look at the Landscape of Sexuality and Culture (Yahnke)

5-minute stretch break

7:30pm Light in the Darkness

5-minute stretch break

8:10pm Q&A (10-15 minutes)

8:25pm Closing Prayer

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Christian Worldview and Sexuality

Christian teachers benefit enormously when they can talk with their students confidently about the topic of human sexuality from the perspective of a Christian world view as opposed to the culture's toxic representation of sex. The presentation explores biblical teachings on sexuality, including God's design for sex within the context of marriage, the importance of chastity and the importance of treating one's body with respect, honoring the sanctity of sex in marriage. The role of forgiveness, grace and healthy boundaries in romantic relationships is also discussed. (Fleming)

Care for the Transgender Child: Understanding the Big Picture

Let's break all the rules, shall we? Let's talk about politics, religion, and sex. We'll review competing perspectives, recommendations, and action plans regarding how to care for transgender children. This session offers a candid view of biology, gender dysphoria, myths/realities and examines what care/despair looks like for child, parent, school, and church. Recommended for pastors, teachers, school boards, and anyone who loves children. (Yahnke)

Classroom Strategies and Necessities

What shall we do and what shall we say? Talking with students about matters of sexuality and responding to classroom guidelines is one of the Christian teacher's great opportunities and significant challenges. This presentation will explore helpful necessities for the teacher working with the entire class, as well as for the teacher working with the transgender student. (Yahnke)

Holding Faith and a Good Conscience: Our Daily Spiritual Warfare

Surveys reveal that many church workers have experienced higher levels of conflict and criticism during the pandemic, and divisions remain. It's prudent to examine how to manage conflict to lead with wisdom, and to not be quick-tempered but be long-suffering. But there's also spiritual warfare involved. Ultimately, Christians are to ground their joy, confidence, and conscience in the judgment of Christ. (Fleming)

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Wednesday, June 5, 2024

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Educators Conference – Equipping Those Who Teach

8:30am	Check In & Registration
9:00am	Welcome, Greetings, and Opening Prayer
9:45am	Wonderfully Made: Christian Worldview and Sexuality (Fleming)
10:45am	Break
11:00am	Care for the Transgender Child (Yahnke)
12:00pm	Lunch
12:45pm	Classroom Strategies and Necessities (Yahnke)
1:45pm	Break
2:00pm	Holding Faith and a Good Conscience: Our Daily Spiritual Warfare (Fleming)
2:30pm	Q&A
3:00pm	Closing Prayer