

Dr. Paul L. Maier

Who Should Attend

Active adults and pastors, lay ministers, Bible class leaders, and anyone interested in seniors ministry.

The 11th Annual Cedar Valley Gathering is presented by LCMS South Wisconsin



District Older Adult Ministry Committee.

A great speaker!
Delicious dining!
Scenic trails!
Pleasant facilities!

Warm fellowship! Come for Wednesday's sessions or, better yet, come Tuesday night for fellowship with Dr. Maier.

Stay overnight, making dinner & room reservations with Cedar Valley Conference Center at (262) 629-9202.

Temperatures vary so dress layered. If you're an early riser, you may wish to bring a snack bar.

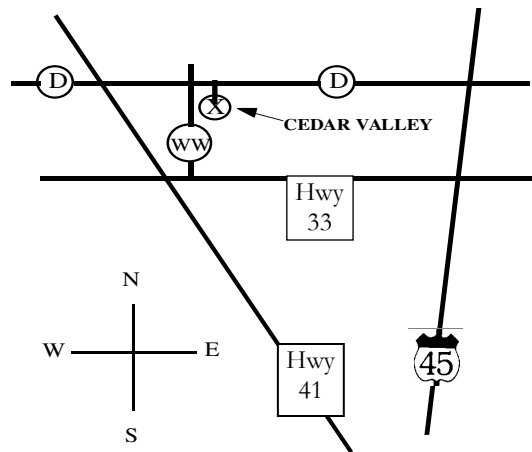


Some like to bring a flashlight. For more information write:

11th Annual Cedar Valley Gathering
LCMS South Wisconsin District
8100 W. Capitol Drive
Milwaukee, WI 53222

Cedar Valley Center

A scenic retreat center in the heart of the Kettle Moraine. Meeting rooms, lounges, dining room, single or double occupancy rooms are modern and clean. For late afternoon or sunrise, the 100-acre setting is the perfect place to relax, unwind and reflect. Beautifully-manicured trails with thought-provoking sculptures make a great setting.



Cedar Valley is 35 miles north of Milwaukee and 9 miles west of West Bend.

Take Highway 45, exit on Highway D, and it is just 6 miles to the Center. On Highway 41, exit east on Highway D and continue 3 miles. **Entrance to the Cedar Valley is off Hwy D.**

Cedar Valley Retreat & Conference Center

5349 County Road D, West Bend, WI 53090
(262) 629-9202 or FAX (262) 629-9962

A Day with Dr. Maier



Looking at
**Christ's Clear Credentials
and the Competition**

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
South Wisconsin District

The 11th Annual

Cedar Valley Gathering

May 13-14, 2008

At West Bend, Wisconsin

**Hurry! Room size limits
registration to the first 100.**

Dr. Paul L. Maier

Paul L. Maier, Ph.D., is the Russell H. Seibert Professor of Ancient History at Western Michigan University. He is Second Vice President of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

Maier is a graduate of Harvard University and Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. On a Fulbright Scholarship Maier studied at the University of Heidelberg, Germany and Basel, Switzerland. He studied under scholars Karl Barth and Oscar Cullmann. His interests include the Ancient Near East; Ancient Greece; Ancient Rome; Christianity and the Roman Empire; and the Reformation Era.



Maier's non-fiction work includes translation of *Josephus: The Essential Works* and *The Ecclesiastical History of Eusebius of Caesarea*. His historical fiction includes the #1 national best-seller in religious fiction, *A Skeleton in God's Closet*, *More Than A Skeleton*, *Pontius Pilate*, *The Flames of Rome*, and children's books such as *The Very First Christmas*.

He travels and lectures frequently. In 2004, he was featured on the Christian daily TV show, *100 Huntley Street* in Canada and still guests on the show.

He is a son of Walter A. Maier I (1893-1950), founder and longtime Speaker of the Lutheran Hour. Like his father, Paul strongly identifies as a Christian and his role as an apologist has become apparent in his co-writing of *The Da Vinci Code: Fact or Fiction?* with Christian apologist Hank Hanegraaff.

He is one of the nation's leading authorities on the Biblical world and a widely acclaimed author and speaker. His seminars add a fresh dimension to the Scriptures, illuminating them with important evidence from archaeology and secular history.

Two Seminars in One!

Dr. Maier will present *Christ or Caricature?* When broadcast media, books like *The DaVinci Code*, and newsmagazines offer caricatures of Christ, his genuine portrait becomes even clearer with new evidence from history and archaeology.

He also presents *Christianity and the Competition*. With all world religions claiming to teach the truth, what makes Christianity any different? The credentials of our faith are compared with those of religions in the East and West. No contest!

Tuesday, May 13 2008 (Optional)

4:30 p.m.	Wine & Cheese
5:30 p.m.	Dinner (Optional)
6:30 p.m.	A Fireside Chat with Dr. Maier
Wednesday, May 14, 2008	
8:30 a.m.	Register/Continental Breakfast
9:30 a.m.	Welcome and Prayer
9:45 a.m.	Christ or Caricature
10:45 a.m.	Break
11:00 a.m.	Christianity & the Competition I
12:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Christianity & the Competition II
2:30 p.m.	Break
2:45 p.m.	Christianity & the Competition III
3:45 p.m.	Free Time
4:00 p.m.	Wine & Cheese Fellowship
4:30 p.m.	Music and Hymn Sing
5:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 p.m.	Safe Travel Home

Registration

A retreat for active adults. A light-hearted get-away with great fellowship and growing in Christ.. You are welcome to copy this form. Please list each person separately. **Registration is limited to the first 100.**

Please print.

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Church _____

City _____

Registration Fee - \$60.00 per person

Registration includes all events for the day, including sessions, meals and breaks.

Pay Tuesday Lodging/Dinner Direct

If you are coming on Tuesday, please call Cedar Valley Retreat Center at (262) 629-9202 and pay them direct for Tuesday night accommodations and Tuesday evening dinner. Ask for the \$55 conference rate for single rooms or \$80 for double occupancy. Dinner on Tuesday is \$9.50.

Deadline: Friday April 28, 2008

Make check payable to:
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Mail to:
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