CALLA LAUNCHES “THE TROTZENDORF LECTURES”

What separates classical Lutheran education from other forms of classical education is its epistemology. Epistemology, the philosophy of how we can know things and whether we can be certain about anything, is one of the fundamental issues of pedagogy and theology. Despite its importance, recently Lutherans have given epistemology very little attention. This year, thanks to a generous donation from a benefactor, CALLA will launch a new academic conference called The Trotzendorf Lectures to explore topics in classical Lutheran education, beginning with Lutheran epistemology. According to CALLA Director, Dr. Thomas Korcok, “The lectures are part of CALLA’s mandate to advance academic research in the field of Classical Education.”

The Trotzendorf Lectures are named for and seek to continue a tradition tracing back to Valentin Friedland Trotzendorf (1490-1556). Trotzendorf was a leading Evangelical humanist and educator who worked to integrate orthodox Lutheran theology with sound pedagogy. His Goldberg School Rules were a unique and innovative approach to education and attracted students from across the Evangelical territories.

Topics for this year’s Lectures include:

- Epistemology in History with Special Reference to Johann Hamann
- Epistemology and Language
- Epistemology and Theology
- Epistemology and Science
- The Epistemological Mind of the Lutheran

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Ex Libris  BOOK REVIEWS FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN

ADULTS  The Six-Cornered Snowflake

*By Johannes Kepler, translated by Jacques Bromberg*

In 1611, the famous Lutheran astronomer and mathematician, Johannes Kepler, wrote this whimsical essay that delves into why every snowflake has a perfect, six-sided symmetrical arrangement. After exploring multiple scientific and philosophical explanations, Kepler concludes that the question cannot be answered apart from the gracious creative work of God. This edition presents the Latin original alongside the English translation. It also includes two essays on Kepler’s work, illustrations, and a poem by John Frederick Nims entitled “The Six-Cornered Snowflake.”


CHILDREN  Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

*A hymn by Martin Schalling, illustrated by Kelly Schumacher*

Join a young girl and her family as they endure the trial of her terminal illness, trust in their Lord Jesus Christ in life and in death, and experience the joy and perfection of the world to come. The words of this cherished hymn and the gentle beauty of the colored pencil illustrations will touch readers of all ages as they reflect on how God’s strength is made perfect in weakness. Kloria Publishing LLC. Available July 1, 2019.

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“All these things, then, will have to be carefully considered by us; and if only those whom we introduce to this vast system of education and training are sound in body and mind, justice herself will have nothing to say against us, and we shall be the saviors of the constitution and of the State; but, if our pupils are men of another stamp, the reverse will happen and we shall pour a still greater flood of ridicule on philosophy than she has to endure at present.”

*The Republic*  Plato  Translated by Benjamin Jowett  Dover Publication  Mineola, NY 2000 p. 197

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The featured speaker for the conference is Dr. Angus Menuge of Concordia University Wisconsin and past president of the Evangelical Philosophical Society. Other speakers include:

— Dr. Jeff Mallinson, Professor of Theology and Philosophy, Concordia University, Irvine, CA,
— Dr. Ryan C. MacPherson, History Department Chair, Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, MN,
— Dr. Gregory P. Schulz, Professor of Philosophy at Concordia University Wisconsin, Mequon, WI, and
— Dr. Roland Ziegler, Robert D. Preus Associate Professor of Systematic Theology and Confessional Lutheran Studies, Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN.

This year’s Trotzendorf Lectures will be held from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 17 at Concordia University Chicago. The event will be held concurrently with Conference XIX of the Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education, July 16–18. Registration for The Trotzendorf Lectures is open through July 9 at CUChicago.edu/Trotzendorf.

CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES NEAR CAMPUS

The University’s location in River Forest is just 10 miles west of downtown Chicago, a major cultural center. If you are planning on coming to the Trotzendorf Lectures you can also engage and immerse yourself in art, music and history at the Art Institute, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the Lyric Opera, the Oriental Institute, Chicago Shakespeare Theatre and more.

CALLA on the Road

Look for us at the following locations. If we are in your area and you want a guest speaker, send us an email and we will see what we can do.

June 6–8: Issues, Etc. “Making the Case” Conference, Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, IL
June 27–29: Society for Classical Learning Conference, Austin, TX
July 16–18: Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education Conference, Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, IL
August 3–4: Corridor Classical Education Conference, Solon, IA
October 10–12: Lutheran Education Association Convocation, St. Louis, MO

Secundum Lilia and CALLA

Secundum Lilia (Latin: “according to lilies”) is a superscription over Psalms 45, 69 and 80, perhaps indicative of the melody to which those psalms were sung. Secundum Lilia will bring you news and updates on CALLA’s activities four times a year (winter, spring, summer, fall). We will pass along interesting ideas, recommend books and provide details of recent and upcoming events.