## Change or Die IV

<u>Date:</u> Thursday, April 18, 2013 <u>Time:</u> 1:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

<u>Location:</u> The Harley-Davidson Museum Conference Center 400 W. Canal St.,

Milwaukee Wisconsin

Host: The Siebert Lutheran Foundation,

Ronald D. Jones, President

Join us for the annual "Change or Die" conference, featuring six inspirational speakers. Each one has led a ministry through transformational change and is thriving in a rapidly changing environment. Network with other leaders in the Lutheran world; imagine new ways to bring our timeless message to people of today; re-energize for the challenges in your own ministry.



Dr. John Bauer, CEO,

Bethesda Lutheran Communities, Watertown, WI <u>www.bethesalutherancommunties.org</u>

Dr. Bauer is well-known in the Milwaukee area, having served as Academic Dean at Wisconsin Lutheran College and Executive Director of the CHARiS Foundation. At present he is the CEO of Bethesda, leading their wonderful ministries to developmentally disabled people and helping the organization change to meet new regulation and funding realities. John is leading Bethesda to an evergreater presence not only in America but around the world.



Dr. Patrick Ferry,
President, Concordia University-Wisconsin,
Mequon, Wis. www.cuw.edu

Dr. Ferry has served as Concordia's president since 1997 and overseen tremendous growth in the university's enrollment, campus capacity, and programs. He oversaw the rebuilding of the magnificent bluffs above Lake Michigan, the opening of the new school of pharmacy, a community baseball field, and the recent assumption of administration of Concordia Ann Arbor.



Dr. Paul Hill, exec. director, Vibrant Faith Ministries, Bloomington, MN www.vibrantfaith.org

Rev.Paul Hill has more than 35 years of experience in outdoor ministries, lay education, youth and family ministry, and congregational development. He has served as a parish pastor, camp director and taught for 17 years in theological education. He is coauthor of many books and articles, including: *Up the Creek with a Paddle*: Building an Effective Youth and Family Ministry,

<u>Frogs Without Legs Can't Hear</u>: Nurturing

Disciples in Home and Congregation,

<u>Coming of Age</u>: Exploring Identity and Spirituality in Younger Men

<u>Operation Fuzzy Squirrel</u>: Effective Youth Ministry Practices

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Rev. Carl Leyrer, pastor,
Divine Savior Lutheran Church, Doral,
Florida www.dslca.org
www.divinesaviorchurch.com

Rev. Leyrer has quietly led one of the most successful cross-cultural ministries anywhere in the Lutheran Church. The congregation in this Miami suburb draws more than 200 in worship each week and offers a vibrant congregational life in both English and Spanish.

The congregation's school, Divine Savior Lutheran Academy, serves early childhood, primary school, middle school, and high school-aged students.

Dr. Jeffery Schrank, senior pastor, Christ Church Lutheran, Phoenix, AZ www.cclphoenix.org

Dr. Schrank is an energetic, outspoken leader who has helped Christ Church grow from 2,000 souls to almost 3,000 in the last decade. A former member of the LC-MS board of directors, Schrank embraces his church's urban neighborhood and enthusiastically supports Christ Lutheran School and its enrollment of over 480. His "Best Practices" conference in February draws hundreds of attendees from all over the country.



Frank H. "Dick" Moeller, pres., Water to Thrive and Enovate, Austin, TX www.enovateenterprises.com www.watertothrive.org

A Harvard M.B.A., Moeller serves as founding principal of Enovate Enterprises, LLC, a consulting firm focused on assisting entrepreneurs, founders, companies and organizations to achieve their full potential with strategic planning, mentoring/coaching, market strategy, governance design and board services. In addition, Moeller is the founder and president of Water to Thrive, a faith-based non-profit organization that works to bring fresh water to rural Africa. He serves also as chairman of the Board of Directors of Thrivent Financial.