

**Mid-South District
Fall Pastor's Conference
Hilton Hotel, Memphis, TN
October 6-8, 2025**

Title: Planting Churches in the First Century: What Luke's Gospel Teaches Us About the Mission of the Church

Description:

In the early church, missionaries used Church Manuals to plant churches. The Didache is a good example of a church manual of catechesis, baptism, and the Eucharist for the Jewish mission. We will examine how Luke's Gospel provided early Christian missionaries with a way of planting a church for Gentiles through catechesis, baptism, preaching, the office of the ministry, the Eucharist, and an understanding of the Church as the New Israel. It will also show how the evangelist St. Luke teaches us liturgical and sacramental theology through the teaching and preaching of Jesus.

Monday, October 6

1:00 p.m.	-	2:00 p.m.	Registration (outside Tennessee Ballroom)
2:00 p.m.	-	2:15 p.m.	Welcome/Opening Devotion (Tennessee AB)
2:15 p.m.	-	3:00 p.m.	District Business
3:00 p.m.	-	3:15 p.m.	B-R-E-A-K
3:15 p.m.	-	4:45 p.m.	Matthew Campbell, Retired FBI Agent <i>Church and Survival Awareness</i>
4:45 p.m.	-	5:00 p.m.	Closing Devotion
5:00 p.m.	-	5:15 p.m.	Load Buses at Hilton Front Entrance
5:30 p.m.	-	6:40 p.m.	Dinner – Central BBQ, 147 E. Butler Ave., Memphis, TN
6:40 p.m.			Load Buses for Travel to FedEx Forum
7:00 p.m.			Memphis Grizzlies vs. Detroit Pistons Pre-Season Game
9:30 p.m.			Load Buses for Travel to Hilton Hotel
9:45 p.m.			Fellowship (Room 2610)

Tuesday, October 7

7:00 a.m.	-	8:00 a.m.	Breakfast (Tennessee CDE)
8:00 a.m.	-	8:15 a.m.	Opening Devotion (Tennessee AB)
8:15 a.m.	-	10:00 a.m.	Rev. Dr. Arthur Just – Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN <i>Planting Churches in the First Century</i>
10:00 a.m.	-	10:30 a.m.	B-R-E-A-K
10:30 a.m.	-	12:00 p.m.	Rev. Dr. Arthur Just – Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN <i>Planting Churches in the First Century</i>
12:00 p.m.	-	1:00 p.m.	Lunch (Tennessee CDE)
1:00 p.m.	-	3:30 p.m.	Rev. Dr. Arthur Just – Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN <i>Planting Churches in the First Century</i>
3:30 p.m.	-	3:45 p.m.	Closing Devotion
3:45 p.m.	-	5:45 p.m.	R&R: Golf and/or Whatever You Want to Do to Relax
5:45 p.m.	-	7:00 p.m.	Dinner (Tennessee CDE)
7:30 p.m.	-	8:30 p.m.	Worship with Holy Communion – Immanuel Lutheran, 6325 Raleigh LaGrange Road <i>Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Arthur Just</i>
8:45 p.m.			Fellowship (Room 2610)

Wednesday, October 8

7:00 a.m.	-	8:00 a.m.	Breakfast (Tennessee CDE)
8:00 a.m.	-	8:15 a.m.	Opening Devotion (Tennessee AB)
8:15 a.m.	-	10:00 a.m.	Rev. Dr. Arthur Just – Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN <i>Planting Churches in the First Century</i>
10:00 a.m.			Closing Devotion