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## Concordia Historical Institute

# Award of Commendation

## Honorable Mention

2025

*(for 2024 Publications Awarded in 2025)*

### Major Works

Thomas E. Jacobson, *Pain in the Belly: The Haugean Witness in American Lutheranism*. Eugene, Oregon: Wipf and Stock, 2024

Robin Leaver, *A New Song We Now Begin: Celebrating the Half Millennium of Lutheran Hymnals 1524–2024*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2024

Bodil Stenseth with Kari Lie Dorer, translator. *Muus vs. Muus: The Scandal that Shook Norwegian America*. Minneapolis: Minnesota Historical Society Press, 2024

James R. Thomas, *A Rumor of Black Lutherans: The Formation of Black Leadership in Early American Lutheranism*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2024

### Regional / District History

Karen Auman, *The Good Forest: The Salzburgers, Success, and the Plan for Georgia*. Athens, Georgia: University of Georgia Press, 2024

### Institutional History

Stephen Anderson, *Forward in Faith: A History of Texas Lutheran University*. Independently Published, 2024

Todd M. Walsh and Frederick L. Johnson. *Castle on the Hill: The Lutheran Ladies' Seminary of Red Wing, Minnesota*. Goodhue County Historical Society, 2023

### Reference Work

*Evangelical Lutheran Synod Congregations and Pastors: A Historical Register, 1918–2023*. Mankato, Minnesota: Evangelical Lutheran Synod, 2024

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## Congregational History

Nathan R. Pope, *Those Villa Street Lutherans: The Story of First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Racine, Wisconsin*. Diet of Worms Press, 2024

## Journal Articles / Journal Issues

Roy S. Askins, ed. *The Lutheran Witness* 143:2 (February 2024 issue)

Mark E. Braun, "A Quieter Walkout: The LCMS Mission Affirmations." *Wisconsin Lutheran Quarterly*, 121:4 (Fall 2024), pp. 243–270.

Mark Granquist, "Lutherans in Canada." In *Journal of the Lutheran Historical Conference 2024*, pp. 197–210.

Mary Jane Haemig, "Paul Gerhardt in America, 1743–2007." in *Lutheran Quarterly*, 38:3 (Autumn 2024), pp. 293–322.

Victoria Jesswein, "German Language Use at Pennsylvanian Lutheran Seminaries." in *Yearbook of German-American Studies* 57 (2022) [published in 2024], pp. 1–12.

Sheila Joy, "The First Black ELCA Congregation in Pennsylvania: Rev. Allen Youngblood and Annunciation Lutheran Church." in *Journal of the Lutheran Historical Conference 2024*. pp. 71–76.

Karen Kuhnert, "Canadian Lutheran History Sources and Resources Presentation: Remembering for the Sake of the Gospel." in *Consensus*, 44:2:7 (2023). DOI:

Allen K. Schroeder, "Rev. David Friedrich Joahannes Beer: The Last Director of Michigan Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saginaw, Michigan. "Gottes Wort und Luthers Lehr."" in *WELS Historical Institute Journal*, 42:2 (Fall 2024), pp. 1–26.

Karen Walhof, "A New Day in Worship for Lutherans: A Behind-the-Scenes Look at the Publication of *Lutheran Book of Worship*." in *Journal of the Lutheran Historical Conference 2024*. pp. 96–121.

## Service to the Cause of Lutheran History in North America

Lynn Degenhardt

Richard Kessler

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## Major Works

Paul Rorem, *Singing Church History: Introducing the Christian Story through Hymn Texts*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2024

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## Biography / Autobiography / Memoir

Stanley Quanbeck and Katherine Quanbeck with James Vigen, ed. *Rest of the Story: The Memoirs of Stanley D. Quanbeck, MD and Katharine D. Quanbeck, RN with Rev. Dr. James B. Vigen, PhD including some Mission History, Ancient and Current. Forty Years as American Lutheran Medical Missionaries Working under the Malagasy Lutheran Church in Madagascar as Led by the Holy Spirit, 1964–2004*. Lulu.com, 2024

## Regional / District History

Bill R. Douglas, *The People are Kind: A Religious History of Iowa*. Eugene, Oregon: Resource Publications, 2024

Gunnar Nerheim, *Norsemen Deep in the Heart of Texas: Norwegian Immigrants, 1845–1900*. Texas A&M University Press, 2024

## Institutional History

David P. Stechholz, *God's Acre: The Story of Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Parks*. Chelsea, Michigan: Sheridan Books, 2023

## Congregational History

Timothy H. Eyerman, *The Power of Faith – The Story of Zion Lutheran Church [El Paso, Texas]*. Self-published, 2024

Suzanne Hequet, *History – Jehovah Evangelical Lutheran Church (Five Parts: 1923–2024)*. Self-published, 2023–2024

*Lifting High Christ's Cross for 150 Years (1874–2024)*. Rural Bancroft, Nebraska: Zion Lutheran Church, 2024

## Journal Articles

Mark Braun, "Seminex: Looking In from the Outside." in *Concordia Theological Quarterly*, 88:4 (October 2024), pp. 291–322.

Justin L. Dauck, "A Look at the Beginning of WELS Mission Work in Western Canada." in *WELS Historical Institute Journal*, 42:1 (Spring 2024), pp. 19–27.

Kirk D. Farney, "KFUO: The Beginnings of the 'Supermissionary of the Air.'" in *Concordia Historical Institute Quarterly*, 97:3 (Fall 2024), pp. 9–34.

Abraham P. Faugstad, "A Brief History of How the Merger of 1917 Affected the Life of Young Norwegian Pastors Realized Through the Experiences, Perspectives, and Writings of Justin A. Petersen." in *Lutheran Synod Quarterly*, 64:2–3 (June/September 2024), pp. 119–164.

Paul J. Grime, "Dissension in the Making of *The Lutheran Hymnal*." in *Concordia Theological Quarterly*, 88:2–3 (April/July 2024), pp. 161–184.

Gracia Grindal, "The Week Ulrik Vilhelm Koren Fell Silent." in *Logia*, 33:1 (Epiphany 2024), pp. 21–30.

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Thomas E. Jacobson, "The Varied Career of Claus Lauritz Clausen." in *Journal of the Lutheran Historical Conference 2024*. pp. 56–64.

Stephen Larson et al. "Remembering Canadians in Global Missions and World Service." in *Consensus*, 44:2:17 (2023). DOI: 10.51644/HCBC5596

Cameron A. MacKenzie, "Seminex Fallout: Doing and Undoing Church Fellowship with the ALC." in *Concordia Theological Quarterly*, 88:2–3 (April/July 2024), pp. 203–228.

Jaron Melin, "The Beginnings of Jewish Missions in the LCMS." in *Grapho*, 6 (2024), pp. 54–71.

Benjamin T. Phelps, "Lutheran Identity in the Early American Republic." in *Journal of the Lutheran Historical Conference*. pp. 152–166.

Stephen Pietsch, "Wilhelm Loehe's Doctrine of the Office of the Ministry in Historical and Contemporary Perspective." in *Concordia Theological Monthly*, (April 2024)

Christopher Richmann, "The Concept of Inner Call to Ministry in American Lutheranism." in *Journal of the Lutheran Historical Conference 2024*. pp. 122–151.

Ken Schurb, "Seizing an Occasion: 1980s LCMS Gospel Broadcasting on Commercial Radio Stations in Fort Wayne." in *Concordia Historical Institute Quarterly*, 97:3 (Fall 2024), pp. 55–70.

Michael R. Wilke, "In Their Own Words: An Oral History of Issues, etc." in *Concordia Historical Institute Quarterly*, 97:3 (Fall 2024), pp. 39–54.

## Online / Electronic Resources

Lars Walker, "The Dream of a Free Lutheranism." In *Religion and Liberty*, 34:3 (Summer 2024).  
<https://www.acton.org/religion-liberty/volume-34-number-3/dream-free-lutheranism>

The Lutheran History Podcast. Benjamin Phelps, host. The Lutheran History Podcast

Issues, Etc. Todd Wilken, host. "A Retrospective on the Lutheran Battle for the Bible." Issues, Etc. Podcast. Eight episodes by authors of *Rediscovering the Issues Surrounding the 1974 Concordia Seminary Walkout*, 2023.

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