

## ***We value lifelong faith formation that...***

***starts with the baptismal covenant and extends through all ages and stages of life...***

***takes place in congregations, homes, and communities...***

***calls upon the diverse gifts offered by the faith community through God's Holy Spirit ...***

***recognizes Christian educators as leaders in helping to equip and build up the Body of Christ... who are themselves on a lifelong journey of faith.***

The Lutheran Association of Christian Educators (LACE) includes a mix of full-time, part-time, volunteer time; paid/non-paid; ordained/lay rostered; professional and diversely gifted volunteers who are involved in Christian faith formation ministries through congregations and a variety of ELCA and partner educational organizations. We are linked by our mission to support one another in our callings so "...that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love..." (Col. 2:2)

### ***It's Easy to Join LACE!***

*LACE members are individuals and organizations involved as professionals or volunteers in faith formational education ministries with children, youth, or adults.*

*Join LACE conveniently on-line at our website, or download a membership form to complete and mail.*

#### **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP LEVELS**

Basic Individual	\$50
Small congregation*	\$60
Student	\$25
Retired	\$25
Supporting	\$150
Group	Starting at \$180

\*Worshipping less than 100/weekly

*For descriptions of membership levels and special offers, please visit the LACE website at [www.faithfulteaching.org](http://www.faithfulteaching.org) or call/e-mail the LACE Coordinator's Office below.*

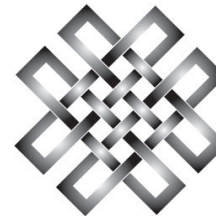
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*Connecting and serving  
those dedicated to  
Christian faith formation*

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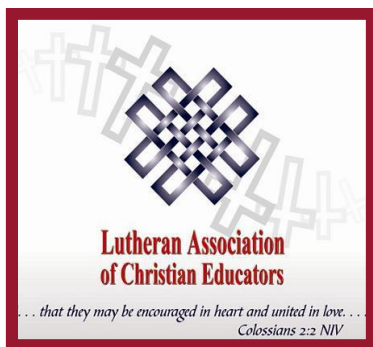
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## Our Vision is...

***Building a community which equips, encourages, and empowers those engaged in lifelong faith formation in a changing world by:***

- \* **Providing resources and educational opportunities**
- \* **Facilitating communications and conversation**
- \* **Offering networking, idea sharing, and mutual support**
- \* **Nurturing spiritual growth**

***LACE invites Christian faith educators to be part of this community***



LACE started among Evangelical Lutheran Church of America faith educators in 2003 and has been recognized by the ELCA as an independent affiliated organization since 2005.

## Experience LACE

### **All LACE Members Receive...**

- *TIPS in Education*, the quarterly publication that keeps you informed and inspired through articles written by faith educators with practical ideas on what's working for others and news on latest resources and events, *and* a monthly E-newsletter.

*"What I love about LACE is that many of the questions most frequently asked by new and veteran education leaders are addressed in LACE publications!"*

*from a Pennsylvania Resource Network Director*

- Access to all areas of the LACE website, [www.faithfulteaching.org](http://www.faithfulteaching.org), offering a membership listing, topics for lively on-line discussion, and newsletter archives sections for members only.

*"What I get out of LACE is the sharing of ideas, support, and fun!"*

*from a Montana Christian Education Coordinator*

- Opportunities for events, workshops, and retreats through LACE or LACE partners, some offering discounts to LACE members and opportunities to create local chapters to network and encourage leaders in faith formation ministry.

*"What I like is the networking with others who are passionate about Christian education and recognize its importance for people of all ages."*

*from a Minneapolis Director of Children's Ministries*

- Regionally elected representation (all LACE members are voting members)

*"I know children's ministry is changing and I can't wait to see what new ideas are in store for the church. I would love to be a part of this process of coming up with a plan to make sure that Lutheran educators have the best support possible."*

*from a Minnesota Director of Youth & Family Ministry*

### **All LACE Members Become...**

- Part of a national movement that uplifts and supports the vocation and ministry of Christian faith formation.
- A passionate and energetic voice for lifelong faith formation
- Part of a network of people involved in Christian faith formation who share, inspire, support, and learn from one another.