



LCMS KANSAS DISTRICT 

Pastors' Wives Retreat

Retreat Center, Herington, KS | March 21-22, 2025

Theme Verse: Living in Hope: Eyes on the Goal (1 Thessalonians)

GUEST SPEAKER



Renee Gibbs is speaker, teacher, and encourager who is waiting for Jesus' return! She is the wife of Dr. Jeff Gibbs who taught for 28 years at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. Prior to this they lived in western Oregon for 10 years while Jeff served as a parish pastor. With advanced degrees in education and theology, Renee's taught numerous Bible studies and mentoring groups for Seminary wives and around the country at women's retreats. She served on the National Lutherans for Life Board and took teens to the March for Life in DC 21 times. Renee has a heart for missions and led sixteen Seminary mission trips to Guatemala. She loves God's

creation through camping, hiking and kayaking...as well as from her 1999 Miata! Renee and Jeff have four grown children and fourteen grandchildren. Through it all, the Scripture--centered in Jesus--has been Renee's source of joy, wisdom, and strength.

EVENT TOPIC AND DESCRIPTION:

Scripture gives us such a great hope as we wait for the return of Christ. How can we live as if He might come today? How does that affect our relationships with others in our lives? The Christians in Thessalonica were being persecuted for their faith, but Paul writes to encourage them to take comfort in the Gospel. We will dig into this book to see how we can better live today in love for others as we wait for Jesus.

Registration and schedule information can be found on the LCMS Kansas District website: www.kslcms.org

Limited space is available at the Retreat Center. The order rooms will be assigned first come first served.

Registration cost:

- First-Time participant (no lodging) - \$25.00
- First-Time participant (single occupancy) - \$50.00
- First-Time participant (double occupancy) - \$25.00
- Returning participant (no lodging) - \$40.00
- Returning participant (single occupancy) - \$80.00
- Returning participant (double occupancy) - \$40.00
- Bring your own bedding (limited Retreat Center spaces) - \$40.00
- Committee members – \$0.00

Registration closes March 19, 2025.

EARLY ARRIVALS: Although registration won't begin until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, those who wish to arrive early and enjoy the area during the daylight hours are welcome to come any time after 1:00 p.m. Unpack, take a walk by the lake, read, relax, visit, meditate in the chapel, work on a craft, explore the town of Herington, take a nap, etc. Spend it how you'd like. There will be no scheduled activities or meals during this time.

NEW to Kansas or the Retreat Center? Pictures and floor plans of the Retreat Center can be viewed at <https://kslcms.org/caring-ministry/retreat-center/>

WHAT TO BRING: Clothing and personal toiletries, Bible, camp chair (optional for sitting outside or by the lake).

SCHEDULE

Friday, March 21

- 5:00-6:30 Social Time with Dinner & Beverages
- 6:30-8:00 Welcome/Session 1
- 8:00 -?? Introductions followed by Fellowship/Free Time

Saturday, March 22

- 7:30-8:45 Breakfast Buffet (Hotel guests too!)
- 9:00-9:15 Opening Devotion & Singing
- 9:15-10:30 Session 2
- 10:30-10:45 Break
- 10:45-12:00 Session 3
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch
- 1:00-2:15 Session 4
- 2:15 Closing Prayer

Register Here

