

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

**Symposium October 30 – November 2, 2022**

**BETHESDA Conference Center  
Rømersgade 17, Copenhagen K.**

**Evening Prayer** Mon/Tues in Martinskirken, Martinsvej 4

Registration by 1 October 2022

to [mail@lutherakademi.org](mailto:mail@lutherakademi.org)

Participant fee 1,050 DKK for the entire symposium.  
Member price 900 DKK. Price individual for attending only lectures is 85 DKK per lecture.

NELA's Danish account, konto: 9682-0000854646

IBAN-Kontonummer: DK5296820000854646.

BIC-kode: NRNEDK21.

Payment due with registration.

Meals may be offered during the symposium.

Information will later be given at our web-page

[www.lutherakademi.org/NELA2022.htm](http://www.lutherakademi.org/NELA2022.htm)

## SUGGESTIONS for lodging

IBSENS HOTEL, Vendersgade 23, København K. About 5 min. walk to Bethesda.

CABINN Scandinavia Hotel, Vodroffsvej 55, Frederiksberg.

About 20 min. walk to Bethesda, or

Metro Forum -> Nørreport 3 min. + 7 min walk.

## NELA Board members

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Erik A.H. Okkels (chairman),

Knut Alfsvåg, Jan Bygstad.

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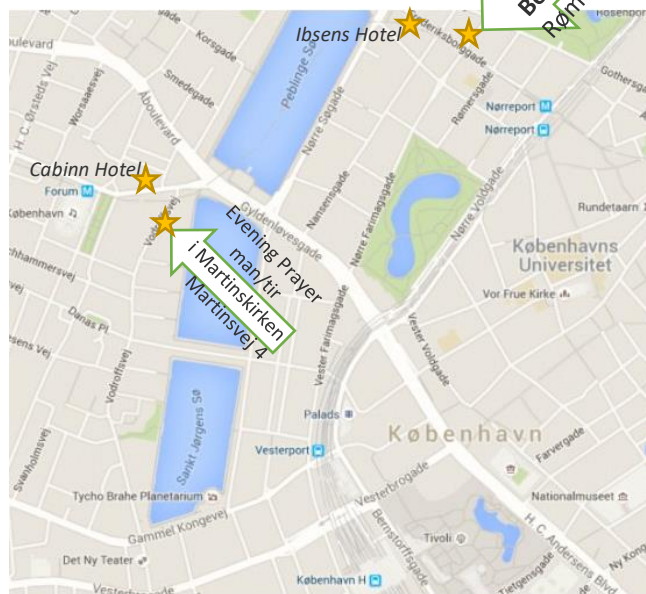
Karsten Christensen (secretary), Leif G. Jensen.

## DIRECTIONS

To Bethesda Conference Center:

\* Metro from CPH Airport to Nørreport Metro

\* S-train from Copenhagen Central STA to Nørreport Station



## INFO on NELA

**North European Luther Academy, founded in August 1998, arranges an annual theological symposium in Northern Europe.**

The members of the board of NELA commit themselves to following statements of foundations: Our mission is, on the foundation of The Holy Scripture and in faithfulness to the Evangelical-Lutheran confession (The Book of Concord), to pursue dynamic theological research and education, that rediscovers treasures in the theological heritage of our Churches and confronts the biblical truths with today's questions.

Read more about North European Luther Academy:

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**Welcome to the NELA-symposium!**

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# Christ in the Old Testament



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**NELA 2022**

Symposium arranged by  
North European Luther Academy  
in Copenhagen

**October 30 – November 2, 2022**

## Christ in the Old Testament

The Evangelists testify that Jesus taught his disciples that he is the Christ, whom God promised in the Old Testament.

*"You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me." (Joh 5:39).*

*Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.." (Lk 24:45-48)*

We have invited theologians and pastors who have examined the Scriptures and found Christ, as Jesus and the Apostles show him to us in the New Testament. This year's NELA symposium offers a bouquet of teaching and theological research on "Christ in The Old Testament" based on trust in the Testimony of Holy Scripture.

## SUNDAY, October 30<sup>th</sup> 2022

Arrival at Bethesda from 18.00.

19.00: Welcome and Presentation

19.30: Do you understand what you are reading: On Luther's and Lutheran use of the OT (Jan Bygstad)

20.30: Coffee / tea

21.00: Evening Prayer

## MONDAY, October 31<sup>st</sup> 2022

09.00: Morning devotion in Bethesda

09.30: An Introduction to the Presence of the Son before Christ (Charles A Gieschen)

10.45: Coffee / tea / fruit

11.15: New Testament Interpretations of Old Testament Theophanies (Charles A Gieschen)

12.30: Lunch

14.30: Justification and Salvation in the Old Testament (Carsten Vang)

15.30: Coffee / tea / fruit

16.00: Christ in the Psalms (Mats Eskhult)

17.15: NELA's annual meeting

18.30: Supper

19.30: The Use and Understanding of The Old Testament in the catechesis (Egil Sjøstad)

20.30: Coffee / tea

21.15: Evening Prayer (in Martinskirken, Martinsvej 4)

## TUESDAY, November 1<sup>st</sup> 2022

09.00: Morning devotion in Bethesda

9.30: Thinking about marriage with Luther (Brandt Klawitter)

10.45: Coffee / tea / fruit

11.15: Divine conversations: Trinitarian Readings of the Old Testament in Early Christianity (Daniel Johansson)

12.30: Lunch

14.30: The decay of the biblical narrative - the hermeneutics of the Enlightenment and its consequences (Knut Alfsvåg)

15.30: Coffee / tea / fruit

16.00-17.00: Panel discussion

18.30: Supper

19.30: Guidance for Preaching and Teaching Christ from the Old Testament (Charles A Gieschen)

20.30: Coffee / tea

21.15: Evening Prayer (in Martinskirken, Martinsvej 4)

## WEDNESDAY, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022

09.00: Morning devotion in Bethesda

09.30: The story of Christ's suffering - interpreted and preached from the Old Testament: About the Early Lutheran passion sermons (Torbjörn Johannson)

10.45: Coffee / tea

11.15: Jacob's God – Christ in the Old Testament (Jan Bygstad)

12.15: Closing by NELA's chairman

12.30: Lunch and departure

**Lectures are held in a Scandinavian language or in English. Simultaneous translation from Scandinavian to English is available.**

## SPEAKERS

*Dr. Knut Alfsvåg  
Professor of systematic theology,  
VID Specialized University, Stavanger*



*Jan Bygstad, D.D.  
Pastor in DELK, Bergen*

*Dr. Charles A. Gieschen  
Professor at Concordia Theological  
Seminary, Ft. Wayne*



*Teol. dr. Torbjörn Johannson  
Lektor and Rector at  
Lutheran School of Theology in Gothenburg.*

*PhD. Brandt Klawitter  
Associate Professor at NLA and pastor in  
the Evangelical – Lutheran Confessional  
Church (ELBK) Sweden/Norway.*



*Carsten Vang  
Associate Professor,  
Lutheran School of Theology in Aarhus*



*Docent em. Egil Sjaastad  
Tidl rektor for Fjellhaug skoler og  
førstelektor i praktisk teologi Fjellhaug Int.  
Høgskole*



*Mats Eskhult, professor emeritus i  
semitiska språk vid Uppsala universitet*

*Daniel Johansson, lektor i Nya  
testamentet på Församlingsfakulteten i  
Göteborg*

