

Environmental Ethics

February 28 - March 3, 2010

Bethany College presents

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Featuring: **Dr. Larry L. Rasmussen**

Reinhold Niebuhr Professor Emeritus of Social Ethics, Union Theological Seminary, New York City

Sunday, February 28

6 p.m. Potluck hosted by Lutheran Leaders students, Swede Suites Common Room

Monday, March 1

- 9:10-10:00 a.m. Science for Citizens, Lindquist Hall
- 10:30-10:50 a.m. Chapel with Dr. Rasmussen preaching, Swenson Chapel
- 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Lunch and meeting with the Green Team, Levin Room
- 2-5 p.m. Informal conversations with students (one-on-one or small groups)
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner with Tri Beta and Bio Chem Club students, Levin Room
- 7:30 p.m. Public Lecture, "Just Water" and book signing, Lindquist Hall
What science tells us about the hydrologic system and three categories of ethical issues around water use and management.

Tuesday, March 2

- 9:10-10:25 a.m. Ethics, Nelson 125
- 10:35-11:50 a.m. Problems in Christian Ethics, Social Science 14
- Noon-1 p.m. Lunch with Area Ministry leaders, Levin Room. For reservations please contact Noni Strand at strandn@bethanylb.edu.
- 1-4 p.m. Workshop on "Christianity as an Earth-Honoring Faith," Levin Room

Wednesday, March 3

- 7:45-8:55 a.m. New Testament, Social Science 10
- 9:10-10:20 a.m. New Testament, Social Science 10
- 10:30-10:50 a.m. Attend Chapel, Swenson Chapel
- Noon-1 p.m. Lunch with students in the cafeteria

Larry Rasmussen was Reinhold Niebuhr Professor of Social Ethics at Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York from 1986-2004. Prior to that, he was Professor of Christian Ethics at Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, DC, and Assistant Professor of Religion at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota. For the Spring Semester, 2006, he served as St. John Visiting Professor at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. For the January Interim, 2008, he was Visiting Professor of Environmental Studies at St. Olaf College.

His books include **Earth Community, Earth Ethics** (Orbis Books and the World Council of Churches, 1996), and winner of the 1997 Grawemeyer Award; **Moral Fragments and Moral Community** (Fortress, 1993); **Dietrich Bonhoeffer: His Significance for North Americans** (Fortress, 1990); **Reinhold Niebuhr: Theologian of Public Life** (Fortress, 1991; HarperCollins, 1989); **Bible and Ethics in the Christian Life** (co-authored with Bruce Birch) (Augsburg-Fortress, Second Edition, 1989; German language edition, 1993). He is co-editor, with Dieter Hessel, of **Earth Habitat: Eco-Injustice and the Church's Response** (Fortress, 2001) and co-author, with Daniel C. Maguire, of **Ethics for a Small Planet: New Horizons on Population, Consumption, and Ecology** (SUNY Press, 1998). He has contributed chapters to numerous volumes, among them **Christianity and Ecology**, Dieter T. Hessel and Rosemary Radford Ruether, eds. (Cambridge, 2000); **Ecotheology: Voices from South and North**, David G. Hallman, ed. (Orbis and WCC, 1994). In addition, he has published widely in journals and magazines.

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