

About Kristine

Teaching and the Old Testament were two of Kristine's passions even before she went to seminary. She incorporated these gifts into her missionary work in the Central African Republic and as a pastor in the ELCA, calls in which she served alongside her pastor husband, Scot.

In 2011, Kristine took a deep breath and made the decision accept a call as Professor of Old Testament at Lutheran Theological Seminary Saskatoon. There, she provided a generation of pastors and other students with a strong foundation in Biblical Studies, Pastoral Care, and Cross-Cultural Studies. She led or co-led cross-cultural trips to Madagascar, Cameroon, El Salvador, Haïda Gwaii, and Malaysia with sensitivity, patience, and joy.

Now retired, Kristine is happily back in Wisconsin with her family, still reading, teaching, and travelling. She is an alumna of Concordia College in Moorhead, MN (BA), Luther Seminary (MDiv) and Marquette University (PhD).

She first spoke at ROOO in 2013. We are delighted to welcome her back.



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Retreat Of Our Own 2022

AN ADULT LOOK AT

SUNDAY SCHOOL STORIES

a theological reflection retreat
for lay and rostered
learners at
Sylvan Lake, AB



WITH
REV. DR. KRISTINE RUFFATTO
September 9 - 11



Description of Sessions

When we are children, we learn the stories of the Bible and get out of them what we can. But the biblical narratives are highly literary, theological works — they are sophisticated and complex!

The biblical writers used stories to teach, to edify, and to make a theological point. The deeper we dig, the more richness we discover.

St. Augustine wrote that the Bible is “shallow enough for a child not to drown, yet deep enough for an elephant to swim.”

An in-depth look at well-known Old Testament stories enhances our understanding of their meaning and message, for ancient Israel and for us today.



Rev. Dr. Kristine Ruffatto



Schedule

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 9

- 7:00 p.m. Registration begins
Opening reception
- 8:00 p.m. **Opening worship (Holden Evening Prayer)**



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10

- 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. **Morning prayer ("In the Morning I Will Sing")**
- 9:00 a.m. **Session I. Noah's Ark**
- 10:15 a.m. **Coffee**
- 10:30 a.m. **Session II. Moses and the Exodus**
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. **Free time**
- 6:00 p.m. **Supper**
- 7:30 p.m. **Session III. David: The Shepherd Boy Who Became King**
- 9:00 p.m. **Evening worship**



SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11

- 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. **Morning Prayer**
- 8:45 a.m. **Session IV. Joshua, the Battle of Jericho, and the Conquest of Canaan**
- 10:30 a.m. **Closing Eucharist**
- 11:30 p.m. **Lunch & Farewell**

