

**LARC Special Guest and Retreat Leader:**



## The Rev. Titus Presler

Sub-Dean and Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Professor of Mission and World Christianity

"A sense of God's mission in the wider world is essential to ministry formation today," says Titus Presler, who has been Sub-Dean and Professor of Mission and World Christianity at General since August 2005. "Encountering Christ in the diversity of cultures deepens our knowledge of God and broadens our perspective on what God is up to in the human community."

Dean Presler oversees the teaching and learning life of the seminary as Vice President for Academic Affairs. He brings to his work 19 years of fulltime parish ministry; mission experience in India, Zimbabwe and urban USA; and administrative skills honed while he was president of the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest.

Prof. Presler's research interests focus on the interaction of gospel and culture, the formation of missionary identity, and current developments in the Anglican Communion. His publications highlight African Christianity, mission theology, and church mission policy.

Engaged in the wider church, Dean Presler has been a member of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church, is past chair of the Standing Commission on World Mission, and served five times as a deputy to General Convention. He and his wife, the Rev. Jane Butterfield, have four children.

### Retreat Schedule

#### First Day

- Gathering and Introduction
- Afternoon Prayers
- Quiet Time
- Eucharist
- Dinner
- Walking and Sharing
- Gathering with Retreat Leader
- Compline
- Wine and Cheese

#### Second Day

- Morning Prayer
- Breakfast
- Eucharist
- Walking and Sharing
- Lunch
- Gathering with Retreat Leader
- Walking and Sharing
- Quiet Time
- Afternoon Prayers
- Dinner
- Evening Prayers
- Sharing Time
- Compline
- Wine and Cheese

#### Third Day

- Eucharist
- Breakfast
- Gathering with Leader and Bishops
- Lunch
- Afternoon and Travel Prayers

### Augustine Center Retreat House

The Augustine Center, a retreat house located in the Diocese of Gaylord, is a "Center for Growth" serving all who wish to grow through education, ongoing formation and spirituality.

Augustine Center Retreat House  
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North Conway, MI 49722-0084  
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### REGISTRATION

Tuesday, Oct. 21 – Gathering 1:00 pm  
Thursday, Oct. 23– Sending 3:00 pm

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

MINISTRY SETTING: \_\_\_\_\_

Meals are prepared with low-sodium and low fat. Please indicate any special dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include a check for \$175 with your registration addressed to The Rev. Owen Williams.**

**Registration closes October 3, 2008**

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