

## Master of Arts in Theology

STATEMENT OF THEOLOGICAL AGREEMENT Please send all forms and requested items to: Attn: Graduate Studies in Theology Concordia University 1530 Concordia West Irvine, CA 92612-3203 Phone and Fax: (949) 214-3389

## For candidates seeking certification as rostered ministers in the LCMS

I believe that the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired word of God. I believe that these books are the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

□ I agree □ I am uncertain or disagree (Please explain)

I accept the three Ecumenical Creeds (the Apostles', Nicene, and Athanasian Creeds) as faithful testimony to the truth of the Holy Scriptures, and I reject all the errors they condemn.

□ I agree □ I am uncertain or disagree (Please explain)

I have read the confessions of the Lutheran Church (the Ecumenical Creeds, the unaltered Augsburg Confession, the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Small and Large Catechisms, the Smalcald Articles, the Treatise on the Authority and Primacy of the Pope, and the Formula of Concord), as found in the 1580 *Book of Concord*. I agree that they faithfully present biblical truth, and I agree with the doctrine which they confess.

I am in agreement with the doctrinal positions of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod as expressed in Scripture, the Lutheran Confessions, and the doctrinal resolutions of the LCMS, and I agree to teach in conformity with these documents.

With God's help, I will carry out my ministry in accordance with the Word of God, the Creeds, and the Lutheran Confessions.

I regularly worship in a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. I support the positions of the LCMS on church fellowship. I will continue to be faithful as a member and ordained or commissioned minister of the church.

□ I agree □ I am uncertain or disagree (Please explain)

I am familiar with the constitution and bylaws of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. I understand that I will be signing these documents, and agree to act in conformity with these documents.

□ I agree □ I am uncertain or disagree (Please explain)

I will strive to serve God's people faithfully, to work with my fellow ministers in Christian love, to live a life consistent with God's word, and to live in the grace of my Lord Jesus Christ.

□ I agree □ I am uncertain or disagree (Please explain)