



# RELIGION & PUBLIC LIFE CAFÉ SERIES

## Winter 2014 Ronning Centre

### NOTE: LOCATION CHANGE!

All Sessions will be held in the  
Epp Conference Room (2-004)  
Augustana Campus

### Vocation: The Gift of Service

And without a core of courage  
how can anything ever be achieved, can any  
thing be built?  
And courage shadowed by weakness may be the  
most precious  
of all, since it carries sweetness into the heart of  
the building,  
carries it like honey into the hollows of the  
honey-comb.  
—Douglas Le Pan, writer and public servant

One of the gifts of living attentive to a local community is getting to know one's neighbours, women and men who walk common pathways and do uncommon work. We all know the designation of the many and varied forms of work that shape a modern society: judge, teacher, farmer, pastor, custodian, artist, civil servant, executive, therapist. The list is long. What takes time and attentiveness is hearing behind the usual descriptions and accounts the courage needed to work with enduring commitment to shaping and reshaping our institutions in fruitful ways, so there is more good than not, so that the benefit flows out to those served beyond the maintenance of a chosen career. You are invited to join us in conversations of "courage shadowed by weakness" animated by a number of friends of the Ronning Centre, by our neighbours.

#### Servant Leader

*Animated by Les Parsons, Ski Coach, Augustana*  
Friday, 24 January 8:30–10:00 a.m.

#### Teaching Language, Giving Voice

*Animated by Kim Misfeldt, Prof. of German, Augustana*  
Friday, 7 February, 8:30–10:00 a.m.

#### Finding Grace in Failure

*Animated by Greg Pietz, Pastor, Resurrection Lutheran Church*  
Friday, 21 February, 8:30–10:00 a.m.

#### Here I Am . . . Send Someone Else

*Animated by Brian Krushel, Senior Pastor, Camrose Church of God*  
Friday, 14 March, 8:30–10:00 a.m.

#### The Impact of Vatican II on My Faith Formation (1962–2014)

*Animated by Sheilagh Ross, Businesswoman, Community Leader*  
Friday, 21 March, 8:30–10:00 a.m.

