

Who is...

# The AALC?



We are committed to being honest and gracious in our relationships and we do so by Confessing, Caring, and Calling:

## **CONFESSING:**

We believe that God has saved us by grace through faith in Jesus Christ apart from any of our own works. Martin Luther called this "The chief article of the whole Christian doctrine."

## **CARING:**

We are a small but growing church body. This means every pastor and every congregation is dear to us. There are no disposable people here. We work hard to genuinely care for each pastor and every congregation in our Association.

## **CALLING:**

We believe that God has called us to care for people beyond ourselves. We are called to reach out to people as the hands and heart of Christ. The AALC is committed to pioneering new missions across America.



# *Keeping the Fortress Taking the Frontier*

## *The Fortress...*

All of our congregations are fortresses of safety in a post-Christian frontier.

Each congregation is an outpost, carefully positioned as a haven, providing the protection of God's Word and the sustenance of His Holy Sacraments.

Each congregation is a fortress, an outpost from which God's people are sent forth with Christ's commission of Kingdom expansion and Gospel proclamation into a wilderness culture of immorality and unbelief.

We focus on Keeping the Fortress, but we also focus on Taking the Frontier!

## *The Frontier...*

"Taking the Frontier" includes everything from congregational outreach to church-wide, overseas missions. The gift of the Gospel of Jesus Christ must never be hoarded as our own personal possession, but instead be shared with a world lost in spiritual poverty and eternal darkness. God is ever expanding The AALC by motivating ministers and multiplying ministries.

We know that our efforts of protection and expansion are fruitless without Him. Though He uses clay vessels like us, it is God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit who is Keeping the Fortress and Taking the Frontier. Hallelujah! Amen.



## American Lutheran Theological Seminary

The American Lutheran Theological Seminary (ALTS) was formed by The AALC to meet the needs of our growing church body through the teaching and forming of pastors. Over the past three decades, our processes, technologies, and patterns have changed considerably, but our heart to serve has remained the same.

Our seminary respects and honors the past while embracing the future of pastoral formation. ALTS offers two paths toward ordination in The AALC: residential studies and online studies.

ALTS trains pastors to establish and equip the church to reach and disciple the next generations.



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## Let's Walk Together



And He gave some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service...

Ephesians 4:11-12a NASB



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Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit...

Matthew 28:19 NASB



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