

# WANTED: LUTHERAN POETS!

**SIMUL –Lutheran Voices in Poetry**, Attn: Mark Odland, poetry editor, 6244 Twin Oaks Drive, #2205, Colorado Springs, CO 80918, e-mail: simulanthology@hotmail.com

**Magazine Needs:** *SIMUL* is an annual publication of poetry, and gladly accepts submissions from all those who identify themselves with the Lutheran faith tradition. The name of this yearly anthology reflects Martin Luther's observation that as children of God we are both fully saints and sinners simultaneously. It is the goal of *SIMUL* to reflect this paradox, and explore the complexity, beauty, and messiness of the human condition. Poems submitted need not be "religious," but they must be honest. Laughter and tears, faith and doubt, hope and despair all have their place in this unique publication. The cost of the upcoming *SIMUL* anthology is \$10.99 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling.

**How to Submit:** Submit up to 5 poems at a time. Line length for each poem is 32 lines maximum (spaces between stanzas count as lines). No previously published poems. Simultaneous submissions are okay, as long as you notify *SIMUL* immediately upon acceptance elsewhere. Name, address, phone number, and e-mail should appear as header on top right of each page submitted. Poems should be flush left, single-spaced, with double spacing between stanzas. Poem titles should appear in all caps or initial caps about 6 lines underneath contact information. Include cover letter containing contact information, short bio, and previous publications if any. Reading period is year around, but for your poetry to be considered for the upcoming publication, we must receive your submissions **no later than August 1, 2006**. Generally, responses are sent within 3 months. However, if poems are being strongly considered for publication, it may take longer. Often, the editor will comment on rejections. *SIMUL* acquires first North American serial rights. This gives *SIMUL* the right to publish a poem for the first time in any anthology, but all other rights remain with the author. Must include (SASE) "self addressed stamped envelope" for response when you mail in your submission. Please address all submissions to the editor, Mark Odland.

**To request your own copy of these guidelines, please contact me by E-mail or letter!**

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## Journey to Sweden this August

An 11-day tour of Sweden is being hosted from the Twin Cities by Rev. Barb Linder, recently retired Lutheran pastor of Highview Christiana Church in Farmington, MN. This in-depth journey through Sweden departs August 29 and includes two days of unforgettable travel on Sweden's Inlands Railway, a vintage train moving at the gentle pace of 30 miles an hour, passing forests, lakes and wilderness to the Arctic Circle and Sweden's Lapland, home of the Sami people. Other visits include Mora, Kalmar, Vaxjoe, glass blowing district and Stockholm. Contact Rev. Linder at blinder25@msn.com or [www.crossingborders.com](http://www.crossingborders.com). Space limited to 25.

For more information about Sweden's Inlands Railway: [www.inlandsbanan.se](http://www.inlandsbanan.se).

### Bedrock Beliefs of Atonement Lutheran Church

We believe that...

- ✠ God is present and active in our lives and in the world.
- ✠ God is generous to all people.
- ✠ God calls us to work.
- ✠ God is faithful.