

Registration

- Adults: \$15 (18 and under free)
- Fees can be paid online at the time of registration or at the conference. Cash, check, or card accepted.
- Seating is limited.
- Lunch is included.
- Children are welcome; Childcare is NOT provided.

Lodging

The Oak Tree Inn, the Marriott Fairfield Inn, and Staybridge Suites are located closest to the Church.

Location & Directions

Northwoods Presbyterian Church
4723 Griffith Avenue
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009

From I-80: Travel north from exit 364 (on WY-212/College Dr.) continuing 2.5 miles. Turn right (east) on Dell Range Blvd. Take the first left (north) onto Griffith Ave.

The **Westminster** **Assembly** *and the church*

2023 Cheyenne Reformation Conference

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September 29- October 1

Featuring: Dr. Chad Van Dixhoorn

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Dr. Chad Van Dixhoorn (PhD, Cambridge University) is professor of church history and director of the Craig Center for the study of the Westminster Standards at Westminster Theological Seminary. He also serves as an honorary research fellow at the University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK. Van Dixhoorn has held a number of additional teaching positions and has also served as associate pastor at Cambridge Presbyterian Church (UK) and also at Grace Presbyterian Church (Vienna, VA) for nine years. Dr. Van Dixhoorn's academic interests include the historical documents of the Westminster Assembly, English Puritanism, and Presbyterian history. He has been widely recognized for his publication of a five-volume work on the Westminster Assembly, *The Minutes and Papers of the Westminster Assembly, 1643–1652*, and has published numerous articles on a variety of theological topics. He is currently working on a major monograph on the Westminster Assembly, as well as a complete edition of John Lightfoot's journals. Both volumes are to be published by Oxford University Press.

Education:

PhD University of Cambridge, Selwyn College, 2005

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BA University of Western Ontario, Huron College, 1996



An Invitation

As the Protestant Reformers understood it, the Christian faith is a kind of three-legged stool. In England, the Reformation took place gradually, and only in the 1640s did the church find all of its legs: worship, government and doctrine. In this conference we will be seeking to deepen our understanding of the faith by looking at the history and theology of the Westminster Assembly (1643-1653), the group of ministers that wrote the Westminster Confession of Faith, the Larger and Shorter Catechisms -- and more than 130 other less-known documents. We'll consider some topics that are often ignored, such as preaching, and others that are central in Reformed history, such as church government and the importance of confessions.

Northwoods Presbyterian Church (PCA) invites you to join us this fall for our annual conference. As always, we trust this will be an edifying and encouraging time of learning and fellowship.

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Friday, September 29

6:00 pm: Registration Opens

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm: Session 1: "To Have and to Hold: Creeds, Confessions, and the Church"— *In this first session, we'll consider why Creeds and Catechisms are both important and useful for the church today*

Saturday, September 30

8:00 am: Registration Opens

9:00 am – 10:00 am: Session 2: "God's Soldiers: The Westminster Assembly and the Wars of Three Kingdoms"
The second session puts the famous Westminster Assembly in its own time, telling the story of its chaotic context and high ambitions.

Break

10:30 am – 11:30 am: Session 3: "God's Ambassadors: The Westminster Assembly and the Reformation of Preaching"
In session three, we consider one of the most important and least known aspects of the Westminster Assembly's work.

11:30 am – 1:00 pm: Lunch

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm: Session 4: "God's Physicians: The Westminster Assembly and the Reformation of Pastoral Care"
In session four, we consider the assembly's attempt to improve pastoral care.

Break

2:15 pm – 3:15 pm: Q&A Session

3:15 pm: Conference Ends

Sunday, The Lord's Day, October 1

9:00 am – 10:00 am: Session 5: "God's Shepherds: The Westminster Assembly and the Reformation of Church Government"
In this fifth session, we will consider the reform of church government and think aloud about why this might matter to the church today.

Following the fifth session, we invite all visitors to worship with us. Dr. Van Dixhoorn will be preaching at our 10:30 a.m. service.