



**Continuing Education  
Opportunities  
for the  
Mid-Atlantic District**

## **Ventures Online Course to Focus on Healthy and Safe Congregations**

The April offering from the “Ventures in Christian Discipleship” program at McPherson (Kan.) College will focus on “Healthy and Safe Congregations.” Almost all congregations aspire to welcome the stranger into our midst. Our tradition, sacred texts, doctrines, teachings and cultural values can be a resource to visitors, members, and the community. But sometimes those very things we love become a roadblock to others. This course will look specifically at how congregations can be a safe place for those who are vulnerable. Based on our Brethren values, what can we do to make sure that all, but especially survivors of child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault, feel safe and supported? This course will look at how we can create congregations where everyone’s physical, emotional, or mental safety are important values and embedded in our congregational structures. We will pay special attention to welcoming and supporting victims, survivors and the vulnerable.

The class will be held online Saturday, April 13 at 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. CST and taught by Kathy Reid. Kathy is Executive Director of the Family Abuse Center, Waco, Texas. Prior to her move to Waco, Kathy was Associate General Secretary of the Church of the Brethren and Executive Director of the Association of Brethren Caregivers.

All classes are donation-based and continuing education credit is available for \$10 per course. To learn more about Ventures and to register for courses, visit [www.mcpherson.edu/ventures](http://www.mcpherson.edu/ventures).



Continuing  
EDUCATION EVENTS

Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center presents...

## Navigating Change: Proceed with Caution

Monday, May 6, 2019, Cross Keys Village, New Oxford, PA  
9 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.)

Presenter: Jennifer Holcomb, *M.S., NHA, CDP, CDCM, CADDCT*  
Director of Memory Support, Cross Keys Village

Every 3 seconds someone around the world develops symptoms of Alzheimer’s disease or another related dementia. Preparing for change in that person is critical and inevitable. Together we will learn best practices to steer the conversation when driving poses challenging, how to effectively manage a hospital stay, and best approaches to use when behaviors pose as a threat.

Registration due by April 22, 2019:     \_\_\_ \$60.00 (includes light breakfast, lunch and 0.5 CEUs)  
  \_\_\_ \$50.00 (includes light breakfast, lunch, and NO CEUs)

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

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| <p><b><u>Please make checks payable to "SVMC".</u></b></p> <p>Mail completed registration form and payment for "Navigating Change: Proceed with Caution" to:<br/>Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center<br/>One Alpha Drive<br/>Elizabethtown, PA 17022<br/>Questions:<br/>Contact us at: 717-361-1450 or <a href="mailto:svmc@etown.edu">svmc@etown.edu</a>.<br/>Thank you!!</p> | <p>Name _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>Congregation _____ District _____</p> <p>Email _____ Phone _____</p> <p>Meat or Vegetarian Lunch _____ Other Dietary Restrictions _____</p> <p>Amount Enclosed _____ \$60 for 0.5 CEUs<br/>  _____ \$50 for NO CEUs</p> <p>Where did you hear about this event? _____</p> |
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# SPECIALIZED GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

learning for life and ministry

**Biblical Peacemaking ■ Intercultural Biblical Interpretation**  
**Just Peace and Conflict Transformation ■ Theology and Science**  
**Theopoetics and Theological Imagination**

COURSES IN  
MULTIPLE FORMATS  
AND LOCATIONS

SPECIAL TUITION ARRANGEMENT  
COMPLETE IN TWO YEARS  
AT THE COST OF ONE

APPROVED FOR  
CONTINUING  
EDUCATION CREDIT



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## Biblical Peacemaking New

### REQUIRED COURSES

- Gospel of Peace
- Interpreting Romans as a Resource for Peacemaking
- Practicum

### Choice of one -

- Conflict Transformation
- Mediation as a Social and Spiritual Practice
- Restorative Justice

### Choice of one -

- Ecological Theology
- Environmental Ethics in Theological Perspective

### Choice of one -

- Just Peace
- Peace of the City and Quest for Public Theology
- Religion as a Source of Terror and Transformation

## Theology & Science New

### FIVE ELECTIVE COURSES

- Eco/Green Bible
- Ecological Theology and Christian Responsibility
- Environmental Ethics in Theological Perspective
- Introduction to Theological Reflection
- Ministry across Generations
- Science and Religion
- Science Fiction and Theology
- Science, Theology, and Ministry
- Taking Church beyond the Walls

## Intercultural Biblical Interpretation

### REQUIRED COURSES

- Introduction to Old Testament
- Introduction to New Testament
- A course in exegetical hermeneutics
- A course in exegetical methods

### ADDITIONAL COURSE

- Bible and Pastoral Care
- Chronicles and Ezra-Nehemiah
- Gospel of Matthew
- Gospel of Peace
- Hebrew
- Images of God
- Israel's Wisdom Teachings
- New Testament Foundations for Ministry
- New Testament Greek
- Preaching the Gospels
- Psalms
- Writing Midrash

## Just Peace & Conflict Transformation

### REQUIRED COURSES

- Conflict Transformation
- Just Peace: An Ecumenical Call

### THREE ADDITIONAL COURSES

- Feminist Theological Perspectives on Conflict
- Gospel of Peace
- Interfaith Dialogue
- Introduction to Pastoral Care
- Meditation as Social and Spiritual Practice
- Pastoral Care with Family Systems
- Religion as a Source of Terror and Transformation
- Restorative Justice

## Theopoetics & Theological Imagination

### REQUIRED COURSES

- Introduction to Theological Reflection
- Theopoetics

### THREE ADDITIONAL COURSES

- Ecological Theology and Christian Responsibility
- Science Fiction and Theology
- Environmental Ethics in Theological Perspective
- Modernity, Postmodernity, and Belief
- Bonhoeffer, War, and Peace
- The Theological Imagination

Let's talk.

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