

Virginia Theological Seminary (not online)

Fridays at the Seminary 2011 - 2012

12/9/2011 to 3/16/2012

Cost: \$40 per seminar (includes lunch)

Time: 9am - 3pm

Nimble Believing: Lenten Quiet Day

March 16, 2012

The Rev. Dr. Roger Ferlo

Practices of a People

1/9/2012 2:00 PM to 1/13/2012 5:00 PM

Dorothy Linthicum

Registration Fee: \$200; \$100 for Field Education Supervisors

Divining Shakespeare: Pre-performance Discussion From a Theological Perspective

1/25/2012 to 4/4/2012

Cost: Pre-performance discussion is free

Time: 5pm

January 25, 2012, *The Two Gentlemen of Verona*

April 4, 2012, *Strange Interlude*

Evening School of Theology 2011-2012 (Enriched)

1/30/2012 to 5/7/2012

Tuition: \$200 per class

Time: 7:00 - 9:45 PM

Deadline for application is one week prior to the beginning of a course.

The Constructions of Youth & Youth Ministry

Mondays, January 30 - May 7, 2012

Dr. Lisa Kimball and The Rev. Dr. Joyce Mercer

Exodus and Liberation Theology

Thursdays, February 2 to May 3, 2012

Dr. Judy Fentress-Williams

Evening School of Theology 2011-2012

2/7/2012 to 4/17/2012

Tuition: \$125 per class (10% multi-person household discount)

Time: 7:30 - 9:30 PM

The Question of God: The Search for Truth in the Writings of C.S. Lewis and Sigmund Freud

Tuesdays, February 7 to April 17, 2012

Dr. Patricia Lyons

Leadership for the Changing Church: Effective Clergy-Lay Partnerships to Revitalize Congregations

2/11/2012

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Cost: \$40

Episcopal Church Foundation

Vacation Bible School Fair

2/24/2012 to 3/3/2012

Don't miss this popular event! Bring your Vacation Planning Committee and visit the Key Hall Resource Room (click on More Details for hours of operation) to examine Vacation Bible School starter kits.

Location: Key Hall Resource Room

Study Refresher for Church Leaders

2/27/2012 to 4/20/2012

Cost: \$645.00 includes accommodations (Alums \$565.00 with use of one free night).

Dates: 2/27 - 3/2/2012, and 4/16 - 4/20/2012

Fashioning Lifelong Faith through Creative Curriculum

3/10/2012

10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Cost: \$40 (includes lunch)

Ms. Dorothy Linthicum

Building Philanthropic and Collaborative Relationships at Episcopal Early Childhood Education Programs

4/11/2012

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

The Rev. Dan Heischman, Executive Director, National Association of Episcopal Schools

Mary Ellen Christy, Headmistress, St. Chrysostom Day School, Chicago, IL

Elizabeth Hogen, Head of School, Resurrection Episcopal Day School, New York, NY

e-Formation for All Ages

6/10/2012 to 6/12/2012

Sunday, June 10, 3pm - Tuesday, June 12, 2012 1:30pm

Dr. Lisa Kimball

Mr. John Roberto

Dr. Julie Lytle

Registration Coming Soon!

Seminary of the Southwest (online)

Spring 2012 Online Course Offerings

DLB6003 Delighting in the Father and His Delights: Reflections on the Parable of Luke 15

With the parable of the prodigal son as the central focus for this course, those who join this "study group" will reflect on the biblical record and will see themselves somewhere in the story.

Class participants will be asked to:

- 1) Read and study resources on the nature and interpretation of parables and
- 2) Reflect on the meaning and application of the parable through biblical study, examining the written works and artistic expressions (art and music) of others concerning this parable, and explore how a local church or parish would be impacted through the challenge of this story
- 3) Consider how this story can help readers/faith communities develop a greater delight in the Father and what delights His heart

This course is taught by Tony Carr

Monday, February 06, 2012 - Friday, March 23, 2012

Registration: Madelyn Snodgrass (512)472-4133 ext. 344

**DLF6017 The Art of Illumination: Praying the Hours, A Liturgy of Time
During the Middle Ages**

The Belles Heures of the Duc du Berry was commissioned by Jean de France. Called a Book of Hours, this type of devotional book contained illuminated images from the life of the Virgin Mary as a meditational focus for prayer.

Using material from two contemporary Books of Hours and images from the elegantly illuminated manuscripts of The Belles Heures, this course will explore the history of praying the hours, the use of art as an opening to the sacred, and the relevancy of this ancient practice in our modern lives.

This course is taught by Lynda Young Kaffie

Monday, February 06, 2012 - Friday, March 23, 2012

Registration: Madelyn Snodgrass (512)472-4133 ext. 344

DLF6018 Fashioned for Joy: Readings from the Celtic Christian Tradition

Full of robust confidence that God makes this world from moment to moment, and that we are God's ambassadors of reconciliation within that world, the Celtic Christian tradition-both ancient and contemporary-invites us to deeper respect for each other, for different cultures, and for all that has been created. In this class we will read primary texts from the Celtic Christian tradition. We will reflect on those texts together and write prayers based on them. We will explore some contemporary expressions of the Celtic way of prayer. We will investigate the ways in which this tradition leads us steadily and confidently into active care for others and for the earth itself.

This course is taught by Mary C. Earle

Monday, February 06, 2012 - Friday, March 23, 2012

Registration: Madelyn Snodgrass (512) 472-4133 ext. 344

Church Divinity School of the Pacific Online Continuing Education Winter 2012

February 6 - March 23

Reformation Church History and Theology

The Rev. Dr. Diane Bowers
 February 6 - March 23
Registration Deadline: January 30, 2012

What do Episcopalians, Lutherans and members of the Reformed churches believe? How do we differ theologically and where do we agree? In this course we will explore three theologies of the 16th century Continental and English Reformations. We will focus on the historical context of their beginnings, the principal theological claims of each Reformation, and on similarities and differences that are still significant today. This introductory course is for anyone interested in learning more about the variety of theological traditions of the Reformation as well as for those who seek a greater understanding of the basis for contemporary Episcopal, Lutheran and Reformed dialogue.

***Diane Bowers** is an ordained pastor in the Lutheran church (ELCA) and currently serves a congregation in the Bay Area. She recently completed her doctoral degree in systematic theology at the Graduate Theological Union on the theology Martin Luther. Diane is working on a book about eco-spirituality, provisionally titled, "Grace, Compost and the Christian Life." She lives with her husband in Berkeley, and when not writing, preaching or leading funerals, she tends flowers and bees and grows lackluster tomatoes.*

Register by January 20: \$190

Register by January 30: \$225

Introduction to the New Testament: The Gospels and Acts

Bob Kramish, PhD. (Candidate)
 February 6 - March 23
Registration Deadline: February 2, 2012

This seven-week overview introduces the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth as presented in the four canonical gospels, and the story of the birth of Christianity as described in the Acts of the Apostles. We'll compare and contrast the gospels, and learn how each evangelist wrote with a specific audience in mind, focusing on different aspects of Jesus' character and mission. We'll learn about the "Synoptic Problem" (why Matthew, Mark and Luke are so similar to one another, and so different from John), and how the Acts of the Apostles provides a sequel to the Gospel of Luke. We'll also examine these writings in the light of the political, social and religious developments of first-century Palestine.

Bob Kramish is a doctoral candidate at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley. Currently working on his dissertation on liturgical texts from the Dead Sea Scrolls, his interests in biblical studies span both testaments and everything in between, with a special passion for biblical and related languages.

Register by January 20: \$190

Register by February 2: \$225

Chapters in Anglican History

The Very Rev. Dr. Tom Ferguson

February 6 - March 23

Registration Deadline: February 2, 2012

This course looks at the development of Anglicanism since the Reformation, with particular emphasis on the history of the Episcopal Church and development of the Anglican Communion. By the end of the course, students will be familiar with major figures in Anglicanism from Richard Hooker to Gene Robinson.

Tom Ferguson is currently the Dean of Bexley Hall in Columbus, OH. He received his Ph.D. from GTU/ CDSP in 2002 in the History of Christian Life and Thought and has taught extensively for CDSP in the graduate level programs and the CALL program. Formerly, he served as Deputy to the Presiding Bishop for Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations.

Register by January 20: \$190

Register by February 2: \$225

Old Testament Introduction: The Writings

Dr. Sandra Collins

February 6 - March 23

Registration Deadline: February 2, 2012

This course will introduce students to the literary, historical and theological study of Ezra, Chronicles, and Nehemiah, the final works of the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament). Historically, they take us from the establishment of the monarchy through the exile and return to the land and the inauguration of the Second Temple period. This course will follow a thematic approach, asking important questions regarding the role of prophets and priest as well as what the "perfect

community" looks like for the returning community in these narrative histories, which will also give us occasion to look at Ruth, Esther and Daniel as well. The course is intended to foster the student's development of a personal, loving relationship with God while at the same time providing a solid scriptural foundation for later theological studies.

Sandee Collins holds a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh with a concentration in Jewish Studies as well as master's degrees in church history and library science. She is currently Academic Dean and faculty in Biblical Studies at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary in Pittsburgh, PA. Sandee has taught biblical courses and general religion classes at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Her dissertation, "Weapons Upon Her Body: The Female Heroic in the Hebrew Bible" is slated for publication by Cambridge Scholars Press in late 2011.

Register by January 20: \$190

Register by February 2: \$225

February 6 - May 18

Ministry Development: Enabling the Ministry of the Baptized

The Rev. Michelle Meech
February 6 - May 18
Registration Deadline: February 2, 2012

Ministry of the Baptized, Total Ministry, Mutual Ministry, Area Ministry. No matter what you call it, the question is the same: "Given that we are called to ministry at this time and in this place with these resources, what are we to DO?" This course will teach a model of ministry discernment for community, which includes the leadership required to enable this discernment. We will explore our call to ministry – both as individuals and as the collective, investigate the inspiration for that call, and seek articulation of ministry in real and tangible ways outside the walls of the church building. We will also discuss models of leadership, change dynamics and ministry development. A mix of reading, online discussion, on-the-ground exercises and writing will be used during the course.

Michelle Meech hails from the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon and is currently a priest serving as assisting clergy at St. Alban's in Albany, CA. She works as the Director for the Center for Anglican Learning & Leadership and as an Enneagram teacher. She is passionate about empowering people through learning. Michelle completed her MDiv at CDSP where she focused on ministry development. You can sometimes find her blogging at www.virtualteahouse.com.

Register by January 20: \$190

Register by February 2: \$225

Christian Ethics in the Anglican Tradition

The Rev. Dr. Jay Johnson

February 6 - May 18

Registration Deadline: January 30, 2012

This course will use lectures and class discussions to explore the Anglican ethical/moral tradition in its historical context, and as a resource for contemporary decision-making.

***Jay Emerson Johnson** is a theologian, Episcopal priest and Senior Director, Academic Research & Resources at the Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry at the Pacific School of Religion. Jay also serves as a member of the core doctoral faculty of the Graduate Theological Union (GTU). His first book, *Dancing with God: Anglican Christianity and the Practice of Hope*, was published in 2005. A two-volume anthology, *Queer Religion*, co-edited with Donald L. Boisvert, will be published by Praeger Publishers in 2011.*

Register by January 20: \$360

Register by January 30: \$400

February 20 - March 30

New Voices in Anglicanism

The Rev. Dr. John Kater

February 20 - March 30

Registration Deadline: February 16, 2012

Special Lenten Series Course! February 20 – March 30, 2012

Contact the CALL office to learn how to use this course for a parish-wide Lenten study.

Contemporary Anglican Christianity is practiced in settings around the world, yet the voices of its leaders and theologians are often unknown beyond their immediate context. All too often, English-speaking voices dominate our understanding of the nature of Anglicanism. This course will familiarize participants with the many voices -- some familiar, others not -- of Asian, African

and Latin American Anglicans whose contributions will broaden and deepen the faith of Anglicans in the twenty-first century.

John Kater studied at Columbia University, the General Theological Seminary and McGill University in Montreal. He has served as a parish priest in the US as well as the Education Officer in Panama. In 1990 he joined the faculty of CDSP as Professor of Ministry Development and was the director of CALL for its first ten years. Officially retired, John continues to teach full time at CDSP in the fall semester as Professor Emeritus, as well as teaching for The School for Deacons. He also teaches overseas each spring, spending significant amounts of time in Korea, and Brazil and returning each year to Ming Hua Theological College in Hong Kong.

Register by February 10: \$190

Register by February 16: \$225

Episcopal Divinity School Connect (not online)

For more information contact Liz Magill at lmagill@eds.edu or 617.682.1581.

Gathered and Scattered! Baptismal Ministry: An Introduction.

Thursday, Feb 2, 1 pm to Friday, February 3, 6 pm. Circus Circus, Las Vegas, NV. LIVING STONES is offering this course with EDSCoconnect adjunct faculty Chuck McCray and Tammy Jones. 1 CEU. Price for course and lodging to be determined.

Recovering the Soul in Role: A Community Discernment Practice in the Works of Parker J. Palmer.

Thursday, February 2, 1 pm to Friday, February 3, 6 pm. Circus Circus, Las Vegas, NV. LIVING STONES is offering this course with EDSCoconnect adjunct faculty Dan Hines and Margaret Babcock. 1 CEU. Price for course and lodging to be determined.