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Guest Faculty

Dr. Kimberleigh Jordan—Director of Craig Chapel, Drew Theological School. Dr. Jordan previously served as director of worship at The Riverside Church and as associate minister at the Marble Collegiate Church in New York City. In addition to directing weekly chapel experiences and teaching the chapel practicum, she also teaches in the DMin and master’s programs as associate professor in the practice of religion and the arts. Dr. Jordan was raised in the African Methodist Episcopal Church and is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ.

Rev. Jacob Armstrong—Lead Pastor, Providence Church. Dreaming of a church where disconnected people could find hope, healing, and wholeness in Jesus, in 2008, Jacob and Rachel moved to Mount Juliet to start Providence Church. Besides Providence, Jacob’s most formative ministry experiences have been mission trips in the U.S., Mexico, Spain, and Nicaragua. Jacob enjoys running, canoeing, and playing with his dog Zeke. Jacob and Rachel have three daughters (that’s right, three daughters!), Mary, Lydia, and Phoebe.

Rev. Dr. Stephen Cady—Senior Minister, Asbury First UMC in Rochester, NY. Stephen received his PhD in Practical Theology from Princeton Theological Seminary. His particular research is youth and young adult faith formation, particularly in the area of worship. His dissertation was titled: Creative Encounters: Toward a Theology of Magnitude for worship with United Methodist Youth. Stephen has been named a Timothy Scholar by the United Methodist Foundation for Evangelism, was twice the recipient of a Dempster Fellowship through the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, and is a John Wesley Fellow.
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2017-18 Sessions

September 26-28: Dr. Kimberleigh Jordan
November 7-9: Rev. Jacob Armstrong
January 9-11: Preaching Lab
April 10-12: Stephan Cady
May: 15-17: Preaching Lab

Logistics

All retreats take place at Casowasco Camp and Retreat Center. Sessions begin at 3pm on Tuesday, and conclude with lunch on Thursday. Lodging, meals, and the capstone trip are included in the registration fee of $800.00.

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