

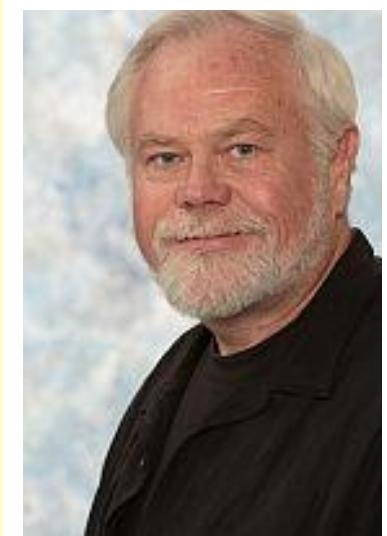
Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership proudly offers

# Narrative Theology

BETHANY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY  
RICHMOND, IN

NOVEMBER 1-4, 2018  
[REGISTER ONLINE](#)

## Course Description and Objectives



This course is available to:

- TRIM/EFSM students- fulfills BT unit and BTS experiences
- Those seeking Continuing Education Units (2.0 CEU)
- Anyone seeking personal and spiritual enrichment

Essentially, this course is open to ALL!

Course fee \$295.00

**Registration deadline:**  
September 27, 2018

Recent decades have witnessed and welcomed a “narrative turn” in theology, hermeneutics (interpretation of Biblical texts), homiletics (the art of preaching and writing sermons), biblical studies and ministry studies. This course will bring a variety of narrative theologies into conversation with literary stories and narrative theory as we study the form and function of story-shaped approaches to naming ourselves and rendering God’s name in history.

- Become familiar with a variety of genres of story theology and consider their use in contemporary pastoral and congregational ministry.
- Ponder how fictive narratives and parables function in telling the truth.
- Study and experiment with composing story-shaped theologies in the adventure of naming God, world, self and others.

## Instructor: Scott Holland

Scott Holland is the Warren A. Slabaugh Professor of Theology & Culture and the director of the Baker Peace Studies Program at Bethany Theological Seminary. He is a senior contributing editor for *CrossCurrents Journal* in New York and publishes in the areas of narrative theology, theopoetics and peace studies.

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**Course Withdrawal  
Refund Policy**

100% of course fee prior  
to registration

50% from the registration  
deadline to the first day

No refunds will be given  
once the class has  
begun

Exceptions require the  
approval of the Director  
of the Brethren  
Academy

## Reading List

**Prior to class:**

- Read *The Man Who Planted Trees* by Jean Giono
- Watch the movie and read the book, *The Life of Pi* by Yann Martel. The film can be easily rented or purchased.
- Also, students should come to class prepared to briefly discuss their all time favorite story and why it matters to them.

**During days of class:**

- Rudy Wiebe, *Peace Shall Destroy Many* (It would be wise to read this novel before class begins).
- Annie Dillard, *Holy the Firm* (This short book may be read during our weekend together).

## Participants

Class size is limited to 20 students.

As an attendee of this event, you may be included in still photos, videotaped footage, news articles, informational brochures or other media used to interpret the mission and purpose of Bethany Theological Seminary, the Church of the Brethren, and the Brethren Academy.

## Schedule

**Location** – Bethany Theological Seminary

**Schedule**

Thursday: 6-9pm  
Friday & Saturday: 8:30am-12:00pm and 1:30-5:00pm  
Sunday: 9:00am-12:00pm

## Travel and Lodging

Transportation, lodging and meals are the participant's responsibility. The Brethren Academy office will be glad to provide contact information for area lodging.

## Narrative Theology, November 1-4, 2018

[Register online](#) or fill out following information and return, along with payment to:  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best contact phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be taking this course for:  TRIM credit  EFSM credit  CEUs (2)  personal enrichment

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