



MINISTERIAL EXCELLENCE FORUMS

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March 7 – Dr. Greg Carey, [Pastoring Everyone in Divisive Times](#)

Pundits and pastors alike report the polarization that characterizes American society in our present moment. Religious leaders find it all but impossible to speak to public issues without being identified as "partisan" or "political." This workshop helps clergy express and diagnose their experiences, share common wisdom, and build frameworks for leading with integrity.

April 11 – Rev. Jes Kast and Rev. Megan Malick, [Back at the Table](#)

A Taste of Heaven with Rev. Jes Kast - Come and experience A Taste of Heaven as we practice *thy kin-dom come on earth as it is in heaven* together. Many of us desire to lead our churches into greater outreach to our communities for justice and charity. In this workshop you will experience the revitalization and re-branding of outreach that West End Collegiate Church accomplished as we envisioned a new way of doing outreach for our neighborhood. Following the Benedictine Motto "All are to be welcomed as Christ" we practiced that literally among our volunteers and among the guests who found sanctuary in our "church within a church." In our time together we will partake in the worship so you can experience our methodology. After worship we will look at some of the opportunities that the church has as we imagine new models of outreach.

Is Change Really a Dirty Word? with Rev. Megan Malick - Have you heard folks in your community clamoring for changes only to find that when you go to make those changes the very people asking for the change resist it? In this workshop you will learn the stages of change as well as ways to assess how folks relate to change. Finally, you will learn specific questions to assist you in both assess readiness for change and questions to motivate folks to consider taking one small step forward.

May 9 – Rev. Dr.Carolyn M. Call– [Emotional Intelligence](#)

What is the relationship between emotional intelligence and effective leadership? What might we learn about leadership from new research on emotional life? This workshop will provide insights into the dynamic relationship between our inner emotional life and how we lead and interact with others in the external world. Learn about how anxiety plays a role in our leadership and what it means to be emotionally "healthy". Case studies and small-group discussion will be included.

**All forums are for clergy. They will be held at
St. Thomas UCC - 6490 Linglestown Road – Harrisburg, PA 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

Light refreshments will be served.