

Costs and Class times



CLASS PRICE LIST:

- In person class price for enrichment – \$300 for the week or \$60 per day (lunch included T, W, Th)
- Zoom enrichment – \$200 total or \$40 per day
- For accreditation through Missio Seminary: \$1,140
- Books – approximate \$70 (for credit)
- Early Bird Rate – \$10 less per day if you register and pay by May 16th.
- Late Rate – \$10 more per day if you register and pay after May 27.

To register, e-mail: pastorsassistant@cscfamily.org

DAILY CLASS TIMES:

We welcome those who wish to come for one day or even part of a day. Daily class times are as follows: (See inside for class session topics.)

- Mon: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Tues: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm; Lunch
- Wed: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm; Lunch; Field Trip to Ephrata Cloister
- Thurs: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm; Lunch
- Thurs: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm; Lesson over Dessert
- Fri: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

For meals, we order from local businesses.

Lodging is self arranged. There are many reasonably priced hotels within 10 miles of the Lansdale, PA area.

Participants are encouraged to join us on **Sunday evening (June 1)** from 6:00-8:30 for the **Salford Pilgrimage**. This is a worship service at an old Schwenkfelder meeting house. Singing, a sermon, a historical message, and ice cream are all a part of this unique historic Schwenkfelder service.



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INTERPRETING FIRST PETER



A CONGREGATIONAL INSTITUTE
Intensive
June 2-6, 2025
in Lansdale, PA

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The Central Schwenkfelder Church and the CCCC Credentials Committee along with the Congregational Institute Board of Directors welcome pastors and lay leaders to participate in a week-long intensive class on the interpretation of First Peter to be held June 2-6, 2025.



INSTRUCTOR

Dr. Scott J. Hafemann From 2011–2018 Scott Hafemann was the Reader in New Testament in the School of Divinity, University of St Andrews (Scotland, UK), from which he retired to care for elderly parents and to pursue his research and writing. He also leads the annual Savannah Sabbatical for Pastors and is a theological mentor for The Center for Pastor Theologians. Previously he taught NT for 15 years at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary and nine years at Wheaton College (IL). From 2002–2012 he helped to establish and later served as President of Mission: Chad, which existed to support orphan rescue-work and theological education in Chad. Scott is a licensed minister with the Baptist General Conference. From 1990–1993 he served as Associate Pastor of First Congregational Church, Boxford, MA (CCCC), and from 2004–2011 was a member of First Congregational Church of Hamilton, MA (CCCC). Scott and his wife, Debara, now make their home in Savannah, Georgia.



CLASS TOPICS AND SCHEDULE:

Monday, June 2	TOPICS
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Introduction to 1 Peter and 1 Peter 1:1-2, 3-9
Tuesday, June 3	
9:00 am – 3:00 pm	1 Peter 1:10-12, 13-21, 22-25; 1 Peter 2:1-12
Wednesday, June 4	
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	1 Peter 2:13–25; 1 Peter 3:1-7, 8-22
Thursday, June 5	
9:00 am – 1:00 pm	1 Peter 4:1-11
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	1 Peter 4:12–19
Friday, June 6	
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	1 Peter 5

This class can be taken for enrichment or for 2 credits through Missio Seminary in Philadelphia. It will be offered in person and via zoom.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will focus on a close reading of the argument of 1 Peter (using a modified form of discourse analysis to be introduced in class), with an eye to Peter's understanding of Jesus as the Messiah, his use of the OT Scriptures, and the (new) covenant framework for understanding his theologically-driven ethics.

To that end, we will work to determine the flow of the biblical text's structure and argument, within its own historical, literary, and biblical-theological context, in order to determine its main points and how they are supported.

In doing so, the course will highlight Peter's focus on the sovereignty of God, the example and reign of Christ in view of his redemptive suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension, and the work of the Spirit within the church as "a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, and God's special possession" (1 Peter 2:9).

The goal of this course is to allow 1 Peter to help us recover the future focus of our faith in order that we might face faithfully the current challenges and anxieties of living as "exiles" in this world.