



**Convocation 2019**  
**Brave Change: Courageous Churches**  
**Saturday April 6, 2019**  
**The Harraseeket Inn, Freeport, Maine**

"God has not given us a spirit of fear but of power, and of love and of sound mind." (2 Timothy 1:7)

**Brave Change: Courageous Churches**

is a one-day gathering for those who want to bravely lead change in their church with prayer and planning. Whether it is grappling with helping our communities make sense of the large-scale reality of shifts in the global climate, the challenges of the opioid epidemic, or navigating the everyday ups and downs of contemporary congregational life, as leaders in ministry we intimately know that we are serving in moments of powerful, disruptive change.

When we don't know how to best proceed, uncertainty can make us fearful. Sometimes we feel stuck and unsure of ourselves. During this event, we will talk about grief, hope, and the reality that discerning a way forward often means needing to let go of some things that are holding us back. We will hear from some exciting bright spots of change, think about the ways in which our context needs to shift, and begin to consider concrete steps for what might come next.

By the time the day is done participants will consider:

- How to lead with courage to take the risks you know you need to take.
- How to begin to make plans that lead to change in your organization.
- Tools, resources, and models that can help you with that transformation.

A change for this Convocation is that we've shifted to a one-day event in response to the constraints of time and funds many church leaders are facing. We also anticipate live streaming some elements of the event. Learn more and register at <https://www.thebtscenter.org/convocation-2019/>