

List of Continuing Education Opportunities...

(CC=Cultural Competency Training; AR=Anti-Racism)

(ALL Authorized Ministers, please note: We will be identifying these kinds of continuing education opportunities – The policy is effective January 1, 2019. If you have any questions, please contact the Penn Northeast Conference Office at 610-826-3113. Thank You!)

YEAR 2019

- September 23-26 **Executive Certificate in Religious Fundraising (IUPUI Lilly Family School of Philanthropy – Lake Institute on Faith Giving)** – Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ – [Click here for flyer and registration](#)
- September 24 **"What's New in the Old Testament?"** - 10:00 am in Lancaster Theological Seminary Santee Chapel. Bring a friend! Dr. O'Brien's talk is the first of four Tuesday Topics, our new series featuring free faculty presentations on current issues and insights
- September 24 **Free Webinar: Simplifying Church Structure** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Doug Bixby – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_p0pew-hBRZW6PvTSUigzoQ - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- September 24-26 **"Hear Me - Is God Listening?"** Ventures 2019 - begins 11AM on the 24th and ends after lunch on the 26th - Mariawald Renewal Center, 1094 Welsh Rd., Reading
[Click for flyer/registration](#)
- September 26 **Free Webinar: Tackling Tough Topics with Kids** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Karen Ware Jackson – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Ytdp5FUYSuqES-XrqBVxkA - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- September 26 **2019 Diversity Training Class** (rescheduled by Pennsylvania Southeast Conference) – 10AM to 1PM - Armenian Martyrs' Congregational Church, Havertown – [click for flyer and how to register](#)
- September 28 **Safe But Welcoming Churches** – (9AM to Noon) & **Religious Responses to Crisis Situations** (1-4PM) – Place TBA
- October 1 **Free Webinar: Connecting to Your Community Through Arts Ministry** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Joy Skjeggstad – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_4FhPkflzSFK4DdV=n0qylQ - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- October 3 **Free Webinar: Intro to Prison Ministry: Everyone Can Do Something!** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Marilyn Schneider – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_UHXA619rS6WlWMm5KkJuUw - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- October 3 **Boundary Training** in Schuylkill Haven - [click for flyer](#)
- October 3 **Boundary Training - Clergy Sexual Abuse – Prevention, Healing & Reconciliation** – 7 to 9PM – Leahy Hall, Room 235, University of Scranton – [click for flyer](#)
- October 4, November 8 & December 6 – **First Friday Luncheon Discussions** **NOTE: IF YOU ATTEND ALL 4 OF THESE "First Friday Luncheon Discussions" it will count as your Cultural Competency Training...**but you need to attend all 4 (They are listed separately in this list with the details.)– Learning to Understand One Another – Muhlenberg College, 2400 Chew St., Allentown – Lunch 11:45AM, Program Noon to 1:00PM
- October 4, November 8 – **Wisdom Way of Knowing Gatherings** – 3 to 5PM – free will offering – Saal, Bahnson Center, Moravian Seminary, Bethlehem – Registration NOT required – Monthly gathering – we will explore ways to weave different components of Wisdom into our daily life and spiritual practice - leader is Marcella Kraybill-Greggo, certified Spiritual Director and student of Wisdom as highlighted by Cynthia Bourgeault.
- October 4 **First Friday Luncheon Discussion – Religion, Gender & Race: A Look at the American Voter in Advance of the 2020 Elections** – Dr. Chris Borick, Professor of Political Science, Seegers Union 111-112 Muhlenberg College, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. Lunch 11:45AM, program Noon to 1PM. Free and Open to the Public..bring your lunch or buy lunch at Seegers Union. Visit website www.Muhlenberg.edu/IJCU
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- October 5 **Advent Adventures** sponsored by the Faith Formation Ministry Team, 10AM – 2PM – Union UCC, Neffs – register at <https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/886571>
- October 7, 14, 21 & 28 - (attending 3 of the 4 qualifies as CC training) -- **Four Part Series on Mental Illness and Mental Health Education for Families** –
The Scranton Mental Health Ministry at the Cathedral of Saint Peter is presenting this four-part series on mental illness in order to reduce the stigma of these illnesses through education and factual information about mental health conditions. The series reinforces the core Christian belief that everyone has dignity and value and should be fully welcomed into the Church and the community. **Dates are October 7, 14, 21 & 28. For full flyer & registration, click here.**
- October 8 **Free Webinar: Flyaway Books: Picture Books That Help the Next Generation Soar** – 7 to 7:30PM – leader, Kerri Daly – a faith formation resources webinar – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_9j5XgYN5ToCWnmuQo-Fxzg - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- October 9 **Pastoral Leadership in Congregational Systems 101, session 1** at Faith, Center Valley led by Bruce Stevenson
- October 10 **Ministry Day** – 8:30AM Registration; 9AM to 3:30PM - St. John's UCC (Fullerton), 575 Grape St., Whitehall – to register go to <https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/884378> - Deadline to register September 30 – Cost \$15 – Topic: Our Call – Building Relationships; Keynote Speaker – Rev. Dr. Gregory Edwards, Founder & Sr. Pastor of Resurrected Life Community Church UCC, Allentown – qualifies for 5 hours of continuing education
- October 12 **Part-Time is Plenty: Thriving Without Full-Time Clergy** – 9AM to Noon (registration at 8:30AM) – Cost is \$25. Held at Shenkel UCC, 1580 Shenkel Rd., Pottstown.
[Detailed flyer and registration info.](#)
- October 14 **Stewardship** - via Phillips Seminary (Disciples) - [Visit our Website](#)
- October 14 **Christian Education and Leadership** - via Phillips Seminary (Disciples) - [Visit our Website](#)
- October 14 **Worship** - via Phillips Seminary (Disciples) - [Visit our Website](#)
- October 16-November 13 (Wednesdays) – **Christians, Jews & Muslims Talking Together (3 “Traditional Faiths” in Dialogue With Today’s “Nones”)** – 7:30-9:30PM - \$20 suggested donation – Respect Graduate School, 2200 Industrial Dr., Bethlehem, PA 18017 – 10 contact hours (for all sessions) – **Session 1:** Dinner (Halal, Dietary Observant) – no presentation – getting acquainted; **Session 2:** The Situation: Focus on Present Developments; **Session 3:** The Nones Speak for Themselves – Spiritual but not Religious; Humanist, not Theist; **Session 4:** Three Traditions Respond; **Session 5:** After Listening – Looking to the Future – register at <http://www.moravianseminary.edu/registration>
- October 16 **Book Discussion Group** – You're invited to gather to discuss Viet Thanh Nguyen's 2018 book *The Displaced: Refugee Writers on Refugee Lives* (Hardcover, 192 pages, published by Harry N. Abrams. ISBN: 1419729489; ISBN13: 978419729485) – discussion will begin on Wednesday, October 16 at 7PM at the new location of the Peace & Justice Center, 57 N. Franklin St., 3rd floor, Wilkes Barre – please email the Center at peacewb@verizon.net if you plan to participate.
- October 17 (CC) **West Greets East: Alternative Approaches to Aging** – 8AM to 4:15PM at University Center, DeSales University – register at Phoebe.org/PIAConference by **October 8, 2019**. The Western approach to aging considers the human body as primary. Treatments for common ailments associated with growing older-everything from memory lapses to pain to incontinence to loneliness-are generally addressed biochemically. The Eastern approach to aging considers the consciousness as primary. Treatments encompass the body, mind, and spirit. As our aging population increases and grows older, how can we integrate Western and Eastern philosophies to help ensure longevity and quality of life-as well as a peaceful death? This conference explores a world of approaches to that question from a broad spectrum of disciplines.
- October 17 **Preaching Like the Choir** – how to prepare and present sermons with rhythm, melody and prose – with Rev. Cean James, Pennsylvania Southeast Conference – workshop is 9AM to 3PM (registration @ 8:30AM) at First UCC, Schuylkill Haven (110 Route 61 South) - \$12 with lunch included. For full flyer and registration [click here](#).
- October 17 **Free Webinar: Five Lies We Like to Tell About Church Growth** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Dan Hotchkiss – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Shdu2CHcScK0x-z_blw3TQ - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- October 18 **President Trump & Evangelicals: Strange Bedfellows or No?** (lecture) – 3 to 5PM – free – Pavillion, HUB – Moravian Seminary – register at <http://www.moravianseminary.edu/registration>
- October 21-25, 2019 – (Application Deadline: September 15) - **The Art of Consulting With Faith Communities** - Have you ever considered serving as a guide and encourager for a faith community in a role other than pastor

or staff member? Have you looked for a different way to utilize your previous education, training and ministry experience to positively impact faith communities? Do you believe that you would find such work a meaningful ministry? If you can answer “Yes” to these questions, then you should consider training to become a consultant. For more information concerning these or future events, please contact Robin Danner at the Center for Congregational Health: 336-716-9722; email congreg@wakehealth.edu - The Center for Congregational Health | Medical Center Blvd., Winston Salem, NC 27157

- October 22 **Harvest Full of Hope Annual Conference** – (an approved continuing education event –mental health focus) - Free Lunch and Registration (certificate of attendance given with at least 6 ½ direct contact hours noted)The ArtsQuest Center at SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way, Bethlehem. Where consumers and providers unite to educate, inform and increase mental health awareness. The Committee is comprised of mental health professionals/consumers who have a sincere desire to promote “Better Mental Health for All.” <https://www.facebook.com/HarvestFullOfHope> . (an approved continuing education event – Online registration bit.ly/2Mc8u6L (case sensitive)
- October 23 **Faith Formation and Spiritual Practices for Children, Youth, and Adults (6 weeks)** – For inquiries or registration email registrar@pathwayshteological.org or www.pathwaystheological.org
- October 23 **Understanding the Bible as a Progressive Christian (6 weeks)** - For inquiries or registration email registrar@pathwayshteological.org or www.pathwaystheological.org
- October 23 **The Art of Preaching (6 weeks)** - For inquiries or registration email registrar@pathwayshteological.org or www.pathwaystheological.org
- October 23 **Practicing Our Faith in the Public Square (6-weeks)** - examines the why, how, and direction of faith-based engagement in the political life of our communities and nation. It also addresses areas of resistance and confusion regarding such engagement. It invites informed and renewed commitment to working for the public good of all God’s people through spirited participation in civic affairs. For inquiries or registration email registrar@pathwayshteological.org or www.pathwaystheological.org
- October 23 **An Overview of Homosexuality and the Bible (4-weeks)** - Using the historical-critical method of biblical interpretation, this course examines the most-often cited biblical texts thought to refer to (and condemn) homosexuality. How do these texts apply to our understanding of LGBTQ people of faith today, if at all? The course also addresses the possibility of LGBTQ-affirming stories in the Bible. email registrar@pathwayshteological.org or www.pathwaystheological.org
- October 24 **Free Webinar: Improving Your Church’s Web Presence** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Eric Seiberling – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_9mxZCEJrTjaCydGfKuHiSw - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- October 24 **Free Public Lecture by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine** – “Jesus the Jewish Storyteller: of Pearls and Prodigals” – 7:30PM – Muhlenberg College, Moyer Hall, Miller Forum
- October 25 **Conversion and Conflict: Christian Latrobe Visits South Africa, 1807-1816** (lecture) – 9:30AM to Noon – free – Saal, Bahnson Center, 2 contact hours – <http://www.moravianseminary.edu/registration>
- October 26 **Vitality Days 1.0 – Session 1 with Michael Piazza** - 9AM-4PM – Place TBA
- October 27 **Free Public Lecture by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine** – 35th Annual Raoul Wallenberg Lecture – “On Different Grounds: Jewish and Christian Understandings of the Middle East” – 3:30PM – Muhlenberg College, Moyer Hall, Miller Forum
- October 28 **A full-day conference observing the 25th anniversary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America’s Declaration to the Jewish Community** repudiating Martin Luther’s anti-Jewish invective and expressing the church’s desire to “live our faith with love and respect for the Jewish people.” For registration details go to Passing the Word online registration site. (Muhlenberg College Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding)
- October 28 - November 1, 2019 – (Application Deadline: September 15) **Intentional Interim Ministry Training** - This 5-day course is designed for those individuals who have already discerned God’s call to interim ministry. The class focuses on the work of the leader and the work of the congregation, and is followed by individual fieldwork. Successful completion of the course prepares graduates to lead a faith community through the transition period between installed pastors. For more information concerning these or future events, please contact Robin Danner at the Center for Congregational Health: 336-716-9722; email congreg@wakehealth.edu - The Center for Congregational Health | Medical Center Blvd., Winston Salem, NC 27157
- October 29 **Free Webinar: Faithification: Gamifying Faith Formation** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Stephanie Luedtke – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_UYnJmSUoRza6y4OCQTskKQ -

- sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- October 31-November 25 **Road Hazards** – (6 to 9PM on Mondays & Thursdays) - A course in Congregational Ethics that explores issues facing the church today such as power and control, boundaries, decision making, child protection, and financial matters through the lens of traditional ethical language. If you are a leader in your church, this is the course for you. Participant projects focus on contemporary ethical issues and how to present them within a congregational setting. Online registration, Textbooks and 2019/2020 course schedules are on our website at www.moravianseminary.edu/crossroads . Or you can contact Jill Peters at petersj2@moravian.edu for more information or with questions.
- November 4-7 **Executive Certificate in Religious Fundraising (IUPUI Lilly Family School of Philanthropy – Lake Institute on Faith Giving)** - Leadership Education at Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC
[Click here for flyer and registration](#)
- November 5 **Free Webinar: Making God's Word Come Alive: Interactive Preaching and Storytelling** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Karen Ware Jackson & Heather Roth Johnson – to participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5BJqqHURUG-lfTR_FhrUA - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- November 8 **First Friday Luncheon Discussion – Non-Verbal Clues in Interpersonal Communication** – Joe Petro, US Secret Service Retired Executive – Seegers Union Event Space. Lunch 11:45AM, program Noon to 1PM. Free and Open to the Public..bring your lunch or buy lunch at Seegers Union. Visit website www.Muhlenberg.edu/IJCU
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- November 12 **Caregiving One Day at a Time: 2019 Caregiver Conference** – November 12 from 9AM to 2PM – Marywood University, Latour Room in Nazareth Hall, 2300 Adams Ave., Scranton – to register <https://action.alz.org/mtg/46164225>
- November 13 **Pastoral Leadership in Congregational Systems 201, session 1** at Faith, Center Valley led by Bruce Stevenson – for flyer and registration [click here](#)
- November 14 **Free Webinar: Youth Ministry With Overwhelmed Teens** – 7 to 8PM – leader, Christine Hides – To participate go to https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_uJbQQRdsTFWlC9TI99BrEg - sponsored by PRC-Practical Resources for Churches, Commack, NY- www.prcli.org
- November 15 **Spiritual Experience in Psychotherapy** (lecture) – 3 to 5PM - \$15 – Saal, Bahnson Center – 2 contact hours - <http://www.moravianseminary.edu/registration>
- November 16 **Vitality Days 1.0 – session 2 - with Michael Piazza** – 9AM-4PM – Place TBA
- November 18 Mondays Nov. 18, Jan. 20, February 17, March 16 – **Rediscovering the Transformative Power of the Gospels** – 6 to 8PM – Good Shepherd UCC, Slatedale – led by Rev. William Falla, Th.D, and Rev. Allan Kramer-Moyer, D. Min., we will use the historical critical approach to explore each of the four gospels, looking to discover new transformative meanings and insights. There is no cost for the seminars, but registration is required. Send name and contact information to moyer.allan@gmail.com
- November 19 **The Future of Religions in America: The Situation 20 Years From Now** - 10 am – Dr. Lee Barrett – Lancaster Theological Seminary
- December 6 **First Friday Luncheon Discussion – As if I were you: Acting with Compassionate Understanding** – Roger Ainslie, Visiting Asst. Professor Theatre; Holly Cate, Assoc. Professor Theatre; Laine Flores '20 – Seegers Union 111-112. Lunch 11:45AM, program Noon to 1PM. Free and Open to the Public..bring your lunch or buy lunch at Seegers Union. Visit website www.Muhlenberg.edu/IJCU

Year 2020

- January 20 **Bridge to Love** – Faith Formation Learning and Mission Event
- January 20 Mondays Jan. 20, February 17, March 16 – **Rediscovering the Transformative Power of the Gospels** – 6 to 8PM – Good Shepherd UCC, Slatedale – led by Rev. William Falla, Th.D, and Rev. Allan Kramer-Moyer, D. Min., we will use the historical critical approach to explore each of the four gospels, looking to discover new transformative meanings and insights. There is no cost for the seminars, but registration is required. Send name and contact information to moyer.allan@gmail.com
- January 21 **Christianity and Immigration** -10 am – Dr. Lee Barrett – Lancaster Theological Seminary

- January 24-25 **Cultivating Generous Congregations** – A PNEC & PSEC sponsored event – Church of the Good Shepherd, Boyertown (Friday from 8AM to 4PM & Saturday from 8:30AM to 4PM) –watch for details
- February 12 **Pastoral Leadership in Congregational Systems 101, session 2** at Faith, Center Valley led by Bruce Stevenson
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- March 4 **Pastoral Leadership in Congregational Systems 201, session 2** at Faith, Center Valley led by Bruce Stevenson. For flyer and registration [click here](#)
- March 6 **Pastoral Leadership in Congregational Systems 101, session 3** at Faith, Center Valley led by Bruce Stevenson
- March 16 **Rediscovering the Transformative Power of the Gospels** – 6 to 8PM – Good Shepherd UCC, Slatedale – led by Rev. William Falla, Th.D, and Rev. Allan Kramer-Moyer, D. Min., we will use the historical critical approach to explore each of the four gospels, looking to discover new transformative meanings and insights. There is no cost for the seminars, but registration is required. Send name and contact information to moyer.allan@gmail.com
- March 24 **Women Who Speak for God: Females Among the Prophets** – 10AM - Dr. Julia M. O'Brien – Lancaster Theological Seminary
- March 28 **Vitality Days 1.0 – session 3 - with Michael Piazza** – 9AM-4PM – Place TBA
- May 2 **Vitality Days 1.0 – session 4 - with Michael Piazza** – 9AM-4PM – Place TBA

Others...

-- (AR) - the new **PBS Mini-Series** by Henry Louis Gates, Jr. titled “**Reconstruction: America After the Civil War** **Part 1 – 1 Hour**

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=PBS+Mini-Series+Reconstruction%3a++America+After+the+Civil+War&&view=detail&mid=C3EFB8ED3B27B4A9817DC3EFB8ED3B27B4A9817D&&FORM=VRD GAR>

Part 2 – 1 Hour

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=PBS+Mini-Series+Reconstruction%3a++America+After+the+Civil+War&&view=detail&mid=A8FD676ABD7618471D82A8FD676ABD7618471D82&&FORM=VDRVRV>

-**Communities of Practice** – participation qualifies for ½ of the continuing education requirements

-**Crossroads Lay Leadership Program at Moravian Sem.** – <https://www.moravianseminary.edu/academics/crossroads>

-**Moravian Seminary** – 610-861-1512 - - <http://moravianseminary.edu/academics/continuing-education>

This site gets a person directly to continuing education programs. The calendar is on the same page.

-**Princeton Theological Seminary** - <https://www.ptsem.edu/>

-**Center for Family Process** – www.centerforfamilyprocess.com

-**Lehigh Conference of Churches** – <https://lehighchurches.org>

-**Institute for Islamic Christian Jewish Studies** – <https://icjs.org/> - usually (CC) qualified

-**PATHWAYS Theological Education, Inc.** - Announces a New Certificate Program in Foundational Theology

[See Full Flyer](#) on Certificate Program - Click [here](#) for more information and registration
www.patahwaystheological.org

-**Cedar Crest College** - Please see the below link that will bring you to our course search. You can select the summer semester to see everything that is being offered

https://my.cedarcrest.edu/ICS/Portal_Homepage.jnz?portlet=Course_Schedules&screen=Advanced+Course+Search&screenType=next OR link to our academic calendar <https://www.cedarcrest.edu/registrar/academiccalendar.shtm>

-Muhlenberg College Summer Study Page -

<https://www.muhlenberg.edu/main/wescoe/programcourseofferings/summer.html>