

The Province 1 Christian Formation Network is hosting a series of online monthly “Conversations with Noted Speakers” on Zoom. While hosted by the Episcopal churches of New England everyone is welcome to join these sessions.

On the third Thursday of most months’ participants will have the opportunity to hear from people at the forefront of Christian Formation. Each session includes time for questions and conversation as we learn from each other new ways of sharing our faith. Below is the information for our speakers for Winter/Spring 2025. To sign up click the links below each session. If you have any questions, please contact Linnae.peterson@gmail.com

Hierarchies Hurt People

Jennifer Holt Enriquez and The Rev. Will Bouvell

Jan. 16, 2025 7pm to 8:30pm Eastern

Jen Enriquez and Will Bouvell will share their journey of dismantling racism through Montessori-based storytelling. You will have a chance to hear how they have navigated sharing the stories in various spaces and how the concept of human hierarchies is relatable for everyone, and how that relates to the hierarchy that racism perpetuates. They will also share one of the stories of Tell Me the Truth About Racism.

Jen's Bio:

Jen Holt Enriquez discerned a call to ministry through her involvement with Forma, while working with children and youth at St. Christopher’s in the Diocese of Chicago. Jen expanded her ministry to include teaching children skills, and giving them tools for finding peace in themselves and their world via Peace Camp in 2017. In 2020 Jen sought a way to talk to kids about racism and in collaboration with Rev. Will Bouvell created Tell Me the Truth About Racism, a set of stories designed to invite children and adults into conversation about the problem of racism through the lens of faith.

Sign up here https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwscOCspz8sGtUVMhX0E_ZKgitVS9ZFWzsT

The Big Way of Love for Kids

Emily Kenniston

Kristin LeMay

Tina Clark

Feb. 20, 2025 7pm to 8:30pm Eastern

The Big Way of Love for Kids is a discipleship resource for kids and their beloved communities. It's a set of playing cards and activities to help our kids become the BIG, beloved children God intends them to be. Join the conversation about what this resource is and ways that it can be used in churches, homes and just about anywhere!

Speakers are Kristin LeMay, consultant for The Episcopal Church's Evangelism Team, Tina Clark, Director of Christian Formation at St John's Cathedral in Denver, CO, and Emily Kenniston, Director of Faith Formation for the Episcopal Diocese of Maine.

Sign up here <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tcOGuqj0uG9cMVf9j88xYkqaVfZw9gk5j>

Becoming Intentionally Intergenerational

Wendy Claire Barrie

March 20, 2025 7pm to 8:30pm Eastern

Churches have long been one of the few places in society where people of all ages gather. How do we move from being multigenerational to becoming intentionally intergenerational, and why is that important for congregational growth and vitality? Come, listen, and share your experiences!

Wendy Claire Barrie is Canon for intergenerational Ministries at Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle, Washington. A writer, editor, speaker, and educator, she has served eight Episcopal congregations small and large on both coasts since 1989, including All Saints Church in Pasadena, California and Trinity Church New York City. She is the author of *Faith at Home: A Handbook for Cautiously Christian Parents* (2016) and the forthcoming *The Church Post-Sunday School: How to be Intergenerational and Why it Matters*.

Sign up here <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZl0cuqvqD8oGN2NPEjtJpv2bqhCKrFKLMro>

The Gifts and Possibilities of a Parish [lending] Library

The Rev. Angela Compton-Nelson

May 15, 2025 7pm to 8:30pm Eastern

Angela Compton-Nelson is the Associate Rector at Church of the Holy Family (Episcopal) in Chapel Hill, NC where she has been serving since 2013. She is a graduate of Duke Divinity School and is passionate about Christian art and iconography, Montessori pedagogy, the rhythms of the church year, children's books, gardening, poetry, and nature walks. She is working to establish an Episcopal Montessori Collective. Angela lives in Durham, NC with her spouse, two daughters, chickens, worm bin, and pet bunny.

Creating a Children's Lending Library: Where to Start ([link](#))

Creating a Children's Lending Library for your Church: Frequently Asked Questions ([link](#))

20 Picture book Suggestions for Starting a Lending Library ([link](#))

Sign up here https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUrfuisrzltH9df1_X1o_3lsACJO9554j47

Season of Creation as Congregational Development

The Rev. Amy Slaughter

June 19, 2025 7pm to 8:30pm Eastern

Working at the intersection of mission and worship, Amy is passionate about supporting congregations in identifying their missional work in their context, and in shaping worship in ways that deepen their communal commitment to that mission. Amy is an Episcopal priest and currently serves as Rector of St. Francis Episcopal Parish & Community Center in Baltimore County, Maryland. Building relationships and equipping people to act together on issues that matter to their communities drives her ministry as pastor, priest and teacher.

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