

Learning

Lay Readers' Day

The Annual Lay Readers' Day will include worship and two presenters. The Rev. Mary Bell-Plouffe will be presenting on Biblical Story Telling. The presentation is an introduction to the art and spiritual discipline of biblical storytelling and includes participation. The Rev. Frank Tyrrell will be presenting on Truth and Reconciliation. It is a presentation and discussion on the history of the relationship between settlers and First Peoples including an interactive exercise. The cost for the day is \$20 for early registration.

Date: Saturday, October 18, 2014

Location: St. John's Ida

Facilitator: Rev. Mary Bell-Plouffe, Rev. Frank Tyrrell

Cost: \$20 for early registration

Opening Heaven's Door:

What the dying may be trying to tell us about where they're going.

by Patricia Pearson.

This is a six week Book Study/Discussion. The Rev. Mary Bell-Plouffe writes: "I heard Patricia Pearson being interviewed about this book on CBC Tapestry and it caught my interest immediately. When I read the book, I found it fascinating engaging, and easy to read. I look forward to facilitating this book study and discussion with you.

Opening Heaven's Door is Available for \$18 online. If you plan to attend, and would like us to order a book for you, please call St. Barnabas Church.

Date: Tue, Oct 14-Nov 18

Time: 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Location: St. Barnabas Church

Facilitator: Rev. Mary Bell-Plouffe

Cost: \$18 (book purchase)

Hiking Through the Bible

Trail VII: The Exile & Post-Exile Period

New hikers are welcome to join veteran hikers now investigating the biblical literature of the Babylonian and Persian empires. We will read and discuss the meaning and present relevance of the less-familiar and very diverse books of Daniel, Ezekiel, Obadiah, Lamentations, Isaiah (40-66), Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, Zechariah, Esther, and Malachi. Each weekly discussion meeting presupposes the reading of seven biblical sections and wrestling with the facilitator's study questions. Background materials and study aids supplement the discussions.

The charge for this course is for the trail's backpack manual containing readings, study questions, and helpful aids.

Date: Wednesday, Sep 24 - Nov 26, 2014

Time: 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: St. John's Meeting Room

Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Don Freeman

Cost: \$10

Reformation Service

We will host a celebration of the 596th anniversary of Luther posting the 95 Theses on the Wittenburg church doors, beginning the Protestant Reformation.

Date: Oct 26, 2014

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

Bible Challenge Discussion Group

This group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at St. Barnabas.

Enjoy an informal, friendly opportunity to discuss our readings from Bishop Linda's Bible Challenge.

Fall Bible Study: Making Sense of the Christian Faith Pilgrim

Making sense of the Christian faith is an exciting and inviting exploration of the major theological doctrines of the Christian faith in the other of the biblical story. Topics include: Theology, Creation, Sin, Covenant, Law, Community, Incarnation, Atonement, Church and Holy Spirit, and Eschatology.

Making Sense of the Christian Faith is written by Dr. David J. Lose, Professor of Biblical Preaching at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota

Starting Date: Tue, Sep 16 & Wed, Oct 1, 2014

Time: Tue - 10:00 am & Wed - 7:00 pm

Location: Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

Cost: \$3 (donation)

Covenant Choir

Over the Summer a Covenant Choir was formed from members of the Choirs at our churches. The Choir's main purpose is to augment the home Church's Choir at an event when a Choir has been requested and the home Choir's attendance is low and to lead the sing at combined Church events. We currently have 31 volunteers from the 5 churches and have helped out at 4 funerals. We will be leading the singing at the Church service and picnic on Sept. 21.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AT SACRED HEART 2014-15

Introducing the Sacred Heart Certificate in Religion and Theology Program

Participants receive a Citation for completing each six-week evening course in this program. Four Citations results in the Sacred Heart Certificate in Religion and Theology.

Fees for each course \$120 (includes course materials).

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Bible & Book Study

Replaced during Advent by Hymn Sing and study of Advent music.

Time: Following Wednesday Eucharist (10:00)

Location: St. Luke's

For continuing information about these and other courses, visit ALCC Learning Opportunities online at:

anglicaned.bbharvey.com

Pilgrim is a major new teaching and discipleship resource from the Church of England. It aims to help every local church create a place where people can explore the Christian faith together and see how it can be lived out each day.

Pilgrim takes a different approach to other Christian programmes. It approaches the great issues of faith not through persuasion, but participation in a pattern of contemplation and discussion with a group of fellow travellers.

Pilgrim is comprised of two stages: the Follow stage for those very new to faith, and the Grow stage for those who want to go further. Each stage contains four short six-session courses which focus on a major theme of Christian life.

Date: Wed, Sep 10

Time: 10:45 am - 12:00 pm

Location: All Saints' Church

Facilitator:

Cost:

Charles Darwin: The Evolution of a Controversy in the 21st Century

The impact of Darwin's theory on religious belief has commonly been seen in terms of a "conflict" or "warfare" between science and religion. This course charts the origins and consequences of that claim, and a range of alternative views. We will explore essential terms such as "teleology," "randomness," "evolution," and "design" and the major current positions – materialism, creationism, intelligent design, and theistic evolution - will also be critically examined. Instructor: Cameron Wybrow, PhD (See the Sacred Heart website, www.shofp.ca for a profile of Dr. Wybrow.)

For more information, see www.shofp.ca or call (705) 745-5549

Date: Wed, Oct 1-Nov 5, 2014

Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: Mount Saint Joseph, 1555 Monaghan Road

Facilitator: Cameron Wybrow, PhD

Prerequisite: None

Cost: \$120 (inc. course materials)