Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center Upcoming Continuing Education Events (updated April 5, 2023)



Dear Friends of Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center: Below are our current continuing education events that are open to all, no matter your district or denomination.

To register, click on the event title and follow the registration links for each event, or contact us at SVMC@SvmcCob.org, or 717-361-1450. Check or online credit card payments are accepted.

Julian of Norwich, Catharine Hummer, and Universal Restoration

Frank Ramirez, Leader Tues., April 25, 2023,7 PM – 8:30 PM, Zoom

Universal Restoration (not Universalism) was one of the core doctrines of the Pietist movement in general and the Brethren in particular. Grounded in scripture, it is not the belief that everyone will be saved. It only suggests that there is no limit to what God can do. This session will explore both Julian of Norwich (1342-c.1416) who was the first woman to write a book in English, and Catharine Hummer (fl.1762) of White Oak, PA, who was the first woman to preach among the Brethren.

Registration for this event is free but required. CEUs (.15) are available for \$10.00 per session.

Grief Literacy

Julie A. Guistwite, Leader Tuesday, June 6, 2023, I PM – 4 PM, Zoom

The nation's grief-denying mentality and limited community-based grief interventions is concerning to societal well-being. This interactive and case-based workshop examines the grief literacy movement in connection with Christ-centered ministry leadership. Attendees will gain practical knowledge and skills applicable to enhancing the well-being of congregational members and vulnerable persons in their community. This is part of a wider initiative to advance best practice and professional competence in bereavement care.

\$35.00 for .3 CEUs; \$25.00 for no CEUs.

Neurocognitive Disorders: Supporting Parishioners

Kimberly Korge, Leader

Tuesday, September 12, 2023, (originally May 9), 9 AM - 3 PM, Cross Keys Village

Understand what dementia is and how it differs from Alzheimer's disease; discuss tips to manage difficult situations and conversations with parishioners; describe the significance of trauma and how it might present in those living with a neurocognitive disorder; identify strategies to support parishioners impacted by trauma.

\$60.00 for .5 CEUs; \$50.00 for no CEUs. Includes lunch. (No Zoom option for this event)

Choose Life: Deuteronomy's Message for Today

Steve Schweitzer, Leader Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 9 AM – 3:30 PM, Juniata College

The book of Deuteronomy is a central text containing key themes that shape the Old Testament and its relationship to the New. In this study, we will explore the historical, literary, and theological contexts for understanding the message and content of Deuteronomy.

\$60.00 for .55 CEUs; \$50.00 for no CEUs. Includes lunch. Zoom option: \$40.00 for .55 CEUs or \$30.00 for no CEUs.

Walter Brueggemann's prophetic imagination: Reviewed, Recovered, and Restored

Conrad Kanagy, Leader

Thursday, November 2, 2023, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Elizabethtown College

In this seminar, we'll begin by addressing current challenges facing the church, its leaders, and its mission. We will then review the theological contributions of Walter Brueggemann to these challenges over the past five decades. We will consider how the recovery of these contributions may lead to a church that finds itself newly restored and reoriented.

\$60.00 for .5 CEUs; \$50.00 for no CEUs. Includes lunch. (No Zoom option for this event)

More events are in the planning stages. Visit our website at: www.etown.edu/symc and click on "Continuing Education"