# Lay School of Theology

A self-supported program of the Southern Ohio Synod The Rev. Suzanne Dillahunt, Bishop

Lay School is "thinking about God together". Are you curious? Have Scripture verses and passages you've always wondered about? Questions you've never found answers to?

Want to learn more about God's word and God's church? Come search with us in a nonthreatening environment. "Theology" is simply thinking about God, and that makes us all theologians! Designed for everyone - the certain, the questioner, the doubter, the skeptic-Lay School of Theology provides opportunities to think and learn about God in a welcoming, friendly, relaxed environment.

Courses, led by highly-qualified and engaging instructors, are offered twice a year.

Fall: September-December Winter/Spring: February-May

One Saturday monthly for four (4) months at two campuses: Chillicothe and Dayton.

Tuition Registration for each course is \$50.00 plus books that you will need to purchase on your own. Please note: Registration fee is non refundable after the first class session.

Lunch is provided with a freewill offering for the meal.

The class sessions for the following course will meet at Calvary Lutheran, 74 W. Main St., Chillicothe, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The building is handicap accessible

Phone: 740-773-1044

Questions may be directed to the LST registrar, Nancy Hoffman by phone: 740.654.3602, or by e-mail: nahoffman537@gmail.com [put Lay School in the subject line] or to Pr. Steve Kimpel, LST committee chair,

e-mail: s kimpel@yahoo.com

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#### 2019 Fall

### **NEW course at Chillicothe:**

"Biblical Archaeology: Unearthing the Past"

Dates: September 14; October 12;

November 9; December 14, 2019

Instructor: Steve Kimpel, retired pastor of Faith and St. Mark Lutheran Churches, Dayton, OH. He is a graduate of Miami University and Trinity Lutheran Seminary, has one year graduate work in Hebrew Bible and Ancient Near Eastern History at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion; participated in the third season at Tel Hesi, Israel; is a member of the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Schools of Oriental Research.

**Course description**: This course will cover primarily archaeology as it pertains to the Bible, specifically the Old Testament. We will discuss what archaeology can do and not do. We will use this course to see the history and background of the OT and how it helps us understand the stories and message of the Old Testament. NOTE: at this time this course is being offered only once at Chillicothe. Contact registrar if interested in having it at Dayton.

**Text book:** In the Footsteps of King David: Revelations from Ancient Biblical City, by Yosef Garfinkel, Saar Ganor & Michael G. Hasel. Available at Amazon new & used And read one of the following – The Cities that Built the Bible by Robert Cargil; The Exodus by Richard Elliot Friedman: Three Stones Make a Wall: The Story of Archaeology by Eric H. Cline & Glynnis Fawkes; David & Solomon: In Search of the Bible's Sacred Kings and Roots of the Western Tradition by Israel Finkelstein & Neil Asher Siberman, 1177 B C, The Year Civilization Collapsed by Eric H. Cline; Biblical Lachish: A Tale of Construction, Destruction, Excavation and Restoration by David Ussishkin. Note: Amazon has all available for purchase; good place to check for the one you would like to read: then check at your local library to see if you can borrow it.

Prior to September 1, 2019 each person attending needs to register and remit tuition of \$50.00 for the course. Make your check or money order payable to Southern Ohio Synod. Do not send cash. Send with form to registrar  $\rightarrow$ 

#### REGISTRATION FORM

NAME
ADDRESS
PHONE NUMBER
Area code
E-MAIL
YOUR CONGREGATION NAME and CITY
Any accommodation information that we should know about you: e.g. dietary, accessibility, etc.
COURSE NAME: "Biblical Archaeology" LOCATION: Calvary, Chillicothe TUITION - \$50.00 \$ Non refundable after first class

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Please complete a registration for each person attending. Payment may be combined in one check or money order.

Prior to September 1, 2019 detach and send this section with your check/money order **PAYABLE to Southern Ohio Synod to:** 

> Nancy Hoffman 1352 Schwilk Rd SE Lancaster, OH 43130

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