# 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 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 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 901n E. Stroop Rd, Kettering 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The building is handicap accessible.

Phone: 937-298-0136

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,

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#### 2019 Fall

### **NEW** course at Dayton:

Genesis: The Beginnings of Faith

Dates: September 21; October 19;

November 16; December 21, 2019

Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Wray Bryant, PhD. Assistant Professor, Religion and Philosophy at Capital, in Greek and Biblical Theology at Trinity Seminary

Course description: This course will explore the stories and personalities in the Book of Genesis which ground the faith of Israel and the Church. We will look at the power of God's call, the energy of God's creation, as well as the triumphs, tragic mistakes, and sins of those who seek to trust and follow God. We will follow the journey of Abraham and his family from Mesopotamia to their slavery in Egypt. We will seek to discover significant theological and ethical insights found in Genesis which impact Christian faith and living in our 21st century context. Note: this is the same course that was presented Fall 2018 at Chillicothe

**Texts:** Genesis: The Story We Haven't Heard. By Paul Borgman, Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2001. Genesis: Belief: A Theological Commentary on the Bible. By Miguel A. De La Torre, Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2011. Available from Amazon new and Used

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. Complete the form, send with your remittance to the LST registrar. Nancy Hoffman, 1352 Schwilk Rd SE, Lancaster, OH 43130

#### REGISTRATION FORM

NAME
ADDRESS
PHONE NUMBERArea code E-MAIL
YOUR CONGREGATION NAME and CITY
Any accommodation information that we should know about you: e.g. dietary, accessibility, etc.
COURSE NAME: "Genesis: The Beginnings of Faith, LOCATION: Good Shepherd Lutheran, Kettering TUITION: \$50.00 \$
Non refundable after first class

## Make your check or money order payable to: Southern Ohio Synod. Do not send cash.

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

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