

Sponsored by The Northwestern Pennsylvania Institute for Ministry Education  
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For rostered leaders of the NWPA Synod, ELCA

Thursday, January 26-Saturday, January 28, 2012  
St. James Episcopal Church, Titusville, PA



## *Fostering the Missional Heart*

A course offering for the sake of the Gospel and the future of the Church

### ***Missional Leaders Certificate Program***

The Institute for Ministry Education is pleased to announce its first certificate program of continuing education for ordained and rostered leaders of the Diocese and Synod. The ***Missional Leaders Certificate*** will assist current leaders to discover and nurture the abilities and gifts needed to engage in the missional work of God in the world, particularly as we face changing contexts in church and society.

The program of study will include the following courses:

- ✚ Fostering the Missional Heart (required introduction) **January 26-28 2012** **NO FEE!**
- ✚ Leadership for Mission
- ✚ Mission in Context
- ✚ Appalachian Context
- ✚ Missional Strategies
- ✚ Emergent Church
- ✚ Christian Witness in the Community

Each course will include 12-24 class contact hours, class participation, reading, and assignments which may be related to the participants' interests or contextual concerns. It is the hope of the Advisory Council and the instructors that following the introductory course, participants will make the commitment to engage the entire certificate program by completing the remaining six courses. The program of study will be a 3-year commitment with two or three courses to be offered each calendar year. The fee will be \$300.00 per course and may be paid over the 3-year period. Scholarships will be made available.

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## ***Fostering the Missional Heart***

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### **Course Goal/Outcome**

To discover and nurture the abilities and gifts needed to engage in the missional work of God in the world.

### **Course Description**

This course serves as the introductory course for the Missional Leaders Certificate Program.

- ✚ The course's focus will be practical and preparatory in nature.
- ✚ Participation in this course will help you develop and foster the gifts that are necessary to engage in missional work in the world.
- ✚ It will focus on developing healthy habits and helpful spiritual disciplines as well as learning to work collegially.
- ✚ This course will lay the ground work for the establishment of the cohort group that will continue throughout the tenure of this certificate program course of study.

### **Dates-Times-Location**

- ✚ **10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 26 – 3:00 p.m. Saturday, January 28, 2012**
- ✚ St. James Episcopal Church, 112 E Main St., Titusville, PA
- ✚ Accommodations, if necessary, will be at the Comfort Inn, Titusville

### **Required Texts and Pre-session Reading**

- ✚ *Unbinding the Gospel* and *Unbinding the Soul*, Martha Grace Reese
- ✚ *The Missional Leader*, Alan Roxburgh and Fred Romanuk

### **Other Materials and Recommended Resources**

- ✚ *Celebration of Discipline*, Richard Foster
- ✚ *Naked Now*, Richard Rohr
- ✚ *A Friendship Like No Other*, William Barry
- ✚ *The Shattered Lantern*, Ronald Rolheiser

**Fees:** \$300.00/course. This first course is offered for FREE for those who register for the Missional Leaders Certificate Program. Scholarship assistance and payment plans are available.

**To register or for further information:** Contact Pastor Sandra Jones at the Synod Office or Canon Martha Ishman at the Diocesan Center. Deadline for the first course registration is January 9, 2012.