# VERMONT SCHOOL OF MINISTRY REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR FALL 2017 COURSES

The Vermont School of Ministry partners with the New York School of Ministry to provide educational offerings for lay enrichment and continuing education opportunities. It also provides the core foundational education for the preparation of supply preachers and authorization for Licensed Ministry.

# **SUPPLY PREACHER CERTIFICATE PROGRAM – Sept. 2017 – June 2018**

The need for supply preachers has become a pressing concern in a number of Associations. This program, which runs every other week from September to June, is entirely webconferenced. It is designed for lay people who want to learn how to preach and lead worship well, so that they can act as supply preachers (able to fill in when authorized ministers are ill or away) in their congregations or in their Associations. This program does not prepare persons for any form of authorized ministry.

The program consists of sixteen 1½ hour webinars and two 3½ hour practicum sessions. There are reading/writing components for each session. Participants will work with and receive feedback from a variety of instructors: Rev. Quinn Caldwell, Rev. Jennifer Hamlin-Navias, Rev. Steve Johnson, Rev. David Kaden, Rev. Jonathan Lawrence, and Rev. Marjorie Purnine. A recommendation from one's home church is required to enroll.

## Monday evenings - 7:00-8:30 pm

Click <u>here</u> for a pdf with the full schedule, the books, and the program fees. Click here to register

#### **CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

Those considering Licensed Ministry should be in conversation with their pastors and their Association Committee on Ministry or Ministerial Standing and Standards Committee. Applications for that purpose may be found HERE. Full information about this program can be found here.

The registration system for the New York School of Ministry has been overhauled this summer. Click <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> to see our fall Events. Choose the course you want to explore on the left side (not the blue buttons on the right), and you'll see the full course information, with the registration box at the bottom of the page.

#### 20 Hour Core Courses:

NY Conference Participants: Credit \$250, Audit \$175, Repeat Audit \$100 Non-NY Conference Participants: Credit \$275, Audit \$200 (plus Distance Learning Support Fee of \$70)

#### **Foundations of Pastoral Care and Counseling**

Rev. Wayne Gustafson, D.Min. Instructor

Sept 23, Oct 14, Oct 28 9:30-4:45 (with ½ hour lunch break)

Registration Deadline: September 5,2017

### **New Testament I**

Rev. J. Mark Lawson, Ph.D. Instructor

Nov 4

10:00-3:30 (with ½ hour lunch break)

Nov 11, Dec 9 & 16 9:00-2:30 (with ½ hour lunch break)

Registration Deadline: October 18, 2017

# **Special Short Course**

**Empowering Vital Ministry: Congregational Leadership 2.0** 

Rev. Marsha Williams, Ph.D Instructor Sept 28, October 12 & 26 7:00-8:30 pm

NY Conference Participants: \$30; Non-NY Conference Participants: \$40

Registration Deadline: September 14, 2017