

MONDAY SCHOOL

Unless otherwise noted, we gather
on Mondays on Zoom @7pm.

Ordinary Time

Beyond a Resolution: Repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery

In 2016, the ELCA Churchwide Assembly approved a statement to repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery and its effects on Indigenous siblings. We will take a look at what this Doctrine was and is as well as why it is important to study it, learn from it, and repudiate it publicly. We will be using a study guide related to the November 2021 Living Lutheran article “Beyond a Resolution.”

September 12: Columbus’ Discovery
September 19: The Doctrine of Discovery
September 26: Americanized Doctrine
October 3: Long-Term Harm
October 10: ELCA Declaration
October 17: Next Steps
October 24: Your Involvement

HIATUS: October 23

End Times-Advent

Worship and Study: Looking Deeper at Lectionaries

In worship in most congregations in Mainline Churches, there is a set of texts assigned for each Sunday of the church year and for many other occasions. This set of texts (a “pericope”) is known as a Lectionary. In the ELCA, the usual lectionary used is the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL) which is an ecumenical lectionary created and approved in 1983, nearly 40 years ago. There are other lectionaries that are used throughout the Church universal and many congregations do not use one at all. As we come to the close of one liturgical year (Year C: Luke) and begin a new one (Year A: Matthew), we will take a look at the Revised Common

Lectionary and its creation and use. We will also look at several other lectionaries in particular A Women’s Lectionary for the Whole Church which was translated by the Rev. Dr. Wilda C. Gafney and which we have used (and continue to use) here at CALC.

November 6: What is a Lectionary?
November 13: The RCL: Predecessors, Creation, Adoption, Use
November 20: The A-B-C’s of the RCL
HIATUS: November 27
December 4: *The Narrative Lectionary*
December 11: *A Women’s Lectionary for the Whole Church*
December 18: Scripture in Use: Corporate v. Private

HIATUS: December 25; January 1, 8

Season after the Epiphany

Honoring Our Neighbor’s Faith

In our increasingly pluralistic world where we are able to engage with the broad diversity of humanity at our fingertips, it is important for us to lovingly engage with our neighbors. There have been those in the Church throughout the centuries whose means of engagement have been violent—from forced conversion to execution. The ELCA has a very different understanding of engagement. We will take the season after the Epiphany—when we celebrate both the Epiphany when God in Christ was revealed for all people as well as the beginning of Jesus’ ministry—to study a few of these engagements we are called to. We will focus primarily on Full-Communion partnerships.

January 15: The Presbyterian Church (USA)
January 22: The Reformed Church of America
January 29: The United Church of Christ
February 6: The Episcopal Church
February 13: The Moravian Church
February 20: The United Methodist Church

Lent

Grace: Free but Not Cheap

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a Lutheran theologian, pastor, and ecumenist during the Holocaust, writes of Grace that it is costly and not cheap. Nevertheless, by definition, grace is a gift that is free to the baptized. We will look at Bonhoeffer’s conversations about Grace in his book *The Cost of Discipleship* as well as what this costly grace means for us.*

February 27: Bonhoeffer: A Very Quick Introduction
March 6: *The Cost of Discipleship*
March 13: Grace by definition
March 20: Cheap Grace
March 27: Costly Grace

HIATUS: April 2, 9, 16

Easter

For All the Faithful Women

We hear from the Passion accounts: “Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee and had provided for him...Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.” We also hear from the Easter gospels that “it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.” Women feature heavily in the story of Jesus and of the beloved community that gathers in his name. Yet we do not tell their stories as often as the men. We will take a look at the women around Jesus as well as those in the early Church in this Easter season.

April 23: Mary the God-Bearer
April 30: Mary Magdalene
May 8: Mary and Martha of Bethany
May 15: Phoebe, Dorcas (Tabitha), Lydia
May 22: Macrina the Younger

The life of faith is about so much more than showing up for worship on Sunday morning. Certainly that is central to who we are as children of God. Yet it is pivotal to living the baptized life that we actually live it. Both in sharing the good news with our neighbor but also in growing broader and deeper in our understanding of God and one another.

This year I have put together a schedule of learning opportunities for us to grow higher, broader, deeper, wider in our lives of faith together. Give recent turn out and conversations, we will gather on Zoom on Monday evenings for education. Many of these sessions will be recorded for you to grow with if you cannot make the sessions themselves.

I look forward to growing with you this year.

Let's get learning!

Pastor Jay

Wednesdays

Feasting on the Word

Join us weekly on Wednesdays at 7pm for an informal journey through scripture. We gather on Zoom.

Advent 2021 & Lent 2023

Education at 6pm. Evening Eucharist at 7pm

Around the World in 80 Faiths

The Rev. Peter Owen-Jones, an Anglican vicar, presents the religions of the world by showcases 80 rituals from around the globe over the course of one year. He presents his understanding, his learning, and his struggles to understand people of faith he encounters.

November 30: Australasia and the Pacific Ring of Fire

December 7: The Far East

December 14: Africa

March 1: The Middle East

March 8: United States of America

March 15: The Indian Subcontinent

March 22: Latin America

March 29: Europe



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