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Please use the following resources as a guide for your discernment process. We will add information as it becomes available.



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Wednesday Church Night - Worship & Exploration Presentation #4



HANDOUTS FOR PRESENTATIONS

FUMCS Conversation Circle Report by Gilliam & Associates

Discernment Education Presentation 09.07.22

Steven Bell Presentation 09.14.22

Discernment Task Force Q&A 09.14.22

Erik Rasmussen Presentation 09.21.22

Discernment Task Force Q&A 09.21.22

Carl Rhoads & David Hobson Presentation 09.28.22

Discernment Task Force Q&A 09.28.22

Discernment Task Force Q&A 10.05.22

POINT-COUNTERPOINT: A TRADITIONAL - PROGRESSIVE THEOLOGICAL EXPLORATION

- Adam Hamilton - Stay UMC Videos
- Rob Renfro - Pro GMC Video

As with all diverse perspectives in our video content, these views represent the ideas of Rob Renfro and Adam Hamilton, and not necessarily completely representative of any single church or broader movement.

HOW DID WE GET HERE?

- **The 50 year Fight over Scripture and Sexuality in the UMC**
- **A Messy Methodist Church Schism - WSJ**
- **United Methodist Church Announces Plan to Split Over Same-Sex Marriage - NYT**
- **Council of Bishops Acknowledge need for breakup**
- **Additional References on Current UMC Beliefs and Practices**
- **Segregation and the Corruption of Methodist Discipline**
- **Bishop Scott Jones - An Objective Overview of the State of the UMC and Our Options**

SOME TRADITIONALIST VIEWPOINTS

- **A Wesleyan Vision of the Christian Life**
- **What Do United Methodists Believe About the Bible?**
- **A Fight for the Faith Delivered Once for All**
- **The UMC Is More Traditional than Ever, but It Doesn't Matter**
- **Crossing the Rubicon: A Bishop Says Goodbye to the United Methodist Church**
- **St. Timothy on the Northshore taking steps to leave the United Methodist denomination**
- **NT Wright on homosexuality, science, gender**
- **Mark Sorensen Video Forward in Faith**

SOME CENTRIST/PROGRESSIVE VIEWPOINTS

- **LA GC Delegate Video**
- **A Renewed Foundation**
- **Bishops affirming 2553 for disaffiliating churches**
- **And, from the leaders of the Council of Bishops on their vision**
- **Council of Bishops: A message on the narrative of The United Methodist Church**
- **United Methodists called to act as the body of Christ**
- **John Robbins Video**
- **Stan Copeland Videos**
- **Staying-Louisiana NOW Podcast**

PERSPECTIVES

- **OUR HERITAGE-- Gale Bridger—November 2, 2022**
- **FUMC Shreveport Member, Scott Hughes**
- **FUMC Shreveport Member, Cory Ezelle**
- **FUMC Shreveport Member, Rich Lamb**
- **FUMC Shreveport Member, Hoyt Bain**
- **Reflection on Discernment - Don Olsen**
- **Stay UMC Statement on Discernment - Suzzanne Bright**

The FUMC Shreveport Discernment Taskforce has done its best to provide a multitude of resources to equally and fairly assess the current situation facing our church. However, if you would like to learn more, we would encourage you to visit the following website that is updated daily with relevant, unbiased news on the matter.

<https://peopleneedjesus.net>

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- **082322_DOF_Task_Force_Minutes.docx**
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