

The Buffalo Valley Conference will be holding a **Lay School of Theology** on **Sunday, March 3rd** from **2 PM to 5 pm**, hosted by **Christ's Lutheran Church, Lewisburg, PA**. We extend an invitation to all to participate in this day of learning and conversation. Continuing Ed contact hours available for Authorized Lay Worship Leaders. The schedule for the day is as follows:

2:00- 2:15 Registration and Refreshments

2:15- 3:05 Class Session I

3:05- 3:20 Refreshment Break and Conversation

3:20- 4:00 Worship: Holden Evening Prayer

4:00- 4:50 Class Session II

4:50- 5:00 Closing Prayer

Session I offerings:

Weeping and Gnashing of Teeth: Preaching on Texts of Judgment & End Times . readings (narratives and parables) that address matters of inclusion vs. exclusion; incorporation vs. separation; and readiness for the end times. **Also offered in Session II**

History of Holy Communion Practices (Rev. Erwin Roux): Why do we celebrate Communion the ways we do? How has the history of the Church contributed to our practices today?

Holy Humor (Rev. Sarah Hershberger): This session “should” make you laugh, unless you are without a funny-bone. We will explore ways that humor is not only rooted in scripture, but a holy gift from god that we can (and should) use every day. If you are a stuffy theologian, you’ll be asked to leave your tweed jacket with elbow patches at the door!

Session II offerings:

The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist (Rev. Matthew Schuster): How our Lord is here for **you** in His Holy Supper.

Reclaiming the E Word (Rev. Tom Glasoe): The word Evangelical appears in our denominational name. How are we to understand “evangelical”? We will explore

the historical understanding of the word and what it means today, seeking to reclaim it as part of our rebirth in mission and ministry and its relevancy in the 21st century.

More session offerings to be named by the day of the school.

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