



Continuing  
EDUCATION EVENTS

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Below are **Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center's** current continuing education events that are open to everyone. For more information and to register, please do one of the following:

- Click on the title of each event and follow links to register. (Can only register for one event at a time).
- Visit [www.etown.edu/svmc](http://www.etown.edu/svmc) and follow links for "Continuing Education"
- Email [KARENHODGES@SVMCCOB.ORG](mailto:KARENHODGES@SVMCCOB.ORG), OR Call SVMC at 717-361-1450

### **THE QUESTION OF LEADERSHIP: WHY IT MATTERS**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024 • 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM • ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE OR ZOOM**

**Leader: Jeff Carter**

**Fee: \$65.00 for .5 CEUs (In-person, includes lunch); \$55.00 for no CEUs (In-person, includes lunch); \$45.00 for .5 CEUs (Zoom); \$35.00 for no CEUs (Zoom)**

*What does it mean to lead in today's church and world? The American protestant church is in steep decline. The Church of the Brethren is experiencing schism. The pandemic accelerated the already changing patterns of religious life. Resources are scarce. Furthermore, Brethren are naturally suspicious of leaders; called, elected, or self-proclaimed. Values, such as humility, consensus, and the priesthood of all believers, lead to a flat hierarchy and a communal pragmatism. We celebrate leaders such as Dan West, Sarah Major, M.R. Zigler, and Anna Mow, but in their day, they stirred controversy by the manner of their leading. So, what does it mean to lead in today's church and world? I believe leadership begins by asking the first question and having the willingness and curiosity to pursue the second question. It is a way of thinking that results in effective doing. And yes, it is something we do together.*

### **IDENTIFYING AND RESPONDING TO SUICIDE RISK**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2025 • 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM • ZOOM ONLY**

**Leader: Julie Guistwite**

**Fee: \$35.00 for .3 CEUs or \$25.00 for no CEUs**

*Individuals considering harming themselves often seek guidance from spiritual care professionals over mental health providers. This interactive and engaging workshop discusses suicide risk factors and warning signs across generations and provides clergy guidance in responding. Engaging with an individual considering suicide forms the basis of a small group role-play activity. Attendees will gain practical knowledge and skills relevant across settings.*

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