



SVMC is a Church of the Brethren ministry education partner with the districts of Atlantic Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Middle Pennsylvania, Southern Pennsylvania, and Western Pennsylvania Districts, as well as Bethany Theological Seminary and Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership.

Our mission is to equip leaders for ministry in a regionally based, Christ centered, culturally relevant context in ways that bear witness to the beliefs, heritage, and practices of the Church of the Brethren.

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Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center Upcoming Continuing Education Events

Dear Friends of Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center: Below are our current continuing education events that are open to all. To register, please click on the "REGISTER HERE" links for each event.

Preaching and Spiritual Care

Monday, October 10, 2022, 9 AM – 3:30 PM

Juniata College (Sill Boardroom-von Liebig Center for Science)

Leader: Dawn Ottoni-Wilhelm

Brightbill Professor of Preaching and Worship, Bethany Theological Seminary

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Through moments of spiritual reflection and opportunities for prayer and study, participants will consider how you may incorporate spiritual care into your sermon preparation and preaching. In addition to brief lectures and small group discussions, we will look and listen to God's presence with one another and there will be opportunities to draw from spiritual exercises in developing an upcoming sermon. \$60.00 for .55 CEUs; \$50.00 for no CEUs. Includes lunch.

Violent Extremism, Radicalization and Boko Haram

Wednesday, October 19, 2022, 9 AM – 3:30 PM

Stone Church of the Brethren, Huntingdon, PA

Leader: Dr. Amr Abdalla

Scholar in Residence, The Baker Institute, Juniata College

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Developing a more sophisticated understanding of violent extremism and terrorism with special attention to the Boko Haram movement in Nigeria and the violence suffered by Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria (Church of the Brethren in Nigeria). Participants will explore the social, cultural, political and religious processes that result in radicalization and violent extremism committee (wrongly in the name of Islam and consider how best to confront those processes from an inter-religious perspective. \$37.00 for .55 CEUs; \$27.00 for no CEUs. Includes lunch.

Brethren Heritage – A virtual tour from Schwarzenau to North America

Monday, October 24, 2022, 7:00 – 8:30 PM

Leader: Nevin Dulabaum

President of Eder Financial

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Nevin Dulabaum is a sixth generation Church of the Brethren member who became interested in Brethren heritage in perhaps one of the oddest of ways – through skateboarding! His dad was chaplain at Bridgewater College when Nevin was in his prime skateboarding days. The Alexander Mack library at the college had a great ramp that one could skateboard down and around and end up in front of a big concrete marker on the side of the building that described Alexander Mack as being the founder of the Brethren movement. Nevin remembers looking at that with interest, at the end of many skateboard runs, thinking Germany is far away and that was a long time ago. Fast forward to 1998 when as news director for the General Board Nevin developed an idea to create a CD-Rom resource of Brethren heritage stories and images. His quest to make that resource took him to Brethren heritage sites in Europe three times, as well as a number of sites in the United States. Since 2001, he has presented his "virtual heritage tour" of the places and themes that led to the Brethren movement. He is a professional writer and photographer, and his passion for this topic shows during his presentation. Oh, and since 2008 his day job has been serving as president of Church of the Brethren Benefit Trust/Eder Financial! Registration is free, but required. CEUs are available for \$10.00. Zoom link will be emailed to registrants a few days prior to the event.