
Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina Formation Update- January 2022

FORMA Christian
Formation Conference
2022 Online



ONLY \$35 with
Diocesan Code

January 18-20, via Zoom

To secure your spot, [register by visiting the Forma registration page](#), and then:

- Click on the green “Register” button
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This year's [Forma Conference](#) will once again be virtual and the Diocese of North Carolina has purchased an Institutional Registration that will cover most of the cost. We are asking that as you are able, you or your congregation pay \$35. As always, if cost is a deterrent, please reach out to us.

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To pay your portion of the \$35 registration fee:

- [Visit ACS](#) and pay with a credit card, debit card, or electronic check.
- or

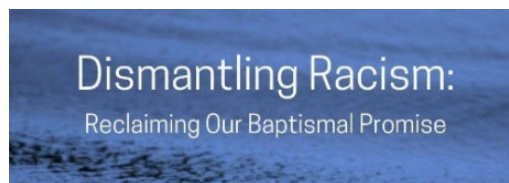
Write a check to the Episcopal Diocese of NC (memo: Forma Conference) and mail to: 200 West Morgan Street, Suite 300, Raleigh, NC 27601

Dismantling Racism

Friday, January 28, 2022, 5:00-8:00 PM and Saturday,
January 29 9:00 – 1:00 PM [Register Here](#)
<https://bit.ly/3CZSufA>

Dismantling Racism: Reclaiming our Baptismal Promise

Racial healing and reconciliation are fundamental to our ongoing spiritual formation. Please join us for this interactive workshop designed to deepen our spiritual commitment to dismantle racism as participants in the Jesus movement.



Through presentations, prayer, story sharing, videos, and small group discussion, we will explore how the sin of racism impacts all of our lives. We will ground our work together biblically and sacramentally by renewing our Baptismal vows—to seek and serve Christ in all persons and to respect the dignity of all human beings.

This workshop is one step in our ongoing and sustained journey to become Beloved Community.

EfM Forum for Mentors and Co- Mentors



(Education for Ministry)

Sunday, February 1:00-2:30 PM

Register Here: <https://sewanee-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkceGooqTooGNzqqoLtG2aw78PMNMbWQGF6>

EfM Forum for Mentors and Co-Mentors

Please join your fellow mentors and co-mentors from across the Diocese. This is an opportunity to greet our EfM colleagues, to catch up, share information and tips, and support one another as we make our way through another EfM year like no other! We've missed our meet-and-greets at Mentor Trainings – so this get-together may be the next best thing. Hosted and facilitated by Marcia Moore, Diocesan EfM Coordinator, and Jenny Beaumont, Missioner for Adult & Lifelong Formation, we will have updates, answers to questions (hopefully!), and provide space for conversation.

Discernment- Pathways to Baptismal Living from Bexley Seabury Seminary

February 5, 2022 – May 31

Register Here-
<https://bexleyseabury.pathwright.com/library/discerning-my-path-for-faithful-living-62492/380170/about/>

The 2022 February-May cohort opens on January 22 and concludes May 31. Plenary (all member) sessions will be held the Saturday mornings listed (10 am Eastern) and covenant groups will meet on the dates listed (either Saturday mornings at 10 am Eastern or Sunday evenings at 6 pm Eastern) . The course tuition is \$300. Mark your calendars now to participate in our synchronous sessions:

- Jan. 22 Course open, students can start reading
- Feb. 5 10 am Orientation session for all - led by Kate + facilitators
- Feb. 12 or 13 Covenant Group 1- Covenant, Learning Goals

Feb. 26 Plenary A - discuss Curry text and Thompson text
Mar. 12 or 13 Covenant Group 2 - Presence of God, TR
Mar. 26 Plenary B - discuss Discernment texts
Apr. 9 or 10 Covenant Group 3 - Contexts + Voices
Apr. 23 Plenary C - discuss videos, articles on lay ministry in church + world
May 7 or 8 Covenant Group 4 - Gifts: What Do I Bring?
May 21 Closing Celebration - led by Kate + facilitator

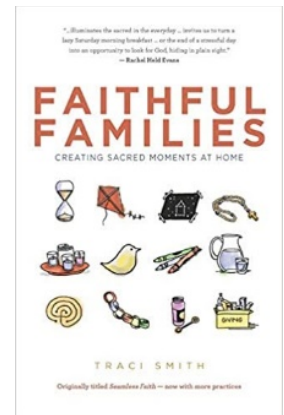
Faithful Families

Thursday, January 27, 7-8 p.m., via Zoom

Register for the webinar here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_NmlphFL0T6yPZw7M6fMjow

The children, youth and family department of our Diocese invites you to a webinar with the author of the bestselling book *Faithful Families*. The Rev. Traci Smith will walk us through *Faithful Families: Creating Sacred Moments at Home* and help us find fun and easy ways to fit faith into our daily lives. Traci is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and a mother of three. She believes faith practices should be accessible to all.



There are upcoming plans to offer a book study for parents and caregivers using Traci's book in February. Stay tuned for those details, and register for the webinar today!

Episcopal Peace Fellowship – Finding our own peace so we can become peacemakers Sunday, February 6, 4:00 PM Eastern



Presented by: Dan Hines

Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/episcopal-peace-fellowship-peacebuilding-online-project-courage-hines-tickets-156345332097>

Episcopal Peace Fellowship's series of free, one hour, online presentations continues on Sunday, February 6 at 4:00 pm Eastern with brave learning from Dan Hines. We hope to see you there.

Our “hidden wholeness” is our safe haven amid the violence of the storm around us.

Parker J Palmer writes about this blizzard that swirls around and within us as “fear and frenzy, greed and deceit, and indifference to the suffering of others. We all know stories of people who have wandered off into this madness and been separated from their own souls... it’s easy to believe that the soul -- that life-giving core of the human self, with its hunger for truth and justice, love and forgiveness -- has lost all power to guide our lives”.

We seek refuge from the storm to pause, to look inward, and to catch a glimpse of the soul and to listen deeply to that small voice inside of you that speaks the truth about you, your work, and the

world. In this Circle of Trust® workshop, we will renew our courage and capacity to weather the storm in an inclusive, safe, and disciplined space of ‘solitude in community’. We will explore the theme of wholeness using the practices of storytelling, evocative readings and poetry, inner reflection, guided meditations, and facilitated discussions.

Register for Bishops Ball

February 12, 2022, at Holy Comforter, Burlington

Register here: <https://bit.ly/3qbDAiD>

UPDATED!! [Bishops’ Ball 2022 registration](#) is now open and we are excited to be back in person again for a one-day event on Saturday, February 12, 2022 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Holy Comforter, Burlington. This will be an opportunity to engage with our bishops, attend workshops, and to have fun and fellowship with the youth community around the Diocese. We hope you and your youth will [join us for this fun-filled and formational weekend](#) that you won’t want to miss!

COVID protocols will be followed and the Diocese will provide at-home testing for all participants.

As we start preparing for Bishops’ Ball, we are looking for workshop leaders. If you are interested in leading a workshop during Bishops’ Ball, please contact [Lisa Aycock](#).

“The Sabbath is the presence of God in the world, open to the soul of man.” God is not in things of space, but in moments of time.”

- Abraham Joshua Heschel.

Monthly Adult Formation Newsletter / Update

Announcing a Monthly Adult Formation Newsletter. Please add your email address, if you would like to receive the newsletter. In the future we may send the Newsletter via Constant Contact. By submitting this information, you are giving us permission to add your name and email address to Constant Contact, through which the newsletter might be mailed VIA constant contact.

<https://forms.gle/CxZ2vBq8ym9KDG4D6>

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