

# **Worship and Preaching: Year “D”**

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## **Syllabus**

### **Goals:**

**In this course, students will gain understanding as to the nature of worship, as well as develop the knowledge and skills needed to effectively plan and lead worship. Students will also develop more fully their unique preaching style; gaining useful skills in sermon planning, preparation and delivery.**

**Required text: Book of Worship (United Church of Christ)**

Fall Classes will Focus on the following:

#### A Special Services

- 1 Funerals
- 2 Weddings
3. Blessings
- 4 Confirmation
- 5 Miscellaneous Services
- 6 Preaching these services

#### B “Community” Services

- 1 Good Friday
- 2 Thanksgiving
- 3 Easter Sunrise Service
- 4 Miscellaneous Services
- 5 Preaching these services

#### C Inclusive Worship and preaching

- 1 Gender

## 2 Physical

- a Mobility
- b Sensory
- c Gluten issues

## 3 Developmental

Spring Classes will focus on the following:

### A The History of Worship

#### 1 Biblical Roots

- c Hebrew Scriptures
- d New Testament

#### 2 Pre-Reformation Liturgy

#### 3 Reformation Tradition to Today

Students may be given assignments from time to time. These assignments are due by the next session **WITH NO EXCEPTIONS**. If you are planning to enter parish ministry, you will have a deadline each week that must be met. Congregations do not extend the deadline on the sermon.

This is a pass/fail course, based on class attendance, class participation, and completed assignments.

It is my hope that this course will be helpful to you both now and in your future ministry. You will be encouraged to discuss current worship and preaching experiences. You will also be encouraged to consider me as a resource in planning worship in your current worship/preaching responsibilities. Please feel free to contact me **any time** about **anything**.