



Our Speaker/Leader

Dr. Ruth Duck is professor of worship at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, where she has been on the faculty since 1989. She was president of the North American Academy of Liturgy, an organization of liturgical scholars, in 2007. She has written books and articles about Christian worship, including *Gender and the Name of God: The Trinitarian Baptismal Formula* (New York: The Pilgrim Press, 1991) and *Finding Words for Worship* (Westminster John Knox Press, 1995). With Patricia Wilson-Kastner she authored *Praising God: The Trinity in Christian Worship* (Westminster John Knox Press, 1999). In 2013 her book, *Worship for the Whole People of God: Vital Worship for the 21st Century*, was published by Westminster John Knox Press.

Duck, an ordained pastor in the United Church of Christ, received the doctor of theology degree in worship and theology from Boston University School of Theology in 1989. She has edited or co-edited three books of worship resources, including *Touch Holiness* (with Maren Tirabassi, 1990; expanded and revised edition 2012). She served on the committee for the Chalice Hymnal of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). She was born in Washington, D.C. and currently lives in Wilmette, Illinois, with her partner Ovaldo Buntin, a retired teacher in the Chicago Public Schools. They enjoy watching birds as they migrate by Lake Michigan.

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2016 Perry Gresham Bible Lectures

November 4-6, 2016

With
Dr. Ruth Duck



***Offered in partnership by
Central Woodward
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(Indianapolis, IN)***

**At
Central Woodward
Christian Church
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*About
The Perry Gresham Lectures*

The Perry Gresham Bible Lectureship was launched in the fall of 2010, with the desire to bring to the local congregation and community biblical scholars and theologians of note. These lectures are given in recognition that we are to love God with all of our heart, soul, and mind. This lectureship reflects the ethos of the Disciples of Christ movement, which values the mind and insists that the whole people of God should be educated in the faith.

These lectures are named after Dr. Perry Gresham, the second pastor of Central Woodward Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and later the President of Bethany College (founded by Alexander Campbell to provide educated leaders for church and society).

Gresham Lecturers include Dr. Ronald Allen of Christian Theological Seminary, Dr. Bruce Epperly, South Congregational Church (Centerville, MA), Dr. Amos Yong, Fuller Theological Seminary, Scott Seay, Christian Theological Seminary, Rev. Carol Howard Merritt, Presbyterian Church USA (Chattanooga, TN). Dr. David Gushee of Mercer University/McAfee School of Theology. In year two of the lectures CWCC added a one-day Clergy seminar to the lectureship, with Christian Theological Seminary of Indianapolis, a seminary of the Disciples, as cosponsor.

The 2016 program is made possible through a Vital Worship Grant from Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, Grand Rapids MI. With funds provided by Lilly Endowment Inc.

Clergy Spiritual Formation Day

**Friday
November 4, 2016
10:00-3:00**

**Opening the Table:
The Gift of Holy Communion**

This day we will seek together to deepen our understandings and practices of Holy Communion. We will consider Communion as a gift of God in which we may discern Christ's presence in daily life and in all our meals. Key aspects of this include the radically open table, the deepening of community, the sharing of abundance, and the resurrection life. Because Ruth is well known as a hymn writer, the day will include some conversation about hymnody and its relationship to the Table (along with some singing of hymns)

Registration: \$40 (Please register by October 31, 2016). Includes lunch and CTS certificate for continuing education hours (must complete the entire day to earn CEUs)

CEUs: 4.5 hours



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Community Workshop

**Saturday
November 5, 2016
10:00-2:00**

**The Open Table of the World:
Clean Water, Food for the Hungry,
Action for Justice,
and Prayer on the Street**

In this workshop, we will explore meanings of Holy Communion such as the welcome table, the gathering place, the fountain of grace, and the meeting with Jesus Christ. Then we will consider what it means to set the table of love, not only in church buildings, but also in the world—through clean water, food for hungry people, and the work of justice and of prayer.

Registration is \$15 (Please register by October 31, 2016). Includes lunch.

**Sunday Morning,
November 6, 2016, 10:30 AM**

Dr. Ruth Duck will be preaching, the title of her sermon is: "Burning Hearts and Open Eyes: Meeting the Stranger at the Table"