



**Lower Susquehanna Synod**  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.



A Reconciling in Christ Synod



*The Stevenson*  
**School for Ministry**

## **Certificate in Missional Preaching Covenant 2019-2020**

### **Participants in this program commit to the following expectations:**

1. To pray for each other and their ministries as we move through this process.
2. To seek grow in their faithful proclamation of the Gospel by actively participating in all gatherings and webinars.
3. To apply their learnings to their ministry throughout the process.
4. To meet monthly with their learning cohort throughout the process.
5. To meet at least monthly with a team of listeners from their ministry context who will help them reflect on what they have learned.
6. To remain coachable throughout the process.
7. To be willing to speak the truth in love to other participants in the process, so they may learn from one another.

### **The Teaching Team for this program commit to the following expectations:**

1. To pray for the participants and ministries participating in this program.
2. To be well prepared for each retreat gathering or webinar throughout this process.
3. To be available for support and feedback as needed throughout the program.
4. To provide hospitality and an appropriate meeting space for each gathering.
5. To provide meaningful homework and learning exercises throughout the process.
6. To make needed adjustments quickly and effectively.

Signed:

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Participant

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Richard Jorgensen, Director for Evangelical Mission for the Lower Susquehanna Synod

**Please record the following dates in your calendar:**

**Launch Day: “Reading the Bible to Find God”**

**October 17, 2019, St. Matthew, York**

(as part of Lower Susquehanna Synod’s Bishop’s Convocation. This day is open to everyone, not just those seeking the certificate)

Presenters: The Rev. Dr. Paul Scott Wilson (Author of *The Four Pages of the Sermon: A Guide to Biblical Preaching*) will present on “How do you preach biblically into context?” Presenter Tracy Radosevic (renown biblical storyteller) will reflect on “How do we tell better stories?”

**Retreat Day: “Transformational Preaching: How the Bible Points to Felt Needs”**

**October 18, 2019, St. Matthew, York**

During this retreat day, we will work on upcoming lectionary readings so participants will have practical take-aways to inform their preaching.

**Final Retreat:**

**April 30, 2020, Location TBD**

Certificate awarded - learning cohort with colleagues/within the congregation

**Webinars**

Between October & April, soliciting questions in advance, we will host liturgically focused and enrichment webinars using Zoom technology. The webinars will be recorded and available for future viewing.

- **November 21, 2019**, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Preaching Advent/Christmas with The Rev. Dr. Paul Scott Wilson.
- **December 5, 2019**, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Preaching Epiphany Enrichment webinar with Dr. Deirdre Good.
- **January 23, 2020**, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Preaching Lent/Easter with The Rev. Dr. Paul Scott Wilson.
- **February 20, 2020**, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Biblical Storytelling Enrichment with Tracy Radosevic.
- **March 19, 2020**, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Preaching Ordinary Time with The Rev. Dr. Paul Scott Wilson.