

Three Basic Questions for Pastoral Spirituality

Have you ever felt like the proverbial plumber whose sink was always backing up or the mechanic whose car won't start? In the pastoral process of assisting your congregation in its spiritual nurture, do you find yourself becoming increasingly malnourished?

This year's conference will focus on the spiritual life of the pastor and how to keep it vital and growing. Speaker Delmer Chilton will guide us in asking three vital questions:

- **What Should I Wear?** The private life of a public person
- **Yes or No?** Creating time for daily prayer
- **Stop or Go?** Sabbath keeping and personal retreats

About this year's conference leader

ESR welcomes Delmer Chilton as the keynote speaker for this year's conference. Delmer is Coordinator of Spiritual Formation Ministries at the Hinton Rural Life Center in Hayesville, NC. He holds a D. Min. in spiritual direction from the Graduate Theological Foundation and is an ordained Lutheran minister who has served pastorates in North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia.



In the spring of 2002, Delmer accepted his present position with the Hinton Rural Life Center. He works primarily with clergy of small membership churches, providing continuing education focused on the minister's own spiritual formation and pastoral development. In 2003 he helped create (and now directs) the First Parish Project, a Lilly funded program for beginning clergy. He also consults with local congregations on issues of visioning and planning and conflict management.

For relaxation, Dr. Chilton enjoys baseball, basketball, books, and good food. In music, his taste ranges from alternative country to southern rock to the "Killer Bs": Bach, Brahms, and Beethoven.

Schedule of events

Monday, September 26th

- 8:30-9:00 a.m. Breakfast
9:00-11:00 a.m. Question I: *What Should I Wear?*
The Private Life of a Public Person
Break
11:00-11:20 a.m. Break
11:20 a.m.-12:00 noon Worship
12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch and free time
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Question II: *Yes or No?*
Creating Time for Daily Prayer
Break
3:00 - 3:20 p.m. Break
3:20 - 5:30 p.m. Workshops (*Each workshop will be offered twice, with a ten minute break in between*)
Spiritual Practices for the Pastor:
name TBA
How to Take a Personal Retreat:
Rev. Phillip Dorrell
Spiritual Direction as Pastoral Ministry:
Rev. Susan Roads
Personality Type and Spirituality:
Fr. John Jordan
5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Dinner

Tuesday, September 27th

- 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Breakfast
9:30 - 11:00 a.m. Question III: *Stop or Go?*
Sabbath Keeping and Personal Retreats
Break
11:00 - 11:20 a.m. Break
11:20 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Common Meal
1:00 p.m. Adjourn

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