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**SCHOOL OF RELIGION**  
**2016**  
**Wednesdays in October**  
**1:30—3:30 p.m.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which class you wish to attend:

*(Course descriptions below and on reverse)*

- Creation-Crisis Preaching**
- Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol"**
- With Healing in His Wings**
- Awakening to God's Call to Earthkeeping**

*LSM's School of Religion has been an annual study time for adults for over 25 years. It currently meets on Wednesday afternoons through the month of October (this year, on Oct. 5, 12, 19, & 26), from 1:30 ~ 3:30, at St. Mark's, 142 Market St.*

Please return this form to your pastor or LSM representative or call St. Mark's at 570-323-4619 by October 4 to let us know which course offering interests you.

***SEE YOU IN OCTOBER!***



**CREATION-CRISIS PREACHING**

For lay school of ministry grads and pastors (anyone preaching). We will read, discuss, and take cases studies from Rev. Dr. Leah Schade's book, *Creation – Crisis Preaching* (St. Louis: Chalice Press, 2015). The class will last only one hour each Wednesday in October, until approximately 2:30 PM. Pastor Schade may join us via SKYPE for one session. NOTE: You must have your own copy of the book, *Creation-Crisis Preaching...Ecology, Theology and the Pulpit*. This may be purchased, prior to Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, from Amazon for about \$22 (unfortunately the Kindle edition is not much cheaper) or ordered from Ottos Bookstore in Williamsport, (570) 326-5764. ~ Pr. Elizabeth Aurand, St Luke

**CHARLES DICKENS "A CHRISTMAS CAROL"**

The classic tale of Ebenezer Scrooge is a cherished symbol of Christmas and a wonderful story of redemption and hope. This four-week study is contained in one book which includes the entire text of Dickens' enduring tale. The discussions help's you understand the story's relevance, not just at Christmas, but all year 'round. This is an insightful intro for those attending LSM's "A Christmas Carol" performance this year. ~ Bernadette Jones, St. Mark's  
*(There is a charge of \$5.50 for the book used in this course)*

**WITH HEALING IN HIS WINGS**

This year's film study series deals with brokenness and healing. Yes, each of the films has a medical backdrop; still, these particular films are not your typical "doctor movies." Each film is complete within itself, but as the series evolves, the nuances of the theme, brokenness and healing, are discovered in surprisingly different contexts, and should lend themselves to some thoughtful conversation. The dates, titles, and a brief summary of the films follows.

1. *Something the Lord Made:* Dr. Alfred Blalock and his laboratory assistant, Vivien Thomas, challenge the accepted medical rules of their times, and in the face of strenuous opposition develop procedures and a friendship that are literally life-changing. (110 minutes)
2. *Awakenings:* "There is no such thing as a simple miracle." This is the premise of a remarkable film in which an unassuming physician inadvertently discovers an astonishing treatment that revives catatonic patients after decades of living in darkness. NOTE: This session will run longer than 2 hours. (122 minutes)
3. *Antwone Fisher:* A troubled seaman is ordered to visit a naval psychiatrist to control his volatile temper. What follows is a journey into the past and a recovery no one could see coming. (120 minutes)
4. *The Twilight of the Golds:* The Golds are a perfect family. Their handsome son has a successful career, their beautiful daughter is married to a doctor, and they are expecting their first child. But when a pre-natal test reveals a potential problem with the pregnancy, the entire family is thrown into crisis—no one is uninvolved. (90 minutes) ~ Pr. Ted Cockley, St. Matthew

**AWAKENING TO GOD'S CALL TO EARTHKEEPING**

This 4-week study is for those who wish to gain a deeper awareness of our connection to creation, to awaken the Spirit's call to better care for it, to see how we can live in relationship between us and God's creation, and to help equip us to find ways to bring this vision to life.

1. Rediscovering Our Place in Creation
2. God's Presence Fills All Creation
3. Biblical Foundations for Earthkeeping
4. Creation Waits with Eager Longing!

~ Co-leaders: Ned Coates, St. Luke & Mike Ochs, St. Mark's

Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP)  
Basic Workshop (Level 1)

October 22-23, 2016 9:00am-6:00pm

Pajama Factory  
1307 Park Ave.  
Williamsport, PA 17701

This two-day workshop is a transformative group experience  
which empowers us to resolve conflicts nonviolently.  
In an environment of respect and trust, build self-esteem, connect deeply with others, have fun,  
and practice communication and creative conflict resolution  
to transform yourself and your community.

AVP is a nonsectarian & nonpolitical volunteer nonprofit begun in 1975,  
active in communities, schools, & prisons in 45 countries. Visit [www.avpusa.org](http://www.avpusa.org).  
Complete Level 1, 2, & 3 Workshops to become an AVP Facilitator.

Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) Registration Form  
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, ST Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch provided – list dietary restrictions:  
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Fee: \$25 or Scholarship rate of \$5 Additional donations encouraged  
Make checks payable to: Pennsdale Friends Meeting (indicate AVP in memo)  
Mail form w/payment to: Northcentral PA AVP, 822 Wilson St. Williamsport, PA 17701  
Fee refundable only for cancellations at least 2 weeks prior to event  
Space limited – Register to reserve spot. Confirmation w/details to follow.  
Questions? Contact [tonywhite12@comcast.net](mailto:tonywhite12@comcast.net) or 570-971-9509.



# **FALL COLLECTION TO HELP REFUGEES**

**Now until the end of October**

**Fall and winter clothing for Adults\* and Children  
Toys - Hygiene Items - School Items**

**These items will be sent to Syria through the Syrian American Medical Society, A non-profit, non-political medical relief organization that provides medical and humanitarian aid to Syrian Refugees.**

### **Drop offs in Williamsport:**

**New Covenant UCC  
202 East Third Street.  
Call 570-326-3308**

**The Islamic Center  
322 Locust Street  
Call 570-326-4062**

**\* Please note that women's clothing  
should be modest,  
long sleeves and long hems.**



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