

ADULT EDUCATION TERM 1: SEPT 15- OCT 27

Connections: World Religions



Back by popular demand! This class will continue to provide a clear and concise introduction to major world religions and different Christian denominations. We'll learn about the people, places, practices and philosophies shaping today's events. Some religions might be familiar and some unknown. Come to learn more about our neighbors of other faiths and traditions. (**There will be a four-part series on Islam during the fall term.)

Facilitators: Brad Geerdes and Vince Tollers

Location: Vance Barron Hall

Schedule:

September 15: Overview of schedule and class

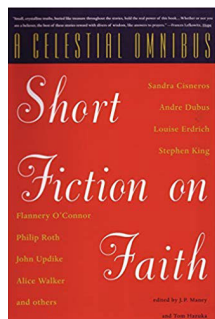
September 22: Unitarianism

September 29: Islam

October 6: Islam

October 13: Islam

Faith and the Arts: A Celestial Omnibus: Short Fiction on Faith



Delve into the stories of this next book, and come to enjoy the engaging discussions. Luminous fiction on themes of faith and meaning from favorite writers, including Sandra Cisneros, Andre Dubus, Louise Erdrich, Stephen King, Flannery O'Connor, Philip Roth, E. M. Forster and others. As we did last year, we will read one story per week.

Kate Fiedler has ordered copies of the book and will sell them for \$5. (Contact Kate through email: kate@upcch.org.)

Facilitators: Nancy Benjamin and Don Kennedy

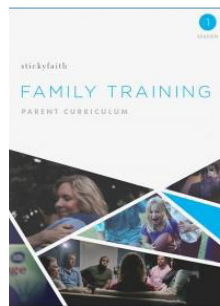
Location: Terrace Room

Schedule:

Sept 22: Robert Olen Butler, Mr. Green
Sept 29: Leslie, Marmon Silko, The Man to Send Rain Clouds

Oct 6: John L'Heureux, The Expert on God
Oct 13: Philip Roth, The Conversion of the Jews
Oct 20: John Updike, Pigeon Feathers
Oct 27: Reynolds Price, Watching Her Die

Living Out Our Faith: Conversation and Coffee



This class will be led by a team of parents, discussing the adventures and challenges of children and youth in the faith. The class will begin with a Sticky Faith video series. Sticky Faith gives parents and leaders both a theological and philosophical framework and a host of practical relationship ideas that develop long-term faith in kids and teenagers. Through a compelling blend of real-life stories and interviews with parents, this five-week video curriculum includes national family research, and dips into the hearts of parents discussing their own struggles, successes, and ideas that have shaped lasting faith in their own families. Come enjoy the coffee, the conversation, the questions, the humor, the prayers, and the fellowship!

Facilitators: Laura and Robert Owen

Location: Dunham Hall

Schedule:

September 15: Why – Why talk about parenting? Because one in two kids drift from God after High School.

September 22: Mirror – What happens when I see things in my kids I don't like?

September 29: Warm – How can I create a safe place to connect with my kids?

October 6: Spark – How do I create a flourishing connection with my kids?

October 13: Plan – What do I do next?

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Contact Kate Fiedler, Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries, at kate@upcch.org or (919) 929-2102 with questions about adult education at UPC. Classes are offered each Sunday during the Sunday School Hour (9:45-10:45 a.m.) through the program year (September-May).

ALL ARE WELCOME!