

Church Development Committee, Spiritual Formation Team and Arlington Presbyterian Church, Arlington, VA of National Capital Presbytery present



BIBLE STUDY with Professor Adam Clark

November 11th and 18th 7:00 pm-9:00pm via Zoom

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Description of the Bible Study: Too many churches and its leaders are performing scripts wedded to Empire forsaking the biblical impulse toward "Beloved community." In this two-part bible study, we confront "texts of terror" and imagine new ways to reframe biblical narratives, exploring the bible as problem and promise.



Along with confronting and re-imagining biblical narratives, participants will be introduced to Spiral Dynamics as a theory of moral evolution and a tool to interpret our leadership, biblical work, and church culture.

About the Leader: Adam Clark, Associate Professor of Theology at Xavier University, is committed to the idea that theological education in the twenty first century must function as a counter-story. One that equips students to read against the grain of the dominant culture and inspires them to live into the Ignatian dictum of going forth "to set the world on fire." To this end, Dr. Clark is intentional about pedagogical practices that raise critical consciousness by going beneath surface meanings, unmasking conventional wisdoms, and reimagining the good.

His courses on Black Theology, Jesus and Power, Faith and Justice and Religion and Hip Hop contribute to the Jesuit practice of educating students in the service of faith and the promotion of justice. He currently serves as co-chair of Black Theology Group at the American Academy of Religion, actively publishes in black theology and black religion, and participates in social justice groups at Xavier and in the Cincinnati area.