



FUTURE READY CHURCH LEADERS

Embracing Today - Equipping for Tomorrow

March 10-12, 2025

Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Golf Resort, Spa and Marina - Cambridge, MD

Leadership for The Church of the future will be different than it is today. Learn where the arch of change is pointed as we together discern how leadership of today can begin to live into the needs of The Church for tomorrow.



Framer: Rev. Dr. Ted A. Smith is Charles Howard Candler Professor of Divinity and Associate Dean of Faculty at Emory University's Candler School of Theology. He also serves as director of the Theological Education between the Times project. Smith is the author of three books: *The End of Theological Education* (2023), *Weird John Brown* (2015), and *The New Measures* (2007). Together these books try to think theologically about core American Protestant institutions, practices, ideals, and rhetoric in the time of their unraveling. Ordained to ministry in the Presbyterian Church (USA), Smith served as pastor to two small-membership churches prior to his doctoral studies.



Weaver: Rev. Corwin Malcolm Davis is a PhD Candidate in Religion at Emory University in the Person, Community, and Religious Life course of study, with a certificate in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality studies. Davis has received numerous fellowships and recognitions for his research that focuses on Black religious practices, sociality, and care. He serves as the Associate Director of the Theological Education between the Times project and the Director of the Writing Center at Candler School of Theology. His writing has appeared or is forthcoming in *Religions*, *Theology and Sexuality*, and *Political Theology*. The Rev. Davis is an ordained itinerant elder in the AME Church where he has served in congregational ministry and at the AME Publishing House.

\$350 /person (single occupancy)

\$225/person (double occupancy)

Includes programming, two nights, Monday heavy hors d'oeuvres, Tuesday breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack and dinner

[Click HERE to register](#)

(registration closes February 14, 2025)

Questions? Contact [Dina Bickel](#)

NCP'S ANNUAL CONTINUING ED GATHERING & RETREAT

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Schedule

Monday, March 10

- 4:00PM Official Check-in
(welcome to use facility prior to check-in)
- 6:30PM Welcome Reception
Heavy Hors d'oeuvres
- 8:00PM Social Games

Tuesday, March 11

- 7:30AM Morning Vespers
- 8:00AM Breakfast Buffet
- 9:00-12:00PM Program
- 12:00PM Lunch
- 1:00-3:00PM Free Time - Frisbee Golf, Pickleball
- 3:00PM Afternoon Snack
- 3:30-5:30PM Program
- 6:30PM Dinner - Sponsored by
Presbyterian Foundation
- 8:00PM Fireside Chats - Led by Staff

Wednesday, March 12

- 8:00AM Breakfast (on your own)
- 9:00AM Worship and Final Thoughts



Church between the Times

Church bodies of every kind experience great pressure and stress right now. Ted Smith presents that what's happening is less about secularization and more about individualization that is unraveling associations of every kind, even as it makes possible new expressions of Christian faith. Smith will offer ways to think about this present moment historically and theologically. He will open space for discerning some brave and faithful ways forward for pastors and congregations.

Fireside Chats

Join the NCP staff at one of our two Fireside Chats as we collectively explore Faithfully Letting Go or Adaptive Management