

**PRESBYTERY OF WEST VIRGINIA'S
EDUCATOR, CLERGY, CP, ALP
RETREAT (SPOUSES
WELCOME)**

**TEACHING THE BIBLE
SO THEY
CAN'T PUT IT DOWN**



WITH DR. SARAH RUDEN

FEBRUARY 17-18, 2020

MONDAY NOON THRU TUESDAY LUNCH

JOHN XXIII PASTORAL CENTER, CHARLESTON

Retreat Focus: *How can a more literary understanding of the Bible enrich the life of faith communities?*

Every part of the Bible was originally a popular literary work during a long era when words were the main entertainment and form and content were closely connected, meaning religious ideas were fused to literary devices. The retreat will explore how to accessibly and congenially present a sense of the Bible as literature that can guide and inspire modern Christians.

Leader: Sarah Ruden holds a Harvard doctorate in Latin and Greek and an M.A. from the Johns Hopkins Writing Seminars. She studied Hebrew at Yale Divinity School, has taught and lectured widely, and is now a visiting research fellow at the University of Pennsylvania. She has published nine books, including *Paul Among the People: The Apostle Reinterpreted and Reimagined in His Own Time* (Pantheon, 2010) and *The Face of Water: A Translator on Beauty and Meaning in the Bible* (Pantheon, 2017). She is currently completing a new translation of the Gospels for the Modern Library. Sara is committed to peacemaking across cultural divides and is a frequent guest in venues as diverse as the US Naval Academy, the 92nd Street YMCA in Manhattan, and Catholic and evangelical churches.

Registrations rates include 2 lunches, 1 dinner, 1 breakfast

\$110/person (double occupancy). Additional attendees from the same church are **\$90/person** (double occupancy).

The cost for a single room is \$120. Commuter rate is \$80 (no overnight accommodation). **Schedule:** Content times are Monday afternoon and evening and Tuesday morning. Fellowship time follows the Monday evening session.

2020 Educator, Clergy, CRE, ALP Retreat Registration Form (due by January 30)

Name _____

Church _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Any special dietary concerns? _____

Room Preference (check one):

A. I prefer a single room and have enclosed a check for \$120. ____

B. I plan to share a room with my spouse and we have and have enclosed a check(s) for \$200. ____

C. I wish to room with _____

who is from _____ Presbyterian Church, and who will

be registering separately. ____ I have enclosed a check for \$110.

D. I wish to have a roommate assigned and have enclosed a check for \$110. ____

E. I plan to commute and do not need a room, and have enclosed a check for \$80 ____

Please note in the space below if someone else from your church has already registered for this retreat, which means you are paying \$90 for double occupancy, rather than \$110.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Sharp Campbell, Associate for Educational Ministry,
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Please return your completed registration form with check to:

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Attn: Susan Sharp Campbell
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South Charleston, WV 25303

The Registration Deadline is Thursday, January 30. No refunds for cancellations after Monday, February 3.