SCHOLARSHIP & LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Jeanne Audrey Powers Leadership for Change Scholarship seeks to bring about full inclusion of LGBTQ people in the Church by supporting the development of leaders committed to this goal. It provides assistance of up to $3,000 per year to students who are preparing for ordination and who are committed to promoting justice for LGBTQ persons in the life of the church. The scholarship is now open to any PSR student, regardless of denominational affiliation. Contact John Aney for the application at janey@psr.edu. Applications due April 15.

The Hale Donation Scholarship provides help to underwrite the expenses of students preparing for Christian ministry. Priority is given to UCC students. Applications due by May 1. Download the .pdf of the application here.

The Jonathan M. Daniels Memorial Fellowship provides financial assistance to seminarians seeking to strengthen their theological education through participation in a movement for social justice. Completed proposals must be received by June 1, 5:00pm. A complete description is available at eds.edu/DanielsFellowship

Church of the Pilgrims has a summer 8-10 week internship that offers a stipend, housing and, most importantly, the opportunity to work/learn/grow/be transformed by the work of liturgy, popular education, community organizing, and other projects. Start: Late May, early June. Interested? Contact ashley@churchofthepilgrims.org

The Ministry of Presence Institute exists for undeserved LGBT Communities by being present to their spiritual and emotional well-being and specialized projects to address holistic health. Ministry of Presence invites you to create sacred space as a Chaplain Apprentice. See here for additional details: ministryofpresenceinstitute.org/community-chaplains.html

The Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry (CLGS) is looking for a Summer Intern able to make meaningful contributions to the LGBTQ communities. You are invited to make proposals from students for projects that further our mission of advancing the well-being of LGBTQ people and our families. For appropriate proposals, we will apply for funding through local foundations to provide a stipend, however, we cannot guarantee a paid position. We are particularly interested in proposals working within communities of color, helping congregations assess next steps beyond becoming Welcoming & Affirming, or related to transgender inclusion. Contact Managing Director, Justin Tanis @ jtanis@clgs.org.

LIKE US, TAG US, TWEET US

Field Education and Contextual Learning launched a Facebook page in order to facilitate news of interest to you. We will be posting Field Ed, leadership development, and job opportunities as well as sharing PSR students’ immersive experiences. facebook.com/psrfielded

Tag your PSR immersive moments, whether at a local Field Ed site, as part of a distance or classroom course, or an out of country Immersion. It’s a great way to share and stay connected. Use the hashtag #psrimmersion on twitter.com/psrberkeley or instagram.com/pacificschoolofreligion
APPROVED 2016-2017 FIELD ED SITES

The Office of Field Education in March published all approved FE sites to its PSR website page: psr.edu/field-education. The listings contain received site descriptions from congregations, agencies, and organizations. Students enrolling in Field Education next academic year, those considering Advanced Field Education, or considering transferring to the M.Div. program are to contact site mentors in order to schedule interviews to determine fit for placement for meeting next year’s Field Education requirement. The list will continue to be updated throughout the semester.

Agencies / Organizations:
Cal Aggie Christian Association / Multifaith Living Community
Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry (CLGS)
The Gubbio Project
Mujeres Unidas y Activas
Oakland Peace Center
Sojourn Chaplaincy at San Francisco General Hospital
Youth Spirit Artworks

Congregations:
Arlington Community Church (UCC)
Community Congregational Church (UCC)
The Congregational Church of San Mateo (UCC)
Epworth United Methodist Church
First Congregational Church of Alameda (UCC)
First Filipino American Church (UCC)
Island United Church of Foster City, UCC
Lafayette Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Lake Merritt United Methodist Church
Lynnewood United Methodist Church
Mission Bay Community Church (PCUSA)
Napa First United Methodist Church
Open Door United Methodist Church
Pioneer Congregational UCC
Plymouth United Church of Christ
San Francisco Swedenborgian Church (Placement Confirmed)
Santa Clara United Methodist Church
Skyland Community Church (UCC)
Sycamore Congregational Church (UCC)
The Table (UMC)
Walnut Avenue United Methodist Church

Should a student wish to request a supplemental stipend the form may be found here. The Concurrent Field Education Supplemental Stipend Form is due to the Office of Field Education April 29th. In order for a student to be considered for a supplemental stipend, the Field Education Placement Confirmation Form must also be completed and submitted. All 2016-17 FE students are advised to submit their completed placement forms before the end of this semester. Any student may make an appointment with the Director of Field Education to further discuss the process of confirming a FE placement at the following link: odetteappt.setmore.com.

FINAL SPRING FIELD EDUCATION PLENARY
April 13, 9:10am in Mudd 103

Mental Health/Domestic Violence Assessments: In a pilot collaboration funded by Blue Shield to reach and educate religious and spiritual leadership throughout Northern California, trainers from A Safe Place in Oakland, will present training in assessment, intervention, and prevention.

Paul Yinger Preaching Award Nominations

Attn: Current & Past Field Education Mentors and PSR Faculty & Staff
Every year at the PSR graduation a graduating MDiv student or students receive the Paul Yinger Preaching Award. The award is intended to recognize graduates who show artistry in preaching. For a list of graduating MDiv students please contact us at fielded@psr.edu. PSR welcomes your nominations. Contact Rev. Dr. Mary Donovan Turner @ mdturner@psr.edu to nominate.

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**2016 Summer IMMERSIONS**

**ENGAGING COMMUNITIES OF LIBERATION**

_Cuernavaca, Mexico; August 14 - 28, 2016_

Faculty:
- Rev. Dr. Justin Tanis, Managing Director, Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Ministry (CLGS)
- Rev. Dr. Karen Oliveto, Pastor, Glide SF (UMC)

Contextual Learning at PSR and CLGS will again partner with CETLALIC, a Spanish language school with deep progressive roots and a passion for a liberating pedagogy. This two week immersion will include language study for ministry and will engage liberation theologies, base communities, women's groups, LGBTQ communities, and social justice advocates. This immersion will now be offered each summer through partnerships with PSR, CLGS, Glide Church, and Cathedral of Hope. 2016 dates will correspond with Cuernavaca Pride.

*Interest Session to be announced soon. Any student who wishes to take this course for credit may contact Rev. Dr. Justin Tanis (jtanis@clgs.org) to arrange to register for a Special Reading.*

**Immersive Learning at PSR Includes:**
- local, national and international immersion courses taught by PSR faculty and community partners;
- classroom and online courses in every discipline that incorporate contextual immersion components;
- learning from other students, faculty, staff, GTU schools and centers;
- spiritual and leadership formation events with communities, denominational and multi faith networks;
- self-designed immersion courses;
- experiential research for course projects and papers;
- Field Education placements for MDiv and MTS students;
- semester long Social Change Field Work for MAST and Certificate of Spirituality and Social Change students.
IMMIGRATION/REFUGEE CRISIS, RELIGION, GLOBALIZATION, AND THE POST-COLONIAL STATE

Paris, France; July 11 – 22, 2016

Faculty:
• Rev. Dr. David Vásquez-Levy, PSR President, Instructor of Homiletics, Immigrant Rights Activist
• Dr. Hatem Bazian, Zaytuna Co-Founder and Faculty, Zaytuna College Faculty, Near Eastern and Ethnic Studies, UC Berkeley Director, Islamophobia Research and Documentation Project
• Dr. Karla Suomala, Professor of Hebrew Bible and Judaism, Luther College, Decorah, Iowa Interfaith Dialogue, Advocacy, and Research

This course, open to all students and community members of any institution, addresses the ongoing global migration and refugee crisis. Participants will analyze the causes and consequences of the movement of immigrants & refugees into Europe and the US and explore ways in which sacred texts and narratives from Islam, Judaism, and Christianity can help inform and reframe the conversation about immigration.

At present, the number of people that are on the move from their homeland as immigrants or refugees number over 50 million. The visible movement of peoples across national boundaries in search of economic opportunities and higher standards of living, and away from conflict zones, persecution, and violence has transformed countries in Europe and North America. As a result of this massive human movement, the emerging of multi-racial, multi-ethnic, and multi-religious societies are becoming a daily norm and with it rising tensions that problematizes and seeks to exclude immigrants and refugees on some marked, constructed or imagined difference.

Applications: irdproject.com/france
For more info see: psr.edu/july-11-paris-immersion-immigration-the-refugee-crisis/
or email contexted@psr.edu.
SAN FRANCISCO CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION CENTER (SFCAPC)

Information Session for those who would like to volunteer in the following positions: Telephone Counselor, Children’s Playroom Caregiver, Kid’s Turn Workshop Assistant, Family Dinner Volunteer, Special Event & Office Volunteer. For more information visit sfcapc.org

“I DO NOT BELONG TO MYSELF: REFLECTIONS ON AFRICAN SPIRITUALITY AND THEOLOGY” | CONVERSE WITH VISITING PROFESSOR DR. BIENVENU MAYEMA

Dr. Bienvenu Mayemba is a Catholic and Jesuit Priest and Theologian from Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC or Congo-Kinshasa, ex. Zaire). He resides in Abidjan, Ivory Coast where he is the Director of BARAZA Chair of African Theology, the Coordinator of Academic Conferences, and Professor of Systematic Theology, African Theology and Postcolonial Theory at the Jesuit Institute of Theology and at the Catholic University of Western Africa. He is currently serving as an International Visiting Professor of African Religion and Christianity: Theological and Socio-Political Perspectives, at Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University, in Berkeley, California during the Spring of 2016. Program Includes a drumming invocation by Professor Mayemba & poem by Mahsea Evans. Sponsored by PSR Changemaker Fellows 2016 Cohort & PSR Community Life.

“TRANSGRESSING NORMATIVE TRANS STUDIES: FINDING ONESELF IN RISK BECOMING DIFFERENT”

Join the Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry (CLGS) for this special lunch-time lecture with Dr. Robyn Henderson-Espinoza on April 7. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Dr. Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Visiting Assistant Professor of Ethics, is self-identified as Christian Agnostic and queer Mestizaje. They use the thought and theory of Gloria Anzaldúa, queer theories, the New Materialisms movement, along with queer epistemologies to consider a queer materialist philosophy.

HEALING 101: FREE 4-WEEK LECTURE SERIES FOR LEARNERS OF ALL AGES

An introduction to healing from a Christian Science perspective: stress, disease, relationship problems, finance, community issues, and more will be explored. *All talks will be presented at PSR 6, except the April 19th date, when the series will meet in Mudd 102 at 7:00pm. Visit healing101.sharethepractice.org for more info and to register.
**3RD ANNUAL CARING FOR THE HUMAN SPIRIT CONFERENCE**

The HealthCare Chaplaincy Network is pleased to announce our 3rd annual Caring for the Human Spirit Conference. This one-of-a-kind, event will be held in San Diego, on April 11 - 13, 2016 and will draw an international, multi-disciplinary audience on-site and via webinar. For more information and registration: [healthcarechaplaincy.org/conference.html](http://healthcarechaplaincy.org/conference.html)

**April 13, 5pm, Dinner Board Room, GTU**

**REMEMBERING MY FATHER ABRAHAM JOSHUA HESCHEL: AN INTERVIEW WITH SUSANNAH HESCHEL**

Prof. Naomi Seidman (Center for Jewish Studies) will conduct an interview with Susannah Heschel about the life and legacy of her father, Abraham Joshua Heschel. Rabbi Heschel (1907-1972) was a prolific scholar, philosopher, and Civil Rights activist who worked closely with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Earl Lecture: Annie Leonard April 15, 7pm**

PSR and UC Berkeley host this fascinating workshop organized by the Ignite Institute. The New Story of Work will bring together organizers, business and faith leaders, activists, and scholars, such as Sustainability expert Annie Leonard (Executive Director of Greenpeace USA and creator of the Story of Stuff) to explore and strategize around the meaning of work and the significance of labor today. More information and registration can be accessed here: [igniteatpsr.com/work/](http://igniteatpsr.com/work/)

**Boswell Lecture: Rev. Dr. Emilie M. Townes, April 21, 6:30pm**

The CLGS Ninth Annual Boswell Lecture will kick off this year’s Souls a’ Fire conference. Rev. Dr. Emilie M. Townes, Dean of Vanderbilt Divinity School, will deliver this year’s Boswell Lecture on Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 6:30pm in the Pacific School of Religion Chapel. The Souls a’ Fire 5 Conference is an annual gathering for Black Queer Theology and will take place at City of Refuge UCC in Oakland, CA from April 21-24. For more information and tickets: [soulsafire.org](http://soulsafire.org)
**“BEARING WITNESS” STREET RETREAT**

Leaving home and begging for livelihood are spiritual practices with deep significance in the earliest days of the Buddhist movement. “Bearing witness” to homelessness for four days and three nights is a way to explore this tradition in our world today. Led by Zen Priest Joshin Byrnes of Upaya Zen Center (Santa Fe) and the Zen Peacemaker Order, we will live on the streets of San Francisco with no resources other than our own true nature. We will beg for money, find places to get food, shelter, and use the bathroom. Each day we will engage in meditation, ceremony and council circle. By bearing witness to homelessness, we begin to see our prejudices and boundaries directly and to recognize our common humanness. It is a way to experience our interconnection and allow for the possibility of loving action to arise out of intimacy. To register or for more information contact registrar@upaya.org, call 505/986-8518, or visit our website www.upaya.org/programs/

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**INTRODUCTION TO KINGIAN NONVIOLENCE CONFLICT RESOLUTION**

Kazu Haga and Assistant Facilitators from East Point Peace Academy will facilitate this two-day training that will provide participants with a comprehensive introduction to the philosophy and strategy of Kingian Nonviolence. This training is useful for anyone who deals with conflict: inter-personal or larger social conflicts, whether in your personal life, in the workplace, or in your work for social change. Registration is required and space is limited. Click here or on the link below to register: eastbaymeditation.org/ebmcreg/?event=apr16king

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**FAITH AND EQUITY TRAININGS**

For the past 3 years, the San Francisco Foundation’s FAITHS Program, in conjunction with educators from the Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity, has trained over 200 faith leaders around the Bay Area to be faith advocates for economic and social justice. This year, we invite faith communities to nominate four leaders (clergy, lay and/or community leaders) to take part in our Faith & Equity East County training series. The trainings seek to increase the capacity and power of faith communities to advocate and organize for stable communities, fair policies and dignity for all. Trainings are FREE, but registration is required. Register at: faithandequity.eventbrite.com and contact FaithandEquity@gmail.com for more information.

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**CHANGEMAKER PRESENTATIONS**

Students in the Certificate of Spiritual and Social Change (CSSC) program and PSR’s new Master of Arts in Social Transformation (MAST) program are well underway with their Social Change Field Work. Students’ work offers promise of transformative and resilient change to various communities. Their project proposals ranged from working with Healing Arts with Refugees to rethinking the way we talk about Sexual Violence, from the application of the concept of Cultural Humility to Higher Education to exploring connections between Individual and Communal Grief and Healing, to an Affordable Housing project, to Conscious Parenting for LGBTQ Parents, to Constructive Dialogue among Immigrants, to working with Incarcerated Populations, among many other excellent proposals. Please come and bring a friend to the Changemaker Presentations, where the Changemaker Fellows will share with us the change that they are making in the world—mark your calendars!

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**April 30, 9am-5pm, May 1, 9am-5pm, East Bay Meditation**

**April 23, 30, & May 7, 2-5pm, Holy Rosary Church, Parish Ministry Building, 1313 A Street, Antioch, CA**

**May 4, 4-7pm, Badè Museum**

**August 4-7, San Francisco**

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LEADING/TEACHING/PREACHING CALENDAR

All current PSR students—especially those enrolled in Field Ed—are invited to share with us times that they are scheduled to lead/teach/preach. Please add your scheduled appearances so that the PSR community might support you with prayer and/or presence. Add your times to our new Google doc at this link: [http://tinyurl.com/psrpreachingcal](http://tinyurl.com/psrpreachingcal) so that we can then upload your times to the PSR website.

April 10
- **Lauren Renee Hotchkiss**, Preaching, Grace North Church, Berkeley, 5:00pm
- **Marie Wilson**, Preaching, First United Methodist Church, San Leandro, 9:30am

April 17
- **Gyu-Hyun Kim**, Preaching, Clovis-Fresno Korean UMC, Clovis, 12:30pm

May 8
- **Tara Limbaugh**, Preaching, Mission Bay Community Church, San Francisco, 5:00pm

May 15
- **Tom Emmanuel**, Liturgical Drama, Mira Vista UCC, El Cerrito, 12:00pm
- **Nikira Hernandez**, Preaching, Eden Church UCC, Hayward, 10:00am
- **Lauren Renee Hotchkiss**, Preaching, Epworth UMC, Berkeley, 10:00am
- **Lauren Renee Hotchkiss**, Preaching, Grace North Church, Berkeley, 5:00pm

May 22
- **Lori Ortiz**, Preaching, The Table @ Central UMC, Sacramento, 9:30am; 11:00am
- **Ally Vertigan**, Preaching, Community Congregational Church, Tiburon, 9:00am

MINISTRY/JOB OPPORTUNITIES

_The office of Field Education continually updates both job announcements and Field Education opportunities. Look for these recent listings, among others, at this link._

**Congregations**
- **Intern** @ The Pilgrimage, Washington, D.C.
- **Associate Minister** @ First Congregational Church, Akron, OH
- **Assistant Minister** for Congregational Life @ UU Congregation of Davis, CA
- **Senior Pastor** @ La Cañada Congregational Church, La Cañada Flintridge, CA
- **Pulpit Supply & Worship Consultant** @ UU Community of Lake County, CA
- **Organist** @ First Chinese Baptist Church, San Francisco, CA
- **Summer Youth Minister** @ UCC/DOC partnering congregations in Las Vegas, NV
- **Associate Minister** @ Naples United Church of Christ, FL

**Community Agencies**
- **Community Organizer** @ ACTIONN, Northern Nevada
- **Executive Director** @ Care Through Touch Institute (CTI), San Francisco, CA
- **Program Director** @ The Religious Institute, Location Flexible
- **Kaiser Permanente ACPE** @ San Leandro / Fremont
- **CPE Program** @ Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center
- **Campus Engagement Manager** @ Interfaith Youth Core, Chicago, IL
- **Summer Internship** @ Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry, Berkeley, CA
- **Interfaith Internship** @ Coalition of Welcoming Congregations in the Bay Area
- **Continuing Care Retirement Community Chaplain** @ Episcopal Senior Communities, Walnut Creek, CA
DENOMINATIONAL CONNECTIONS

Are you interested in connecting with or learning about a particular denomination? Our offices maintain contact with several denominational representatives for students. Find their contact info and denominational happenings here, and stay up-to-date by joining your denomination’s PSR Facebook group.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

Contact: Rev. Clarence Johnson, Director
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Montgomery Hall #212 (SFTS)
105 Seminary Road
San Anselmo, CA 94960
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ljtorgerson@dsf.edu

162nd CCNC-N ANNUAL GATHERING,
FEATURING REV. DR. MICHAEL KINNAMON

The theme for the 2016 Gathering will be “NEXT.” As in, what’s next? How do we vision mission for a church that continues to move forward into a world that is rapidly changing and creating new opportunities for growth and mission? Arden Christian Church in Sacramento will be hosting. More information and registration details

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCHES

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Contact: Rev. Diane Weible
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UCC-NCNC ANNUAL GATHERING

Race, racial justice, and dismantling racism will be the focus of NCNC’s 2016 Annual Gathering, June 16 – 19, at Sonoma State University in Rohnert Park. Our theme — “Have You Seen Your Neighbor?” — is drawn from 1 John 4: 7 – 21, our focus Bible text for the event. For more info and to register click here

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Contact: Rev. Diana Bohn
dbohn@psr.edu
You may contact Diana for scheduling Tuesday meetings

BROWN BAG LUNCH: REV. GREG BERGQUEST

We will be joined at our Brown Bag Lunch by General Conference delegate and Conference Superintendent for Leadership Development, Greg Bergquist, who will share his perspective on General Conference. Please note that this is the 4th Tuesday rather than the 2nd Tuesday of the month.
Dates to Remember

• April 13 Mental Health / Domestic Violence Assessments Plenary (Mudd 103, 9:10am)
• April, date TBD CETLALIC / Cuernavaca, Mexico Immersion Interest Session (TBD)
• April 21 All Mentors Meeting (PSR Chapel, 3-5pm)
• April 29 Due: 2016-17 Concurrent FE Supplemental Stipend Application
• May 4 Changemakers Presentations (Badè Museum, 4-8pm)

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Go to http://odetteappt.setmore.com/ to schedule an appointment.