

Registration Form

**Now the Silence, Now the Songs:
The Body of Christ at Worship
March 14—May 8, 2018
8 Week Online Course**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

I will be taking this course for:

TRIM Credit ____

EFSM Credit ____

Two Cont. Ed. Units ____

Personal Enrichment ____

Course fee: \$295.00.

payable to: **Brethren Academy or**

Register online at

<https://bethanyseminary.edu/brethren-academy/brethren-academy-course-listings/>

Registration deadline: February 7, 2018

Please note: Enrollment numbers on the date of the registration deadline will determine whether the course will be held.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM AND FEE TO:

Brethren Academy
for Ministerial Leadership
615 National Road West
Richmond, IN 47374

Technology Requirements

For online learning, students will need basic computer skills and access to the internet. If your computer is four years old or less, you should have the capabilities for this class.

Computer Capabilities:

- Modem: Minimum 56 kbps speed is slow but adequate. A speed of 100 kbps (300 recommended) is needed for podcasts and 300 kbps (500 recommended) for videos
- An email account
- An up-to-date web browser; such as Firefox, Internet Explorer or Google Chrome
- A laptop on a wireless network will work, but will get better performance if plugged into a wired network

If you have questions about this information, call Fran Massie, the Academy Administrative Assistant,

Course Withdrawal Refund Policy:

- 100% of course fee prior to the registration deadline
- 50% from the registration deadline to the first day
- No refunds will be given once the class has begun.

Exceptions require the approval of the Director of the Brethren Academy.

For more information contact:

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Course Description

What's our main job in life? Some say simply that it is to glorify and enjoy God forever. One way we do this is through corporate worship. But what really makes for vital and faithful worship? How do spiritual leaders best guide it?

Course Goals

- Participants in this course will explore the theology and structure of worship as expressed in the free church tradition.
- We will identify “ground rules” for making corporate worship meaningful, explore a variety of worship styles, emphasize inclusion of all ages in worship, experiment with ways to use music and visual arts and write prayers and other spoken resources.
- We will encourage each other's expressive gifts and develop them for planning and leading the gathered community in worship.

Instructor



Lani Wright

Lani Wright helped staff the production of *Hymnal: A Worship Book* (Church of the Brethren and Mennonite) and the *Hymnal Supplement* series. She also edited *Hymnal Companion* and *Brethren We Have Met to Worship*, worship planning software. She appreciates how ritual composes humans for their life struggles, and how humans compose ritual and music to express their faith.

Lani's “day job” is facilitating wellness, ecopsychology groups for people with mental illness and substance use disorders at Oregon State Hospital, a prison mental hospital.

She is ordained in the Church of the Brethren, holds degrees from Bridgewater College and Bethany Theological Seminary, is active on the Ministry Commission for Pacific Northwest District, and co-chairs the Camp Myrtlewood Board. She has written and edited numerous Bible study projects for junior and senior youth and adults.

Reading List

- Duck, Ruth C. *Worship for the Whole People of God: Vital Worship for the 21st Century*. Louisville, Ky.: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013. (ISBN-13: 978-0-664-23427-0)
- Long, Thomas G. *Beyond the Worship Wars: Building Vital and Faithful Worship*. Published by The Alban Institute. Lanham, Md.: Rowman & Littlefield, 2001. (ISBN-13: 978-1-56699-240-4)
- *For All Who Minister: A worship manual for the Church of the Brethren*. Elgin, Ill.: Brethren Press, 1993. (ISBN: 0-87187-691-5)
- Web-based resources and seminal worship texts.

Schedule

- March 14-May 8, 2018
- Online classes require students to be disciplined in their time management.
- Students are expected to spend about 10 hours a week during this 8 week online class including outside reading and projects.

Participants

This course is offered at the Academy-level and is open to Brethren Academy students (TRIM and EFSM), lay persons and pastors. For TRIM students, successful completion of this course will earn one Academy level unit in **Ministry/Ministry Skills**. Pastors will earn two continuing education units.