

The LIFE Class at MPBC Winter/Spring 2019 Curriculum

You are invited to be part of this multigenerational class as we work to create an atmosphere of free discussion and sharing while studying a wide range of topics, ideas that come from the class and are planned by the curriculum planning team. Class leaders come from the class, the church and the community. Ideas for study include Biblical texts and themes and their relevance to our lives today, the teachings of important theologians, religious themes found in literature, discussion of local, national, and international issues and the Christian response. We believe we are on a faith journey and can learn from each other as well as from outside leaders. Social events are planned throughout the year. Join us.

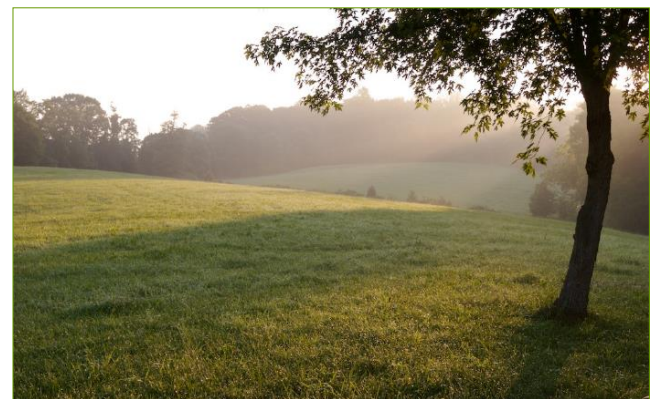


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**Meeting each Sunday morning, 9:30 for coffee, 9:45 sharp for class,
in the Coffee House below Heaton Hall, unless noted.**

January 20 Author of *The Hundred Story Home*, **Kathy Izard** invites us to live out our own stories more fully and tells us how she and others have created the first homes for the homeless in Charlotte.



Kathy Izard



Bruce Elliott

January 27 **Bruce Elliott** on *The Soul of Our Faith: the re-emergence of embodied Christian teaching and practices*

February 3 In his new memoir, *The Elephant in the Room*, **Tommy Tomlinson** confronts his no. 1 obstacle, himself, in his quest to get smaller in a growing America



Tommy Tomlinson



Ray Owens



Brian Bantum

February 10 **Ray Owens** on *Is the Cross Relevant When We All Have Personal Towel Warmers*

February 17 *Is the Cross Relevant* continued, **Ray Owens** leading

February 24 **FORUM HEATON HALL – Dr. Brian Bantum** – Awakening speaker from Seattle.

March 3 *Honoring the Mind*, with **Elise Williams** leading



Elise Williams



Evelyn Hanneman

March 10 **FORUM HEATON HALL – Awakening to Desire**

March 17 **Evelyn Hanneman** on Conflict Resolution Skills

March 24 **Evelyn Hanneman** continues discussion

March 31 The Honorable **Regan Miller** discusses New Legislation Affecting the Sentencing of Minorities

April 7 **Regan Miller** continues discussion



Regan Miller



Kathy Bahnsen

April 14 **FORUM HEATON HALL – Awakening Series: Made to Die**

April 21 **EASTER SUNDAY** – no class – Fund-raising breakfast before Worship to raise money to benefit services provided by RAIN for those touched by HIV/AIDS

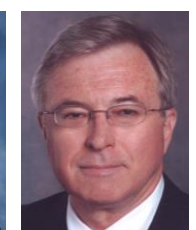
April 28 Sermon of former pastor, Dr. Gene Owens, with discussion led by **Kathy Bahnsen**

May 5 Class members will share their histories we get to know each other

May 12 **Judy Morrison** reviews the history of the Labyrinth followed by the class walking ours before Church



Judy Morrison



Ed Hinson

May 19 **Ed Hinson** shares his impressions of a recent trip to the Holy Land

May 26 **MEMORIAL DAY weekend – no class**

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