

presenters:

Rev Elaine A. Heath, PhD
Dr. Elaine Heath's scholarly work is interdisciplinary, integrating pastoral, biblical, and spiritual theology in ways that bridge the gap between academy, church, and world. Her current research interests focus on community as a means of healing trauma, emergent forms of Christianity, and alternative forms of theological education for the church in rapidly changing contexts. Heath is the author of numerous books, articles, and other publications. Heath's distinguished career includes having served as Dean of the Divinity School at Duke University, and the McCreless Professor of Evangelism at Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University. She lives with her husband at Spring Forest, North Carolina.



Ray Buckley
Ray Buckley is the Chair of the First Nations Spirituality Study Center. Buckley has served The United Methodist Church as a staff member of The United Methodist Publishing House, Director of the Native People Communication Office (UMCom) for nine years, and Director of Connectional Ministries and Native Discipleship for the Alaska Missionary Conference. Buckley is the author/illustrator of five story-books and two missional studies. His stories, poetry, and art have appeared in numerous journals, periodicals, and books around the world. Ray Buckley is a teacher and lecturer. Ray makes his home in the Matanuska-Susitna Valley of Alaska and is a traditional basket-maker and wood carver.



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BOUNDLESS COMPASSION IN A BROKEN WORLD

Oct. 27 - Nov. 1, 2019

SIENARETREATCENTER
5637 Erie Street
Racine, Wisconsin 53402



Do you long to be with others who share a desire to deepen one's relationship with God through teaching, prayer, daily Communion, and covenantal fellowship?

The Academy is a place where Christian faith is challenged all in the context of a shared experience led by faculty presenters, who invite participants to reflect on your own spiritual journey, and how God is at work in your life.

The Academy is for clergy and laity. It is designed for both "head" and "heart," communicating knowledge about Christian spiritual formation and a context for experiencing it.

All of this is available to us as we gather at the Siena Retreat Center overlooking Lake Michigan. Come to the waters to be healed, challenged, refreshed, and renewed.

a note from the RETREAT LEADER

Spiritual formation is about the life of Jesus being made visible in and through our lives and ministries. Our beliefs and behaviors are to be in harmony with each other. The Academy for Spiritual Formation makes that happen. This experience is all about listening, learning, growing, being in silence, and above all, surrendering our lives at the feet of Jesus. We will be strengthened to be a living witness in our communities. It is about learning to love God with our heart, mind, body, and soul and to love others and our neighbors. You are invited to join a community of disciples to learn about "Boundless Compassion in a Broken World."
— Sam Royappa



LEADERSHIP TEAM

Retreat Leader: Sam Royappa

Worship: Barbara Dick

Covenant Groups: Gail Ray

Hospitality: Jorge Mayorga

Theologian: Linda Vance

TYPICAL DAY

7:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00 a.m.	Morning Curriculum
10:00 a.m.	Silent Reflection Time
11:00 a.m.	Plenary discussion with faculty
11:30 a.m.	Community Time
12:00 noon	Dinner
2:00 p.m.	Afternoon Curriculum
3:00 p.m.	Silent Reflection
4:00 p.m.	Plenary discussion with faculty
4:45 p.m.	Eucharist
5:30 p.m.	Supper
6:45 p.m.	Special Session or Options
7:30 p.m.	Covenant Groups
9:15 p.m.	Night Prayer
9:30 p.m.	Silence until Morning Prayer

The rhythm of the day is embraced by morning and night prayer, with enriched with daily Eucharist. Faculty presentations are given each morning and afternoon, followed by silence for individual reflection and then group response time. Covenant groups offer time for fellowship, accountability, and reflection on the day.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Cost of Academy Plus Room and Board

- \$475 Early Registration by July 1, 2019
- \$500 Regular Registration by August 1, 2019
- \$525 Late Registration by September 2, 2019
- Registration Deadline: October 1, 2019

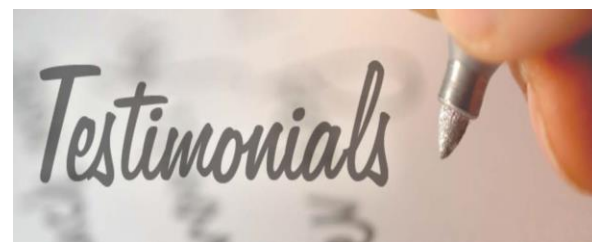
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Free time is offered for rest and renewal. Participants are encouraged to remain on site throughout the Academy. Three (3) CEUs are available from the Wisconsin Conference.



"Academy for Spiritual Formation was useful for my ministry. It enhanced my spiritual life to grow in faith. I can be a witness to others." ~ Rafael Cubilette, Pastor

"The Academy for Spiritual Formation was a milestone in my faith journey. It gave me knowledge, insight, and most importantly, it moved my faith from my head to my heart." ~ Pam McIntyre, Lay Member