

Lifelong Faith Presents. . . .



Designing Faith Formation Programming 2022-2023

Lifelong Faith Clinics will guide you and your team in designing faith formation programming to implement in your church. ***The Clinics are not webinars.*** These are two-session, online, design labs in which one of the Lifelong Faith Team will facilitate you and your team in actually creating programming that addresses the needs of people today using the most effective skills, tools, and processes.

Session One of each Clinic presents the key principles or practices for designing, introduces a design process for your topic, and illustrates how to use the process with examples. During the week between sessions you will begin design work on your project or program. **Session Two** provides time for each leader to present a program idea or design, and to receive guidance and ideas from the facilitator for creating and implementing your project or program.

Clinic registrations are limited to 20 churches so we can provide a more personalized experience. The registration fee for each clinic is \$50 per church.

Here's the line-up of **Clinics** with dates, times, and presenters. All Clinic sessions use Zoom; and all of the Clinic resources will be available online for easy access.

Designing Strategies for Building Community and Relationships in Your Church

Date & Time: Tuesdays, May 3 and 10 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Jane Angha, Ministry Blueprints

The Building Community and Relationships Clinic guides you with tools and resources to assess, innovate, and design simple, effective, and practical ways to create a community of welcome, hospitality and engagement that brings together everyone in the community.

Designing Milestones for Growing in Faith

Date & Time: Wednesdays, May 4 and 11 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Debbie Streicher, Milestones Ministry

The Milestones Faith Formation Clinic guides you through a five step framework for designing milestones for every age and provides leadership tips for implementing milestones in your church.

Designing Pathways for Discerning Growth in Faith

Date & Time: Thursdays, May 12 and 19 @ 1 pm (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Rev. Kathy Pittenger, Michigan Conference of the United Methodist Church

The Faith Formation Pathways Clinic guides you in designing a pathways process to help people discern their needs for faith growth, and learning about a variety of pathways models and formats to use in design work.

Designing Family & Parent Faith Formation Programming

Date & Time: Fridays, May 13 and 20 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Denise Utter, Families Living Faith

The Family & Parent Faith Formation Clinic guides you in using six practical strategies to design a family faith formation approach and programming in your church community.

Moving from Design to Implementing New Projects

Date & Time: Wednesdays, May 18 and 25 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Jim Merhaut, Coaching to Connect

The Moving from Design to Implementation Clinic uses the STELLAR system (Starting point, Ending range, Lessons, Limits, Actions, Reviews) as the framework for guiding you in designing implementation action steps for any project or program you have created.

Designing Faith Formation with Adolescents

Date & Time: Thursdays, May 26 and June 2 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Rev. Michael Droege, Wilson Memorial Union Church

The Faith Formation with Adolescents Clinic guides you in designing programming that focuses on the lives and needs of young people today using a holistic approach that incorporates intergenerational, family, and age group experiences.

Designing Playlists for Faith Formation

Date & Time: Wednesdays, June 8 and 15 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Rev. Kathy Pittenger, Michigan Conference of the United Methodist Church

The Faith Formation Playlists Clinic guides you through the how-tos of curating, building, and implementing playlists with examples of different models of playlists and resources for curating and building your own playlists.

Designing Intergenerational Faith Formation

Date & Time: Fridays, June 10 and 17 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Dr. Kathie Amidei, St. Anthony on the Lake Parish, WI

The Intergenerational Faith Formation Clinic guides you in utilizing a variety of strategies to bring a culture of intergenerationality to your church by designing experiences of learning, prayer, worship, service, care, and community with all ages together.

Designing Faith Formation with Adults

Date & Time: Tuesdays, June 14 and 21 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Sister Janet Schaeffler, OP

The Designing Faith Formation with Adults Clinic guides you in creating programming that responds to the life stages and situations of midlife, mature, and older adults, and the ways they learn and grow in faith today.

Designing Faith Formation with Children

Date & Time: Thursdays, June 16 and 23 @ 1 pm ET (90 minutes)

Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Tanya Campen

The Designing Faith Formation with Children Clinic guides leaders in designing programming for children (and parents) that is holistic, responsive to children's needs and interests, and flexible and adaptable to lives of today's children and parents.

Lifelong Faith Team

Dr. Kathie Amidei serves as Pastoral Associate at St. Anthony on the Lake Parish in Wisconsin. She was formerly the Associate Director for Catechesis and Child Ministry for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. She has served in a number of parishes as a teacher and a director of religious education. She holds a Doctorate in Education and Leadership. Kathie is a national speaker and author of *Forming Families: A Faith Resource on Catholic Identity* (OSV, 2019). Her website is www.kathieamidei.com.

Jane Angha MTS is the founder of Ministry Blueprints, a company dedicated to hospitality, welcome and engagement training for faith communities. Jane served as Director of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry in Catholic parishes for over 20 years, worked as Project Coordinator for Young Neighbors in Action with the Center for Ministry Development and as a Diocesan Coordinator for Young Adult ministry in the Diocese of Green Bay. She is a national speaker, consultant, coach, teacher and trainer as well as a national conference speaker. Her website is www.ministryblueprints.com.

Rev. Dr. Tanya Marie Eustace Campen is an ordained deacon in the Rio Texas Conference and currently serves as Director of Intergenerational Discipleship for the Rio Texas Conference Office. She has a Masters of Divinity from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary and a Doctorate in Christian education and congregational studies from Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary. Her research focus is children's spirituality. She has more than 20 years of experience as a Christian educator, youth director, and minister to children and families in the local church. She regularly teaches faith formation courses, webinars, and workshops for ministry leaders.

Rev. Michael Droege has been in youth and family ministry for over 30 years. Along with his church coaching work, Michael currently serves as Pastor of Wilson Memorial Church in Watchung, NJ, as an adjunct professor at Drew Theological School (Drew University), and is a frequent workshop and conference speaker with two decades of experience training and coaching leaders. Michael is also currently working on his PhD in Adolescent Faith Formation through the University of Pretoria.

Jim Merhaut is an award-winning author, national motivational speaker, internationally-known leadership training and an International Coaching Federated Certified Coach. He holds a Master of Science degree in Education from Duquesne University with an emphasis in adult formation. Jim has authored and co-authored several books and published dozens of academic and popular articles and essays on leadership and relationships.

Rev. Kathy Pittenger is an Ordained Deacon and serves as Children's Initiatives Coordinator for the Michigan Conference of the United Methodist Church. Previously she served as the Pastor of Lifelong Faith Formation for Central United Methodist Church in Waterford, MI. She earned a Masters of Divinity from Asbury Theological Seminary. Her passion lies in the areas of children's ministry, literacy awareness, discipleship pathways, and walking with people on their spiritual journey. Kathy has been involved with local school partnerships for over six years.

Debbie Streicher is Co-Director at Milestones Ministry and has written, coordinated, and led workshops and webinars for faith formation programs of all ages in the congregational setting for the past 30 years. She helped design the Milestones Ministry modules for the congregation and home and coordinated and contributed to the writing of the Adult Milestones. For years, she has and continues to use Milestones in the congregational and home setting. She is a writer, speaker, certified coach, and teacher. Debbie is also involved in the Fellowship of Christian Puppeteers and enjoys telling the gospel through puppets. Her website is <https://milestonesministry.org>.

Sister Janet Schaeffler is an Adrian Dominican Sister who has worked in parish and archdiocesan ministry in faith formation. She is currently ministering as an adult faith formation consultant and presenter. The author of hundreds of articles and several publications including *Deepening Faith: Adult Faith Formation in the Parish* (Liturgical Press, 2016). She teaches online courses through Boston College and the University of Dayton. She publishes GEMS - a monthly newsletter flowing from an ongoing international adult faith formation best practices study. Her website is www.janetschaeffler.com.

Denise Utter is a freelance consultant, writer and a speaker and has been coaching with Vibrant Faith since 2018. She has worked in ministry and education for 30 years. Denise believes her work in parish and diocesan ministries informs her work today. She loves to inspire parish and diocesan leaders to reimagine faith formation, put families at the center of faith, and provide innovative approaches to faith formation and invites leaders to view the formation of parents from the perspective of calling. Denise has a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Catholic Theological Union.

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