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# Fractured Lives, Fractured Churches

American society is fracturing as more and more families experience estrangement with their loved ones. Tensions in American public life affects their private lives and vice-versa. Americans lack a shared identity, disagree on the nation's purposes, values, and history, and are becoming more and more intolerant of those with whom they disagree. Estrangement in private lives often leads to intense tribalism in public life. Anchored in Family Systems, the workshop is designed to help leaders understand phenomenon of estrangement, how it comes about and how can the church be a gathering place for restoration and healing.

#### This Workshop Will Help You/Your Church...

- Learn how estrangement has played a role in the life of your church and family
- Transform estrangement into restoration and healing
- Learn how to have meaningful relationships with individuals with different opinions
- Overcome triablism to view the world through a more unified lens

#### Who Will Benefit:

- **Clergy** who are interested in learning a proactive approach to managing estrangement in their church
- **Church lay leaders** who want to gain confidence in their position and how to best manage challenges
- **Anyone** interested in learning how to manage self and become a positive representative for the church

## Logistical Information:

 All sessions will be held on Zoom for 2023, unless otherwise contracted directly with LMPC



Jay Wittmeyer



• There will be a couple 15 minute breaks and an hour break for lunch

Rev. Jay Wittmeyer is the Executive Director of the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center. Jay is an educator, organizational development consultant, and mediator with broad experience, serving conflicted churches and organizations in the U.S. and international settings. Grounded in an Anabaptist peace-building tradition and working from a Bowen family systems perspective, LMPC works to transform conflict in a healthy manner.

## Dates

March 30, 2023 June 15, 2023 September 12, 2023 December 14, 2023

#### Fee

To attend this workshop, the fee for attending is \$99 per person. Sign up as a group of 4 or more and save \$15 each!

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