

Introducing: Restorative Conversations

This one-day workshop introduces church leaders to the key concepts of circle processes and ways in which circles can be used within their congregations. Restorative conversations are useful when working through difficult or polarizing topics, processing shared painful experiences, building community, and dealing with certain levels of conflict in the church setting. The workshop covers the historical roots, biblical foundations, and core values and beliefs of restorative conversations. In addition, the key elements of circle processes will be demonstrated for participants by engaging in circle processes during the workshop. The workshop will benefit all levels of leadership including pastors, lay leaders, youth leaders, and Sunday school teachers. **Limit of 20 participants due to the intensity and focus on good processes through dialogue.**

This Workshop Will Help You/Your Church...

- Learn how to engage in meaningful dialogue
- Create a space for all voices to be heard
- Develop active listening skills
- Become ambassadors for reconciliation



Who Will Benefit:

- **Clergy** who are looking to invest in their church in new ways
- **Youth Leaders** who are interested in learning how to better understand their students
- **Church lay leaders** who want to learn how to manage a group conversation
- **Anyone** interested in learning the skills of listening and debriefing an incident



Logistical Information:

- All sessions will be held on Zoom, unless otherwise mentioned
- The workshop will begin at 9am and last until 4:30pm **CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME**
- There will be a couple 15 minute breaks and an hour break for lunch

Hosted By

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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

November 2, 2023 (Sold Out)
December 12, 2023
May 12, 2024

Fee

To attend this workshop, the fee for attending is \$139 per person. Sign up as a group of 4 or more and save \$15 each!

To find out more or register, get in contact with us!

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