



History and Polity of the Disciples of Christ

The purpose of this on-line course is to explore and analyze the history, polity and characteristic beliefs of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Specific aims of the course include the following:

- ◆ Becoming familiar and knowledgeable about the origins, development, growth and current status of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).
- ◆ Understanding and articulating the characteristic beliefs and practices which make the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) a unique part of the universal church while celebrating the Disciples' ecumenical pilgrimage.
- ◆ Identifying and being aware of how the polity of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) works.

Instructor: **Ken Watson** is the recently retired Associate Minister of First Christian Church in Columbia, Missouri. Responsibilities in that position were to give staff oversight for Adult Christian Education, membership development, local outreach, worship, property concerns, and the unique Computer Lab which the church began developing in 1994. A native Missourian, Ken was raised in Warrensburg where he also completed his undergraduate education in Psychology in 1967. Following graduation, he attended Lexington Theological Seminary in Kentucky, graduating in 1972 with a Doctor of Ministry degree. After serving pastorates in Iowa, he came to Columbia in 1978 to pursue a Ph.D. in Educational Psychology at the University of Missouri and was granted that degree in 1985. From 1981 to 1984 he served as Associate Minister for Broadway Christian Church in Columbia. From 1984 to 1994 he served as Associate Regional Minister for the Christian Church of Mid-America, with primary responsibilities in leader development, Christian education and overseas ministry relationships.

Start Date:

August 31, 2009
Course will run for 12 weeks

Registration Deadline:

August 21, 2009

Cost:

\$350.00

Texts:

Joined in Discipleship: The Shaping of Contemporary Disciples Identity, Mark G. Toulouse.

Journey in Faith: A History of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) by William E. Tucker and Lester G. McAllister

After registration is received, students will be sent the course syllabus, log-in information for the Culver-Stockton server, and other information.

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Refund Policy: Refund of the entire fee will be made when cancellation is received two weeks prior to the start of the event. Refund of 50% will be made on cancellation made after the two week grace period, however NO REFUNDS will be made for cancellations received two days prior to the event

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