

**GLADE UNITED
CHURCH OF CHRIST
2007-08 ADULT EDUCATION SERIES
Two Paths to Learning
Sunday Mornings - 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.**



Path One – Foundations of Faith

Explore your personal spirituality in the context of the readings for the current Sunday. How do these scriptures affect your day-to-day life? Using exercises, guided meditations, group discussion, various forms of prayer, and other participatory activities we will work to find the meaning that these passages hold for us today and how we can apply these holy words to our daily walk.

Continuing series – meets all Sundays except when there is an Adult Breakfast

This group will join the special topics group. April 27-May 25, 2008

Leaders: Pat Hanberry and Eva Baseley

PATH TWO -- Food, Faith and Fellowship: Radical Table Fellowship

April 27, May 4, 11, 18, & 25

Leader: Gayle Bach-Watson

Breaking bread together is a fundamental act of what it means to be fully human. Throughout human history, meals have been important opportunities for the establishment and maintenance of relationships. In breaking bread together bonds are forged and intimacies are deepened. Meal time is a time when people can look each other in the face and have the kind of real, human contact that we all desperately need. Considering such books as Juengst's *Breaking Bread: Then Spiritual Significance of Food*; Capon's *The Supper of the Lamb*; Whitcomb's *Feasting with God: Adventures in Table Spirituality*; and Smith's *The Frugal Gourmet Keeps the Feast: Past, Present, and Future* we will look at what it means to be at table with God. This includes not only the Lord's Table and what that means, but having God at our table, whether at home, traveling, or socializing at church. All readings will be provided.

Adult Breakfast Series

Selected Sunday Mornings 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

As an enriching interlude between the series of Special Topics Courses and the units of the Foundations of Faith courses. Food is potluck breakfast food.

April 20 – 9:15 a.m.

Topic: ***Presidential Politics, The Rev. Jeremiah Wright, the UCC, & Race in the US: A Prelude to a Sacred Discussion about Race in America.***

Speaker: Pastor Gerry Hanberry

As a proactive response to the heightened interest surrounding Trinity UCC in Chicago, national and regional UCC leaders have called for a nationwide "sacred conversation" about race in the United States. "Sacred conversations are never easy," UCC General Minister John Thomas said. "This is especially true when honest talk about race confronts us with a painful past and won't let us ignore the troubles of our present day. That's why sacred conversations require a readiness to see one another as sacred despite our differences, and why the sacred places where these conversations take place need to be respected." (Read full statement by Thomas on a link on our website: www.gladechurch.org)

