



# Seeking God in the 21st Century

An Education for Christian Formation

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## AN ONGOING PROGRAM THAT EXPLORES:

- ◇ The Heart and Depths of the Christian Tradition
- ◇ Christianity's Importance in a Post-modern and Pluralistic World
- ◇ Spiritual Practice and Formation
- ◇ The Radical Call of Christian Discipleship

September 2009

Dear Seeker:

Thank you for your interest in our Christian formation program, *Seeking God in the 21st Century (SG21)* an exploration of the Christian tradition, spiritual practice and formation.

**In October, we are offering SG21: Year One – “Shaking the Foundations: The Emergence of a New Christian Paradigm.”**

Enclosed you will find a description of SG21 along with a class schedule, costs and enrollment deadlines, discounts and scholarship information, and a registration form. Please look over the enclosed material and call our program administrator, Ellen Yarnell, (503) 478-1218 with any questions you may have. If you would like to enroll in SG21 and begin (or continue) your exploration of the Christian tradition and spiritual formation please return the enclosed registration form. If you require a scholarship please contact Ellen. We will honor as many scholarship requests as possible.

Again, thank you for your interest in SG21. We look forward to beginning another class and coming together to deepen our connection with ourselves and the Spirit, and engage with our world to further justice and peace.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Canon Marianne Wells Borg  
Director

The Center for Spiritual Development



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## Year One – Shaking the Foundations: The Emergence of a New Christian Paradigm

Seeking God in the 21st Century is an ongoing program designed to support seekers in their exploration of Christian meaning and practice, traditions and its contribution to the life of the world today. Year One is the foundation course for the program. After completing Year One, participants are welcome to continue SG21 on a yearly basis. Topics will vary each year.

This class will provide an in-depth re-education for those seeking to explore the heart of the Christian tradition, its radical claims on our lives, and the challenging “good news” of the Christian message for the world. We will explore the historical setting of Jesus, the nature and study of the Bible, how concepts of God and Jesus shape our worldview and our understanding of discipleship. An introduction to spiritual practice is part of this program year. This course is a must for every Christian or seeker who wants to look afresh at the riches and depths of the Christian tradition. This class is taught by The Rev. Canon Marianne Wells Borg with select sessions by Dr. Marcus Borg .

### MEETING SCHEDULE

**One Saturday a Month, 9:00am – 3:00pm**

The Morrison Room, Trinity Cathedral

**2009:** October 17, (The Bishop Scott Room), November 14, December 19

**2010:** January 16, February 13, March 27, April 17, May 29

### PROGRAM DISCOUNTS

**Center Lecture/Workshop Weekends**

*Lecture: \$10, Workshop: \$35 (includes lunch)*

**Enneagram Class**

*Paths to God: Insights on the Nine Ways of Spiritual Development with Dale Rhodes*

September 30 - November 18, 2009

Wednesday Evenings, 7:00 – 8:30pm, Kempton Hall

\$40 SG21 members

**Trinity Bookstore**

10% discount on all required SG21 books.

### FEE

Full Year – \$800, \$640 Trinity member paid-in-advance by Oct. 14, 2009

Per Term – \$300, \$240 Trinity member

**Due Dates:** Fall–October 14, 2009, Winter–January 10, 2010, Spring–March 20, 2010

**Enrollment Deadline**

October 9, 2009

**Scholarships**

A limited number of scholarships are available for the program year. Please contact The Center, (503) 478-1218 for application process.



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## Year One – Shaking the Foundations: The Emergence of a New Christian Paradigm Schedule, Fee Information & Registration

### 2009 – 2010 Registration Form Year One

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Registration (choose one)

Full Year: Oct. 14, 2009–May 29, 2010– \$800/\$640

Fall Term: October 17 – December 19, 2009      \$300/\$240

Winter Term: January 16–March 27, 2010      \$300/\$240

Spring Term: April 17–May 29, 2010      \$300/\$240

Registration Handling Fee:      \$1.50

Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Payment

Check (payable to The Center at Trinity)

Visa/MasterCard

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

#### *Please mail completed form to:*

Seeking God in the 21st Century - Year One  
The Center for Spiritual Development  
147 NW 19th Avenue, Portland, OR 97209

**Deadline for Registration is:  
October 9, 2009**