

WHO IS JESUS?



**A 'Faith Maps' Lay Ministry Intensive
in a series of theology and ministry intensives
for lay leaders**

**Intensive dates:
Hamilton: 5-7 Aug & 9-11 Sep 2011
CTM – Parkville: 12-14 Aug & 23-25 Sep 2011**

WHAT

Lay Ministry Intensives offer fun and engaging introductory-level study in four foundational areas of theology: New Testament, Old Testament, Uniting Church Theology and Theology of Jesus Christ (Christology). The intensives also include some basic ministry skills, particularly in worship leadership and preaching. Completion of these four intensives at a satisfactory level will meet the study requirements for **Lay Preacher accreditation**.

In the intensive **'Who is Jesus'** you will be invited to work as a community of learning to:

- Consider different depictions of Jesus in Scripture and history
- Discuss Jesus' relationship to God and the world
- Seek to understand what difference Jesus makes
- Examine key theological concepts associated with Jesus and what he achieved in his life & ministry, crucifixion and resurrection
- Identify the role of Christology in contemporary movements
- Think about how to preach Jesus and invite response
- Make supportive connections with other lay people seeking to expand their understanding of the Christian faith
- Attain credit towards a Uniting Church Certificate in Lay Preacher Studies (if desired)

WHEN AND WHERE

The intensive will be offered twice in the second half of 2011, over two weekends in each place, from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon.

1. Hamilton: 5-7 Aug and 9-11 Sept
2. CTM - Parkville: 12-14 Aug & 23-25 Sept



WHO

Lay Ministry Intensives allow interested lay people to dip a toe into theological study, and to help lay leaders strengthen the theological basis and practical skills for their ministry. Lay leaders may include Elder, Church Councillor, Lay Worship Leader, Lay Preacher Candidate, Lay Preacher in need of a refresher or continuing education, Period of Discernment participant or mentor, Pastoral Visitor, Study Group Leader, or Pastor.

CONTRIBUTION AND COST

Participants will be asked to:

- prepare beforehand by reading set readings
- participate in small group discussions
- prepare and present assignments in a style and at a level best suited to them
- pay a fee of \$300 on registration (or \$225 for audit only) or fee subsidised by their Presbytery.

CTM and Presbytery will provide:

- all required reading material and course notes
- all meals (please advise us of any dietary requirements)
- For those travelling more than 80km each way, cost free accommodation in Melbourne at Maclean House; or billet accommodation in Hamilton.
- limited financial assistance for those not receiving local financial support
- certificates of participation

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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WHAT'S NEXT?

- For Lay Preacher candidates a Lay Preacher 'formation weekend' will be held in early November 2011
- Two further units in this series, 'Digging into the Old Testament' and 'Talking Faith' (an introduction to Uniting Church Theology), will be offered in 2012

REGISTRATION FORM - WHO IS JESUS? LAY MINISTRY INTENSIVE

Name _____

Address _____

_____ P/Code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

- I would like to register for the following **Lay Ministry Intensive:**

5-7 Aug and 9-11 Sep at Hamilton

12-14 Aug and 23-25 Sep at CTM, Parkville

- I have dietary requirements: _____

- I would like a billet in Hamilton: Yes No

- I would like accommodation at Maclean House (Melbourne): Yes No
(No charge for those travelling more than 80km each way)

I enclose my registration fee of \$350_(GST free) or \$250 (audit fee)_(GST free)

I am paying by: cheque money order (payable to Uniting Church in Australia)
 credit card (Bankcard, Mastercard, Visa)

I would like to receive a lay education grant application form: Yes No
Please make full payment, and submit grant application before the first weekend of the intensive.

Name on card _____

Card no _____ / _____ / _____ / _____

Expiry date _____ / _____ Signature: _____

Please register as early as possible, and no later than two weeks prior to the commencement of the intensive - you'll appreciate the time to get stuck into pre-reading for the intensive.