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A LEADERSHIP NEXUS CONFERENCE

OUTFITTING THE CHURCH TO **Navigate**
THE WATERS OF CHANGING CULTURE

March 24-26th 2011
St. Luke's United Methodist Church
Memphis, TN
Host Pastor Mark Matheny

Leadership Nexus
Executive Director, Bob Pierson

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

"Navigate Conference"

St. Luke's UMC in Memphis, TN

March 24 - 26, 2011

Thursday, March 24th:

9:00 am Registration Opens -
10:00 am Welcome - Mark Matheny, Bob Pierson
and Becky Pierson Doug Pagitt
10:15 am Doug Pagitt
12:00 pm Lunch and Announcements
1:00 pm Doug Pagitt
2:00 pm Workshop Session 1
3:30 pm Break
3:45 pm Workshop Session 2
5:15 pm Dinner Break
7:00 pm Worship - Doug Pagitt and
the Element Worship Team
8:30/9 pm Dismissal

Special Thanks to the Element Band:
Beth Masters, Melissa Ungberg (vocalists), Steff
Ragsdale (guitar), Galen Woods (Bass), and
Curtis Jolley (piano)

Friday, March 25th:

9:00 am Worship - Reginald Porter
and Taize Quartet
10:00 am Phyllis Tickle
12:00 pm Lunch
1:00 pm Panel
1:45 pm Workshop Session 3
3:15 pm Break
3:45 pm Workshop Session 4
5:15 pm Dismissal

Saturday, March 26th :

9:00 am Worship - Birgitte French and
Alfred Rudd
10:00 am Phyllis Tickle
12:00 pm Lunch
1:00 pm Panel
2:00 pm MaryJane Pierce Norton
3:00 pm Worship - Mark Matheny/Bob Pierson
and Ron McDonald
4:00 pm Dismissal



Phyllis Tickle

Author of The Great Emergence

As the founding editor of the Religion Department of Publishers Weekly, Phyllis is an authority and highly sought-after lecturer on religion in America. Frequently quoted in such publications as USA Today, Christian Science Monitor, and NY Times as well as PBS and NPR, Phyllis shares her passion for the Church and the next stage to which it is called.



Doug Pagitt

Pastor, Author, Emerging Church Leader

A pastor, speaker, author, innovator, radio talk show host and entrepreneur, Doug Pagitt travels the country and around the world consulting for churches, denominations, and businesses throughout the United States on issues of postmodern culture, social systems, and Christianity.



Workshops

Session #1: Thursday (Mar.24) @ 2pm

Room # 106 "Creating a Discipleship System in Your Congregation" Participants will reflect on their current context and explore how they can create an effective system for making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. - Led by Carol Krau, Director of Adult Formation and Discipleship at the GBOD

Room #215 "Effective Use of Social Media" - Doug will guide you through the basics of the most popular social media services, including blogging, Facebook, Twitter and free broadcast media. - Led by Doug Pagitt, Pastor, Author, Emerging Church Leader

Room #211 "Generations" We will explore the different generations present today in our congregations and assess where generational information may help us in planning for ways to nurture all as disciples. - Led by MaryJane Pierce Norton, Associate General Secretary for Leadership Ministries at the GBOD

Room #Choir Room "Leading A Congregation to Start New Worship Experiences" There are many factors to consider and steps to take to make the new worship experiences successful. We will look at the important questions to consider in the decision-making process when attempting to begin a new worship experience in a traditional congregation. - Led by Michael Pence, Pastor of Faith UMC

Room #108 "Preaching for the 21st Century" Chris is enthusiastic about imagination in preaching. He will share his method of taking ancient texts and bringing them into contemporary relevance and universality. He will open us to "existential exegesis." - Led by Chris Davis, Pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church

Room #304 "The Church and Community Health" Out of his experience in the pastorate and in medicine, Dr. Robinson will share dynamic models of community engagement. He will highlight his Works, Inc. emphasis currently at work in the South Memphis community. - Led by Kenneth Robinson, Pastor of St. Andrew AME Church in Memphis & former Tennessee Commissioner of Health

Session #2: Thursday (Mar.24) @ 3:45pm

Room #304 "Bringing Educational Practices to the Worship Experience" Planning effective worship for people of diverse learning styles (visual, auditory, kinesthetic) requires skills, work "backwards by design," or planning worship with an end goal in mind. - Led by Michael Masters, Leader of the Element, a creative and interactive worship service at St. Luke's UMC

Room #211 "Evangelism in a Changing Culture" Instruction for reaching secular, post-modern people today. Bob will share approaches that will meet needs and significantly reach new people for the church of Jesus Christ (based on his two books Needs-Based Evangelism and TELL). - Led by Bob Pierson, Executive Director of Leadership Nexus

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Room #106 "The Rural Church and the Great Emergence" The values of the emerging church movement and the impact of a changing culture are happening right here in our small towns. We will discuss how these values and changing culture are impacting the rural church. - Led by Becky Pierson, Pastor of New Horizon LMC, Woodward, OK

Room #311 "Youth Ministry and the Great Emergence" An interactive workshop helping us tease out how the reality of our changing culture has changed the way we do Youth Ministry today. - Led by Gavin Richardson, Youth Pastor & Youth Worker Movement

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Session #3: Friday (Mar.25) @ 1:45pm

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Room #Choir Room "Leading a Culture Shift in your Church" Because many congregations hold onto attitudes or engage in behaviors or do things that either no longer work or are contrary to the values of the Kingdom, this workshop is designed to explore how a leader can guide significant change in a congregation's culture. - Led by Rick Kirchoff, Former Pastor of Germantown UMC

Room #108 "Love Your Neighbor" What does it mean to be a church and a people who welcome all of God's children? How do we communicate that welcome that encompasses those who are gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender? Share your experiences and gain concrete tools and ideas on how to make a fully-inclusive church. - Led by Laura Rossbert, Strategic Director, Reconciling United Methodists

Room #311 "Spiritual Formation: What do People Need?" Participants will explore the needs of the laity in the area of spiritual formation and receive suggestions for ways to meet those needs. - Led by Linda Douty, Spiritual Director, Retreat Leader and Author

Room #215 "What Does Being Green Have To Do With Being Christian?" Discuss the intersection of living green and loving God. Look at scripture, history, and current concerns, as well as practical applications and resources available to individuals and congregations interested. - Led by Martha Lyle Ford, Director of Education & Tennessee Wildlife Federation

Session #4: Friday (Mar.25) @ 3:45pm

Room #106 "Bridging the Gaps in Human Relations" A look at recent history from the African American perspective will be followed by models of diverse interaction and collaboration. Gain insights applicable to local congregations in the area of ethnic unity in action. - Led by Billy Vaughan & Alisa Smallwood, Billy is appointed to Binghamton UMC & Alisa is a Certified Fund Raising Executive, Smallwood Consulting

Room #211 "Keys to Effective Local Church Leadership in the Midst of Change" As we deal with the change in contemporary culture and belief systems it is important that the way in which the local church operates must be relevant to the change. Review styles of leadership and organization as they affect our contemporary life and learn suggestions for effective programming in the midst of this change. - Led by Bob Pier-son, Executive Director of Leadership Nexus

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Room #304 "Redeeming Culture Through Worship" What images would Jesus use today? Come and find out how using film, TV, music, and toys can engage people in meaningful worship. - Led by Michael Masters, Leader of the Element, a creative and interactive worship service at St. Luke's UMC

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