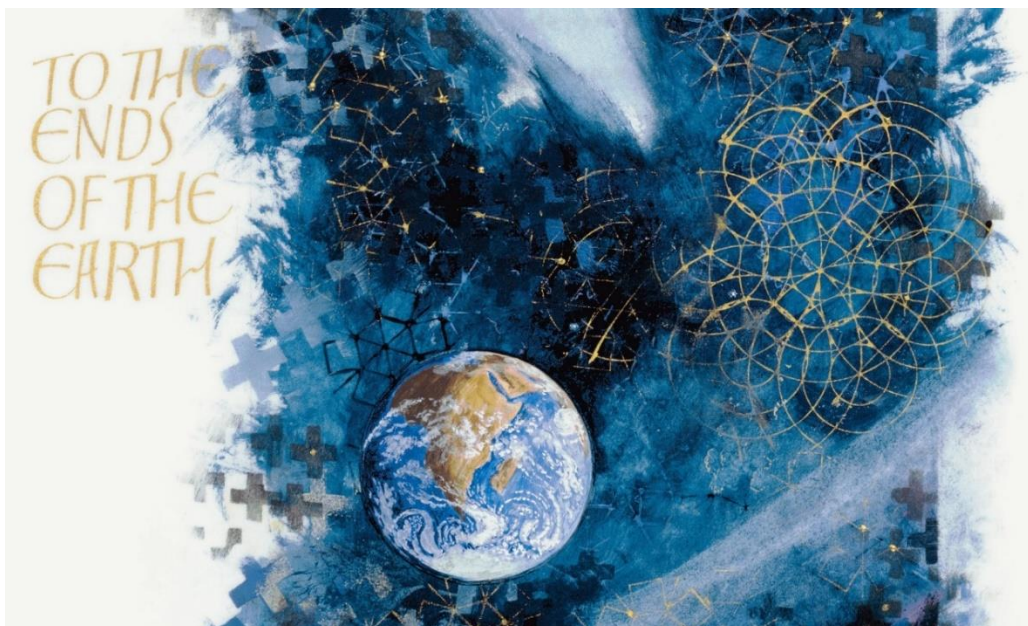


IN520 God's Redemptive Mission - August 2022

4 credits, Graded



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Introduction to the Course

This four-credit introductory course helps prepare students for their seminary experience and ministry vocations by exploring what it means for the Church to participate in God's redemption of the world through Jesus Christ. We will engage texts, lectures, writing assignments, and activities centered on reading the bible, thinking theologically, the science of learning, and Christian spiritual practices. In addition, this course will include opportunities to explore the science of learning, neuroscience, and ecology, funded by a Science for Seminaries grant.

The course Moodle page will provide the information and assignments you need to begin working on the course. The Moodle page will open on June 1. This course is **six weeks long**: 2 weeks of pre-load assignments, 2 weeks of residential classes, and 2 weeks for the post-load assignment.

Pre-load begins **Monday, July 25** and is the **required preparation** for our gathering in August. It is not possible to do the pre-load work during the on-campus portion of the course. Please carve out at least 25 hours during July 25-August 5 to read, reflect, and complete the assignments by their due dates, **before you come to campus.**

There is an additional course fee of \$25 for a required day-retreat at a local retreat center, August 15.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email any or all of us. We are here for you!

Required Texts

Eric D. Barreto and Michael J. Chan, *Exploring the Bible* (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2016)
Tish Harrison Warren, *Prayer in the Night: For Those Who Work or Watch or Weep* (IVP, 2021).
Howard Stone and James Duke, *How to Think Theologically*, 3rd edition (Augsburg Fortress, 2013).
Randy S. Woodley, *Shalom and the Community of Creation: An Indigenous Vision* (Eerdmans, 2012).
Benjamin Stewart, *A Watered Garden: Christian Worship and Earth's Ecology* (Augsburg Fortress, 2011).
Peter C. Brown, *Make it Stick: The Science of Successful Learning*, (Harvard University Press, 2014)
Angela N. Parker, *If God Still Breathes, Why Can't I? Black Lives Matter and Biblical Authority*, (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2021)