STMA 592: United Methodist History
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1:30 - 4:20 pm, Thursday
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This course is an introduction to the major themes in United Methodist history. Through the study of selected topics and periods, we will explore the development of Methodism, primarily in the US, and the implications that history has on us as United Methodists today.

Requirements

1. Do the reading for the day assigned and **active** participation in class discussions.
2. 1-2 page reflection papers due at the end of each class in which you raise something from the readings that excited, angered, or puzzled you and relate that to the overall readings for the day. These papers will be the spark for class discussion.
3. 10-20 page research paper on a person or topic relating to the Methodist tradition in the US. Topic to be selected in consultation with professor. The topic is due in writing **February 15**. I will be more than happy to read rough drafts. The final paper is due no later than **March 16**.

Books

The following books have been ordered through the bookstore:
Richard Heitzenrater, Wesley and the People Called Methodists
Frederick Norwood, The Story of American Methodism
Richey, Rowe, Schmidt (ed), The Methodist Experience in America, Vol. II
Jean Miller Schmidt, Grace Sufficient: A History of Women in American Methodism

Reading Assignments

January 4 Heitzenrater, entire book
Grace, pp. 13-32

11 Story, pp. 61-102
Grace, pp. 35-75
Experience, pp. 48-53, 56-78, 82-6, 91-5, 98-100, 111-2, 146-9

18 Story, pp. 103 - 144
Experience, pp. 45-7, 87-90, 101-10, 113-15, 123-45, 152-7, 175-80, 182-90, 206-210, 245-250

25 Story, pp. 145-84
Grace, pp. 79-98
Experience, pp. 54-5,79-81,96-7, 116-22, 150-1, 163-70, 181, 197-205, 211-215, 227, 251-52, 308-11

February 1 Story, pp. 185-209, 239-58
Experience, pp. 134-6, 163-5, 228-41, 257-59, 268-81, 301-3, 312-3, 322-9, 333-8, 345-8, 387-90, 401-4

8 Story, pp. 210-38, 302-29
Grace, pp. 99-132
Experience, pp. 158-62, 171-4, 218-24, 242-244, 294-300, 304- 11, 314-7, 330-2, 339-42, 376-78, 419-21, 451-4, 460-4, 481-4, 496-7

15 Story, pp. 259-291, 330-340
Grace, pp. 151-79, 232-68
Experience, pp. 191-3, 216-7, 225-6, 253-6, 282-93, 353-61,
364-9, 370-73, 381-86, 411-2, 422-27, 477-80, 500-01

22 Story, pp. 292-301, 341-354
Grace, pp. 133-47, 179-231
Experience, pp.263-67, 314-21, 362-67, 349-52, 374-75, 379-80,
391-400, 405-07, 413-5, 428-43, 447-50, 455-9, 465-76, 498-99

March 1 Story, pp. 355-405
Grace, pp. 269-80
Experience, pp. 408-10, 444-46, 481-500, 502-46

8 Story, pp. 406-442
Grace, 281-95
Martha Scott, "Georgia Harkness: Social Activist &/or Mystic"
Joan Chamberlain Engelsman, "The Legacy of Georgia Harkness"
Miriam Christ, "Winnifred Chappell"
Experience, pp. 547-706