



## REGISTER AT [YTHI.ORG](http://YTHI.ORG)

These classes will be offered during the 2021 Spring Term. They may be taken for credit in YTI's Master of Arts, Master of Divinity, and Diploma programs, or they may be audited.

## SCHEDULE

**Weeklong intensive courses** run from 9am to 4pm with a one-hour break for lunch.

**10-week evening courses** will be offered 6–9pm on the day of the week and dates indicated.

## FORMAT / LOCATION

Bozeman classes are taught in person at YTI's facilities at 2030 Stadium Drive. In addition, several classes will be offered in person in Bellingham, Washington. Most classes may also be attended via live online video.

*NOTE: Due to the uncertainty of COVID-19 restrictions, Bellingham courses may be offered via "Zoom" only, rather than in person.*

## BOZEMAN – Weeklong Intensive Courses

### SPR 533 CHRISTIAN SPIRITUAL THEOLOGY

March 15–19, 2021 | 9am-4pm | Rev. Brett Desper

Expressions of Christianity have frequently veered into one of two directions: piety or legalism. As Christian worship and practice becomes more formal, it often morphs into a dry, habitual routine, or a rigid legalism. The idea of "piety" or "pietism" early on was seen as a reaction to this "spiritless" rigidity. SPR 533 discusses the origins of Christian piety, or spirituality, tracing it through the desert fathers and mothers to the medieval mystics, the German pietists, the Anabaptists, and the contemporary charismatic movements. Most importantly, it outlines a Christian spiritual theology for today.

### MIN 532 BASIC CHURCH CARE

April 5–9, 2021 | 9am-4pm | Rev. Jim Keena

MIN 532: Basic Church Care is an introductory course to pastoral ministry through studying its biblical and theological foundations and practical responsibilities. Students will learn how to shepherd and provide effective leadership in a local church or parachurch context.

### BIB 535 NEW TESTAMENT 2: ROMANS TO REVELATION

April 12–16, 2021 | 9am-4pm | Dr. Derry Long

Following the life, teachings, death and resurrection of Jesus, the earliest expressions of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church are articulated by Paul, the apostle. This course covers the narrative, history, and theology of the Paul's epistles: Romans, 1 & 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Colossians, 1 & 2 Thessalonians, Philemon, 1 & 2 Timothy, and Titus; as well as the general epistles: Hebrews, James, 1 & 2 Peter, John's Epistles, Jude, and the Apocalypse of John. The course covers the context, theology and history of reception of these writings.

### ADV 532 FOUNDATIONS FOR ADVENTURE MINISTRY

April 19–23, 2021 | 9am-4pm | Dr. Ashley Denton

ADV 532 provides a practical theology for Christian adventure, a biblical perspective on the practice of experiential learning and outdoor ministry, a historical understanding of desert spirituality, and a philosophy of adventure-based ministry. In addition to the relevant biblical texts, this course also draws from sources as early as Plato and Aristotle, as well as more contemporary theologians, philosophers, psychologists, and anthropologists, ADV 532 seeks to reconfigure the very idea of adventure from a daring, somewhat hazard-laden activity, to a way of being-in-the-world that prioritizes regular retreat. Students will develop their own theology of adventure with implications for ministry with people of all ages and stages of life, including people with disabilities.

### SPR 534 DISCERNMENT & DECISION-MAKING

April 26–30, 2021 | 9am-4pm | Rev. Brett Desper

"To what is God calling me?" "How do I (we) discern God's will?" "How do we make 'Godly' choices in our community?" This class examines the rich tradition of Christian spiritual discernment and decision-making. It develops language that can be used to discuss the process of understanding God's will and offers a paradigm for making good choices in individual Christian lives and within the church.

### ART 534 WORSHIP & THE ARTS

April 26–30, 2021 | 9am-4pm | Rev. Tracie Jernigan

ART 534 introduces the student to the role of the fine arts and performing arts in worship settings and other community gatherings. The course studies the biblical backgrounds of the worship arts in both the Old Testament and New Testament, as well as the varieties of documented contemporary usage.

### MIN 536 EVANGELISM

May 3–7, 2021 | 9am-4pm | Dr. Derry Long

MIN 536 details the nature of evangelism – the sharing of the "good news" in our world. The course gives an overview of the "good news" and describes how it can be embodied and shared as a witness to the Christian faith.



## BOZEMAN – Weeklong Intensive Courses (continued)

### MIN 538 CLERGY SELF-CARE

May 17–21, 2021 | 9am-4pm | Rev. Jim Keena

MIN 538 introduces the student to the crucial importance of self-care in ministry. The course discusses the stress-causing situations of ministry, and a variety of strategies to effectively cope with these situations.

### BIB 630 ADVANCED BIBLICAL STUDIES: GOSPEL OF JOHN

Zoom ONLY | May 17–21, 2021 | 9am-4pm  
Dr. Bill Fowler

The advanced Bible course examines individual biblical books, types of biblical literature, or sections of scripture. The course covers text, interpretation, historical contexts, linguistic issues, theological themes, and ethical issues.

## BOZEMAN – 10-Week Evening Courses

### ADV 532 FOUNDATIONS FOR ADVENTURE MINISTRY

**Mondays** 6–9pm | March 15–May 24, 2021  
Dr. Ashley Denton

ADV 532 provides a practical theology for Christian adventure, a biblical perspective on the practice of experiential learning and outdoor ministry, a historical understanding of desert spirituality, and a philosophy of adventure-based ministry. In addition to the relevant biblical texts, this course also draws from sources as early as Plato and Aristotle, as well as more contemporary theologians, philosophers, psychologists, and anthropologists, ADV 532 seeks to reconfigure the very idea of adventure from a daring, somewhat hazard-laden activity, to a way of being-in-the-world that prioritizes regular retreat. Students will develop their own theology of adventure with implications for ministry with people of all ages and stages of life, including people with disabilities. *Hybrid online/in-person course.*

### MIN 532 BASIC CHURCH CARE & CONFLICT MANAGEMENT

**Wednesdays** 6–9pm | March 17–May 26, 2021  
Rev. Jim Keena

MIN 532 elucidates the simple, yet influential ways in which care for the local church manifests itself through individuals and groups. The course also highlights various ways that help local congregations maneuver through various types of conflict.

### SPR 534 DISCERNMENT & DECISION-MAKING

**Thursdays** 6–9pm | March 18–May 27, 2021  
Rev. Brett Desper

“To what is God calling me?” “How do I (we) discern God’s will?” “How do we make “godly” choices in our community?” These questions (and similar ones) are reoccurring issues within the church and the Christian life. This class examines the rich tradition of Christian spiritual discernment and decision-making. It develops language that can be used to discuss the process of understanding God’s will and offers a paradigm for making good choices in individual Christian lives and within the church.

## BELLINGHAM – Weeklong Intensive Courses\*

### BIB 630 ADVANCED BIBLICAL STUDIES: THE OLD TESTAMENT AND CREATION

April 12–16, 2021\* | 9am-4pm  
Dr. Nathan Chambers

The advanced Bible course examines individual biblical books, types of biblical literature, or sections of Scripture. The course covers text, interpretation, historical contexts, linguistic issues, theological themes, and ethical issues. The topic of this course examines the Biblical creation texts that are unique to the Old Testament, and seeks to determine their relevance for contemporary life.

### COM 531 INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING & TEACHING: FROM TEXT TO HEARER

April 19–23, 2021\* | 9am-4pm  
Rev. Jim Keena

This course studies preaching from sermon construction to the delivery of the message, with special attention given to preaching context, verbal delivery, and the variety of preaching styles.

### THEO 532 THEOLOGY FOR THE CHURCH

May 3–7, 2021\* | 9am-4pm | Dr. Jay Smith

Since the founding of the church, its members have sought to articulate its beliefs in light of the context of the day. THEO 532 examines the earliest articulations of the Christian experience, belief, and consequent ethos, with their evolution to the present day. The course takes students from the biblical confessions through the patristic creeds, to the reformed confessions, general Christian doctrines, the 20th century systematic constructions, and the renewal of Christian theological ethics in the postmodern era. The course has a special emphasis on classic Christian teachings (doctrine) for the contemporary church.

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