



# School for Lay Ministry

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To: SLM Cornell Class of 2021  
From: Barb Mann, Registrar  
Re: March 14-15, 2020  
Topic: Church History & Prayer Instruction  
Faculty: Pastor Jon Gaul, New Hope UMC, Des Moines  
Dr. Bruce D. Forbes, Professor of Religious Studies, Morningside College

### **Assignment:**

Prior to class, please acquire, read and be prepared to discuss: The Christians: An Illustrated History by Tim Dowley, Lion Press, 2008, ISBN #978-0-8254-6256-6. This beautifully illustrated book is so attractive that you might want to put it on your coffee table, but it also summarizes the whole history of Christianity in 170 pages. That's not easy! We tried to find a book for you that is both brief and interesting and we hope you will like it. **This book is not available at Cokesbury.**

In addition, you might want to know that Dr. Forbes, one of your two instructors, published a book for general readers called Christmas: A Candid History, by the University of California Press, ISBN #978-0-520-25104-5, hardcover; ISBN #978-0-520-25802-0, paperback. **This book is not available at Cokesbury. This book is NOT a requirement for the class.**

Dr. Forbes has also published another book, America's Favorite Holidays: Candid Histories (also University of California Press), ISBN #9780520284722, paperback and is available from Cokesbury for \$17.00. **This book is NOT a requirement for the class.** Even though both books are NOT a requirement for the class, you might find them interesting and we will talk about the topic of holidays during our weekend.

If ordering books from Cokesbury, go to [www.Cokesbury.com](http://www.Cokesbury.com) or call their toll-free number in Nashville 1-800-672-1789. Be sure to check out any special shipping options that are mentioned when ordering any books from Cokesbury. To cut down on the cost of these books, be sure to check with your pastor, SLM graduates, Barnes & Noble or other bookstores, seminary libraries, public libraries, Amazon.com, etc.

**Details:** Registration begins at 8 am Saturday morning; opening devotions at 9 am with classes starting at 9:15. Sunday begins at 8:30 am with devotions; class starts at 8:45 a.m. Please refer to the General Time Schedule for Cornell on the [SLM Website](#).

**Where:** Cornell College, 600 First Street SW in the Thomas Commons building. That address is 810 Commons Circle SW. You can check Cornell's website at [www.cornellcollege.edu](http://www.cornellcollege.edu) or [www.mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com) for the location of the specific addresses if you are not acquainted with the Mt. Vernon area. A campus map is also posted on the SLM website.

**Money Matters:** Tuition is \$140 per class and covers the cost of speakers, facilities, handouts, and Saturday meals. You are responsible for costs associated with travel, lodging, books and breakfasts. *Make checks payable to the "Iowa Annual Conference"* and please pay when you register for classes on Saturday mornings.

**Lodging:**

**The Sleep Inn Mt. Vernon**

310 Virgil Avenue 319-895-0055 Continental breakfast

<https://www.choicehotels.com/iowa/mount-vernon/sleep-inn-hotels/ia111>

**Standard Rooms:** 1 King or 2 Queens: \$95.19 includes tax

**Suites:** 1 King w/ pullout sofa or 2 Queens w/ pullout sofa: \$106.39 includes tax

\*\*Be sure to identify yourself as being with the School for Lay Ministry to receive these rates

**AmericInn Lodge & Suites Anamosa**

101 Harley Avenue 319-462-4119

[http://www.americinn.com/hotels/ia/anamosa?utm\\_source=google&utm\\_medium=local\\_listing&utm\\_campaign=google\\_local\\_page&chebs=ai\\_gl](http://www.americinn.com/hotels/ia/anamosa?utm_source=google&utm_medium=local_listing&utm_campaign=google_local_page&chebs=ai_gl)

Additional area hotels & lodging can also be found at the Cornell website:

<http://www.cornellcollege.edu/about-cornell/visit/accommodations.shtml>

**NOTE: The parking permit and more information are at this link:**

<http://www.iaumc.org/slmdownloadscornell>