

Missional Church Conference

at Westminster Presbyterian Church—Salem, OR

Saturday, Sept. 25
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Featuring
The Rev. Dr. Clark Cowden
Executive Presbyter, San Diego Presbytery

Mark your calendars and register today to attend the Missional Church Conference Saturday, September 25 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. featuring The Rev. Dr. Clark Cowden at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Salem. The cost is just \$ 15.00 and includes lunch.

The Missional Church Conference will be a time to gain greater awareness and an understanding of the challenges we face in ministry today. It will provide you with a frame of reference for how we got where we are today.

We will also discuss the changes in the culture and the church, which have pushed us to a different place than the one in which most of us grew up. We will discuss what missional is and what it is not. Through both presentation and conversation, we will learn together which of our ministry habits and practices are holding back our ministries and we will begin to cultivate a new imagination of how to explore some new pathways of ministry. We will look at some new models to help us understand the context we find ourselves in today. We will discuss the questions we need to ask, how to discover what God is up to in our neighborhoods, and how to plan out some next steps our congregations can take to join the mission of God in our neighborhoods.

For those who would like to do some reading ahead of time to prepare for this event, the following books and articles would be helpful:

- *The Missional Leader* by Alan Roxburgh and Fred Romanuk
- *Missional Map-Making* by Alan Roxburgh
- *Memories, Hopes, and Conversations* by Mark Lau Branson
- *We are Here Now* by Pat Kiefert
- *Raising Up Leaders for the Mission of God*, a discussion paper by the Joint Committee on Leadership Needs, Presbyterian Church (USA), February 2010

Cowden graduated from Fuller Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity degree and earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis, MO. Cowden has served at all levels of the Presbyterian Church (USA). In addition to his responsibilities as Executive Presbyter for San Diego Presbytery, Cowden maintains a busy speaking schedule having spoken at various Presbytery events, the Katmandu, Nepal leadership academy and at the Big Tent event in 2009. Cowden enjoys running, tennis, golf, watching sports, reading and going to movies. We look forward to hosting The Rev. Dr. Clark Cowden in Cascades Presbytery this fall.

The Missional Church Conference is sponsored by the Evangelism and Transformation Teams of the Congregational Support Committee of the Presbytery of the Cascades.

**Missional Church Conference Registration
September 25, 2010
Westminster Presbyterian Church—Salem, OR**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE—Friday, September 17

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Congregation: _____

Registration Fee: \$15.00 per person and includes lunch.

Mail registration form along with payment to:

**Presbytery of the Cascades
1475 Ferry Street
Eugene, OR 97401**

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