

PASTORAL TRAINING RESOURCES

Curriculum Outline

Module 1: CHRISTIAN BELIEF

1. Introduction to the Christian Faith
2. The Bible
3. Families of Faith
4. The Reformed Tradition
5. The Evangelical Tradition
6. Outsider Traditions: American Context

Module 2: CHRISTIAN STORY

1. History & Growth of the Church
2. Christianity in America
3. The Global Church
4. Christianity in Culture

Module 3: CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

1. Introduction to Christian Worship
2. Theology of the Church
3. Reformed Worship
4. Preaching
5. Reformed Sacraments
6. The Church Year
7. Polity

Module 4: PASTORAL CARE IN THE CHURCH

1. Helping by Doing
2. Helping by Being
3. Caring Across Differences
4. Responding to Grief & Loss Pt. 1
5. Responding to Grief & Loss Pt. 2
6. Handling Conflict with Care

Module 5: CHRISTIAN OUTREACH & FORMATION

1. Introduction to Christian Formation
2. Relationships & Evangelism
3. Disciple Making
4. Vocation
5. Prayer & Spiritual Practices
6. Justice & the Social Order
7. Leadership & Leadership Development

Module 6: SCRIPTURE

1. Introduction & Overview of Scripture
2. How to read the Bible
3. Overview of OT
4. Overview of NT
5. Genesis
6. Pentateuch
7. Tribe, Nation & Prophets
8. Wisdom Literature
9. The Gospels
10. Acts & the Story of the Church
11. Letters of the New Testament
12. The End & the Beginning