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**FORMED INTO COURAGEOUS, RESILIENT, AND COMPASSIONATE LEADERS NAVIGATING OUR CURRENT CULTURE**

*"Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong.*

*Let all that you do be done in love." (1 Corinthians 16:13-14)*

**FRIDAY, OCT 21**

5:00 PM Welcome reception, with light hors d' oeuvres

6:00 PM Worship

6:15 PM SESSION 1

**Adam MacLeod: "Framing the Questions; Biblical Metanarrative"**

*In the post-Modern, post-Christian culture in which we live, we are bombarded with many answers—but do we know how to ask the right questions? And to those questions worth asking, how does the Biblical story of God's good creation, human rebellion (the fall), redemption and the restoration of all things in and through Christ alone help us to answer those questions?*

7:00 PM **Panel Discussion: This panel will respond to questions posed by members of the audience.**

8:00 PM A Celebration of Holy Communion

**SATURDAY, OCT 22**

9:00 AM Welcome, continental breakfast

9:30 AM Worship

9:45 AM SESSION II – A DIAGNOSIS OF THE PROBLEMS

**Rich Baker: "The Fall: Idolatry, Autonomy, and Recovering our Identity in Christ"**

*What is our identity in Christ? Speaking of the Fall and our identity in Christ, W. Phillips wrote: "While the choice to "take and eat" ultimately plunged mankind into the darkness of death, by offering Himself as a sacrifice on the cross the Son of God freely provided new life for us if we will but "take and eat."*

*However, identity, as seen through the lens of Critical Theory, is something far different and has become the focal point for postmodern culture. With its spill over into the broad culture, the question of identity is having a tremendous impact on the Church and its understanding of mission. The first chapters of Genesis are of critical importance in understanding why Critical Theory is not critical enough and therein recovering a Biblical understanding of our identity in Christ.*

**Hans Boersma: “Silence and Solitude in an Age of Ubiquitous Noise”**

*While there are many goods from modern technology, we must also assess the ways it has dehumanized and disconnected us from each other and from God. Drawing from his work on lectio divina, Dr. Boersma will reflect on the nature of God as silence and on our cultural insistence on noise, along with the need for Christian practices of meditation and listening to enter into the silence of God.*

10:45 AM Break

11:00 AM **Panel Discussion: *This panel will respond to questions posed by members of the audience.***

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM SESSION III – A DIAGNOSIS OF THE SOLUTION

**Hans Boersma: “ We’re Not Crazy and are in Good Company”**

*Do you sometimes feel as if you are the only one in your circle of relationships raising both the questions and the objections we are discussing here? Good news: You are NOT alone! Here are eight theses, which are not in any way new, but rather a distillation of the Great tradition, the mind of whole church at all times and in all places.*

**Phil Ashey: “Engaging the Culture with Biblical Truth”**

*Where are we in the great story? We are much closer to Babylon than to Jerusalem. What can we learn from those who faced exile in a strange and foreign land hostile to the truth of God’s word? What principles can we learn from the lives of Daniel, his three companions, Esther and Mordechai that we can translate into engaging our culture with biblical truth, in word and in deed?*

1:50 PM **Panel Discussion: *This panel will respond to questions posed by members of the audience.***

2:30 PM Breakout Sessions:

- Phil Ashey: The Daniel Declaration
- Andrew Thebeau: Creation Care?
- Georgette Forney: Anglicans for Life

3:45 PM SESSION IV

**Canon Phil Ashey: “How to Commend the Truth and Courageously Engage Others Using the Daniel Declaration”**

*The Daniel Declaration reflects our desire to help grow courageous and resilient leadership in the Church today. This restatement of the faith summarizes the social and cultural issues currently affecting the Church, an orthodox and Anglican response in light of those issues, and a commitment to biblical-faithfulness and the faith once delivered to the saints. Learn how leaders and churches can get involved and help others walk through these struggles in the way that Daniel walked in Babylon.*

4:30 PM Commissioning Prayer & Dismissal