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THE CHARLES SIMEON LAY SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY: FALL 2017

The Charles Simeon Lay School of Theology is a ministry of the *Charles Simeon Institute*. Each year, the *Lay School of Theology* offers seminary-quality classes that we specifically design for laypersons. The aim of these classes is to build the faith of laypersons and to enable them to be more effective witnesses in the world.

The *Charles Simeon Lay School of Theology* will offer three classes for the **Fall Semester of 2017**. The theme of the semester will be *The Word of God for the People of God: Exploring Dimensions of the New Testament*.

We will offer all three classes on Saturdays:

September 9, October 14, and November 18, from 9:30 AM - 12:00 N.

We will offer each class in three consecutive sessions.

The *Charles Simeon Institute* sponsors these classes and offers them at no cost to participants.

Here is a preview of what we will offer:

The Neglected New Testament:

The Rev. Dr. Sudduth Cummings will lead this class, which will explore what New Testament scholars refer to as the *General Epistles* -- so called because they do not address any specific church. These epistles include: James; 1 and 2 Peter; 1, 2, 3 John; and Jude. These letters are rich in theological and devotional depth and reward those who closely study them.

Reading Galatians With Martin Luther:

The Rev. Dr. Jeff Trostle will lead this class, which will focus on Martin Luther's *Lectures on Galatians*. In these lectures, Luther works out his mature views on such subjects as the Gospel, Law, Christian freedom, and justification. Luther said that he intended these lectures to bring out the meaning of Galatians for "*the troubled, afflicted, and tempted.*" Participants will need to purchase Luther's *Galatians* (published by *Crossway Publishers*).

Roaming Through Romans:

The Rev. Dr. Michael Petty will lead this class, which will focus on key themes in Paul's Letter to the Romans, including: God, Christ, the Church, grace, the sacraments, and the human condition. This class will pose the question of how Romans can help us to better understand our situation today and to act more faithfully in it.

To register for any of these three classes, contact Fr. Michael Petty at mpetty@stpetersfl.com.