

Spring Term 2025 Term Begins February 26, 2025
Second Session Begins April 1, 2025
Spring Term Ends May 6, 2025

Ministerial Preparatory Classes

First Session (2/26/25 – 4/1/25)

F1100 **Unity Foundations (prev F1000)** **Vernelle Nelson**

Required Texts

Discover the Power Within You, Butterworth, Eric, New York: Harper One, 2008

Lessons in Truth, Cady, Emilie. Unity Village: Unity, 1894

The Revealing Word, Fillmore, Charles. Unity Village: Unity, 1959

Additional Reading

How I Used Truth, Cady, Emilie, Whitefish, Mt: Kessinger Publications, 2010

God A Present Help, Cady, Emilie, Unity School of Christianity, 1940

Sermon on the Mount, Fox, Emmet, New York: Harper Collins, 1989

The Next Testament A Story of Regeneration, Thomas, Catherine, Amazon.com, 2018

F1103 **Unity Prayer (prev F1023)** **Sandy Boyer**

Required Texts

How to Let God Help You, Fillmore, Myrtle, Unity Village (available online and for free at <http://www.truthunity.net/books/myrtle-fillmore-how-to-let-god-help-you>)

How to Pray Without Talking to God, Martella-Whitsell, Linda, Charlottesville VA, Hampton Roads Publishing, 2011

F1106 **Prosperity (prev F1042)** **Sandy Boyer**

Prosperity, Fillmore, Charles, Lee's Summit, MO: Unity School of Christianity, 1953.

Spiritual Economics, The Principles and Process of True Prosperity, Butterworth, Eric, Unity Village, MO: Unity School of Christianity, 1983.

F1113 **Metaphysics 3 (prev F1039)** **Ytonna Finnegan**
Pre-requisite F1111, F1112

Required Texts

Heart-Centered Metaphysics, A Deeper Look at Unity Teachings; Hasselbeck, Paul, Unity Village, MO; Unity, 2010

Additional Reading (not required by helpful)

The Revealing Word. Fillmore, Charles, Unity Village, MO: Unity Books, 1959,

Metaphysical Bible Dictionary, Charles Fillmore Reference Library, 26th print 2011

F1112 **The Christ (prev F1006)** **Vernelle Nelson**
Pre-requisite F1123

Required Texts

RSV or NRSV version of the Bible, (preferably an annotated version such as the New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha)

Metaphysical Bible Dictionary, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri.

Revealing Word, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri.

Additional Reading

Don't Know Much About the Bible, Kenneth C. Davis, Avon Books, New York, 1998.

Reading the Bible for the First Time: Taking the Bible Seriously but Not Literally, Marcus Borg,

Fillmore Study Bible the New Testament Metaphysically Interpreted, Fillmore Bible Society, Truth Unity Ministries, 2023. Available online and for free at:

<https://www.truthunity.net/fillmore-study-bible/news>

Second Session (4/2/25 – 5/6/25)

F1101 **Healing & Wholeness (prev F1002)** **Vernelle Nelson**

Required Texts

Christian Healing, Fillmore, Charles (1909) Unity House, Unity Village, Missouri

How to Let God Help You, Fillmore, Myrtle (1956) Unity House, Unity Village, Missouri

Myrtle Fillmore's Healing Letters, compiled by Foulks, Frances W. (1948) Unity House, Unity Village, Missouri

Recommended Reading

Jesus Christ Heals, Fillmore, Charles (1939) Unity House, Unity Village, Missouri

F1114 **Metaphysics 4 (prev F1040)** **Marygrace Sorensen**

Pre-requisite F1111, F1112, F1113

Required Text

Heart-Centered Metaphysics, A Deeper Look at Unity Teachings; Hasselbeck, Paul, Unity Village, MO; Unity, 2010.

Additional Reading (not required, but helpful)

The Revealing Word, Fillmore, Charles, Unity Village, MO: Unity Books, 1959

Assorted readings assigned each week.

F1124 **Jesus Teachings (prev F1004)** **Sandy Boyer**

Pre-requisite F1123

Required text

An NRSV version of the Bible. (preferably an annotated version such as the New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha)

Recommended Reading

Meeting Jesus again for the First Time, Borg, Marcus J., Harper Collins, New York, NY; 1995

Jesus Christ Heals, Fillmore, Charles, Unity Books, Unity Village, MO; 1939.

F1126 **Bible Interpretation Acts – Revelation** **Vernelle Nelson**

Pre-requisite F1123 (prev F1048)

Fillmore Study Bible the New Testament Metaphysically Interpreted, Fillmore Bible Society, TruthUnity Ministries, 2023. Available online and for free at:

<https://www.truthunity.net/fillmore-study-bible/news>

Be Ye Transformed: Acts through Revelation Metaphysically Interpreted, Sand Turner, Elizabeth, Unity Books, Unity Village, MO; 1969.

The Revealing Word, Fillmore, Charles, Unity Village, MO: Unity Books, 1959

Metaphysical Bible Dictionary, Fillmore, Charles, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri.

Second Year Ministerial Studies Classes

CM2011 **Introduction to Youth and Family Ministry** **Ytonna Finnegan/
Marygrace Sorensen**

Youth and Family Ministry Guide for Directors, Ministers and Volunteers; Unity Worldwide Ministries; Lee's Summit, MO, 2012, <https://www.unityworldwideministries.org/youth-family-ministry-guide> (available as a free download from Unity Worldwide Ministries)

Teen Ministry Manual; Unity Worldwide ministries, Lee's Summit, MO, 2016, <https://www.unityworldwideministries.org/teen-ministry-manual> (available as a free download from Unity Worldwide Ministries)

CM3003 **The Art of Storytelling in Ministry** **Sandra Campbell**

There are no book requirements for this class. Articles will be posted in the weekly assignments.

CS2003 **Ministry at the End of Life (prev CS2005)** **Richard Carlini**

(This class will be taught in Synchronous Format; date & time tbd)

Ministry at the End-of-Life will meet via Zoom on Mondays from 6 to 7 pm Central Time beginning 3/3/25. Class meets at 4:00 pm Pacific; 5:00 pm Mountain; 6 pm Central, and 7 pm Eastern Time

Required Texts

On Grief and Grieving; Kubler-Ross, Elisabeth and Kessler, David; Scribner, New York, NY
Summary & Analysis of Being Mortal, Medicine and What Matters in the End, A guide to the Book; Gawande, Atul. Zip Reads

Finding Yourself in Transition, Using Life's Changes for Spiritual Awakening; Brumet, Robert; Unity House; Unity Village, MO

Being Mortal; Gawande, Atul; Henry Holt and Company, New York, NY. 2014

Recommended Text

Living and Loving Your Way Through Grief; Thiroux Threatt, Emily; Mango Publishing Group, Coral Gables, FL, 2021

IS3004 **Advanced Metaphysics IV** **Carole Lunde**

Pre-requisite IS3001, IS3002, IS3003

The Eyes of the Blind; Lanyon, Walter C; Mystics of the World; Eliot, ME, 2017. Available at Amazon

The Great Highway of Life: Navigating the Bible Through Metaphysics; Lunde, Carole M., iUniverse; Bloomington, IN, 2016; available at Amazon, iUniverse

MM1003 **Financial Management for Faith
Based Initiatives (prev MM3004)** **Mindy Tucker**

Required Texts

Ministry and Money: A Practical Guide for Pastors, Jameson, Janet T. and Jameson, Philip D., Westminster, John Knox Press, 2009

Whose Offering Plate is It? New Strategies for Financial Stewardship by Christophe, J. Clif, Abingdon Press Nashville, TN, 2010

Third Year Ministerial Studies Classes

BI6005 **Search for the Historical Jesus** **Robert Brach**

Required Texts

Zealot; Asian, Resa; Random House, New York published 2013. 296 pages

Rabbi Jesus; Chilton, Bruce; Image Books; Doubleday, New York, NY, 2000. 330 pages

Did Jesus Exist? Erhman, Bart D; HarperCollins Publishers, 2012, 365 pages
The Lost Years of Jesus; Prophet, Elizabeth Clare; Summit University Press; 1987. 447 pages
Jesus 2.1; Shepherd, Reverend Dr. Thomas W; Unity House; Unity Village, MO, 2010. 250 pages
And....*A good Annotated Study Bible*, YOUR CHOICE OF VERSION.

NOTE: I will be using the actual books in putting this class together, but all these are also available in electronic format. If you opt for an electronic format, (and I fully understand the convenience and use of these techno-gadgets)...try to get an electronic format that has both pages and locations. I will do my best to identify the pages assigned with the section, chapter title, or paragraph title as appropriate. This is what happens when you have an “old school” guy as an instructor. Ahhh...the touch, feel, and smell of a real book in your hands!

CM4003 **Homiletics II required (prev CM4003)** **Nickie Golden**
Pre-requisite CM4001

(This class will have scheduled sessions; date & time tbd)

Preaching Without Notes; Webb, Joseph M; Abingdon Press, Nashville, TN, 2001
Public Speaking – From Competent to Captivating How to be a Better Public Speaker & Overcome Your Speaking Anxiety, Fear, and Overthinking; Guggenheim, David E; 2023

CS3001 **Substance Use Disorder (prev CS4002)** **Karla Lightner**
Linda Burdett

So You Think You Don't Know One, Van Dyke Platt, Nancy and Knudsen, Chilton R., Morehouse Publishing, Harrisburg, PA, 2010

Understanding Addiction: Know Science, No Stigma, Smith, Dr. Chuck and Hunt, Dr. Jason, Visualize Publishing, 2021

The Spiritual Journey from Addiction to Recovery - Unity Booklet, unity.org, Unity Village, MO

Unity and Alcoholism by Jack Boland, <https://www.truthunity.net/audio/jack-boland/unity-and-alcoholism>

Unity Minister Rev. Lonnie Vanderslice paper - “And the Truth Shall Make You Free”
<https://s3.amazonaws.com/truthunity/assets/audio/jack-boland-unity-and-alcoholism/lonnie-vanderslice-twelve-step-programs-and-unity-teachings.pdf>

MM1002 **Planning & Strategies for Urban Ministry** **Nicole Charles**
required (prev MM3003)

Required Texts

Triumph of the City: How Our Greatest Invention Makes Us Richer, Smarter, Greener, Healthier and Happier; Glaeser, Edward, Penguin Books, London, 2011 (Amazon.com)
The Post-Quarantine Church: Six Urgent Challenges and Opportunities that Will Determine the Future of Your Congregation; Rainer, Thom, Tyndale House Publishers, Carol Stream, IL, 2020 (Amazon.com)

Suggested Reading

The Works, Anatomy of a City; Ascher, Kate, Penguin Books, New York, NY, 2007
The New Urban Crisis; Florida, Richard, Basic Books, New York, NY, 2018

MM1004 **Church Management (*prev MM3005*)** **Sandy Boyer**

Required Books

The Business of the Church the Uncomfortable Truth that Faithful Ministry Requires Effective Management, Wimberly, Jr., John W., The Alban Institute, Herndon, VA, 2011

Recommended Additional Text

Church Administration, Creating Efficiency for Effective Ministry, Welch, Robert H., B & H Publishing Group, Nashville, TN, 2011

SJ2003 **Prison Ministry 3** **Kirti Cesaratto**
Toni Carter

(Working with Families)

(pre-requisite for Prison Ministry Certificate – SJ2001, 2002)

There are no book requirements for this class. Articles will be posted in the weekly assignments.

Internship Class

IY1003 **Fourth Year Internship/Project** **Sandra Campbell**
(prev UUM5000)