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Mark Ross, First Presbyterian Church – John R. de Witt Professor of Systematic Theology Email: ross@erskine.edu

NT 602 New Testament II Monday Evenings, 6-9 PM, Beginning January 6

The course explores the background, literary art, theological teaching, and contemporary message of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, and Acts. Attention is given to the canonical significance of these writings and to their value for ministry.

Dr. Ross brings 30 years of pastoral ministry to his current work of training leaders for the church. He is in demand as a preacher and lecturer, and is the author of Let's Study Matthew (Banner of Truth, 2009). He is a minister in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. Education: B.A., University of Pittsburgh, 1974; M.Div., Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 1979; Ph.D., University of Keele, England, 1984.



Rev. John Paul Marr, Professor of Theology and Ministry Email: jpmarr@erskine.edu

PM 604 Christian Leadership and Church Administration Tuesday Afternoons, 1-4 PM, Beginning January 7

This course is a study of Christian Leadership as it relates to the Christian Church. Emphasis is placed on organizational dynamics, conflict management, spiritual formation, leadership skills, and

management practices. Assessment of Structures and individuals, problem-solving, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit are formulated in the context of ecclesiastical life cycles and polity.

No stranger to failure, burn-out, and pastor-fatigue, John Paul even survived the 2010 earthquake in Haiti as a Th.M. student on a short-term Erskine Theological Seminary sponsored mission trip. John Paul has continued stumbling along through various academic adventures including his current Ph.D. studies at Aberdeen University. Most of his day to day routine is devoted to writing puppet sketches, jumping ditches while being chased by a local dog, and honking on a saxophone - all part of his serving as the minister of Troy Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. These experiences (and more) gird the entertaining educational atmosphere of his courses.





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PM 705 Supervised Ministry

Tuesday Evenings, 6-9 PM, Beginning January 7

This course offers the students the opportunity to work in a structured ministry setting with an approved supervisor. The focus of the learning centers on the student's own learning goals which the student designs with emphasis on spiritual formation, theology, and

ministry practice. The classroom sessions help the student integrate theory and practice of ministry by the use of case studies, group interaction, and peer feedback.

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ET 711 Christian Ethics Tuesday Evenings, 6-9 PM, Beginning January 7

This course examines the nature and principles of Christian ethics and the application of these principles to current social issues. Emphasis is given to the study of Biblical morality.

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Dale Johnson, Professor of Church History Email: djohnson@erskine.edu

CH 502 Reformation and Modern Church History Saturdays, 9am-5pm, Dates to be Determined

This survey course covers the historical, spiritual, and institutional development of Western Christianity from the Renaissance to the modern era. Students examine the Protestant

Reformers, the Counter Reformation, the Enlightenment, Pietism, and the development of evangelicalism.

Dr. Johnson is a popular preacher and inspiring classroom teacher. He particularly enjoys taking students and other groups to study Reformation church history in Germany, Prague, and the British Isles. He serves as an elder in the Presbyterian Church in America. Education: B.A., Cedarville University, 1976; M.A., Covenant Theological Seminary, 1984; M.A., Florida Atlantic University, 1988; Ph.D., Georgia State University, 1995; Additional Studies, Oxford University, English Speaking Union Fellow; University of St. Andrews, Visiting Scholar; Professor at Biblical Theological Seminary in Kiev, Ukraine.



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