

ADULT EDUCATION –LATE APRIL AND MAY

Please join us at 9:30 on Sunday mornings in the Washington Room (or the Chapel until the former is restored after water damage) as we continue to explore issues of importance to our faith and community:

April 25 and May 2. We'll continue our exploration of the link between art and religion, Prof. Freddi Berger having recently talked about drama, with the following:

On April 25th, John Lintner, GPC's Director of Music, will discuss aspects of music and religion, focusing on the role of the music program at GPC; and

On May 2nd, GPC member Cynthia Farrell Johnson will discuss aspects of painting and religion, focusing on her recent exhibition, "Songs of My Father", inspired by Negro spirituals. Cynthia was recently named an Artist in Residence at Wesley Theological Seminary starting early next year.

May 9, 16, 23 and 30. Many argue that religious illiteracy is both a symptom and cause of the decline of mainline Protestant churches in the US, among other problems. Perhaps in response, our Session has targeted congregational education as a priority for the coming year. Our speaker in May, Professor Bruce Douglass will address these concerns head-on with a four-part series devoted to the topic, "*An Educated Laity—An Obsolete Idea?*" Bruce Douglass has spoken here many times and, as a "spell-binder, he has a large and devoted following. He's Director of the Reformed Institute and Associate Professor of Government at Georgetown University.

Adult Education will recess for the summer when these lectures conclude. The Committee is in the process of developing the agenda for 2010/11 and would welcome any comments or suggestions you might have with regard thereto. Please direct your comments to Steve Hopkins at 202 333 2099 or steve@hopkinswdc.com. Have a great summer!