

Congregational Care & Evangelism

Teacher: Pastor Sarah Herman

In this course first we will look at our own spiritual lives which are very important as we do ministry. If we **aren't** searching scripture and growing in our faith we **can't** be effective caregivers or pastors. In this part of the course, we will consider our faith journey and consider our walk with God.

- We will talk about the assignment, your interaction with people in your congregation, and what you learned from this experience. The assignment helps you to develop your skills to your congregation in an effective way.

- We will learn what effective listening can be, and how to be an effective listener.

- We will learn about being a Chaplain and how it is a branch of ministry.

The second half of the course will be about Christian Ethics: How do we avoid inappropriate relationships as we serve the Church. We will discuss how to keep relationships pure in whatever area we are serving in the Church.

- The reading: We will talk about the reading that I have assigned. If you are using a different devotional, please share with us at this time.

- Daily Devotions: Are you spending quality time in God's word.

- How's Your Soul by Judah Smith

- Handling difficult People by Jon Bloch

- Boundaries by Dr. Henry Cloud & Dr. John Townsend

- Ministry First (video)

- PowerPoint on Ethics in the Church

The last section will be about how to effectively share the gospel with all ages. I know you will have evangelism with Zach, but this is an opportunity to look at some ways to share the gospel which is part of being an effective CLM in your church.

- Witnessing to Children (video)

- How to have Peace with God (Billy Graham)

- 20 Questions from Evangelism Explosion

My goal is that you will be equipped to be a part of the ministry you are involved in, to lead, and to encourage those who serve with you.

All Books can be purchased on Amazon and can be put on your Kindle some of the time cheaper.

Text Books on Care and Ethics:

- You Daily Walk -Amazon 10.99 (please get a hard copy. This is a wonderful daily devotional that will deepen your understanding of scripture.)

- How's Your Soul by Judah Smith - Why everything that matters starts inside of you.

Amazon 10.99

- Handling Difficult People by Dr. John Townsend What to do when people push your buttons.

-Boundaries by Dr. Henry Clud and Dr. John Townsend
Evangelism Explosion 4th Edition by Dr. James Kennedy: Dr.

Assignment:

Visit with 2-3 people that are in your church, youth group, Sunday school class possible someone who is struggling with a difficult situation, like illness, divorce, loss of a loved one. Or someone you would like to get to know better it does not need to be a crises situation, it can be just getting to know someone. **This is due by Class Time.**

When people of any age let you into their lives it is a privilege, we should always show respect and kindness, and not judge them.

- Take time to reach out to them and ask how they are doing.
- If they are sitting ask if you can sit with them.
- Before you meet with them write down some questions that might help you to understand their situation or begin a conversation.
- Toward the end of the conversation: ask if there is some way you can pray for them.
- Say a prayer with them and promise to pray.

Not all of these interactions will go easily, not everyone is open to sharing their lives. This is part of caring about others learning how to encourage others. **Be ready to share your experiences in class.**

Following Class: Due by Monday, September 7, 2026. My email is pastorsarah2018@gmail.com you can write on one of the following. 2-5 pages

Paper 1: Share a situation where you have seen a difficult situation arise in your church or community that was unethical. How was it resolved, and if it wasn't resolved, how would you suggest resolution?

Paper 2: Share a time when you have reached out to another person and felt that you were able to help. What do you feel you did that made it an effective interaction? What might you do differently?

Paper 3: Share a time when you have shared the gospel with another person. What was your experience? What did you find effective, what did you feel you could have done differently.

4. Each of you should write an evaluation about the class. 1-2 paragraphs.

Care & Ethics by Rev. Sarah Herman/CLM Training

8:30 am – 9:00 am Get acquainted

9:00 am – 10:15 am Listen Skills

10:15 am – 10:30 am Break

10:30 am – 11:00 am Visits (share the visits you had for this class)

11:00 am – 12:30 am Biblical Caring and Sharing with Others

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Lunch Break

1:30 pm – 2:45 pm Ministry Safe (Sexual Abuse Awareness)

2:45 pm – 4:00 pm Ethics

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Caring Enough to share the Gospel

The Gospel for Kids

Sharing the Gospel by Billy Graham Evangelism

2 Questions Evangelism Explosion