

Things are happening at EMS! We are excited that Sarah Bixler, doctoral candidate at Princeton Theological Seminary, has joined our faculty, leading our Formation curriculum. The Seminary is now embedded in EMU's School of Theology, Humanities and the Performing Arts. This move maintains Seminary identity as we offer a full range of graduate theological programs, while strengthening connections to the undergraduate Bible, Religion and Theology department as well as undergraduate programs in music, language and literature, and history. The Seminary Dean, Sue Cockley, continues to lead the Seminary.

2020 School for Leadership Training: January 13-15

January 13-15 marked the 51st annual SLT. The keynote speakers were Shannan Martin, author and speaker from Goshen Indiana; Rev. Dr. Leroy Barber, Director of Innovation for Engaged Church Greater NW Area of United Methodists Church and Co-Founder Voices Project; Pastor Jennifer Davis Sensenig with guests from Faith in Action; and Dr. Kenton Derstine with Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Alumni. The theme was "Shalom in the Streets: Recapturing God's Vision in Ordinary Places" and provided participants with a worshipful and renewing encounter and to reimagine ministry in our communities from God's desire. Jeremiah 29:7 was the focus scripture.

Visit <https://emu.edu/seminary/slt/> for more information

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) 20th Anniversary Celebration

The CPE Celebration was held on Tuesday, January 14. Following the celebration dinner attendees enjoyed honoring the Lena and Norman Yutzy family for the CPE Program Endowment, sharing memories and stories from ministry and the keynote address by former EMS associate dean, Dr. Sara Wenger Shenk.

Visit <https://emu.edu/seminary/cpe/anniversary> for more information

Seminary Course Options

Consider pursuing seminary studies. We offer a Graduate Certificate in Christian Studies, Master of Divinity, MA in Christian Leadership, and MA in Religion. Check out the course options on our website. <https://emu.edu/seminary/courses/> for more information.

Graduation at EMS This Spring

At the time of this writing, plans are underway for the 2020 Seminary Graduation. We plan to award 8 Master of Divinity and 4 Master of Christian Leadership degrees to the graduating class of 2020. Graduates from Eastern Mennonite Seminary will join those of Eastern Mennonite University for the ceremony at 1:00 p.m., May 3 on the campus front lawn. The Honorable Deanna Reed, mayor of Harrisonburg will deliver the commencement address. Seminary Class president, Nathanael Hofstetter Ressler, (MDiv) is scheduled as one of the student speakers for the commencement exercises. Seminary Baccalaureate will be held in Martin Chapel on Saturday, May 2 with the theme "Hope Born of Renewal: On to the Next Season!" and the scripture focus of Lamentations 3:21-24 and 2 Corinthians 5:16-21. Dr. David Evans is the baccalaureate speaker.

Statement of Purpose

Eastern Mennonite Seminary prepares men and women to serve and lead in a global context. In response to God's saving grace, we educate students to bear witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of God's Spirit as wise interpreters, mature practitioners, discerning communicators, and transformational leaders.

- ▶ **Susan Schultz Huxman**, president
- ▶ **Sue Cockley**, seminary dean
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