Continuing Education Opportunities in Theological and Ministry Studies

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This guide highlights opportunities for clergy and lay leaders seeking continued theological education, professional development, and spiritual formation. It includes programs, certificates, lectures, and resources from leading theological institutions and faith-based organizations committed to lifelong learning.

Bexley Seabury Seminary — Learning from London Course Explores parish vitality and mission through innovative ministry models.

https://bexleyseabury.edu/pathways-overview

Candler School of Theology, Emory University — D.Min.

A primarily virtual Doctor of Ministry program designed for practicing ministry leaders. https://candler.emory.edu/academic-programs/doctor-of-ministry/

Certificate in Lifelong Formation (Forma and Virginia Theological Seminary)

A yearlong program integrating courses taught by VTS professors and ministry practitioners with online and onsite learning.

https://vts.edu/lifelong-learning/

Church Divinity School of the Pacific — CALL

Offers online continuing education and leadership preparation in the Anglican tradition. https://cdsp.edu/call/

Duke Divinity School

Offers certificates, courses, and professional programs for ministry leaders. https://divinity.duke.edu/programs

Episcopal Diocese of Virginia — Annual Convention Workshops

Professional development workshops offered annually during Diocesan Convention. https://episcopalvirginia.org/wp-content/uploads/231st-Annual-Convention-Workshops-10.3.25-1.pdf

Episcopal Divinity School

Offers a wide range of courses and resources for theological education and ministry formation.

https://www.eds.edu/programs

Lake Institute on Faith & Giving — Indiana University

Offers programs on stewardship and generosity through the Lilly School of Philanthropy. https://philanthropy.indianapolis.iu.edu/academics/degrees/index.html

Nashotah House Theological Seminary

Provides immersive continuing education experiences, including the Winter 2026 program. https://www.nashotah.edu/winter-2026/

Order of the Ascension — Shaping the Parish

Focuses on organizational development and spiritual formation in parish life. https://www.orderoftheascension.org/shaping-the-parish-resources/

Palm Beach Atlantic University — Ph.D. in Practical Theology

Focuses on leadership, applied theology, and ministry practice. https://www.pba.edu/academics/majors-degrees/practical-theology-phd/

Princeton Theological Seminary — Learn While You Lead

Offers opportunities for theological formation, spiritual renewal, and leadership development on campus and online.

https://ptsem.edu/online-professional-studies/continuing-education/

Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology — Virginia Union University

Provides theological degrees including a D.Min. in transformational leadership and prophetic witness.

https://www.vuu.edu/theology/stvu-academics/doctor-of-ministry

St. George's House, Windsor Castle, England

In-service residential courses for clergy focusing on renewal and ministry practice. https://www.stgeorgeshouse.org/programme-5/clergy-consultations/

Trinity Institute at Trinity Church, Wall Street (NYC)

Hosts national teleconferences, consultations, and regional seminars on theology and social issues.

https://trinitywallstreet.org/trinity-institute

University of the South — School of Theology, Lectures & Events

Provides free lectures and webinars to support ongoing theological learning. https://engage.theology.sewanee.edu/portal/online_lectures_webinars

Virginia Theological Seminary — Lifelong Learning

Lifelong Learning provides continuous opportunities for theological education in the service of faithful leadership.

https://vts.edu/lifelong-learning/

Washington Theological Consortium

A collaborative network offering ecumenical resources and continuing education opportunities.

https://washtheocon.org/resources/

Yale Divinity School — Center for Continuing Education

Provides theological resources and programs to enrich ministry and foster lifelong faith formation.

https://divinity.yale.edu/learning-at-yds/center-for-continuing-education

Recommended Podcasts for Continued Learning

- The Bible Project
- Rule of Life
- And Also With You
- Digital Ministry Made Easy
- The Leader's Way
- The Living Church
- Doth Protest (with James Rickenbaker)
- The Average Episcopalian
- Pivot Podcast (Faith+Lead, Luther Seminary)
- White Horse Inn (with Bishop Justin Holcomb)
- A Book Like No Other Aleph Beta
- Data Over Dogma (with Dan McClellan)

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