

Peacemaking Workshop 2008

PEACEMAKING WORKSHOP XXI

an Ecumenical Gathering April 3 - April 5, 2008

**Major Address - Friday, April 4, 7 PM
at First United Methodist Church, 50th & St. Paul**

Featured speaker

Rodney L. Petersen

Executive Director, Boston Theological Institute
Dr. Petersen has worked throughout the world studying how
faith groups both contribute to regional violence and
also foster reconciliation



**Address: "Four Terms that Stand Together
Forgiveness
Reconciliation
Restorative Justice
Community/the Church"**

Dr. Petersen is an ordained Presbyterian minister
who has pastored a UCC congregation

**Workshops: 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 5
at Saint Paul United Methodist Church,
12th & "M Sts.**

Gather with friends from around Nebraska to focus on
how we can all be peacemakers in our communities and world.

Rodney Petersen has been Executive Director of the Boston Theological Institute since moving to the Boston area from Switzerland in 1990. In addition to this work with the BTI, he teaches in both the member schools and overseas. He teaches in the areas of history and ethics, currently focusing on issues of religion and conflict. Together with BTI colleagues these courses have taken students to various regions of the world in order to understand and film ways in which faith communities are implicated in regional violence and how they can be avenues of reconciliation.

He is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., serving on several of their committees and served for seven years as the pastor of the Allston Congregational Church (UCC).

Prior work included teaching at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (Deerfield, IL), Webster University (Geneva, Switzerland). He also worked with churches in France and Eastern Europe, primarily Romania.

Schedule of Events

Thursday, April 3 - 1:00 PM
Nebraska Wesleyan University
Address: *Christianity and Conflict Transformation*

Friday, April 4 - 12:00 - 1:30 PM
First United Methodist Church
Clergy Luncheon: *Insights from the World Council of Churches Decade to Overcome Violence*
All clergy invited.

Friday, April 4 - 7:00 PM
First United Methodist Church
Address: *Four Terms that Make for Peace: Forgiveness, Restorative Justice, Reconciliation and Community/Church*

Saturday, April 5 - 8:30 - 11:00 AM
Saint Paul United Methodist Church
Summation and Workshops

Sunday, April 6 - 12:00 PM
First United Methodist Church
Peace Meal - Public Invited

Sponsors

Bread for the World
First United Methodist Church
Nebraskans for Peace
Nebraska Wesleyan University
First Mennonite Church
Coleen Seng
Pastor Larry Moffet
Pastor Jamie Norwich McLennan
United Ministries in Higher Education - Cornerstone
Soul Desires Bookstore
St. Mark's United Methodist Church
Saint Paul United Methodist Church
Havelock Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Exhibitors

Nebraskans for Peace
Nebraskans Against the Death Penalty
Nebraska Appleseed Center
Soul Desires books and Holy Hardware
Prairie Peace Park
United Nations Chapter 100
Ten Thousand Villages