# **Saturday, February 2, 2019 8:00 am – 2:30 pm**

### The Church of the Covenant, 267 E. Beau Street, Washington

### Basic Spiritual Help When Bad Stuff Happens

Some events and experiences are more intense than ever we could imagine. They overwhelm us because we have never experienced anything like this before.

Congregations are not immune from these traumas. This message seeks to encourage us as survivors in how to deal with these events.

Andy, a trained and experienced first responder, will help us be able to help our churches through traumatic events.



#### Keynoter: Rev. Andy Shaffer

has been ordained for 25 years. He served two pastorates in Beaver-Butler Presbytery; both were congregational redevelopment ministry opportunities. Andy worked as a hospice chaplain. Currently he is the Staff Chaplain at UPMC Shadyside Hospital.

Andy volunteers as a firefighter and chaplain with Franklin Twp VFD (Beaver County), and is a team member with the Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Team of Butler County.

Andy is blessed by God to be married to Cheri and to be dad to Gretchen and Josiah

#### WORKSHOP I (Choose One)

#### **Keynote Follow-Up**

This workshop will go deeper into the events and responses that challenge our congregations in this violent world.

Rev. Andy Shaffer

#### **Deacon Training**

How to serve in the ministries of compassion and service within the overwhelming reality of today's world. Interactive with real life scenarios and a focus on listening to and praying for one another. *Rev. Dawn Sherwood* 

#### Advanced Transformational Leadership for Elders

For those who have served as elders and looking to be trained and challenged as experienced officers of the church.

Rev. Dr. Stuart Broberg

### WORKSHOP II (Choose One)

#### **Ministering With Older Adults**

Still Faithful After All These Years -an exploration ministry with older adults and equipping them to to do ministry themselves. CRE Gary Gibson

#### **New Elder Training**

For those newly elected or wanting a refresher: We will focus on what the role of elder means as well as discuss how meetings are conducted.

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#### WORKSHOP III (Choose One)

#### **Expanding Your Prayer Life**

Do you struggle to pray? Does your tongue get tied; your mind wander? You're not alone! Join us for an honest conversation about prayer lead by a pastor who freely admits he fails at prayer. Additional focus will be given to some prayer practices to expand your prayer life. Rev. Don Coleman

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#### The Holy Spirit

We will explore a Reformed understanding of the Spirit and see what light that sheds on our understanding of the work of the Spirit today. We will also weave in themes from a book about the Holy Spirit titled "The Left Hand of God."

Rev. Dr. Don Austin

Leaderfest is planned and presented by the presbytery's Congregational Vitality Committee.

#### **SCHEDULE**

8:00 - 8:30 Registration 11:15 - 11:30 Break 8:30 - 8:45 Welcome 11:30 - 12:30 Workshop II 8:45 - 10:00 Keynote Address 12:30 - 1:15 Lunch 10:00 - 10:15 Break 1:15 - 2:15 Workshop III 10:15 – 11:15 Workshop I

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