



January 29, 2023

New Date! - February 18th!

Necessary Endings...

When Does Closure Become an Option Workshop



Since 2014, one PSEC congregation has closed, on average, every six months. This isn't often talked about — partly because that news is filled with feelings of profound loss and grief. It's the source of uncomfortable shame — that somehow church members failed to do all they could to maintain their sacred space. It provokes questions about the power and/or presence of God. Taken together, these things make it difficult to say what sometimes needs to be said: "It's time for our church to close."

A workshop will be held Feb. 18, from 9:00 am—12:00 noon at St. James UCC in Limerick to create a safe space where difficult questions can be asked and information shared with congregations facing decline and potential closure. You will receive resources and hear about church closure experiences.

For more information and a link to the free registration, go to psec.org and click on the Events & News tab and then the calendar. Go to Feb. 4th on the calendar.

Passing of Conference Minister Emeritus

Rev. Dr. F. Russell Mitman

In case you have not seen our eNews in the past couple of weeks, we want to make sure you are aware of the passing of Conference Minister Emeritus, Rev. Dr. F. Russell Mitman.

His obituary may be found here: <https://conta.cc/3CHoffJ>

If you are unable to attend his funeral in person but would like to view online, click here: <https://Mitmancelebration.eventbrite.com>



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PSEC Spring Annual Meeting

June 2-3, 2023

@ West Chester University

Theme: "May they all be One: Unleashing the Spirit"