



# Overcoming Anti-Judaism

**A Two-Part Seminar on Preaching for Clergy  
November 10, 2009 and April 13, 2010**

**Facilitated by Marilyn Salmon**

**Tuesday, November 10, 2009, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. and  
Tuesday, April 13, 2010, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
John Ireland Library, Meeting Room 5  
University of St. Thomas, St. Paul South Campus**

In this two-part seminar, participants will explore the problem of Christian anti-Judaism and practice strategies for eliminating it in Christian preaching. They will work with texts from the Revised Common Lectionary and focus on Luke, the Gospel for Lectionary Year C.

In preparation for the first seminar session, participants will read Dr. Salmon's book *Preaching Without Contempt: Overcoming Unintended Anti-Judaism*, which will be provided as a gift from the Jay Phillips Center. The first session will focus on fundamental issues related to Christian anti-Judaism: what it is, why this is a *Christian* problem, why it is often unrecognized, and why this is of particular concern for preachers. Participants will work together on challenging texts from Luke as we prepare for Lectionary Year C.

In the second seminar session, participants will reflect on their experiences of preaching with attention to anti-Judaism: what was most rewarding, what was most difficult, what worked well. They will discuss the particular challenges of Lent and Holy Week liturgies and consider possibilities for observance without "blaming the Jews." Participants will also look ahead to some of the more difficult texts to preach in the rest of the liturgical year.

Between the seminar sessions, participants will develop an awareness of anti-Judaism in preaching by practicing recommended strategies and using suggested sermon resources. Participants will be encouraged to keep in touch with each other to share ideas and insights. The Jay Phillips Center will provide a means for connecting participants with available technology for the purpose of creating a community of biblical interpreters committed to eradicating Christian anti-Judaism.

There is no cost for the seminar and lunch is included.

Registration is required by Oct.1 and the seminar is limited to 20 participants.

A complimentary copy of Dr. Salmon's book will be sent following registration.

For further information, please call the Jay Phillips Center's office: 651-962-5780.

Directions and parking permits will be sent in advance.



**Marilyn Salmon** is professor of New Testament theology at United Theological Seminary in New Brighton, serves as associate priest at St. Clement's Episcopal Church in St. Paul, and is a longtime member of the Jay Phillips Center's advisory committee. She received an M.Div. from Luther Seminary and a Ph.D from Hebrew Union College-Jewish institute of Religion. Her most recent book is *Preaching without Contempt: Overcoming Unintended Anti-Judaism*.