

St. Andrew Lenten Retreat

Saturday, April 9, 2022

The Didache: Snapshot of Early Christianity

Presented by Brian Ephrem Fitzgerald, PhD

There are two ways: one of life and one of death – and there is a big difference between the two.
~ *The Didache*, also called *The Lord's Teaching Through the Twelve Apostles to the Nations*

Come and learn about a document which is one of the closest texts in time to the New Testament. Get a glimpse into the world of the early church and how its commitment to the truth was manifested in the early days.



Retreat Schedule:

- 09:30 am: Coffee and welcome
- 10:00 am: Third Hour and First Presentation:
The Text: Its Date, Setting, and Purpose
- 11:15 am: Break
- 11:30 am: Second Presentation:
The Two Ways: Ethics of Early Christian Living
- 12:45 pm: Lunch
- 02:00 pm: Sixth Hour and Third Presentation:
The Church Manual: Early Christian Worship, Prayer, and Expectations
- 03:15 pm: Break
- 03:30 pm: Free discussion and Q&A
- 04:00 pm: Ninth Hour and Confessions

All are welcome to remain for coffee, fellowship, and Vespers at 6:00 pm.

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Lunch will be provided. (Free-will offerings will be accepted)

Please register so we may plan accordingly:

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