

Introducing:

Jack Rogers

Jack Rogers is Professor of Theology Emeritus at San Francisco Theological Seminary and was Moderator of the 213th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). He also served as vice-president of the San Francisco Theological Seminary and founded its Southern California Campus. Earlier, he was Professor of Philosophical Theology at Fuller Theological Seminary for 17 years.

“Rogers offers a rigorous yet accessible theological study and a model of spiritual discernment that is essential reading for anyone struggling to reconcile their faith with the needs of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community.”

—**Harry Knox**, Director, Religion and Faith Program, the Human Rights Campaign.

Learn more about Jack Rogers and this subject at www.drjackrogers.com.



Directions to Swarthmore Presbyterian Church
727 Harvard Avenue, Swarthmore, PA 19081

From Philadelphia via I-95

- ◆ I-95 South to I-476 (Blue Route). Go north to exit 3 (Media, Swarthmore); follow sign to Swarthmore.
- ◆ At intersection of 320 (Springfield Mall and Lukoil station at a stop light), turn right onto 320 south.
- ◆ At next stop light follow 320 to the right.
- ◆ Follow 320 past Swarthmore College, under railroad tracks.
- ◆ At next cross street (Harvard Avenue), turn right (sign on corner “Swarthmore Presbyterian Church”).
- ◆ The church is the third building on the right. Parking is behind the church and across Harvard Avenue.

Via Blue Route (I-476)

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Via Baltimore Pike

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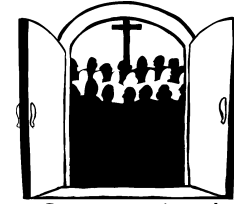
Theologian-in-Residence

February 20 - 21, 2010

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JESUS, THE BIBLE, AND HOMOSEXUALITY: *EXPLODE THE MYTHS, HEAL THE CHURCH*



In *Jesus, the Bible, and Homosexuality: Explode the Myths, Heal the Church*, evangelical theologian and former Moderator of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Jack Rogers, makes a biblical case for equal rights for people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender (LGBT). Throughout history, he observes, Christianity has moved towards ever greater openness and inclusiveness. Today's church is led by many of those who were once excluded: people of color, women, and divorced and remarried people. He argues that when we interpret the Bible through the lens of Jesus' redemptive life and ministry, we see that the church is called to grant equal rights to all people.

Jesus, the Bible, and Homosexuality: Explode the Myths, Heal the Church describes Rogers' own change of heart on the issue, charts the church's history of using biblical passages to oppress marginalized groups, argues for a Christ-centered reading of scripture, debunks stereotypes about people who are LGBT, refutes the conventional wisdom about the texts that are often used against people who are LGBT, and presents ideas for how the church can heal itself and move forward again. A fascinating combination of personal narrative, theology, and church history, this book is essential reading for all concerned with the future of the church and the health of the nation.

Swarthmore Presbyterian Church is excited to have Jack Rogers with us this weekend, and he is eager to share his wisdom and engage in conversation. Please join us for as many of the weekend events as you can.

All presentations are free and open to the public.
To make reservations for Saturday's lunch (suggested donation \$10),
please call 610-543-4712 or e-mail SPCparish@swarthmorepres.org.
Copies of *Jesus, the Bible, and Homosexuality: Explode the Myths, Heal the Church*,
are available through the church office at \$12.00 per paperback copy.

Saturday, February 20

Interpreting Scripture by Scripture

9:00 a.m.

"Learning from Luke 10,
Matthew 19, and Acts 8"

11:00 a.m.

"7 Guidelines for Biblical Interpretation"

12:30 p.m.

Lunch in Fellowship Hall
reservations requested

1:30 p.m.

"Stories from the Road:
What I Have Learned From
People Who Are LGBT"

Sunday, February 21

9:00 a.m.

in Fellowship Hall
"Where the PCA (U.S.A.) is on LGBT Equality"

10:15 a.m. Worship

in the Sanctuary
Sermon by Jack Rogers:
"God Knows the Human Heart"