

**Northeast Ohio School of Ministry (NEOSOM)
Fall Term 2020**

Course Schedule

History and Polity of the United Church of Christ

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Certification Track Course

Description:

Who are we in this wonderful, wacky world of church we call home? Where did the UCC come from, why was it formed, who are we now, who do we believe God is calling us to be? And how do we get there? These are the sorts of questions we'll explore as we learn about our history and our polity.

Facilitator and Instructor: Gene McAfee

Other Instructors: Geoffrey Black, David Hill, Robert P. "Rip" Noble, Mindy Quellhorst

Dates: Thursdays, Sept. 17 - Nov. 5, and Saturday, Nov. 7, Association Annual Meeting

Time: 6:30 - 8:40 p.m., plus Association Meeting times TBD

*(This course will **NOT**, as earlier advertised, be held on Saturdays in October)*

Text(s):

1. Constitution and Bylaws of the United Church of Christ (available online at https://www.uccfiles.com/pdf/UCC_Constitution.pdf)
2. Post, Margaret Rowland, and Tom Dipko (rev.) History and Program of the United Church of Christ. (United Church Press, 2007)
3. Gunnemann, Louis, The Shaping of the United Church of Christ. (Pilgrim Press, 1977, expanded 1999)
4. Johnson, Daniel, and Hambrick-Stowe, Charles, editors, Theology and Identity: Traditions, Movements and Polity in the UCC (United Church Press, 1990)
5. Zikmund, Barbara Brown, editor, Hidden Histories in the United Church, volumes I and II (United Church Press, 1984, 1987)