

## Adult Education Sessions for Epiphany 2022

During the season of Epiphany 2022, the Adult Education Committee will present four Sunday afternoon sessions on the topic **Something to Follow: Modern Poets and the Epiphany**.

The discussions will focus on prior readings of poems by modern poets and their response to the very simple biblical Epiphany narratives (Matt. 2.1-12 and 2.8-20) and a variety of cultural traditions that coalesce around the themes of the journey toward faith, the experience of precarious promise, and ongoing experience of mortality and transcendence implicit in those stories and traditions. Each session will open with a brief talk about the background of the writers and their poems, with related visual works, by Stephen Hahn, and follow with a discussion of questions and responses. One or more of the sessions will include a brief video sidelight to the discussion. The calendar of sessions is:

**January 9, 3:00 p.m.** Poems by W. H. Auden and William Carlos Williams, with pictures from Pieter Brueghel the elder and Stanley Spencer.

**January 23, 3:00 p.m.** Poems by T.S. Eliot and Antonio Machado, with a poem by Ruben Dario and a video about a Guatemalan refugee artist and public health counselor Emilio Aponte-Siera.

**February 6, 3:00 p.m.** A Family Program with poems by Langston Hughes, Lucille Clifton, and Ashley Bryan, including illustrations to Hughes's *Carol of the Brown King* by Ashley Bryan and Bryan's own *Who Built the Stable?*

**February 20, 3:00 p.m.** Poems by Joseph Brodsky and Denise Levertov with Russian and Byzantine Icons.

Details to follow about how to access readings and images for this series: contact Stephen Hahn at [hahns@wpunj.edu](mailto:hahns@wpunj.edu) if you are interested.

## Adult Education Sessions for Lent 2022

During the Season of Lent, for four weeks in March and early April (calendar forthcoming) Adult Education Sessions will explore the legacy of Clarence Jordan, a farmer and a New Testament Greek Scholar, and the founder of Koinonia Farm who played a principal role in the creation of Habitat for Humanity, and his interpretations of the New Testament Parables of Jesus. Rob Neal will lead these sessions.