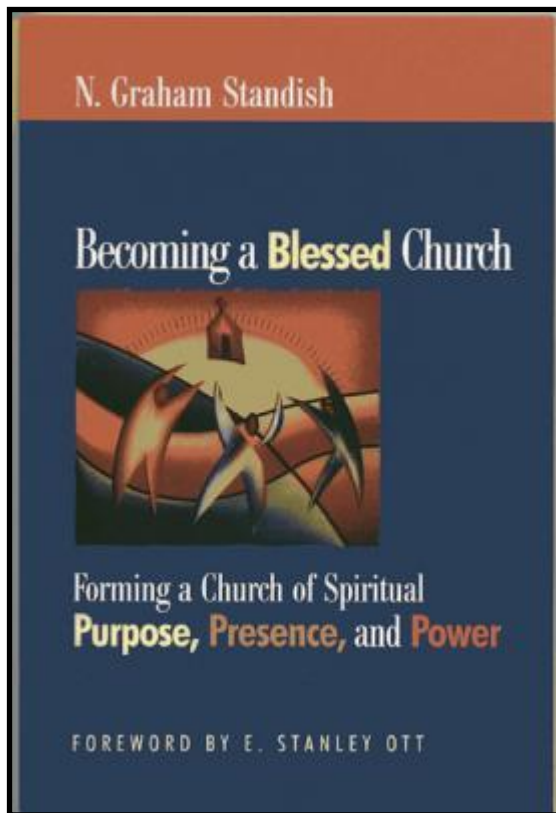


2017 Church Leadership Conference

For this year's church Leadership event for elders and deacons, sponsored by the Erie Network of Presbyterian Churches, we will hold a workshop at **Penn State Behrend College** (Smith Chapel) on **Saturday, November 4**. Leading us this year will be **Graham Standish**, pastor of Calvin Presbyterian Church in Zelienople, PA. Calvin brings profound and nationally recognized gifts in church leadership rooted in spiritual discernment by sessions and boards. Cost for the day will be \$15 per person, including continental breakfast, beverage service, and box lunch. Shuttle service will be provided from the Junker Center Parking Lot upon request (a short walk of 200 yds. to the chapel). All elders and deacons are encouraged to come, and bring their pastors along if possible! Contact Rev. Dave Edmunds (814-397-1861) or Rev. Charlie McClung (814-504-7635) for more info, or to pre-register. ** The workshop schedule is as follows:



- 9am—Registration.
- 9:20am—Opening prayer and song.
- 9:30am—1st Presentation: What Is a Spiritually Vibrant Church?
- 10:45am—Break
- 11am—2nd Presentation: Setting a Spiritual Foundation
- 12:15pm—Lunch
- 1pm—3rd Presentation: Leading a Church through Transformation
- 2:30pm—Closing



Graham's Bio: I have been pastor of Calvin Presbyterian Church in Zelienople, PA (calvinchurchzelle.org) since January of 1996. I came with a vision to create a church rooted in prayer and a passionate desire to seek and do God's will in everything. Since then, Calvin Church has almost tripled in size, and has garnered national attention in several studies, including one by Diana Butler-Bass, who included Calvin Church in her groundbreaking book, *Christianity for the Rest of Us*, which researched churches across the country that are leading Christians to renewal through an emphasis on spirituality and spiritual practices (dianabutlerbass.com).

I am the author of seven books, including *Ministry Proverbs: Lessons Learned for Leading Congregations* (2016) and *Becoming the Blessed Church* (Revised 2016 & original 2005). I am an adjunct professor at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary Doctor of Ministry program and Certificate in Spiritual Formation Program, and at Tyndale Theological Seminary in Toronto, Ontario, focusing on the areas of spirituality and congregational leadership.

I have served on the boards of the Samaritan Counseling Center and editorial board of *Presence*, the journal of Spiritual Directors Int'l. I am a teacher, retreat leader, spiritual director, and have a background in individual, marital, and family therapy. My Ph.D. is in formative spirituality from Duquesne University. My

Master of Social Work is from the University of Pittsburgh, and my Master of Divinity is from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Finally, and most important, I am husband of Diane, and the father of twin girls, Erin and Shea. To learn more about Graham, check out his website at ngrahamstandish.org.

**Map & directions will be supplied to you via email once registered.