

Text & Tradition:

Encountering the Bible as an Anabaptist Community

January 27-28, 2018

Bethesda Mennonite Church
930 16th St, Henderson, NE

Dr. John D. Roth



Dr. Roth is professor of history at Goshen College where he also serves as director of the Mennonite Historical Library and editor of *The Mennonite Quarterly Review*. John has written widely on topics related to Anabaptist-Mennonite history and church life. More recently, he is the founding director of the Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism at Goshen College, secretary of the Mennonite World Conference Faith and Life Commission, and is currently focusing on several research projects relating to the global Anabaptist fellowship. John and his wife, Ruth, are the parents of four adult children and three grandchildren. They are active members at Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship.

Saturday, January 27, 2018

5:00 p.m. Session 1

"Testing the Spirits: Why the Reformation Debate over the Bible Still Matters"

6:00 p.m. Meal

7:00 p.m. Session 2

"Discerning God's Will
Today: Biblical Interpretation in the Anabaptist Tradition"

Sunday, January 28, 2018

9:30 a.m. Session 3

"By Whose Authority?:
Witnessing to the Living Word in a Skeptical World"

10:45 a.m. Session 4

Storytelling from Anabaptist-Mennonite History

12:00 p.m. Potluck Meal

12:30 p.m. Session 5

"Reading Scripture with the Global Church"



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Bethesda Bible Series



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Henderson, Nebraska
Sunday, January 28, 2018, 9:30 a.m.

*"A community caring for all God's people,
being transformed by Christ's love,
serving others as a witness of God's grace and peace."*

Prelude	Marilyn Kroeker, Pianist
	"Grace Like Rain" "How Deep the Father's Love" "Seed Song"
"All Who are Thirsty"	Powerhouse Directed by Brian Leisher Accompanied by Jay & Marilyn Kroeker & Kim Siebert
Welcome & Call to Worship	Pastor Andrea Wall
* "What is this Place"	HWB 1 (Children may come forward during stanza 3.)
Children's Focus	Pastor Seth Miller
"Blessings"	Powerhouse
Congregational Prayer	Pastor Jim Voth
* "O Thou, in Whose Presence"	HWB 559
Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:16-20; I Corinthians 3:11	Pastor Andrea Reader: This is the Word of God, for the People of God. People: Thanks be to God!
Message	"By Whose Authority?" Witnessing to the Living Word in a Skeptical World Dr. John D. Roth
* "Teach me, O Lord"	HWB 487
Mission Moment	Enole Ditsheko
Announcements	Pastor Andrea Wall

Offering to God: Local Church
Offertory

Pastor Andrea Wall
Marilyn Kroeker

Greeting One Another...

(During cold and flu season, you are welcome to give verbal greetings.)

* Benediction

Dr. John D. Roth

* "Sanctuary"

Powerhouse

*If you are able, please stand.

All are invited to participate in the Christian education hour
and to stop by the Coffee Spot.

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