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Dear Friends of United,

It gives me great pride to announce the wonderful roster of fall courses offered through the Academy for Vital Christianity of United Theological Seminary. Through these, United seeks to provide theological education for a broad audience, theological education that takes seriously the potential for strengthening faith through open inquiry provided in convenient, comfortable settings. Our goal is to serve those pursuing enrichment as well as those preparing for lay leadership or ministry.

Our partners, the Minnesota annual conferences of the United Church of Christ and the United Methodist Church, have joined us in sponsoring this program. This fall we will go outside the walls of the seminary, offering classes in churches in the metro area as well as Alexandria, Duluth, Mankato, Rochester, and eastern North Dakota. I am particularly pleased that students will have the opportunity to learn from United's outstanding and dedicated faculty members in classes that will meet for a total of 10 classroom hours in a variety of convenient configurations.

Grounded in the conviction that Christianity is relevant, powerful, and transformative for the world of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, the Academy for Vital Christianity seeks to help strengthen and sustain people of faith and their communities. We invite you to enroll in one of the classes and join us on a transformative journey.

Yours truly,

Mary E. McNamara  
President