

# Utilizing Church Conflict

The nature of church conflict will be examined using a variety of diagnostic tools and will focus on the dynamics of leadership when dealing with conflict in the small congregation and the options available to pastors for creative intervention in conflict situations. Participants will also explore their personal response to conflict and their most likely strategic action.



**Rev. Nancy TannerThies**, is ordained in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). She has both congregational and judicatory experience. Her educational background includes a Bachelor of Science from the University of Houston, a Masters in Religious Studies and a Doctor of Ministry from the University of Chicago. Her doctoral work considered the development of a reformist response to new theological ideas. She further explored how such a response might affect women's self-image, their relationship with God and their leadership in the church.

Dr. TannerThies has additional credentials in the areas of training, mediation, congregational consultation and conflict utilization. For more than fourteen years she was Associate Regional Minister with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Mid-America, frequently working with congregation in conflict and/or transition. She and her husband have experience as mediators working with both individuals and congregations. She has taught and led workshops in numerous organizations including the Interim Ministry Network and Alban Institute. She also has experience as a trained Interim Specialist. Currently she and her husband, Roger, are proprietors and teachers at *Sapattu: A Sabbath Place*. *Sapattu* is a small retreat center located on their 5 acre homestead. She and her husband lead classes in spiritual well-being, conflict utilization and provide private retreat space. Nancy also offers spiritual companionship to interested individuals

## Dates:

May 6-8, 2010

## Times:

9:00 a.m. Thursday to

5:00 p.m. Saturday

## Cost:

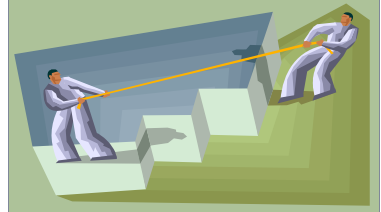
\$390.00

(includes lodging and meals)

\$330 Commuter

## Location:

Rickman Center,  
Jefferson City, MO



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