

# *Four Practices of a Healthy Congregation*

Hosted by the Western North Carolina Association in Collaboration with the Center for Congregational Health<sup>®</sup>

Current research and the experience of personnel at the Center for Congregational Health<sup>®</sup> indicate that there are four basic practices of healthy congregations. We call these the Four C's of a Healthy Community of Faith:

- Clarity: Clarifying the congregation's identity
- Conflict: Managing differences toward a positive outcome
- Community: Connecting with one another as we interact with God
- Communication: Developing a shared understanding in a fragmented world

Congregations that work on strengthening and understanding these four areas of congregational life are better prepared to face the challenge of being vibrant, strong and spiritually maturing communities of faith in today's religious environment.

This event will take place on **March 6, 2012**, from **10:00 AM - 2:30 PM**, at **Memorial United Church of Christ in Lexington, NC**. The participant cost of \$20 includes lunch and materials. Multiple participants (clergy and laity) from the same congregation can attend for the reduced cost of \$15 each.

In order to enrich the learning experience, the format will include content/concept presentations, table talk, and plenary discussion.

Please register by going to the Center's website: [www.healthychurch.org](http://www.healthychurch.org) and clicking the tab, "Learning Opportunities", or by calling Robin Danner at the Center for Congregational Health at 336-716-9722. The registration deadline is **February 29**.