

**WELCOME REGISTRANTS**  
***The Art of Transitional Ministry – Week 1***  
**Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly**  
**October 18-22, 2021**

Welcome to Week 1 of The Art of Transitional (Interim) Ministry Education at Mo-Ranch.  
We look forward to having you with us at this beautiful location in the heart of hill country along the Guadalupe River.

**Here are some important details to review right away:**

*Schedule:*

**Arrange arrival and departure carefully**

arrive before or during registration which begins **Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.**

**NOTE: Welcome and Orientation begins at 4:30!!!** Dinner is at 6:00 p.m.

depart after closing worship—**Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.**

**Free time**—Wednesday evening (dinner provided on location)

*An Intensive Learning Event:*

**Order (do this today!) and read BEFORE arriving:**

*Transitional Ministry Today*, ed. Norman B. Bendroth, Rowan and Littlefield, 2015, specifically chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7.

*A Failure of Nerve: Leadership in the Age of the Quick Fix*, Edwin H. Friedman, Church Publishing, 2007.

**You are also invited to read one of the books in the attached reading list, and be prepared to do a sound bite book review to your peers.**

**Be Available**—do not make any other commitments during this event

**\*\*a letter of completion is given with active participation at the end of 30 contract hours\*\***

*What to Bring:*

Two weeks before the event, **you will receive an email from Mo-Ranch** with the essential information for packing and getting to registration, and COVID-19 protocols.

For questions about **registration or facilities**, call Echo Truax Clark at 1.800.460.4401 ext. 242

For questions about the **program or assignments**, call or email Renee Rico (see below).

We look forward to your participation with us.

**Leadership**

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**Art of Transitional Ministry**  
**READING LIST**

**Interested in Change during Transitional Times**

*The Heart of Change: Real-life Stories of how People Change Their Organizations* by John Kotter

*Accelerate* by Dr. John Kotter

*Leading Change in the Congregation: Spiritual & Organizational Tools for Leaders*—by Gilbert R. Rendle

*Journey in the Wilderness: New Life for Mainline Churches* by Gil Rendle

*Holy Conversations: Strategic Planning as a Spiritual Practice for Congregations* by Gil Rendle and Alice Mann

*The heart of change: real-life stories of how people change their organizations* by John P.Kotter - Dan S.Cohen

*Transitional Ministry Today* by Norman B. Bendroth

*Switch: How to Change Things When Change Is Hard* by Chip Heath and Dan Heath

*Decisive: How to Make Better Choices in Life and Work* by Chip Heath and Dan Heath

*Shift: Three Big Moves for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Church* by Mark Tidsworth

**Interested in Leadership Skills during Transitional Times**

*Leaders who Last* by Margaret J Marcuson

*Thanks for the Feedback* by Sheila Heen

*Rookie Smarts: Why Learning Beats Knowing in the New Game of Work* by Liz Wiseman

*Leadership and Self-Deception: getting out of the box* by Berrett-Koehler -The Arbinger Institute.

*Start with Why: How Great Leaders Inspire Everyone to Take Action* by Simon Sinek

*Strategic Leadership for Change* by Ken McFayden

*Changing the Conversation* by Anthony Robinson

*Strength finders 2.0* by Tom Rath

*Strengths-Based Leadership Handbook* by Pernille Brun

**Interested in Worship during Transitional Times**

*When God Speaks through Change* by Craig Satterlee

*Creativity INC.* by Ed Catmull

*Discover your Spiritual Type* by Corrine Ware

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**Interested in Systems Theory during Transitional Times**

*The Eight Concepts of Bowen Theory* by Roberta M. Gilbert

*How Your Church Family Works: Understanding Congregations as Emotional Systems* by Peter L. Steinke

*Creating a Healthier Church: Family Systems Theory, Leadership and Congregational Life* by Ronald W. Richardson

*Congregational Leadership in Anxious Times: Being Calm and Courageous No Matter What* by Peter L. Steinke

**Interested in Conflict during Transitional Times**

*The Way of Conflict* by Diedre Combs

**Interested in Adaptive Leadership**

*The Practice of Adaptive Leadership- Tools and Tactics for changing your organization and the World.* By Ronald Heifetz, Alexander Grashow and Marty Linsky.

*Changing the Conversation* by Tony Robinson

*Canoeing in Mountains: Christian Leadership in Uncharted Territory*, Tod Bolsinger

**Interested in Emotional Intelligence**

*Emotional Intelligence 2.0* by Travis Bradberry

*Emotional Intelligence for Religious Leaders* by John West, Roy Oswald, Nadyne Guzman

*The Emotional Intelligence of Jesus: Relational Smarts for Religious Leaders* by Roy Oswald

*Primal Leadership: Learning to Lead with Emotional Intelligence* by Daniel Goldman

**Interested in Organizational Structure**

*Resilience: Why Things Bounce Back* by Andrew Zolli

*Creating Your Church's Culture: How to Uproot Mediocrity and creating a Health Organizational Culture* by Stephen Blandino

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**Interested in Coaching during Transitional Time**

*Change Your Questions Change Your Church: How to Lead with Powerful Questions* by J Val Hastings

**Interested in Pastor Care**

*Saying No to Say Yes: Everyday Boundaries and Pastoral Excellence* by David Olsen