

## Together in Mission: Exploring Conflict in the Congregation

Saturday, February 20, 2021 - Possible Follow up Resources

There are so many good resources about transforming conflict, healthy communication and churches as systems. Here are just a few for your reference if you want to explore this topic more deeply. Our synod has already scheduled a workshop with Kathy Germann as a follow up to this introductory TIM session. It is a two-workshop package called 2021 Conflict and Decision Making, on March 27<sup>th</sup> and April 24<sup>th</sup> from 9-4 each day. More information about this opportunity is on the GMS website at [www. Space is limited, so please sign up early.](http://www.milwaukee-synod.org) <https://milwaukee-synod.org/event/listening-for-change-transforming-conflict-and-decisions-that-stick-vs-sticky-decisions/2021-03-27/>

Other follow up resources include:

### **INTERNET**

Speed Leas' Levels of Conflict:

The "Levels of Conflict by Speed Leas" pyramid that was shared in the TIM workshop can be found on the internet.

Kathy Germann Consulting

If you want to find out more about Kathy Germann's workshop offerings, simply go to her website [www.kathygermannconsulting.com](http://www.kathygermannconsulting.com) for more information.

Lombard Mennonite Peace Center at [www.impeacecenter.org](http://www.impeacecenter.org)

Many workshops and training available including:

"Conflict Transformation Skills for Churches"

"Healthy Congregations"

Kaleidoscope Institute: for diverse, sustainable communities

This institute was started by Rev. Dr Eric Law. It is the source of the RESPECT guidelines that we shared in the workshop. More resources by "KI" can be found at [www.kscopeinstitute.org](http://www.kscopeinstitute.org)

### **BOOKS:**

about Conflict in Congregations, by Speed Leas:

"Discover your conflict management style"

"Managing conflict in the Local Church"

"Moving Your Church Through Conflict"

about Church as a System:

"Generation to Generation: Family Process in Church and Synagogue", Edwin H Friedman

"Healthy Congregations", "How your church Family Works", "Uproar: Calm Leadership in Anxious Times" all by Peter Steinke

"Understanding Your Congregation as a System", George Parsons & Speed B. Leas

about Communication across cultural differences, from Rev. Dr. Eric Law:

"The Wolf Shall Lie Down with the Lamb"

"The Bush Was Blazing But Not Consumed"

"Fear Not: Living Grace and Truth in a Frightened World"