



# January 17, 2009

*Triangle Area Stephen Ministry Network (TASMN) Event*  
<http://www.trianglearasmnet.org>

From Your TASMN Coordinators,  
Judy Rogers, Claudia Kelsey, and Ron Bostick

**Attention all Stephen Ministries in the Triangle Area!** Mark your calendars for our Stephen Ministry community event on the morning of Saturday, January 17, 2009. This will be an opportunity for both Stephen Leaders and Stephen Ministers to exchange ideas, be spiritually energized and learn from our two exceptional speakers.

The agenda for the morning is:

- 9:00      **Registration – Refreshments**
- 9:15      **Devotion**
- 9:30      **“The Practice of Prayer and Care for the Dying (theological basis)” – Dr. Allen Verhey (see following page for additional speaker information)**
- 10:20     **Break**
- 10:40     **“The Practice of Prayer and Care for the Dying (practical basis)” - Alyson Dreisch MSN, RN, FCN - (see following page for additional speaker information)**
- 11:00     **Questions & Answers**
- 11:30     **Western Wake Hospital need for ON CALL Chaplains - Chaplain Diane Cox -- (see following page for additional speaker information)**
- 11:45     **Closing**

Thank You to Edenton Street United Methodist Church for offering to host the gathering. The church is located at:

**228 West Edenton Street**  
**Raleigh, N.C. 27603**  
**Receptionist: 919-832-7535**  
<http://www.esumc.org/>

Directions to the Edenton Street United Methodist Church can be obtained at their above web site.

In order to understand the number of attendees at this event, we are requesting that a Stephen Leader from each congregation contact **Judy Rogers** with the total number of attendees that are planning to attend from their congregation. **Judy Roger's** contact information is:

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**919-833-8434**

**Responses are needed before Thanksgiving 2008, Nov 27th.**

**PLEASE ADD THIS TO YOUR STEPHEN MINISTRY CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHEDULE FOR 2009.**

**NOTE:**

- If the event has to be canceled due to undesirable weather, an email will be sent to the TASMN subscribers and a message will be posted on the TASMN Web Site.
- **A collection will be taken to help support the Triangle Area Stephen Ministry Network (TASMN). Checks can be made out to TASMN.**

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**Dr. Allen Verhey** is Professor of Christian Ethics at Duke Divinity School and associated with the Duke Institute for Care at the End of Life. His research interests include the relation of Scripture and ethics and the relation of Christian ethics to medical ethics.

He has published several books. With Stephen Lammers he edited *On Moral Medicine*, an anthology of theological reflections on medical ethics which won a Choice award as an outstanding academic book.

His most recent books are *Remembering Jesus* and *Reading the Bible in the Strange World of Medicine*.



**Alyson J. Breisch**, MSN, RN, FCN currently holds the position of Administrative Director, Health and Nursing Ministries, Duke Divinity School; responsible for Health Ministries and Congregational Nursing Continuing Education.

Alyson holds a Lecturing Fellow position at Duke University Divinity School and administratively manages Health and Nursing Ministries continuing education.

Alyson has presented over 500 lectures, courses, and workshops including staff development, regional, and national nursing conferences.

She has done presentations on health ministries at Duke Divinity School's Annual Convocation and Pastors' School, at faith communities across North Carolina, at the Health

Ministries Association National Conference, and the International Parish Nurse Resource Center's Westberg Symposium.

**Reverend Diane R. Cox**, M.Div, CHTP is Staff Chaplain for WakeMed Cary Hospital and a graduate of Campbell University Divinity School with special interest in chaplaincy and counseling. Diane has been with WakeMed Health and Hospitals since 1996. In 1998 Diane was assigned to WakeMed Cary Hospital to provide spiritual care, since then Diane has educated hospital staff in utilizing spiritual care for patients, families and staff. Diane's special interests are holistic and integrative healthcare as well as seeking to understand how to provide families with supportive end of life experiences.

Diane involves the Pastoral community in her work at Cary Hospital through volunteers who serve as on call chaplains in order to provide the hospital with round the clock spiritual care. If interested in knowing more please contact her at [dcox@wakemed.org](mailto:dcox@wakemed.org)