



You will see this often-overlooked Old Testament book with new eyes as we seek to learn with Elaine T. James, Associate Professor of Old Testament at Princeton Seminary. Her work focuses on the literature of the Hebrew Bible, especially its poetry, examining its significance in the ancient context and its legacy for the contemporary world. Guiding her research are questions about how artistic literary practices shape ethical and theological thought, especially around issues of land, ecology, gender and sexuality. Her book, *Landscapes the Song of Songs* (Oxford University Press, 2017) is an exploration of how the *Song of Songs* conceptualizes the natural world.

Dr. James earned her PhD and MDiv from Princeton Theological Seminary. Before joining the faculty at Princeton, Dr. James previously served as Associate Professor of Theology at St. Catherine University in St. Paul, Minnesota.



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at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center
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Embodiment and Holism: Reading the Poetry of The Song of Songs



Leader:

Elaine T. James, PhD





Embodiment and Holism: Reading The Poetry of The Song of Songs

April 25-28, 2022

Monday, April 25th

1:00 Registration

2:00 Devotions

2:30 - 4:30

*The Song of Songs and
the Centrality of Love*

5:00 Dinner

7:00-8:30

Conversations/games/hangout

Tuesday, April 26th

8:00 Breakfast

9:00 Devotions

9:30-11:30

*The Art of Attention: What
Does Poetry Require*

12:00 Lunch

1:30 - 3:30

*Ecology, Gardening, and
Attentiveness Presence*

5:30 Dinner

Free Evening

Wednesday, April 27th

8:00 Breakfast

9:00 Devotions

9:30 - 11:30

*Eating Well: Food, Justice,
and Sufficiency*

12:00 Lunch

1:30 - 3:30

*The Place of Place:
Coming Home*

5:30 Dinner

Free Evening

Thursday, April 28th

8:00 Breakfast

9:00 Devotions

9:30 - 11:30

*Sex, Self, and Other:
Learning How to Care*

12:00 Lunch

1:30 - 3:30

3:30 Goodbyes and Departure

Name/s: _____

Address: _____

Congregation: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

- **The cost is \$195.00 per person, early registration** before March 1st
- If registering between March 1 - April 15 the cost is **\$220.00 per person**
- Cost includes, registration, meals, and lodging at *Laurelville Mennonite Church Center*.
- Lodging will be in the Lodge. **Bring your own linens (bedding for single beds, pillow, towels)**. (You may upgrade to a room at the Motel for a total additional fee of \$75.00—a limited number of rooms are available on a first come basis)

* Part time is available (see back for details)

Please let us know of any dietary restrictions.

Please bring a snack to share.

RETURN form and payment by 4/15 to:

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