**Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary
Bulletin announcements: December 2021 – Jan. 2, 2022**

*Please consider using these AMBS announcements for one or more Sundays in your bulletins, newsletters and/or on social media, as you see fit. Thank you!*

**Dec. 5**

**[Regional to AMBS] AMBS Celebration of Creches and Carols.** On Friday, Dec. 10 (4:30–8:30 p.m.), and Saturday, Dec. 11 (12–4:30 p.m.), more than 200 international nativity sets from four collections will be displayed in the Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary Chapel of the Sermon on the Mount for you to view at your own pace. Musicians will perform Christmas carols, and there will be outdoor carol sings on Friday at 5 and 7:30 p.m. and on Saturday at 2 and 4 p.m. The event is free and open to the public; donations of food items for Church Community Services or contributions for AMBS international student scholarships are invited. Masks are required. AMBS, 3003 Benham Avenue, Elkhart, Indiana. [ambs.edu/creches](http://ambs.edu/creches)

**Understanding Anabaptist Approaches to Scripture: Feb. 9 – March 22.** Join David Cramer, PhD, and Susannah Larry, PhD, to study how 16th-century Anabaptists approached Scripture — as compared with Catholics and other Protestants — and to understand those similarities and differences in light of today. Sign up by Jan. 12 for this six-week online AMBS short course and save $50. [ambs.edu/shortcourses](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/understanding-anabaptist-approaches-scripture-short-course)

**Dec. 12**

**Take a seminary course this spring!** AMBS’s distance-friendly options include Church and Race; Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations; Spiritual Practices: Play and Rest; Biblical Foundations for Peace and Justice; Sexuality and Colonialism; Job and Wisdom; Power and Process: Mennonite Polity Colloquium; and more. In-person courses are also available. Nonadmitted students get 50% off their first three credit hours. Classes begin Jan. 11; check out our offerings! [ambs.edu/onecourse](https://www.ambs.edu/academics/one-course-options)

**Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program.** AMBS’s distance-friendly nondegree Journey program supports learners as they explore spiritual leadership in their local churches and communities and deepen their understanding of Anabaptist theology and ministry with a dedicated mentor. Sign up for Winter 2022 (January) by Dec. 14 and save $100! [ambs.edu/journey](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/journey-missional-leadership-development)

**Dec. 19**

**Calling all pastors and faith formation leaders!** Registration is open for **Pastors & Leaders | Deep Faith 2022, a joint conference of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary and Mennonite Church USA Faith Formation. Join us Feb. 21–24,** either virtually or in person on the AMBS campus in Elkhart, Indiana, to explore the theme, “Formed in the Wilderness, Leading in Hope.” Speakers: Sibonokuhle Ncube, Eleanor Kreider, Tom Yoder Neufeld and Rolando Sosa Granados. Sign up by Jan. 15 and save $50. [ambs.edu/pastorsandleaders](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/pastors-and-leaders)

**Thinking about seminary?** Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary offers generous need-based financial aid, scholarships and matching grants to help make your master’s-level education affordable — whether you study on campus or at a distance. Complete your Admissions Application now so you can be eligible to apply for merit-based scholarships by March 15 and ministry scholarships by April 1. [ambs.edu/academics](http://www.ambs.edu/academics)

**Dec. 26**

**A Song Leader’s Introduction to *Voices Together*:** **Feb. 9 – March 22**. JoinKatie Graber, PhD, and Anneli Loepp Thiessen, MM, in this six-week online AMBS short course to explore how to effectively teach and lead a variety of music, including intercultural and contemporary styles, using the new *Voices Together* hymnal. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Sign up by Jan. 12 and save $50! [ambs.edu/songleaders](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/song-leader-introduction-voices-together-short-course)

**Fully online seminary degree.** Check out Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary’s fully online MA: Theology and Global Anabaptism! The 46-credit-hour academic degree program can be completed in four years of part-time study and offers a global approach to Anabaptist theological education. [ambs.edu/matga](http://www.ambs.edu/academics/ma-theology-and-global-anabaptism)

**Jan. 2**

**!Explore: A Theological Program for High School Youth:** Participants in !Explore 2022 will attend Mennonite World Conference in Indonesia with Indonesian youth, explore theological questions and lived faith together, and visit parts of beautiful Java Island. The AMBS program — which is open to students in grades 10–12 — also includes a congregational internship. Generous financial support is available for the MWC expenses, and participants receive a $1,000 stipend. Tap a shoulder! [ambs.edu/explore](http://www.ambs.edu/center-for-faith-formation/explore)

***Anabaptist Witness* 8.2, “Mission and Protest,”** can be read online for free. Through poetry, philosophy, theology and history, the authors featured in this issue explore what it means to consider protest as part of the church’s mission. [anabaptistwitness.org](https://www.anabaptistwitness.org/)

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