

SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2012



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Registration fee is \$130 before May 15 and \$145 after that date. Group discounts are offered. Limited on-campus housing is available at an additional fee. For more information about this event, contact the Office of Continuing Education at 412-924-1345 or ConEd@pts.edu. Registration and payment are also accepted online. Brochure

Tickle is founding editor of the Religion Department of *Publishers Weekly* and a lay Eucharistic minister and lector in the Episcopal Church. She is the author of numerous articles and more than two dozen books in religion and spirituality, including *The Great Emergence: How Christianity is Changing and Why*. Tickle began her career as a college teacher and, for almost 10 years, served as academic dean to the Memphis College of Art. In 1996 she received the Mays Award for lifetime achievement in writing and publishing. Tickle is also the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from The Christy Awards and she has received honorary doctorates from Berkeley School of Divinity at Yale University and North Park University.

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