

## BEING HUMAN, BECOMING CHRISTIAN:

## an embodied reconciliation of heaven and earth



## Four presentations in Harrisonburg by **Cherith Fee Nordling**

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Is our embodied humanity a temporary curse or permanent, glorious reality?

Does salvation seem to imply getting out of our bodies, or is it about finally being at home in our bodies and getting to be truly human forever?

Too often, Christians are deeply ambivalent, or silent, about our embodied lives and whether they really matter in the end. Ironically, if we take Jesus' humanity seriously, then we will begin to see that "in the end" God's gift and goal is to give us our truly human, truly sexual, truly Christian lives back, then and now!

**Public Presentation:** Monday, Sept. 15, Park View Mennonite Church, 7:00 pm "Being Human, Becoming Christian: Embodied (for) Reconciliation" A free will offering will be received.

**Pastors' Breakfast**:\* Tuesday, Sept. 16, Fireplace Room at Park View Mennonite Church, 7:30 am "*Jesus, Sex and the Church: How Our Heresies Disembody the Incarnate Word and his Gospel*" \*RSVP to Sarah Showalter at sarah.showalter@vmmissions.org or (540) 434-9727 by Sept. 11 if you plan to attend.

**Seminary Chapel:** Tuesday, Sept. 16, Eastern Mennonite Seminary, 11:00 am "The Glory of the Children of God: Spirit-Empowered Resurrection or Immortality of the Soul?" (based on Romans 8:1-4, 9b-11, 16-24a)

**EMU Undergraduate Chapel:** Wednesday, Sept. 17, Lehman Auditorium, 10:00 am "Embodied in a Christian Story"

Cherith Fee Nordling is Associate Professor of Theology at Northern Seminary in Lombard, IL. Northern's President Alistair Brown describes her as a "wonderful scholar with a gift of communicating theology in a way that stirs the heart and mind." Others who know her and have experienced her teaching ministry commend her for her "pastoral heart, her passion for teaching, her boundless energy, love for theology and deep commitment to Jesus Christ and the church." Cherith received her PhD at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. She is presently working on several scholarly projects, including a commentary on Acts, a book on theological anthropology and the resurrection, and a condensed version of Paul's Christology with her father, the renowned NT scholar Gordon Fee. Other emphases she has written and spoken about are Trinitarian theology, leadership, gender, sexuality, the environment, and life in the Kingdom of God.







