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SPEAKER SERIES

A Pastor for People Who Don't Do Church: Faith and Spirituality Beyond the Church Walls

with Kristabeth Atwood, M. Div.

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Today many people find their meaning and purpose outside of the church walls. The assumptions associated with this shift are that faith is less important and people are less spiritual. *This is often not the case and we do a disservice when we conflate church attendance with spiritual connection.* Indeed, many people

who are not involved in church think deeply about their place in the universe, their connection to fellow human and non-human creatures, and what happens when they die. In our time together, we will explore what it means to be *pastor for people who don't do church*. We will consider different spiritual/secular identities, ponder the 'soul needs' of all people and address how to respectfully meet people where they are and support them on their personal journeys without agenda but with unconditional positive regard and curiosity.

Kristabeth Atwood, M.Div is a pastor for Pastor for People Who Don't Do Church and the founder of Rites of Passage, LLC. After 18 years as a church pastor, today she brings her pastor's heart to her work with people of all identities and spiritual and secular perspectives. Her work includes one-on-one spiritual direction and grief support, small group gatherings focused on the transformative power of change, and designing and officiating personalized ceremonies to mark life's transitions.

Kristabeth holds space for people to connect with themselves, those around them, and with the sacred, whatever that means to them. She feels privileged to help people honor and mark the meaningful moments that encompass all the seasons of life – from birth to death.

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