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Title of the mailing *Reminder: Upcoming Philadelphia Theological Institute Events

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Ray Suarez: JERUSALEM: CENTER of the WORLD

Friday, October 7 from 7:00–9:00 p.m.

St. Peter's Church, 313 Pine Street, Philadelphia

Free, and open to all. No reservations are needed.

The American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem is co-sponsoring this event with Philadelphia Theological Institute, The Middle East Study Group and St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Ray Suarez, Senior Correspondent for the PBS NewsHour, will be the featured speaker at St. Peter's Church, 313 Pine Street, Philadelphia, on October 7 at 7:00 pm. Suarez's recent PBS two-hour documentary, Jerusalem: Center of the World tells the epic story of the world's most incredible city, capturing the rich mosaic of the city's Christian, Jewish and Muslim communities. Covering a sweeping history of over 4,000 years, the film explores the founding of the city; the birth and convergence of the world's three major monotheistic religions; and the key events in Jerusalem's history as described in the Hebrew and Christian Bibles, the Talmud, the Hagaddah, the Koran, and the Hadith. Suarez will share some of his own personal reflections on this holy city and on the making of the documentary.

This event is hosted by the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem with the sponsorship of Philadelphia Theological Institute, The Middle East Study Group and St. Peter's Episcopal Church. The evening will also be an opportunity to hear about the present situation of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem and the responses of: Phoebe Griswold on behalf of the American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, and The Rt. Rev. Allan Bartlett and the Diocese of Pennsylvania's Middle East Study Group as they live out their Christian faith in the "Center of the World."

The American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, under the leadership of current President, Phoebe Griswold, acts as a partner with the Diocese of Jerusalem by helping to increase its capacity to teach and heal. AFEDJ raises funds for and promotes the humanitarian work of the Diocese and its institutions so it may better serve the needs of all people in Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Palestine and Israel. AFEDJ is devoted to equity, respect and human dignity. For more information about AFEDJ go to www.afedj.org

For more information: <http://philadelphiatheologicalinstitute.org/ray-suarez-october/>

Our Hopeful Future: Vital Ministry in a New Generation

The Rev. Carol Howard Merritt, author of Reframing Hope & Tribal Church

Drawing upon her knowledge of postmodernism and her lived experience as a young mainline pastor, Ms.

Merritt proposes hope as the virtue for vital Christian community, especially for the younger – often missing – generations.

Hosts: Philadelphia Theological Institute & Saint Peter's Church

When: Sunday, October 9, 2011 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Where: Saint Peter's House - 313 Pine Street, Philadelphia, PA

Free parking available in the lot at 3rd & Lombard.

For more information: <http://philadelphiatheologicalinstitute.org/carol-howard-merritt/>

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