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The Third James Sawers, Jr.
Interfaith Speaker Series
Presents
Wendy Cadge, PhD



November 7-9, 2019

Presented by the Charleston Interreligious Council Charleston, South Carolina

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#### Schedule of Events:

#### Thursday, November 7, 2019

4:00 PM, Arnold Hall, Jewish Studies Bldg., 1st Floor, 96 Wentworth St, (downtown) Charleston, SC 29424

#### Lecture: Boston's Hidden Sacred Places

Description: Describes what we can learn about spirituality and religion in the contemporary American landscape by looking at chapels and meditation rooms that exist outside of congregations.

## Friday, November 8, 2019

12:00 noon, Roper-St. Francis Hospital, Board Room, Cancer Center, 2085 Henry Tecklenburg Dr. (West Ashley), Charleston, SC 29414.

Lecture: Paging God: Religion in the Halls of Medicine

Description: How spirituality and religion are present in hospitals and how healthcare professionals including chaplains think and work around the topics with patients and families.

#### Friday, November 8, 2019

3:30 PM, Alumni Center, School of Education, College of Charleston, 86 Wentworth St. (downtown), Charleston, SC 29424 (Enter through courtyard on St. Philip St.)

### Lecture: A Case of Religious Acceptance

A joint discussion led by Dr. Wendy Cadge and Dr. Elijah Siegler, Chair, Director Religious Studies, College of Charleston

Description: A Jewish born mother who became a Buddhist priestess wants her son to have a bar mitzvah at a synagogue in Syracuse, New York. The rabbi has to decide whether to allow this to happen. What will happen? What should happen? (Source: The Pluralism Project, Harvard University).

#### Saturday evening, November 9, 2019

7:00 PM, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1519 Sam Rittenberg Blvd. (West Ashley), Charleston, SC 29407

<u>Lecture</u>: God Around the Edges: Moral Frameworks in Times of Crisis

Description: This presentation is based on her book in progress about Chaplaincy and spiritual care across institutions and sectors in the U.S..

# Dr. Wendy Cadge



Dr. Cadge is a Professor in the Department of Sociology and the Social Science Division Head at Brandies University (Waltham, MA). She is an expert in contemporary American religion, especially related to chaplaincy, religion in public institutions, religious diversity, religion and immigration and the religious and moral aspects of healthcare. She is an award-winning

teacher, the author of several books and has published more than 75 articles and is co-editor of Religion on the Edge: De-Centering and Re-Centering the Sociology of Religion. She recently helped launch the Chaplaincy Innovation Lab (http://chaplaincyinnovation.org).

Her published books include: Paging God: Religion in the Halls of Medicine and Heartwood, The First Generation of Theravada Buddhism in America. Her current book project, God Around the Edges? Moral Frameworks in Times of Crisis asks who chaplains are and what scholars can learn about how people make sense of suffering by analyzing their daily work.

She received her BA from Swarthmore College with majors in religions, sociology and anthropology, and her MA and PhD in sociology from Princeton University.

# Dr. James Sawers, Jr.



James Sawers was the president of the Christian-Jewish Council of Greater Charleston for a number of years. He passed away unexpectedly in March 2017. He was a great leader who inspired people to be creative, thoughtful and respectful of others. His intelligence and training in religion and science contributed to mankind in many ways, locally and internationally. Jim was a nuclear physicist and

ordained United Methodist minister. We all miss him greatly.