



*Why do so many pastors and pastoral leaders feel fed up with the institutional church?
How do we rediscover a passion for ministry?*

THE PITTSBURGH PASTORAL CARE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
and
BEAVER BUTLER PRESBYTERY'S ENCOURAGING CHURCHES TO FLOURISH UNIT
invite you to spend a morning with sociologist and nationally-known church researcher
JOSH PACKARD, PH.D.

for an online event based on his research into church decline and clergy "stuckness."

Date: Friday, October 9

Schedule:

8:45-9:00 am ~ event log-in
9:00-11:00 am ~ Presentation
11:10 am- Noon ~ Q&A

Fee: \$10

ABOUT DR. PACKARD:

Josh Packard is director of The Dechurched Project and an Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Northern Colorado. He is the co-author of *Church Refugees: Sociologists Reveal Why People Are Done With Church But Not Their Faith*, which explores why previously-active church members step away from institutional religion.

His current research project, *STUCK*, focuses on clergy who are disillusioned with church, but feel compelled to stay in ministry because of worries about income loss, seminary debt, or are reluctant to walk away from what once felt like a distinct life-calling.

Please pre-register for the event at www.pghpc.org.