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## **Walking With the Prince of Peace: *The Life of Christ in Art***

The Lombard Mennonite Peace Center offers an enriching series of slide-illustrated programs on the life of Christ as depicted in art from the early Christian era to the present. The series highlights the lordship and sovereignty of Christ, as well as Jesus' call to peacemaking and faithful discipleship.

Sessions can be adapted for a Sunday morning educational series, anywhere from two to thirteen weeks in length, an evening Lenten or Advent series, or a church retreat. Any of the topics would be appropriate for a single session, including the Sunday morning sermon. Possible topics include:

### **God's Promise of Shalom: The Annunciation and the Visitation**

**"Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Peace": The Nativity and the Adoration of the Shepherds**

**"And Nations Shall Come to Your Light": The Adoration of the Magi**

**"Behold the Lamb of God": The Baptism of Christ**

**Mountain Politics: The Temptation of Christ**

**"Blessed are the Peacemakers": The Calling of the Disciples and the Sermon on the Mount**

**"He Had Compassion for Them": Christ Feeds the Multitudes**

**"Be Not Afraid": The Transfiguration**

**"I Am the Resurrection and the Life": The Raising of Lazarus**

**"Would That You Knew the Things that Make for Peace": The Entry into Jerusalem**

**"This Is My Body... This Is My Blood": The Last Supper**

**"Let Them Deny Themselves and Take Up Their Cross and Follow": Christ's Passion**

**"Making Peace by the Blood of His Cross": The Crucifixion**

**"Peace Be With You": The Resurrection**

**"Blessed Are Those Who Have Not Seen, Yet Believe": The Doubting of Thomas**

**"Peace I Leave With You": The Pentecost**

**"Having Disarmed the Principalities and Powers": The Ascension**

The facilitator for such a series would be Richard Blackburn, LMPC Executive Director, an ordained minister in the Mennonite Church and an art historian with teaching experience at Trinity College, Goshen College, and Northern Illinois University.

Additional slide-illustrated programs include: **Christ Calls Us to Peacemaking: Biblical Foundations, Francis of Assisi and the Way of Peace, The Peace of God and the Art of Rembrandt van Rijn, The Artist as Prophet: War and Peace in the Visual Arts, Rembrandt's *Return of the Prodigal Son*: Reflections on the Ministry of Reconciliation, and The Road to Damascus: The Church and Change in an Age of Anxiety.**

Churches interested in hosting one or more of these programs may contact the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center at the above address or phone number.