**Religious Leadership in the Digital Age**

**Spring 2017**

1. Mar 27 – 31 **Leadership** 
   1. Intros, leadership setting, media experience and training
   2. Read and discuss: *Trustworthy Leadership*, link posted in Canvas
   3. Mahan remarks, “What difference does the digital make?”
   4. Mahan remarks, “Net safety – Google yourself”
2. April 3 – 7 **Digital Culture**, **Networked Relationships**
   1. Read and discuss: “Relating Media, Religion, and Culture,” in *Media, Religion and Culture*
   2. Read and discuss: “Networked Religion: Considering How Faith is Lived in a Networked Society” in *Networked Theology*, Heidi A. Campbell and Stephen Garner*,* posted in Canvas
   3. Mahan remarks, “The church in digital culture”
   4. Introducing Twitter, Conversation with Elizabeth Coody
   5. Due: Ourselves in Social Media assignment
3. April 10 – 14  **Religious Identity**
   1. Read and discuss: “Making and Articulating Religious Identity”, *Media, Religion and Culture*
   2. Read and discuss: “Believing and practicing in a digital world”, *Media, Religion and Culture*
   3. Mahan remarks, “Identity”
4. April 17 – 21 - **Church**
   1. Read and discuss: “Stability and Change," *Media, Religion and Culture*
   2. Read and discuss: “Organized religion in the age of digital religion,” *Media, Religion and Culture*
   3. Mahan remarks, “Communities and Networks”
5. **Gathering Days** 
   1. April 27 1:00 – 5:00,
      1. Tom Wolfe, Leadership (60 min)
      2. Read and discuss: “Authority,” Pauline Hope Cheong, in *Digital Religion*, Heidi A. Campbell, ed., posted in Canvas
   2. April 28 8:00 – 1:00
      1. Elizabeth Coody, Twitter Followup (90 min)
      2. Read and discuss: “Leadership is Convening”, in *Community: The Structure of Belonging*, Peter Block, posted in Canvas
      3. Mahan remarks, “Leadership in digital culture”
      4. Planning for group presentations (Note: read the introduction, look at the organization of the book you selected to present on.
6. May 1 – **5 Recovery Week - No assignments**
7. May 8 – 12 **Interview a Leader**
   1. Due: interview reports for instructor
   2. Discussion of interviews with class
8. May 15 – 19, **Online consultation and preparation for presentations**
9. May 22 – 26 **Group presentation and class discussions**,
   1. *Digital Cathedral: Networked Ministry in a Wireless World,* Keith Anderson
   2. *Social Media Gospel*, Meredith Gould
   3. *Net Smart*, Howard Rheingold,
10. May 29 – June 2,
    1. Closing Discussion
    2. Due: Final short paper