



Spring 2024 Sage Cohort Residency in St. Louis

If you are registered for our winter/spring cohort, then you are welcome to attend our Sage Residency, March 4-5, 2024. While not all of you will be able to do this, we encourage as many of you as possible to set aside this time so that you can be present to one another in St. Louis.

Specific details for March 4-5 are still being set, but we share the following, hoping that it allows you to prepare:

Dates: Monday, March 4 & Tuesday, March 5

With March 4 being a Monday, some may wish to travel in on Sunday to attend a Sunday service at Riverside Church (8:30, or 10:30 am). Others of you will not be able to arrive until first thing on Monday. We do understand and for that reason view the residency as properly beginning mid-morning.

Monday is a closed program, meaning it is only for cohort participants. Tuesday morning opens to include others from the local community. By mid-afternoon Tuesday, the residency concludes. While a relatively brief time together --one that respects the busy schedules of cohort participants—this brief time does allow us to slow down and enjoy conversation in each other's company.

Primary Venue—Riverside Church

Our Sage Residency will be hosted at Riverside Church, located at 9440 Big Bend Blvd, Webster Groves, MO 63119. (For those unable to attend in person, we will livestream the teaching sessions).

Local Accommodations—Suggestions

In terms of accommodations, there is a cluster of hotels approximately 10 minutes from Riverside Church. These include:

- Comfort Suites St. Louis - Sunset Hills
- Best Western St. Louis-Kirkwood Route 66
- La Quinta Inn & Suites by Wyndham St Louis Route 66
- Holiday Inn St Louis SW - Route 66, an IHG Hotel

Residency Cost

If you are registered for our winter/spring cohort, then attending the residency comes at no additional charge. That said, we do look to each participant to cover their own travel and accommodation costs, together with related incidentals. (Sage will cover lunch for cohort participants on both Monday and Tuesday).

If you are planning on joining us for this residency, **please confirm your attendance here.**

Schedule for Monday & Tuesday

In terms of content, the Cohort Residency (including the Spring Preaching & Teaching Workshop for area ministry leaders) will include two Monday sessions and a Tuesday morning program. The schedule will run as follows:

MONDAY, MARCH 4

- 10:45 am** Gather at Riverside Church (9440 Big Bend Blvd, Webster Groves, MO 63119)
- 11 am** Welcome
- 11:30 am** Brunch at Riverside Church
- 2:45 pm** Cohort Residency Session #1- The Leader Enjoying Anything True in an All-or-Nothing Culture

- 2-2:30 pm** Coffee break

- 2:30-3:45 pm** Cohort Residency Session #2- The Leader Hunting for Jesus Amid Competing Cultural Christianities
- 3:45-4:15 pm** Cultural Christianities
- 5:30 pm** Afternoon break / Return to accommodations
Supper & Casual Evening Conversation at [venue TBD]

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

- 8:45 am** Coffee and Breakfast items at Riverside Church
- 9:15 am** Preaching & Teaching Jesus in a Culture of Political Polarization
- 10:30 am** Coffee break
- 11 am** An Example (a sample sermon) from Zack
- 11:45 am** Open Q&A
- 12:15 pm** End Sage Preaching & Teaching Workshop
- 12:30 pm** Lunch in Webster Groves [venue TBD] or Depart St. Louis. *If you are not heading home straight away, join Zack, Mark, and other members of the Sage Community, for lunch and casual time of conversation.*

Additional details will be forthcoming, but I hope the above gives you enough information to plan your travels.