



### **THE LIFE & FRIENDSHIPS OF C.S. LEWIS**

With Crystal and David Downing of the Wade Center at Wheaton College, which is known internationally as the center for C.S. Lewis studies.

**Saturday, February 23, 2019 ~ 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

Luncheon \$8/per person. Please R.S.V.P. to attend by visiting our website:  
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Dr. Crystal Downing and Dr. David C. Downing are Co-Directors and Co-Holders of the Marion E. Wade Chair of Christian Thought.

Before joining the Wade Center, Dr. Crystal Downing was Distinguished Professor of English and Film Studies at Messiah College, PA. She has published on a variety of topics:

- Writing Performances: The Stages of Dorothy L. Sayers (Palgrave Macmillan 2004) received an international award from the Dorothy L. Sayers Society in Cambridge, England in 2009.
- How Postmodernism Serves (My) Faith (IVP Academic 2006)
- Changing Signs of Truth (IVP Academic 2012).
- Salvation from Cinema (Routledge 2016)
- The Wages of Cinema: Looking through the Lens of Dorothy L. Sayers.

Crystal has received a number of teaching awards and was the recipient of the Clyde S. Kilby Research Grant for 2001 from the Wade Center. She holds a PhD in English from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Dr. David Downing previously served as the R.W. Schlosser Professor of English at Elizabethtown College, PA. He has published widely on C.S. Lewis, including:

- Planets in Peril: A Critical Study of C.S. Lewis's Ransom Trilogy (UMass 1992)
- The Most Reluctant Convert: C.S. Lewis's Journey to Faith (IVP 2002), which was awarded the Clyde S. Kilby Research Grant for 2000
- Into the Region of Awe: Mysticism in C.S. Lewis (IVP 2005)
- Into the Wardrobe: C.S. Lewis and the Narnia Chronicles (Jossey-Bass 2005).

David is also the editor of C.S. Lewis's *The Pilgrim's Regress: The Wade Annotated Edition* (Eerdmans, 2014). A prolific speaker and writer, David has spoken extensively throughout the U.S. and internationally. He has received numerous teaching awards and holds a PhD in English from the University of California at Los Angeles.