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Tues 14 June, 9.30am – 12.30pm: Youth Ministry in the Australian Context  
 Mon 4 July, 9.30am – 12.30pm: Models of Youth Ministry in Community  
 Tues 5 July, 9.30am – 12.30pm: Young People and Spirituality  
 Wed 6 July, 9.30am – 12.30pm: Pastoral Care of Young People  
 Thurs 7 July, 9.30am – 12.30pm: Evangelism with Young People

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**Dr Andrew Root, 15 - 18 June 2011**



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## Andrew Root

Andrew is Associate Professor of Youth and Family Ministry at Luther Seminary, St. Paul Minnesota, USA. He has a PhD from Princeton Theological Seminary, and Masters Degrees in Divinity and Theology from Fuller Theological Seminary. With a background working with high school students through Young Life, congregational youth ministry, and urban street work, Andrew combines wide experience with young people with sharp theological thinking. He is the author of several books on youth ministry and the church, including *Relationships Unfiltered*, *The Children of Divorce*, and *The Promise of Despair*.

Andrew is a clear, articulate communicator with a passion for youth ministry that is grounded in the way of the Cross. Andrew is married with two young children. [www.andrewroot.org](http://www.andrewroot.org)



### PROGRAM

Venue: Adelaide College of Divinity, enter via Adelaide West Uniting Church, Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park. Room S1

Wed 15 June, 9.30 am – 4.00 pm

#### Rethinking Relational Youth Ministry for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

For decades the church has oriented its youth ministry around programs and 'charismatic leaders'. Yet in many places this no longer works. What might a theology that grounds our youth ministry look like for the coming decades? How does our theology of youth ministry make sense of the popular cultures in which young people live? What kind of community does effective youth ministry require the church to be? Andrew will explore these critical issues and provide foundations for authentic ministry with young people that takes seriously the world in which they live, and the presence of Christ in our ministry.

For more info call 8416 8420.

Thurs 16 June, 9.30 am – 4.00 pm

#### Finding Identity in Fluid Culture: Young People in the Digital Age

Is the church different for a generation of people raised in the digital age? If their attention is directed toward computer, TV, and mobile phone screens, are they constructing meaning in different ways than people in the past? We will explore the effects our screen-based living has on how we make meaning and the ways meaning has become harder to construct. The fluidity of our culture does not allow for our identities to be carved in stone. Instead our identities are always transitioning with new jobs, new marriages, and new ideas. The cultural necessity of identity transition can be painful and difficult; it is easy to feel lost within the transition. What then should the church do?

Fri 17 June, 9.30 am – 4.00 pm

#### Growing Up with Divorce: Real Ministry with Real Families

What is the family? What does it mean for young people? This day looks at the development of the family, how it has changed over time and what this means for the way we see marriage and children.

“Andrew Root is poised to lead the field in rethinking youth ministry.”  
Kenda Creasy Dean, Associate Professor of Youth, Church & Culture, Princeton Theological Seminary

“*Relationships Unfiltered* is the single most important youth ministry book in a generation.”  
Tony Jones, *Emergent Village*

We'll see how divorce itself is a product of how we understand marriage. Divorce at its core thrusts young people into questioning their very existence, "if I exist because of the relationship of these two people, who am I, and how can I be in the world, if they are no longer together?" We will examine this all too common cultural reality from various perspectives, seeing what difference this makes for our ministries.

Sat 18 June, 9.00 am – 12.00 noon

#### The Heart of Youth Ministry: Relationships Unfiltered

Andrew brings a challenge to the church to refocus and reconsider the basis for its ministry with young people, whether a church has a large youth ministry or just a handful of young people. This session will invite you to question your agendas in working with young people, and to develop an approach that is more authentically relational and incarnational. This session will interest any adult involved with young people – leaders, parents, grandparents, ministers, church members.

This session will be offered as part of the Presbytery and Synod meeting of the Uniting Church. Venue: Adelaide West Uniting Church.