

## NEXT ISSUE'S THEME FORMATION AND SUPERVISION AS CREATIVE IMAGINATION Volume 43, 2023

ow long, O Lord? How long? This last year, as we began to be hopeful, the Omicron variant entered our collective experience. We've learned to be more resilient, but how long? We've learned new technical skills, but how long? We've adapted caregiving, but how long? We've supported students as faith communities struggled with safety and protocols, but how long? We've creatively reconstructed classroom experiences, but how long? We've grieved the loss of collegial in-person conferences and trainings, but how long?

We believe the extreme constraints may be providing an opportunity for creative expression. Reflective Practice wants to foster this by providing the encouragement for stepping away and releasing your best creative energies to imaginatively engage the formation and supervision opportunities that lie ahead—however long it may take to get there. Vol. 43 provides the blue-sky space, the blank canvas, the dreamer's playground to imagine how the work that we do could tap into new pathways and practices, enliven with traditioned innovation, or envision whole new vistas for formation and supervision.

The invitation extends to all our creative colleagues, CPE Educators, Theological Field Educators, Practical Theologians, Spiritual Directors, Social Scientists and others to imagine formation and supervision afresh.

Essays, poems, visual art, and case studies outside of the theme are also welcome. We look forward to the spark that Volume 43 will provide to inform our work and encourage each other.

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