

## Faculty Lecture

## The Fleeing Nones

Food for Thought from the Spiritual but not Religious

Presented by Dr. Linda Mercadante Straker Professor of Historical Theology Methodist Theological School in Ohio **Dr. Linda Mercadante**, the Straker Professor of Historical Theology at Methodist Theological School in Ohio, has spent five years conducting research and interviewing those who consider themselves spiritual but not religious. In recognition of her work in this area, she was named a Henry Luce III Fellow in Theology in 2010-11.

She is the author of the *Belief Without Borders: Inside the Minds of the Spiritual but not Religious* (Oxford University Press, 2014) as well as four other books, including *Bloomfield Avenue: A Jewish-Catholic Jersey Girl's Spiritual Journey*, published in 2006.

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