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CHILD PSYCHOLOGY FOR GRANDPARENTS: UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRANDCHILD

Grandparenting in the 1990s can be especially challenging because of rampant family divorce, substance abuse, and joblessness. And it can be especially rewarding because of new opportunities for close relationships with grandchildren.

These issues will be addressed in a special University of San Diego course entitled "Child Psychology for Grandparents: Understanding Your Grandchild" on three consecutive Sunday evenings, February 28, March 7, and March 14.

Sponsored by the USD Institute for Christian Ministries, the course will take place each evening from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Lutheran Church of the Incarnation in Poway.

Instructors Patricia Lindquist, Ph.D., and Lona R. Wessel, M.F.C.C., will teach grandparenting theory as a "hands-on" process with developing grandchildren. Topics to be covered include: how to help grandchildren adjust to conflict or even divorce between their parents; techniques for talking to grandchildren about sex, alcohol, drugs, and AIDS; and techniques for talking about family stories and family religion.

The course is designed for veteran grandparents, brand new grandparents, and even future grandparents. Preregistration fee (postmarked by February 22) is \$15; late fee is \$20. For further information, please contact Sr. Irene Cullen at 260-4784.