

The Lancaster Theological Seminary

Seminary News

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Swander Lecture, March 9, 11:00 a.m., Santee Chapel - FREE

Dr. Sharon Thornton, Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology at Andover Newton Theological School, will lecture on "Dwelling in the Beach While Longing for Home." An ordained minister in the United Church of Christ since 1978, Dr. Thornton is the author of two books, *Broken and Beloved* and *We Encounter God In Scripture* as well as numerous articles and book reviews. Dr. Thornton has taught at Pacific School of Religion, Chicago Theological Seminary, Bethany Theological Seminary, and Garrett-Evangelical Seminary and has served as pastor of Christ Church of Chicago (United Church of Christ). For more information about the Swander Lecture please contact Dr. Bruce Epperly at 717-290-8759 or bepperly@lancasterseminary.edu.

Congregational Placement Fair, March 15, 8:30 a.m. - 10:20 a.m., Refectory - FREE

As a part of the MS110 course, congregations in need of a field education student will be in the refectory meeting with first year students. If you are a second year student and wanting to change your field education site for your third year, please attend as well (but be sure to obtain permission to miss your regular MS class). For more information, please contact the assistant in the field education department, Maryann Bruce, at 717-290-8752 or mbruce@lancasterseminary.edu.

Worship Workshop, March 16, 11:00 a.m., Santee Chapel - FREE

"Renewing Our Song: a Workshop on Innovative Hymn Singing" is a workshop on congregational singing and is intended for the entire community. This workshop may be used as a model for local parishes. You will discover how to sing old and new hymns with simple techniques to enliven congregational singing. Learn how the text, poetry and the sound of hymns intertwine. The singing will include chants, songs from Northern Europe and North America, and world music. Come discover how to take the doldrums out of hymn singing and find new ways to build community through congregational singing. For more information, please contact the Dean of the Chapel and Seminary Organist, Daryl Hollinger, at dhollinger@lancasterseminary.edu.

Lenten Days - Steal Away with Jesus, March 28, 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Easton, PA - FREE

Oasis Ministries for Spiritual Development (Camp Hill, PA) is sponsoring a lenten retreat day in Easton, near Allentown. Led by Rev. Dr. Kent Ira Groff, "Steal Away with Jesus" centers on solitude and detachment from the world as preparation for community and service. This day event takes place at St. Francis Retreat Center, Easton, PA. The cost is \$55.00 - \$95.00 as you are able. For more information, visit www.oasismin.org. To register please call Betsy Keller by March 17th at 717-737-8222.

Cokesbury Bookstore News

Clergy Robe Display - There will be a representative from R A Newhouse Clergy Apparel on campus March 9, all day, in the hall outside the bookstore. He will have robes and albs for sale and/or order. All robes bought or ordered will get a 10% discount. For more information, please contact bookstore manager, Janice Herman, at 717-393-1077.

Dean of Chapel News

Jordan Tupper is the new Chapel Assistant at LTS for the remainder of the term. His primary duties include operating the lights and sound system at chapel on Monday - Wednesday. Worship teams are to contact him in advance about the details of a service. Please inform him of any additional requests. If you would like the chapel service videotaped on Tuesdays, you are required to provide a video tape to Jordan ahead of time. After the Wednesday chapel service, Worship team leaders are to return the chapel to the neutral position and all props and worship aids are to be cleared from the sacristy by Wednesday afternoon. Cleaning up after a worship service is NOT Jordan's responsibility. Worship teams are encouraged to use the "List of LTS Musicians and Artists." Please consider using the wide range of talent at LTS. The Santee Chapel Choir and Handbell Choir are available on Wednesdays. Soloists, instrumentalists, dancers, visual artists etc. may be used at any chapel service. To schedule the Santee Chapel Choir please contact Anne Mason at 717-290-7992. To schedule the Handbell Choir please contact Daryl Hollinger at dhollinger@lancasterseminary.edu.

Seminarian Community Council (SCC) News

The YWCA holds its annual Racial Justice Institute this summer from June 19-21, 2006 at Thaddeus Stevens College in Lancaster. The seminary will provide scholarships for 2-3 first or second year students to attend the Institute. Any interested students should see Sarah Jones or Jim Cavanaugh to express their interest. Decisions will be made on awarding scholarships after interested students have come forward. If you are interested in more information about the Institute, please see one of the following individuals who have attended the Institute in the past: staff members, Maryann Bruce, Karna Burkeen, Susan Minasian, faculty, Larry Evans and Anne Thayer, or student, Jackie Lingelbach.

If you would like to add an item to the next Seminary News, which will be online March 20, please email your article/information to Maryann Bruce no later than March 15.