

# **The Lancaster Theological Seminary**

## **Seminary News**

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### **Representative from UCC Head Offices, October 19, Hafer Center, 10:30 a.m. - Noon - FREE**

For those interested in U.S. Government chaplaincies, a representative from the national offices of the United Church of Christ will be available to talk about opportunities in the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Veterans Affairs and Military Services. This includes Chaplain Candidate Programs (military) with tuition assistance and scholarships for seminarians. Rev. John F. Gundlach, Minister for Government Chaplaincies, Parish Life and Leadership, UCC 2635 Mount Pleasant Road, Sherrills Ford, NC 28673, gundlacj@ucc.org. Rev. Gundlach is scheduled to attend the first-year Placement Fair, designed for first-year students to meet local agencies for their Spring 2006 field ed placement. Rev. Gundlach will remain in Hafer Center after the Fair should any students be interested in discussing these opportunities with him further. Once the Fair is over and Rev. Gundlach returns to North Carolina, he may be contacted via phone through his secretary, Kathleen Sattler at 216-736-3850.

### **Ward Lecture and Workshop, October 20, 11:00, Santee Chapel (Lecture), 1:00 p.m., Hafer Center (Workshop) - FREE**

Dr. Kathleen O'Connor, Professor of Old Testament at Columbia Theological Seminary, will be speaking on "Imagining Community after Disaster in the Book of Jeremiah." The afternoon workshop is entitled, "Jeremiah's Temple Sermon as an Imaginative Pastoral Effort." For more information, please contact Bruce Epperly at 717-290-8759.

### **Woman to Woman Conference, October 23, 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Mulberry Art Studios, 21 N. Mulberry St., Lancaster - FEE**

The following information was made available by second-year student Heather Gehron-Rice: Explore Your Creative Side in a Nurturing Self, Creating Community Workshop: African & Belly Dancing, Anusara Yoga, Weightlifting, Creating a Personal Collage, Paper Dolls, Writing & Poetry, Intuition and Intentions, Meditation, Mindful Conversations,, and more. Relish a Moment of Peaceful Relaxation: Massage, Facials, Energy Work, Reflexology, Reiki, Chakra Coloring, and more. Discover a Perfect Gift at the Marketplace: Accessories for Body & Home, Herbs and Essential Oils, Cards, Jewelry, Clothing, Skin Care, and more. Tantalize Your Taste Buds: Affordable soups, sandwiches, vegetarian fare and decadent desserts from Enchanted Forest Vegetarian Cafe and George Street Café. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. A ticket enables you to attend the workshops and one personal service for free. There will also be many door prizes. The women offering workshops and personal services are volunteering their time and all proceeds are donated to Domestic Violence Services of Lancaster County. Tickets may be purchased in advance at Festoon (Hager Arcade Mall, downtown Lancaster) and at Gifts & Greetings (Route 501 at Buch Avenue, Neffsville). Tickets may also be purchased by sending a check made payable to Woman to Woman, PO Box 733, Lancaster, PA 17608; include your name and your tickets will be held at the door. For more information, visit [www.keranapartners.com/womantowoman](http://www.keranapartners.com/womantowoman) or call 717-293-1971.

### **Lecture "The Future of Race Relations in America", October 26, 7:30 p.m., Millersville University - FREE**

The following article was sent by Dr. Duckhee Shin, Assistant Faculty in English at Millersville University: Angela E. Oh will speak in an open to the public, free lecture to be held in the Lehr room of Gordinier Hall. Ms. Oh is an attorney, teacher, and public lecturer on the subject of race and human relations for two decades. Her teaching appointments have been at UCLA School of Law, UCLA Asian American Studies Department, and UC Irvine School of Social Sciences and Political Science. Emerging as a voice of reconciliation in 1992, and having served on the seven-member Advisory Board to President Clinton's Initiative on Race, Ms. Oh brings a combination of organizational, community, and political insight to the opportunities and challenges of diversity and change. Her lectures have taken her into both national and international arenas. Her visit is sponsored by the Office of the Provost, Commission on Cultural Diversity, the Office of Social Equity, the Academic Climate and Cultural Enrichment Committee, the Women's Commission, the Office of Graduate Studies, School of Education, and School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the Center for Academic Excellence. For more information, please call Dr. Duckhee Shin at 717-871-2177.

### **Spiritual Strategies for Stress Reduction Workshop, October 27, 11:00 a.m., Hafer Center - FREE**

In this workshop, we will explore the nature of stress, what causes stress in our lives, and creative spiritual responses to stress. We will explore readily available spiritual practices that enable us to experience deep relaxation, find perspective, and experience well-being in the midst of life's challenges. These practices will bring greater joy and effectiveness to our lives as seminarians as well as to our future ministries. Facilitated by Rev. Bruce Epperly, Ph.D., Director of Continuing Education and Associate Professor of Practical Theology. For more information, please contact Bruce at 717-290-8759 or [bepperly@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:bepperly@lancasterseminary.edu).

### **Service of Remembrance, October 30, 4:00 p.m., James Street Mennonite Church, 323 West James Street - FREE**

This service is to celebrate the life of a loved one who has passed on. There will be an opportunity to display a photo of your loved one during the service. Please bring a framed photo if you wish to participate. For more information (or if you will need childcare for the service) please call the church office at 717-397-6707.

**United Methodist Central PA Conference Representatives Visiting, November 1, Lower Level Lark - FREE**

Rev. Jay Morris and Rev. David Norris from the United Methodist PA Central District will be on campus Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> to talk to students. If you would like to meet with them please sign up with Rachel Gawn, Faculty Secretary. Meetings will take place in the Lower Level Lark Conference Room. For more information, please contact Rachel Gawn at 717-290-8723 or [rgawn@lanasterseminary.edu](mailto:rgawn@lanasterseminary.edu).

**Registrar News**

**Attention Seniors - Commencement/Graduate Information** - Students planning to graduate May 13, 2006 will find important information about commencement on the Seminary website: [www.lancasterseminary.edu](http://www.lancasterseminary.edu)> Students> Current Students. Scroll down the page to "Information for Graduating Students." The Graduation Checklist will have deadlines to note to be on track for graduation.

**The reservation form for caps/gowns/hoods and diplomas must be completed and returned to Judi Hummer by October 21. This form must be returned even if you are not planning to graduate, or if you will not participate in the ceremony on May 13.** Be sure to sign up for one or more of the committees listed. It is essential that students anticipating graduation meet with their faculty advisors to

review their records carefully to be certain that all requirements will have been met and the total credits will have been earned for the degree by the end of the spring 2006 term. Further information about commencement day, graduation announcements, tickets for the ceremony, etc., will be sent directly from the President's Office at a later date.

**January/Spring Course Schedule Is Now Available** - The schedule of courses for January and Spring 2006 is now on the Seminary website at [www.lancasterseminary.edu](http://www.lancasterseminary.edu)> Students> Current Students. It is also on reserve in the Library and posted on the bulletin board in the lower level of the Lark building.

**Registration Week is scheduled for November 14 through 18** - Students should meet with their advisors prior to Registration Week that time review registration and be cleared for registration. See the website for the Registration Checklist, On-line Registration Instructions, and instructions for using SONIS Webtools.

For more information, please contact Judi Hummer, Registrar and Director of Student Services, at [jhummer@lanasterseminary.edu](mailto:jhummer@lanasterseminary.edu).

**Lancaster Labyrinth - Walking Wisdom**

What is a Labyrinth? It is a beautiful, complex pattern created by a single meandering path. To use a labyrinth, this pathway is "walked" with the eye, with the finger, or with the feet. Although it resembles a maze, because it is unicursal (having just one path into the center), there are no puzzles, no obstacles, and no way to get lost. It is not a test, but a tool for relaxation and spiritual insight. In Lancaster, two different labyrinths may be found through Unitarian Universalist Church, 538 West Chestnut Street, Lancaster. A permanent 7-circuit labyrinth has been inlaid in Founders' Hall floor and is open monthly, the first Sunday of the month, Noon - 3:00 p.m. A second labyrinth is a large portable one painted on canvas available for rent for use at special occasions. For more information on either labyrinth, call the church at 717-393-1733.

**Job Opportunities**

Promised Land Protestant Community Church of Greentown, PA is seeking a part-time minister/chaplain to conduct Sunday morning services and to form a youth group with activities on Saturday afternoon or evening. They have approximately 100 associate members and conduct services from mid-May to mid-October. There is some interest among the members in becoming a full-time church. Please send resume and expected salary to Norman Blose, 2929 Corporate Ct., Orefield, PA 18069. Call 610-336-0555 with any questions.

The First Presbyterian Church of Strasburg, PA is looking for an organist. The position is part-time. The deadline for application is November 15. To request an application and for more information call the church office at 717-687-6030.

Hard copies of these and other opportunities with more details may be found in the white binders in the basement of Lark, near the Field Education Office. For more information, please contact Rachel Gawn at 717-290-8723 or [rgawn@lanasterseminary.edu](mailto:rgawn@lanasterseminary.edu).

**If you would like to add an item to the next Seminary News, which will be online October 31, please email your article/information to Maryann Bruce no later than October 26.**