

The Lancaster Theological Seminary

Seminary News

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Public Presentation by Dean Candidate, February 8, 10:00 a.m., LTS, Hafer Center - FREE

Rev. Edwin Aponte, Ph.D. is Director of Advanced Studies and Associate Professor of Christianity and Culture at Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. Dr. Aponte earned a Bachelor of Arts at Gordon College, Wendham MA; a Master of Arts in Theological Studies at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, South Hamilton, MA; a Master of Arts from Temple University in Philadelphia (Religion); and a Doctor of Philosophy in Religion from Temple University in Philadelphia, PA. Dr. Aponte co-authored "Introducing Latino/a Theologies" with Miguel A. De La Torre in 2001 (Orbis Books). For more information, please contact Peggy Stauffer at 717-290-8701 or pstauffer@lancasterseminary.edu.

Conference on Mission, February 9, LTS, Hafer Center - FREE

The theme of the conference, "Changing Christianity for a Changed World: Theological Transformation for a Faith in Movement," explores the nature of Christian mission in a pluralistic age and how Christians can reach out to non-Christians in ways that respect their unique cultural and religious experiences. The conference speakers are Carlos Cardoza-Orlandi, Associate Professor of World Christianity, Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA and Thomas Thangaraj, Associate Professor of World Christianity at Candler Theological Seminary in Atlanta, GA. The schedule for the conference, all being held in the Hafer Center, sponsored by the Gregory Lecture Fund, is as follows:

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| 11:00 a.m. | Lecture by Prof. Cardoza-Orlandi |
| 12:15 p.m. | Lunch (pre-registration for purchased lunch required) |
| 1:00 p.m. | Lecture by Prof. Thangaraj |
| 2:15 p.m. | Panel discussion, featuring lecturers and seminary faculty |

For more information or to register, please contact Mary Lin Siever at 717-290-8758 or msiever@lancasterseminary.edu.

Public Presentation by Dean Candidate, February 16, 11:00 a.m., LTS, Santee Chapel - FREE

Rev. Valarie Ziegler, Ph.D. is Professor of Religious Studies at DePauw University in Greencastle, IN. She earned a B.A. from Centre College in Danville, KY majoring in history and religion; a Master of Divinity from Yale University (cum laude); and a Ph.D. from Emory University with a degree in historical theology specializing in American religious history. In 2003, Dr. Ziegler published "The Public Romance and Private Agony of Julia Ward Howe". (Continuum/Trinity Press International). For more information, please contact Peggy Stauffer at 717-290-8701 or pstauffer@lancasterseminary.edu.

African American Heritage Celebration, February 20-23, LTS

Monday, February 20 - FREE

11:00 a.m., Morning Prayers, Santee Chapel - Led by students Roland Brown and Cyndi Simpson
5:30 p.m., Evening Prayers, Santee Chapel - Led by students Tony Fields and Elizabeth Williams

Tuesday, February 21 - FREE

11:00 a.m., Spirituals Concert, Santee Chapel - Amy Yovanovich and Raschard Allen, soloists
7:00 p.m., Gospel Music Concert, Santee Chapel - Bethlehem Baptist Church Gospel Choir of York, PA, reception in Hafer Center immediately following

Wednesday, February 22 - FREE

11:00 a.m., Service of Word and Sacrament, Santee Chapel - special guest preacher, Dr. Anne Streaty Wimberly, Professor of Christian Education at Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC), Atlanta, Georgia
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Santee Chapel - Lecture by Dr. Wimberly, Renewing Hope; Reaffirming Community: An Educational Agenda

Thursday, February 23 - FEE for Lunch/Pre-registration required

1:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Refectory - Something for the Soul: Jazz, Blues, Gospel workshop and presentation by Dr. Christopher Corley, Assistant Professor of Musicology, Millersville University
12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Refectory - Something for the Soul: Soul Food Lunch, advance reservations and payment of \$6.00 required to Rachel Gawn at 717-290-8723 or rgawn@lancasterseminary.edu.

Welcome Our Spring 2006 Pastors-in-Residence

This spring, Lancaster Seminary enjoys the unique privilege of hosting not one, but two, "international" pastors-in-residence. Both arrived the week of January 30, and will be living among us on campus through the Spring 2006 semester.

The Reverend Margot Runge, a native of Germany, was ordained in 1990 in Weissenfels (Evangelische Kirche der Kirchenprovinz Sachsen, Union of Evangelical Churches) where she served until 1998. Since 1999, she has been serving parishes in Sangerhausen, where she is currently engaged in study of feminist theology and speaks on women of the bible. She received a preaching award in 2004 based on Mark 2:1-12. She has expressed an interest in and curiosity about feminist theology in America. Margot can be contacted at mrunge@lancasterseminary.edu.

The Reverend Hugh Graham is from London, England, and was ordained in 1994 by the United Reformed Church in the United Kingdom, a sister church of the UCC. He is a member of the Order of Corpus Christi, and has an interest in Mercersburg Theology. He serves as minister of Stepney and St. Paul's, both "inner-city congregations in a predominantly Muslim area..." He has been engaged in helping to shape the worship and worship space to meet the needs of the churches to be more welcoming. Hugh can be contacted at hgraham@lancasterseminary.edu.

We have invited both Rev. Runge and Rev. Graham to participate fully in all aspects of the Seminary's community life. They will most likely attend some classes and worship services. We hope you will meet and get to know more about them as you welcome them to Lancaster Seminary.

Admissions News

Welcome back students! The deadline to apply for 2006-07 LTS Scholarships is April 15. Instructions for applying were distributed to all returning student mailboxes in mid-January. Eligibility requirements have changed this year; please see the instruction flyer for details. An optional worksheet to help you prepare for completing the FAFSA online is available on the table across from the mailboxes. For more information, please contact Kristin Oberholtzer at 717-290-8741, koberholtzer@lancasterseminary.edu or Susan Minasian at 717-290-8737 or sminasian@lancasterseminary.edu.

Cokesbury News

Welcome back students! Cokesbury hours during the Spring term will be: Monday, Noon - 5:00 p.m., Tuesday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Friday - Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Reminder - Students, clergy, and LTS personnel get a 20% on most books and there are other special sales from time to time. Right now the two-volume Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation, originally \$99, is \$24.95. Best wishes for a good semester! For more information on Cokesbury, please contact Cokesbury Manager, Janice Herman, at 717-393-1077.

Dean of Chapel News

Join the Seminary Handbell Choir - The Handbell Choir at LTS got off to a wonderful start last semester. Please consider joining us for the spring semester. We still have several openings available. Playing handbells is fairly easy to learn and is a lot of fun. We meet in L102 on Mondays from 12:00 noon - 12:45. Our 1st rehearsal is February 13th. If you are interested in joining us please contact the Dean of the Chapel, Daryl Hollinger, at 717-626-4709 or email at dhollinger@lancasterseminary.edu.

Library News

Students and staff now have access to NetLibrary eBooks - Hundreds of titles are immediately available to students and employees. NetLibrary, a division of OCLC Online Computer Library Center, is a leading provider of eBooks - and a growing collection of eContent - to libraries worldwide. Library patrons may access NetLibrary eBooks via the library Web site <http://library.lts.org>. eBooks are full-text electronic versions of published books that library patrons can search, borrow, read and return over the Internet. Search technology allows users to quickly search the entire eBook collection for authors, titles or keywords. NetLibrary eBook collections range in scope from best-selling fiction and foreign language titles to core academic areas of science, social sciences and the humanities to collections of specialized study in areas such as business, education, library science, medicine, religion and philosophy, computer science and engineering. As an added feature, the Houghton Mifflin 4th Edition of The American Heritage® Dictionary of the English Language is embedded into all NetLibrary eBooks. Faculty, staff, students and other users can obtain dictionary definitions simply by clicking on a word in the eBook, or by entering a word in the dictionary search window. For more information about NetLibrary eBooks, visit <http://www.netlibrary.com>, the library's website at <http://library.lts.org>. *New Word Processors* - Three new word processing computers have been installed replacing older Windows 98 units. Software and saving options are displayed beside each of these. Purchasing a small flash memory drive for use on these machines might be a useful idea if you plan to use them frequently. *New Testament Abstracts 2* - New Testament Abstracts 2 has been installed on one of the internet-use computers facing the James Street windows. Look for the sign on top of the monitor. *Computers for sale* - If you are interested in the purchase of an ex-LTS computer, speak with Chris. There are a few Windows 98 second edition machines with operating system and programs reinstalled. These are decent computers selling at between \$35 and \$50 including monitors. For more information on any of the above in Library News, please contact Chris Beldan, Associate Librarian, at 717-290-8755, or cbeldan@lancasterseminary.edu. The Library needs student help to cover the circulation desk during evenings and Saturdays. Please contact Dawn Proctor at 717-290-8742 or dproctor@lancasterseminary.edu for further information and application forms.

Job Opportunities Off-Campus

The Grosse Pointe Congregational Church of Michigan is seeking an Associate Minister. For information see their website at www.gpcong.org. Contact: Roger Williams, Chair, Search Committee, yalie1953@AOL.com

The Urban Church Ministry Internship Program (UCC) of Cleveland, Ohio has opportunities for three seminarians or recent graduates interested in a year-long, full-time internship in three urban churches, Archwood, Pilgrim Congregational and St. Paul's. The start date is June 1, 2006. For more information please contact Joan Meggitt at 216-870-9651 or info@urbanchurchministry.org.

The Addictions Treatment Center of the VA Puget Sound Health Care System has openings for one-year advanced training in substance abuse treatment for the 2006-2007 year. The position available for chaplains requires a Masters of Divinity and a complete year-long residency in Clinical Pastoral Education. All materials must be postmarked by March 31, 2006. For application materials contact: Interdisciplinary Fellowship Program c/o Maxine Pollock, 116-ATC, VA Puget Sound HCS, 1660 S. Columbian Way, Seattle, WA 98108 or at Maxine.Pollock@med.va.gov.

The Central Schwenkfelder Church of Worcester, PA has an immediate opening for an Associate Minister of Youth and Education. If interested please forward your resume, statement of faith, a sample preaching tape, if available, and any other pertinent information to: Pastoral Search Committee, Central Schwenkfelder Church, Valley Forge Rd., PO Box 67, Worcester, PA 19490.

The Udhailiyah Protestant Fellowship in Udhailiyah, Saudi Arabia is searching for a summer youth worker (approximately June 1, 2006 – July 14, 2006.) If interested please e-mail Dr. Stephen Edgington at steve_edgington@yahoo.com.

The Prairie Lakes Association of the South Dakota Conference of the UCC has opportunities for interns. 6-12 weeks over the summer, experiencing ministry in a rural setting. Applications should be sent to Rev. Brian Glover, 505 California SW, Huron, SD 573-5251, huronucc@santel.net by May 15th.

Calvary Baptist Church in Towson, MD is seeking a ministerial intern to help involve 21-35 year-olds in the life of the church. Visit the website, calvarybaptist-towson.org, and then call 410-825-3360, or send a letter of interest and short resume to: Calvary Baptist Church, 120 W. Pennsylvania Ave., Towson, MD 21204.

The Church by the Sea of Bal Harbour, FL needs an ordained person to fill the position of associate minister. Please send a resume to: Search Committee, The Church by the Sea, 501 Ninety-Sixth Street, Bal Harbour, FL 33154.

The Board of Christian Education at the Community Church of Mountain Lakes in Mountain Lakes NJ has an opening for a part-time director of children's ministries. Please contact them at 973-334-3848.

The First Congregational Church in Owosso, MI is seeking a full-time minister. 2006 graduates are invited to apply. Please send a resume to Pastoral Search Committee, c/o Hila Beaufore, Chairman, 708 Huntington Dr., Owosso, MI 48867, eaufore@peoplepc.com

Mount Hope UCC in Salisbury, NC is searching for a full time minister. 2006 graduates are invited to apply. Please contact William M. Basing 310 Cruse Circle, Salisbury, NC 28146, wmbasinger@msn.com.

The Berkey Church, UCC in Berkey, Ohio is seeking a pastor for their small congregation. Contact: Peter E. Durbin, 5837 Washburn Rd., Berkey, OH 43504, 412-829-4113, pdurbin1941@earthlink.net.

St John's United Church of Christ of Chambersburg, PA is searching for a part-time youth director. Contact Mrs. Lisa Frantz, St. John's UCC, 1811 Lincoln Highway East, Chambersburg, PA 17201-3390, 717-263-8593, office@stjohnschambersburg.org.

Hard copies of these (and other opportunities with more details) may be found in the white binders in the basement of Lark, between the offices of Greg Carey and Larry Evans.

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