The Seminary News

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CELEBRATE AFRICAN AMERICAN EMPHASIS WEEK 2/21 - 2/25

Highlights of African American Emphasis Week at Lancaster Seminary, February 21 through 25, include a visit from The Rev. Henry T. Simmons, pastor of St. Albans Congregational Church, Queens, NY, who will preach during a Service of Word and Sacrament at 11:10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 23, in Santee Chapel; and two appearances by the Rev. Dr. Delores Carpenter, pastor of Michigan Park Christian Church, Washington, DC. Dr. Carpenter will preach at a Community Worship Service at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Lancaster, on Wednesday evening, February 23, 7:00 p.m., and she will lead a Community Hour on Thursday, February 24, in the Seminary's Hafer Center. Following the lecture, Dr. Carpenter, who is associate professor of Religious Education at Howard University School of Divinity, will be available for conversation during lunch in the Refectory. A bus will be waiting in the Seminary's main parking lot off College Avenue at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evening to take participants to the Community Service.

On Monday, February 21, Kecia McMillian, from the Admissions Office, who is also an MAR student, will be chapel organizer and preacher. On Tuesday, February 22, MDiv student William Kyle is chapel organizer, while the Rev. Marcus Wood, pastor of Providence Baptist Church, Baltimore, will preach.

Organizer on Friday is Karna Burkeen, associate in the Office of Development and Seminary Relations. Gerald Simmons, an MDiv student, will preach.

SYMPOSIUM ON NONVIOLENCE SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 17

An important symposium titled, "Nonviolent Alternatives for Community Life," will be sponsored by Lancaster Seminary in Santee Chapel, Thursday, February 17, at 7:30 p.m. There is no cost for the event. Speaker is Dr. Donald B. Kraybill, professor of sociology at Elizabethtown College. A leading social analyst and author, he will apply his research involving Mennonite peacemaking to today's societal problems.

Moderator for the event is Ronald E. Ford, former president of Lancaster City Council, while responders are Rev. Louis A. Butcher, Jr., executive director, Lancaster County Human Relations Commission; Carlos Graupera, executive director, Spanish American Civic Association for Equality, Inc.; Richard Simms, Crime Prevention/Community Relations Assistant for the Lancaster Bureau of Police; and Amina Smith, project director for Lancaster Peace Education Project.

The symposium is one of a series of programs during the Campus 100 centennial celebration of Lancaster Seminary at its present site.

YOU ARE INVITED TO INTERFAITH SHABBAT

A number of Lancaster City congregations are invited each year to join Congregation Shaarai Shomayim for a Friday night Sabbath service, during which worship will be both experienced and explained. Following the service, guests are invited to a welcoming reception called an Oneg Shabbat. At this time, everyone will socialize and discuss the service. Guests are invited to submit in advance questions for Rabbi Jack Paskoff to answer during the service. This year the Interfaith Shabbat has been scheduled for Friday, March 18 at 8:00 p.m. Please let Judi Hummer in the Dean's Office know by March 1 if you would like to attend. Questions for Rabbi Paskoff should be submitted by March 1 by calling or writing Congregation Shaarai Shomayim, 508 North Duke Street, Lancaster, PA 17602, 717-397-5575.

DURING AFRICAN AMERICAN EMPHASIS WEEK, COKESBURY BOOKSTORE WILL DISPLAY A SPECIAL COLLECTION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LITURGICAL WORSHIP AIDS AND BOOKS. ANN KEMPER, ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN, WHO IS A FORMER UNITED METHODIST MISSIONARY TO NIGERIA, WILL ARRANGE A SPECIAL DISPLAY IN SCHAFF LIBRARY.

SEMINARIANS VISIT SEMINARY

On March 2-3, Lancaster Seminary will host 32 seminarians of various Christian and Jewish traditions (Roman Catholic; Orthodox Christian; Jewish, including Conservative, Reformed, Reconstructionist; African-American Protestant; Evangelical Protestant; Ecumenical Protestant).

All members of the Seminary community are invited to participate in the potluck dinner and worship on Wednesday evening, and in the community presentation and community hour on Thursday. We are also seeking overnight accommodations for the visitors for Wednesday night. If you are able to be a host and have not received a notice in your mailbox, please see Professor Huwiler.

A signup sheet for the potluck dinner is posted in Lower Level Lark. Please sign up if you are able to come!

NOTE SEMINARY NEWS ERROR

Local soprano Anne Webber will perform in a free recital hosted by Lancaster Seminary and the Pennsylvania Academy of Music at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 27, in Santee Chapel. Her accompanist will be Scott G. Drackley, choirmaster at St. John's Episcopal Church and assistant artistic director of the Lancaster Opera Company. Last week's Seminary News erroneously listed the date as February 22.

DISCOVER WEEKEND COMING UP!

Please make a special effort to come to chapel service on Friday, February 18, to greet approximately 17 individuals who are attending a Discover Weekend for prospective students. The service begins at 11:10 a.m., and Acting Dean Anabel Proffitt will be chapel leader. Discover Weekend will extend from Friday into Saturday, February 19.

CORNEL WEST AT F&M

Dr. Cornel West will lecture on "Race Matters" at Hensel Hall on the Franklin & Marshall College campus, Thursday, March 3, at 8:00 p.m. The College has issued a special invitation for our community to hear and see this cutting-edge philosopher, who is a professor of Religion at Princeton University.

Centennial Celebrations

In this centennial celebration of our campus, a committee has planned a series of special lectures and events. Within the next month, three will occur, and I want to call your attention to them.

The first is the lecture this Thursday by Dr. Donald Kraybill of Elizabethtown College. Professor Kraybill has spent his entire life working with Anabaptists in the Mennonite, Amish and Brethren traditions. He has published numerous books and articles. In the last two years he has published four books, including a general audience work on Old Order Amish as well as a work describing the current state of Anabaptist peacemaking. The topic for his presentation on Thursday is Alternatives to Non-violence. As a seminary with a long history of commitment to issues of justice, we are pleased to offer this lecture. It will be at 7:30 p.m. in Santee Chapel.

The second event will be a concert on Sunday, February 27 at 4:00 p.m. in Santee Chapel. Ms. Anne Webber, soloist, will present a concert. It is a great thing to rejoice with music in our chapel. I hope you will take advantage of this moment of grace and allow yourself to receive this gift.

The third event is a lecture on the role of women in our society. The speaker is Dr. Carol J. Auster, Associate Professor of Sociology at Franklin and Marshall College. The title of her talk is "Would You Hire This Woman?: Shattering The Glass Ceiling." Like the other two events, this lecture lifts up an issue that is very important in the life of this school. With 50% of our students being women, we wanted to focus attention on some aspect of women's issues. Professor Auster comes to us as one working on issues of employment and gender. I hope you will be able to join us for this one, on March 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Peter Schmiechen



PHONATHON NEEDS YOU!

If you have ever said, "Well, what can I do, I'm a poor Seminary student?" Here's what you can do. We need your time and talent to help with the annual Seminary Phonathon. The dates are Monday, March 7; Tuesday, March 8; Thursday, March 10; and Friday, March 11, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Phonathon supports the Seminary in securing gifts for the Friends Fund for scholarships, the Library, physical plant and other needs. If you'd like to help the Seminary and enjoy fun, food and fellowship, see Jennifer Knighton in the Office of Development and Seminary Relations, 2nd floor Schaff Library.

SEMINARY TO HOST GERIATRIC MINISTRY CONFERENCE

A geriatric ministry conference sponsored by Lancaster Seminary will be held Monday, October 17, and Tuesday, October 18, 1994, at the Comfort Inn, near Route 30. Mark your calendars for this major event. Keynote speaker, October 17, will be Robert Coles, M.D., of Harvard Medical School, while Linda Rhodes, secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Aging, will speak on October 18.

COME! LET US WORSHIP!

Services of worship are planned for each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. They take place in Santee Chapel, on the main floor of the Lark Academic Building. Usually about 20 minutes long, services begin at 11:10 a.m. The Wednesday service of word and sacrament is about 50 minutes long and usually includes communion. All students, staff, faculty and guests are welcome.

A chapel support committee, composed of about a dozen seminarians and the Rev. Allen Kroehler, dean of the Chapel, plans and leads the services and/or invites other persons to lead. Please contact Chaplain Kroehler or a member of the committee if you would like to become involved in chapel leadership or support.

CHAPEL PREACHERS

Ash Wed., 2/16 - Rev. Joanna White Fri., 2/18 - Acting Dean Anabel Proffitt Mon., 2/21 - Kecia McMillian Tues., 2/22 - Rev. Marcus Wood

EDUCATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE MEETS

The Educational Life Committee met on Monday, February 7, in the Glatfelter Seminar Room. Present were Professor Barrett, Phyllis Baum, Professor Berg, Mary Lou Eckels, Judi Hummer, Professor Huwiler, Kecia McMillian, David Mears and Acting Dean Proffitt.

It was moved, seconded and passed that the committee recommend to the faculty that the proposed class schedule for 1994-95 be passed. The academic calendar and the tentative continuing education and lecture schedule were distributed. Anabel Proffitt noted that the 1995 January term will include only three weeks of classes. The anticipated process for the reaccreditation visit February 20-23 was outlined, and an update on the new design of the DMin program was given. New DMin students are currently enrolled in classes for spring semester. The committee reviewed enrollment figures for spring courses. Professor Berg circulated a report on the current status of academic awards. This report will be shared with the faculty. For a complete report on the Educational Life Committee meeting, see the Academic Affairs bulletin board in Lower Level Lark.

WOMEN IN WORKPLACE SUBJECT OF SYMPOSIUM

"Would You Hire This Woman?: Shattering the Glass Ceiling," a symposium exploring the difficulty women face in the job market, will be presented by Lancaster Theological Seminary on Thursday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. The program, which will be held in Santee Chapel, is free of charge.

Speaker will be Dr. Carol J. Auster, associate professor of Sociology, Franklin & Marshall College. Dr. Auster teaches a number of courses, including Sex and Gender Roles and the Sociology of Work and Occupations. She has recently received a grant from the Sloan Foundation to pursue a longitudinal study of women and men in engineering.

Responders will be Dr. Earl Hess, founder and president of Lancaster Laboratories; the Rev. Karen King, one of three Area Conference Ministers of the Penn Central Conference of the United Church of Christ; and Madelyn P. Nix, an attorney in the Lancaster law firm of Hartman Underhill & Brubaker.

The event is part of the Campus 100 celebration of Lancaster Seminary's centennial year at its present site.

WOMEN'S EMPHASIS WEEK

March 7-11. Anyone interested in organizing the program should put a note in Liz Bell's mailbox.

Pass/Fail deadline is the last day of the third week of classes - February 25, 1994 for Spring 1994 Term.

LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The annual Schaff Library Book Sale will be held Tuesday, March 15 through Friday, March 25, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Hardbacks will sell for \$1.00, and paperbacks are 50 cents each.

STEWARDSHIP WORKSHOP IN MARCH

"Pastor as Encourager of Generous Giving," the 1994 Harwick Lecture on biblical stewardship, will be given at Lancaster Theological Seminary on Friday, March 18. The workshop, scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. is free to students, faculty and staff.

Workshop leader is the Reverend Brenton Dodge, of St. Louis, Missouri, an ordained pastor of the American Baptist Church. Dodge, who has served as national church staff person in the area of stewardship, regularly leads groups of pastors in developing their skills as fundraisers.

Such topics as ascertaining a congregation's financial potential; setting financial goals; guiding parishioners in financial decision-making; speaking about money in church; and options for stewardship, including endowments, memorials and capital campaigns, will be covered during the program.

To register for the workshop or for more information, contact Barbara Stephens, Office of Continuing Education, Lower Level Lark.

TAKE NOTE
Last day to drop with
full refund is 2/18



PENN CENTRAL CONFERENCE BUS TO FAITH WORKS !!!

INFORMATION TO DATE:

We have secured a 47 passenger bus from Johnson Bus Lines, Elizabethtown. We will leave from the United Church Center, Harrisburg, approximately 7:00 AM on Friday, July 1. Lodging has been secured for the evening of July 1 at Howard Johnson's, Richmond, Indiana. We will arrive at Purdue University, site of Faith Works by early afternoon on July 2. We will leave Purdue and return home on Thursday, July 7.

COST FOR BUS AND OVERNIGHT LODGING:

Cost is a per person rate based on double, triple, or quadruple room occupancy. Please note that there are TWO beds in each room. If you want us to assign a roommate, we will honor your request where possible.

You will be responsible for meals en route.

- \$ 101 per person double occupancy
- \$ 94 per person triple occupancy
- \$ 91 per person quadruple occupancy

HOW TO SECURE A SEAT ON THE BUS:

Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first serve basis. A \$25.00 deposit must accopmany your reservation in order to secure your seat. The balance is due by June 6.

- 1) Complete the form at the bottom of the page.
 PLEASE SEND ONE FORM FOR EACH PERSON.
- 2) Mail to Vernon Baum, 28 N. Harlan Street, York, PA 17402
- 3) Make check payable to <u>PENN CENTRAL CONFERENCE</u>.

 (Check may be sent for full amount if you wish.)

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Meet the Visitors

Dr. Gordon E. MacDermid (Chair), Atlantic School of Theology
Dr. Donald Beisswenger, Vanderbilt Divinity School
Ms. Mary Martin, School of Divinity, University of St. Thomas
Rabbi Michael B. Greenbaum (Co-chair), Jewish Theological Seminary
Sister M. Anne John O'Loughlin, Caldwell College
Ms. Dee Koller, Pennsylvania Department of Education

Monday, February 21, 1994

4:00 P.M. Mayer Commons

an opportunity for MDiv and MAR candidates to meet with members of the visiting team from the Association of Theological Schools and the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges of the Commission for Higher Education

Reminder: Copies of the final draft of our self-study report are available for inspection in the dean's office, the development office, and on reserve in the library. Or speak with any SCC officer, members of the self-study committees, or the institutional planning committee.

Be Open. Be Honest. Be There!



COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE

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"Gifts for the Faithful Journey: Focus for the Future"

Wednesday, February 23, 1994, 7:00 p.m.

Bethel A.M.E. Church 450 E. Strawberry Street, Lancaster Rev. Ed Bailey, Pastor

Local choirs will provide music.

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Delores Carpenter, Pastor Michigan Park Christian Church, Washington, DC; Associate Professor of Religious Education, Howard University School of Divinity

For information call Bethel A.M.E. Church, 393-8379 or Lancaster Theological Seminary, 393-0654