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FORES News

Friends of Reformed Episcopal Seminary

Picnic Time

Although last year's pandemic kept us from our opening picnic, plans are underway for this year's event. Save the date for August 28, 2021. The FORES provide burgers and hotdogs, and all the fixings. Guests are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Opening Picnic

Saturday, August 28, 2021
11 am – 3 pm



Summertime Activity at RES

Even though it's summer, and you may be thinking of vacation in the mountains or on the beach, the faculty and staff at RES continue their work. There are several courses being offered this summer. Projects continue to improve the grounds and to prepare for the opening of the new school year, with both in-person and distance courses offered this coming year.

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131st Commencement May 22, 2021

This year's ceremony, held both in person and online, honored members of both the class of 2020 and the class of 2021

The Class of 2021

Master of Divinity

Ryan Louis Underwood

Honors Program

John Mazzamuto

Certificate in Anglican Theology & History

Donald R. Wilson III



The Class of 2020

Master of Divinity

Robin Bearden-Reed

John Mazzamuto

Certificate in Anglican Theology & History

Olugbemiga Ogunyimika

Michael A. Turilli

Certificate in Old & New Testament Theology

Prudence Shapcott

Certificate in Pastoral Theology

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Doctor of Divinity

The Rt. Rev. Keith Ackerman



Meet our Faculty: Heather Rice



Heather joined our faculty shortly before the pandemic broke out as an adjunct faculty member. She joined at the invitation of Dr. Riches one evening after a board meeting of the Whosoever Gospel Mission.

Heather is the instructor for the Urban Ministry and Mission class during the Advent Quarter. She also serves as Associate Executive Director of the Whosoever Gospel Mission - a 128-year-old rescue mission in the Germantown section of Philadelphia with a Christ-centered, long term, residential job-readiness and addiction recovery program for homeless men. We have the joy of introducing men to the mercy and grace of Christ as we preach the Gospel every day and work with them to overcome addictions, find meaningful employment, restore family relationships, and move out into their own place as they work to rebuild their lives. She also enjoys a growing teaching and music ministry in local churches as the Lord has opened up more and more opportunities to

share in that context. A skilled musician, she loves playing the piano (or organ) to lead God's people in corporate worship, and loves teaching from the Word of God.

The Lord has blessed Heather abundantly with a wonderful family. She shares:

My entire crazy family, including my mom, my grandma and my great aunt - her twin sister, my sister, my two brothers and two sisters-in-law along with my 10 nieces and nephews all live within 10 minutes of me. How many people do you know who can say that?! It's an amazing gift. I also have the joy of being mentored by my dear friend and long-time boss, Dr. Bob Emberger who also serves on the RES board of directors. And then there's Pickles, the once-stray cat who now rules my house :)

We are blessed to have Heather Rice in the RES family!



Coming Events

Opening Picnic – August 28, 2021

Join the RES Family & Friends as we kick off a new academic year with a picnic on the Seminary grounds. Burgers and hot dogs are provided – guests are encouraged to bring drinks, side dishes, or desserts to share.



Opening Convocation – August 24, 2021

The Academic year begins with the Opening Convocation, a solemn service of worship in our chapel that sets a tone for the coming quarter. Worship begins at 10 AM. Check the RES website and Facebook for details.



Community Convocations

Each month, our Seminary hosts guest speakers from other parts of Christ's church who bring their unique perspectives to share during a lecture and a meal. Past speakers have included seminary faculty, bishops, missionaries, and others.



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The Friends of the Seminary will resume regular meetings in the fall. The business meetings will be held online, and the crafting of the Prayer & Care bags will be held in person near the end of each quarter.

Honors & Awards - 2021

Congratulations to our students for their achievements and contributions to the life of the Seminary community during this difficult year!

PRIZES & AWARDS:

The following awards are given for academic achievement and contribution to the life of Seminary Community:

The Fred C. Kuehner Memorial Prize in Greek

This prize is awarded to the student for the highest average in Greek Exegesis. This award honors the memory of this outstanding and beloved Professor of Biblical Languages.

CODY MORAN

The George Handy Wailes Memorial Prize in Hebrew

This prize is awarded in memory of Dr. George Handy Wailes, who served as Dean of the Seminary and Professor of Biblical Languages for many years. This award is given for the highest average in Hebrew.

PRUDENCE SHAPCOTT

The Barbara Craig Memorial Prize in Bible Memorization

This prize is given in memory of long-time friend of the Seminary, Barbara Buffler Craig. The prize commemorates Barbara's love of the Word of God and her desire not only to know it but to make it known. It is awarded to the student with the highest score in Bible memory.

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The Theophilus John Herter Memorial Prize in New Testament

This prize is given to a student with the highest average in the New Testament courses. Bishop Herter taught New Testament from 1948 until 1984.

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The Howard David Higgins Memorial Prize in Liturgics

This prize is awarded in memory of Bishop Howard David Higgins, a long-time teacher of Liturgics and Church History and one who had a great love and devotion to the Reformed Episcopal Book of Common Prayer. This prize is awarded to the student attaining the highest achievement in Liturgics.

MATTHEW HYND

The Anglican Spirituality Prize

This prize is awarded to the student with the highest grade in Anglican Spirituality.

CODY MORAN

The Leonard W. Riches, Sr., Prize in the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion.

This award honors Bishop Leonard Riches who served the Seminary for over 50 years and founded the course in the 39 Articles. This prize is awarded to the student with the highest grade in the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion course.

RYAN UNDERWOOD

The Eliza and Louisa Dean Memorial Prize in Theology

This prize is awarded to the student who has the highest grade average in theology courses. The Dean sisters, early members of First Reformed Episcopal Church in New York City, established this prize.

TOM DAVISON

The Alumni Award

This award is given for performance outside the classroom and for overall contribution to the Seminary community.

MICHAEL DOMBROWSKI