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Education

Emmanuel College, University of Toronto (Toronto, Canada)
Th.D., Homiletics, 2007
(Dissertation: "The Holy Spirit and African American Preaching"; Advisor: Paul Scott Wilson)

Princeton Theological Seminary (PTS) (Princeton, NJ)
M.Div., 1999

Stanford University (Palo Alto, CA)
A.B., Music (Concentration in Vocal Performance), 1996

University of Oxford (Oxford, England)
Semester Abroad, Fall 1995

Academic Appointments

The Divinity School, Duke University (Durham, NC):
Professor of Homiletics (tenured), July 2023 - Present
Associate Professor of Homiletics (tenured), July 2015-June 2023
Associate Professor of the Practice of Homiletics, September 2012 – June 2015

Trinity College of Arts & Sciences, Duke University (Durham, NC):
Department of African and African American Studies (secondary appointment)
Professor of African and African American Studies, July 2025 - Present
Associate Professor of African and African American Studies, July 2022 – June 2025

Princeton Theological Seminary (Princeton, NJ):
Perry and Georgia Engle Assistant Professor of Homiletics, July 2007- August 2012

Princeton Theological Seminary (Princeton, NJ):
Doctoral Fellow in Speech Communication in Ministry, 2006-2007

Emmanuel College, University of Toronto (Canada):
Adjunct Professor, *Homiletics*, 2005

Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary (Wynnewood, PA):
Adjunct Professor, *Politics of Worship*, 2005

Emmanuel College, University of Toronto (Canada):
Teaching Assistant, *Homiletics*, 2003-2005

Youth Theological Initiative, Candler School of Theology, Emory Univ. (Atlanta, GA):
Instructor (Exploratory Leader), *More than a Song: Worship as Resistance*, 2004

Lee University (Cleveland, TN):
Adjunct Professor, *Reading the Bible from the Margins*, 2004

Princeton Theological Seminary (Princeton, NJ):
Teaching Assistant, *Vocation and Ministry*, 1998
Teaching Assistant, *Speech Communication in Ministry*, 1997-1998

Stanford University (Palo Alto, CA):
Teaching/Program Assistant, Stanford Summer Science and Math Institute, 1995

Courses Taught

African American Preaching and the Old Testament (independent study)
Introduction to Christian Preaching
Balm in Gilead: The Spirituals as a Homiletical Resource
Deep River: Howard Thurman, Spirituality, and the Prophetic Life
Black Homiletics and Pneumatology (independent study)
African American Preaching Traditions (independent study)
Preaching, Passion, and the Spirit
Speech Communication in Ministry
Worship as Resistance
Word and Act: Sacraments, Funerals, Weddings
Word and Act: Service of the Lord's Day
How Shall They Preach? (independent study)
Worship, Witness, and Womanism (independent study)
Theology as Performance (independent study)

Ecclesial Administrative Appointments

Duke University Chapel (Durham, NC):
Dean of Duke Chapel, September 2012 - Present

Memorial West United Presbyterian Church (Newark, NJ):
Pulpit Supply, August 2007-May 2012

Bayview Glen Church (Toronto, Ontario, Canada):
Contemporary Worship Leader, 2004-2006

International Protestant Church of Zurich (Switzerland):
Associate Pastor, 2001-2003

Union Baptist Church (Trenton, NJ):
Ordination with Progressive National Baptist Convention, 2000
Church Music Consultant, 1999

Westminster Choir College of Rider University (Princeton, NJ):
Campus Minister, 1998-1999
Protestant Chaplain Intern, 1997-1998

International Protestant Church of Zurich (Switzerland):
Pastoral Assistant Intern, 1998

Antioch Baptist Church (San Jose, CA):
Director, Community Summer Youth Program, 1996

Greater Miami Church of God (Miami, FL):
Music Director, 1991

Awards/Fellowships/Honors/Grants

Raymond Gavins Distinguished Faculty Award, Samuel DuBois Cook Society, 2024
Salute to Champions Award, The Sports Shop Radio Show with Reese and K-Mac, 2024
Chron15 Member, *The Duke Chronicle*, Duke University, 2023
Religious Communication Association Book of the Year Award, 2023
The Academy of Parish Clergy Book of the Year Award, 2023
Visiting Associate Professor, African, African American, and Diaspora Studies Department, College of Arts and Sciences, UNC-Chapel Hill, Spring 2020
The Academy of Parish Clergy Reference Book of the Year Award, 2019
Wabash Center Colloquy on Race Critical Consciousness for Transformative Theological Education, 2019-2020
Speakman Chair of Preaching Award, Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center, 2017
Martin Luther King Jr. Collegium of Scholars Inductee, Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA, 2014
Black History Month Honoree, Antioch Baptist Church, Durham, NC, 2014
Visiting Fellow, Yale Divinity School, 2010-2011
Wabash Center Colloquy on Writing the Scholarship of Teaching in Theology and Religion, 2010-2011
Wabash Center Summer Research Fellowship, 2010
Wabash Workshop for Pre-Tenure Theology and Religion Faculty of African Descent, July 2009-June 2010
"20 to Watch," *The African American Pulpit*, 2008
Doctoral Fellow, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2006-2007
Dissertation Fellow, Fund for Theological Education Inc., 2006-2007
Russell Graduate Fellowship, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto, 2006-2007
Garland Brooks Preaching Award, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto, 2004-2006
Doctoral Fellow, Fund for Theological Education Inc., 2003-2006
Bloor Lands Entrance Scholarship, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto, 2003-2005
Isabel Warne Scholarship, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto, 2003-2004
Overseas Graduate Study Fellowship, Princeton Theological Seminary, 1999-2000
Edler Garnet Hawkins Memorial Award for Scholastic Excellence, PTS, 1999
David Allan Weadon Prize in Sacred Music, PTS, 1999

Edward Howell Roberts Preaching Scholarship, PTS, 1998
Fellowship, Princeton Theological Seminary, 1997-1999
Rita Taylor Undergraduate Prize for Vocal Performance, Stanford University, 1996
Exploration of Ministry Fellowship, Stanford University, 1995
Black Community Honor Roll, Stanford University, 1992-1996

Research/Teaching Interests

Holy Spirit and Preaching; Preaching, Death, and Christian Hope; Homiletical Theory and Method; African American Preaching and Worship; The Spirituals, Music, and Preaching; Howard Thurman and the Spiritual Life

Collaborative Research Projects

Black Pastoral Leadership Collaboration Research Project, Duke Divinity School, 2021-2023

Co-faculty team leader, *#MyVoiceMyBody: Minoritized Bodies in the Pulpit at Duke Chapel*, Duke Bass Connections, 2019-2020.

Faculty sponsor, *Preaching and Protest: Sermons from Duke Chapel during the Civil Rights Era*, Story+ project, John Hope Franklin Humanities Institute, Summer 2018.

Co-convener, *Religion and Spirituality in the 21st Century Research University*, Carolina Seminars Program, UNC-Chapel Hill, 2016-2017.

Publications

Books

Living the Questions of the Bible. Worship and Witness Series. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2023.

Getting to God: Preaching Good News in a Troubled World (with John Rottman and Joni Sancken). Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2023.

Becoming Human: The Holy Spirit and the Rhetoric of Race. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2022.

***Religious Communication Association Book of the Year Award, 2023.
***The Academy of Parish Clergy Book of the Year Award, 2023.

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Were You There? Lenten Reflections on the Spirituals. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2019.

Rise Up, Shepherd! Advent Reflections on the Spirituals. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2017.

Ways of the Word: Learning to Preach for Your Time and Place (with Sally A. Brown).

Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2016.

Dem Dry Bones: Preaching, Death, and Hope. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2012.

Spirit Speech: Lament and Celebration in Preaching. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2009.

Edited Works

A Searching Moment: Howard Thurman as Preacher, Liturgist, and Spiritual Guide, edited with E. Trey Clark and Jennifer Ackerman. Lloyd John Ogilvie Institute of Preaching Series. Eugene, OR: Cascade, forthcoming.

Connections: A Lectionary Commentary for Preaching and Worship (9 vols.), general editor with Joel Green, Tom Long, Cynthia Rigby, Carolyn Sharp. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2015-

***The Academy of Parish Clergy Reference Book of the Year Award, 2019.

Christian Worship and Public Witness, guest co-editor with Sally A. Brown, special issue of *Theology Today* 70/1 (April 2013).

Articles and Book Contributions

"Dr. King and the American Bible" (with Emerson Powery), *The Word Made Flesh: The Biblical Hermeneutics of Martin Luther King, Jr.*, eds. Herbert Marbury and Love Sechrest. Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, forthcoming.

"Preaching and Pneumatology," *Oxford Handbook on Christian Homiletics*, ed. Carolyn J. Sharp. New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

"Foreword." Catherine Williams, *Preaching and Music: Powerful Partners in Proclamation*. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2025. vii-x.

"Revelation 7:9-17," *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 79, no. 1 (January 2025): 75-77.

"The Eclipse of Joy?" *The Buechner Review,* Second edition (December 2024), https://www.frederickbuechner.com/buechnerreview/december24.

"Blest Be the Ties that Bind: Remembering a Purpose of *Religio* in Higher Education," *Virtues & Vocations,* Center for Social Concerns, University of Notre Dame (Spring 2024), https://socialconcerns.nd.edu/virtues/magazine-home-spring-2024-2/blest-be-the-ties-that-bind/.

"Toward a Poetics of Pain for Higher Education," *Poetic Living: Theological Education, Culture, and Pastoral Ministry, Essays in Honor of M. Craig Barnes,* eds. Jacqueline E. Lapsley and Neal D. Presa. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2023. 40-47.

"Jesus and the Borders," *Do Black Lives Matter? How Christian Scriptures Speak to Black Empowerment***,** eds. Lisa M. Bowens and Dennis R. Edwards. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2023. 235-240.

"Between Text and Sermon: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10." *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 77, no. 2 (April 2023): 184–186.

"Foreword." Floyd Thompkins, Jr., *Nobody Told Me That the Road Would Be Easy: Devotions for People Working for Justice and Peace*. BookBaby, 2023. 1-2.

"Flesh That Needs to be Loved: Wounded Black Bodies and Preachin' in the Spirit," *The Sexual Politics of Black Churches*, ed. Josef Sorett. New York: Columbia University Press, 2022. 159-172.

"Is Preaching Political?" *Shouting Above the Noisy Crowd: Biblical Wisdom and the Urgency of Preaching,* eds. Charles L. Aaron Jr. and Jaime Clark-Soles. Lloyd John Ogilvie Institute of Preaching Series. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2021. 22-36.

"Invocation Vocation: Preaching and Praying," *What's Right with Preaching? The Enduring Influence of Fred B. Craddock*, eds. André Resner and Mike Graves. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2021. 137-150.

"Brutalizing Black Bodies is an Assault on God," https://faithandleadership.com/luke-powery-brutalizing-black-bodies-assault-against-god

"The Growing Edge of Life and Ministry," *Anchored in the Current: Discovering Howard Thurman as Educator, Activist, Guide and Prophet*, ed. Gregory Ellison. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2020. 133-143.

"Foreword," Jerusha Matsen Neal, *The Overshadowed Preacher: Mary, the Spirit, and the Labor of Proclamation*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2020. ix-xii.

"Foreword," Sally A. Brown, *Sunday's Sermon for Monday's World: Preaching to Shape Daring Witness*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2020. ix-xii.

"Life on the Other Side of Easter in 2020," *Church Anew*, https://churchanew.org/blog/2020/04/28/powery1.

"Do This In Remembrance of Me: Black Bodies and the Future of Theological Education," *Theology Today* Vol. 76, No. 4 (January 2020): 336-347.

"Foreword," Melissa Florer-Bixler, *Fire by Night: Finding God in the Pages of the Old Testament*. Harrisonburg, VA: Herald Press, 2019. 13-15.

"A Biblical Apprenticeship in Bridge-Building Ministry: A Two-Part Sermon Series," *Preaching Prophetic Care: Building Bridges to Justice*, eds. Ron Allen, Dawn Ottoni-Wilhelm, Phillis Shepard. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2018. 277-289.

"Singing the Story: The Gospel According to the Spirituals," *Preaching Gospel: Essays in Honor of Richard Lischer*, eds. Charles L. Campbell, Clayton J. Schmit, Mary Hinkle Shore, and Jennifer Copeland. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2016. 167-186.

"Singing the Gospel in the Pulpit," DIVINITY (Spring 2016): 10-13.

"In Our Own Native Tongue: Toward a Pentecostalization of Homiletical Theology," *Homiletical Theology: Preaching as Doing Theology*, ed. David Schnasa Jacobsen. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2015. 72-84.

"Nobody Knows the Trouble I See: A Spirit(ual) Approach to the Interpretive Task of Homiletical Theology," *Homiletical Theology in Action: The Unfinished Theological Task of Preaching,* ed. David Schnasa Jacobsen. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2015. 85-107.

"My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me? (Matthew 27:46)," *What Did Jesus Ask? Christian Leaders Reflect On His Questions of Faith*, ed. Elizabeth Dias. New York: Time Books, 2015. 68-71.

"Preaching From Mark: Closing the Bible, Voicing the Body" (with Emerson Powery), *Afrocentric Interpretations of Jesus and the Gospel Tradition: Things Black Scholars See That White Scholars Overlook*, ed. Thomas Bowie Slater. Atlanta, GA: Edwin Mellen Press, 2015. Chapter 6.

"Bodies as Temples of the Spirit: African American Preaching Traditions and Experience of the Holy Spirit," *Holy Spirit: Unfinished Agenda*, ed. Johnson T.K. Lim. Singapore: Armour Publishing & Word N Works, 2014. 208-212.

"Lament: Homiletical Groans in the Spirit," reprinted, *Readings in African American Church Music and Worship*, Vol. 2, ed. James Abbington. Chicago: GIA Publications, Inc., 2014. 307-322.

"Walkin' the Talk: The Spirit and the Lived Sermon," reprinted, *Readings in African American Church Music and Worship*, Vol. 2, ed. James Abbington. Chicago: GIA Publications, Inc., 2014. 323-326.

"Making Connections: Christian Worship and Public Witness" (with Sally Brown), *Theology Today* 70/1 (April 2013): 5-8.

"Painful Praise: Exploring the Public Proclamation of the Hymns of Revelation," *Theology Today* 70/1 (April 2013): 69-78.

"Response to Stephen C. Barton," *Ex Auditu: An International Journal for the Theological Interpretation of Scripture* 28 (2013): 17-20**.**

"Epiphany of the Lord," "Baptism of the Lord/First Sunday after the Epiphany," "Second Sunday after the Epiphany," "Third Sunday after the Epiphany," "Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany," "Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany," "Last Sunday after the Epiphany/Transfiguration Sunday" (with Willie Jennings), *Abingdon Theological Companion to the Lectionary: Preaching Year A*, ed. Paul Scott Wilson. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2013. 37-72.

"Haunting Echoes for Homiletics: Why the Spirituals Matter for Preaching," *Homiletic* 37/2 (2012): 3-14.

"Echoes of a 'Simple Faith': The Present Resonance of the Past Proclamation of the Reverend Edler Garnet Hawkins," *Theology Today* 69/3 (October 2012): 289-305.

"Lament: Homiletical Groans in the Spirit," *Homiletic* 34/1 (2009): 22-34.

"Preaching as an Act of Worship, Part I: Preacher as Worshipper," "Preaching as an Act of Worship, Part II: Preaching as Worship," Center for Biblical Preaching, Luther Seminary, www.workingpreacher.org , September 7 and 28, 2009.

"Walkin' the Talk: The Spirit and the Lived Sermon," *The African American Pulpit* 11/ 4 (Fall 2008): 20-22.

"Holy Spirit/Passion," *New Interpreter's Bible Handbook of Preaching*, eds. Paul Wilson, Jana Childers, Cleophus J. LaRue, and John Rottman. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2008. 308-310.

"Postcolonial Criticism," *New Interpreter's Bible Handbook of Preaching*, eds. Paul Wilson, Jana Childers, Cleophus J. LaRue, and John Rottman. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2008. 159-161.

"Preaching as the Spirit Moves," *Circuit Rider* (August/September/October 2008): 4-5.

"Where the Spirit May be Blowing: The Future of African American Homiletics," Academy of Homiletics, e-journal, September 2007.

Lectionary Essays

"Day of Pentecost, Commentary 2 (Ezekiel 37:1-14)," *Connections, Year B, Volume 2*. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2020. 330-332.

"Second Sunday in Lent, Commentary 2 (Mark 9:2-9)," *Connections, Year B, Volume 2.* Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2020. 57-58.

"Ash Wednesday, Commentary 2 (Isaiah 58:1-12)," *Connections, Year B, Volume 2*. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2020. 22-23.

"Living by the Word: Reflections on the Lectionary (Matthew 16:13-20)," *Christian Century* (August 27, 2017): 18-19.

"Living by the Word: Reflections on the Lectionary (Matthew 15:10-28; Romans 11:1-2a, 29 32)," *Christian Century* (August 20, 2017): 18-19.

"Domestic Violence: Are the Children Safe? (Mark 10:2-16)," www.huffingtonpost.com, September 28, 2015.

"Living by the Word: Reflections on the Lectionary (Romans 12:1-8; 12:9-21)," *Christian Century* (August 20, 2014): 18-19.

"Seventh Sunday of Easter," *Preaching God's Transformative Justice: A Lectionary Commentary, Year A,* eds. Ron J. Allen, Dale Andrews, and Dawn Ottoni Wilhelm. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013. 246-250.

"Seventh Sunday of Easter," *Preaching God's Transformative Justice: A Lectionary Commentary, Year C*, eds. Ron J. Allen, Dale Andrews, and Dawn Ottoni Wilhelm. Louisville:

Westminster John Knox Press, 2012. 244-248.

*"*Disability Awareness Day (2 Samuel 9:1-13 and Genesis 1:27)," "Second Sunday of Advent (Isaiah 35:1-10)," "Christmas (John 1:1-14)," *The African American Lectionary* (funded by Lilly Endowment) (www.theafricanamericanlectionary.org), 2012.

"1 Samuel 3:1-10, 11-20: Prayerful Listening, Prophetic Proclaiming," www.huffingtonpost.com, January 11, 2012.

"Seventh Sunday of Easter," *Preaching God's Transformative Justice: A Lectionary Commentary, Year B,* eds. Ron J. Allen, Dale Andrews, and Dawn Ottoni Wilhelm. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2011. 249-253.

Homiletical Perspective on "Proper 4 (Matthew 7:21-29)," "Proper 5 (Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26)," "Proper 6 (Matthew 9:35-10:8)," *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary, Year A, Volume 3: Pentecost and Season after Pentecost (Propers 3-16)*, eds. David L. Bartlett and Barbara Brown Taylor. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2011. 92-97, 116-121, 140-145.

"Easter (Romans 6:3-11)," "Pentecost (Numbers 11:24-30)," *The African American Lectionary, Year Four* (funded by Lilly Endowment), www.theafricanamericanlectionary.org, 2011.

"Emancipation Proclamation Day (Daniel 6:23b)," "Children's Sunday (Lamentations 4:2, 4, 10)," "Choir Anniversary (Habakkuk 3:17-19)," "1st Sunday of Advent & World AIDS Day (Matthew 9:18-19, 23-26)," "4th Sunday of Advent (Isaiah 7:10-16)," *The African American Lectionary, Year Three* (funded by Lilly Endowment), www.theafricanamericanlectionary.org, 2010.

"Psalm 20 (Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Year B)," *Psalms for Preaching and Worship: A Lectionary Commentary*, eds. Roger Van Harn and Brent A. Strawn. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2009. 90-94.

"Watch Night (Gen. 37:5-11, 19-20)," "Holy Communion (1 Cor. 11:17-27)," "Lent (2 Cor. 12:7b-10)," "Palm Sunday (Psalm 20)," "Holy Thursday (John 13:1-19)," *The African American Lectionary, Year Two* (funded by Lilly Endowment), www.theafricanamericanlectionary.org, December 2008-April 2009.

"Jesus and Hip Hop Culture/Young Adults Sunday (Rev. 5:1-14)," "Men's Day (Ephesians 6:10 17)," "Revival I (Ezekiel 37:1-14)," "Revival II (2 Kings 7:1-20)," *The African American Lectionary, Year One* (funded by Lily Endowment), www.theafricanamericanlectionary.org, 2008.

Sermons

"Variety Anxiety," *Trinitarian Matters: 1700 Years of Shaping Christian Identity and Practice*, eds. Laceye C. Warner & Cameron Merrill. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2025.75-81.

"Continuing Education," Faith and Science in the 21st Century Series (funded by John Templeton Foundation), www.day1.org.

"Daring to Dream," Opinion section, *Time Magazine,* www.time.com.

"Family Worship (Isaiah 58:1-12)," *Ex Auditu: An International Journal for the Theological Interpretation of Scripture* 28 (2013): 180-186.

"Preaching With Your Mouth Shut," *Divinity* 12/2 (Spring 2013): 18-21.

"Tracks of My Tears." *The Princeton Seminary Bulletin* 30 (2009): 16-21.

"Death Threat." *The Princeton Seminary Bulletin* 28/3 (2007): 244-250.

"The Blessing of Suffering." *Africa Link: A Monthly Newsletter for the African Community in Switzerland* 4/1 (April 2003): 13.

"Rejection and Reception." *Africa Link: A Monthly Newsletter for the African Community in Switzerland* 3/10 (February 2003): 13.

"Turned Upside Down." *Africa Link: A Monthly Newsletter for the African Community in Switzerland* 3/6 (September 2002): 17.

"Stages of Life." *Africa Link: A Monthly Newsletter for the African Community in Switzerland* 3/4/5 (July/August 2002): 17.

"Betrayed Love." *Africa Link: A Monthly Newsletter for the African Community in Switzerland* 3/2 (May 2002): 16.

"Perfect Love." *Africa Link: A Monthly Newsletter for the African Community in Switzerland* 2/8 (December 2001): 16.

"Seeing is Believing?" *Africa Link: A Monthly Newsletter for the African Community in Switzerland* 2/4/5 (July/August/September 2001): 14.

"Planted in the Way." *Africa Link: A Monthly Newsletter for the African Community in Switzerland* 1/12 (March 2001): 13-14.

Reviews

Robert Beckford, *Jamaican Bible remix*. West Midlands, England: 5AM records, 2017. In *Black Theology*: *An International Journal*, 16/2 (2018): 184-186.

Cleophus J. LaRue. *Rethinking Celebration: From Rhetoric to Praise in African American Preaching*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2016. In *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology*, 72/4 (October 2018): 353-354.

Adam Bond. *The Imposing Preaching: Samuel DeWitt Proctor and Black Public Faith*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2013. In *Theology Today* 74/1 (April 2017): 74-76.

Isabel Best, ed. *The Collected Sermons of Dietrich Bonhoeffer*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2012. In *Theology Today* 71/1 (April 2014): 137.

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Vincent G. Harding, Liza J. Rankow, Luther E. Smith, Jr., and Olive Thurman Wong (eds.) *The Living Wisdom of Howard Thurman: A Visionary For Our Time.* Boulder, CO: Sounds True, Inc., 2010. In *Black Theology: An International Journal* 10/1 (April 2012): 119-121.

Jonathan L. Walton. *Watch This! The Ethics and Aesthetics of Black Televangelism.* New York: New York University Press, 2009. In *Homiletic* 35/1 (2010): 51-52.

Anna Carter Florence. *Preaching as Testimony*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2007. In *Theology Today* 66/1 (April 2009): 100-103.

Melva Wilson Costen. *African American Christian Worship*. 2nd ed. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2007. In *Black Theology: An International Journal* 6/3 (2008): 403-405.

James W. Thompson. *Pastoral Ministry according to Paul: A Biblical Vision*. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2006. In *Toronto Journal of Theology* 23/2 (2007): 231-233.

Presentations

Distinguished Lectureships

The Lyman Beecher Lectures, Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT, forthcoming, October 2028.

The Paddock Lectures, General Theological Seminary, New York, NY, forthcoming, June 2027.

The Claude H. and Mary Virginia Moore Lecture, Auburn First Baptist Church, Auburn, AL, September 14, 2025.
Lecture: "The Gospel and the Gift of Tears"
Sermon: "Fragments for a Future"

The Howard Thurman Lecture, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, November 12, 2020 (virtual).
Lecture: "A Homiletical Sankofa: The Spirituals and the Future of Ministry."

Ruben L. Speaks Endowed Memorial Lecture Series, Hood Theological Seminary, Salisbury, NC, October 9-10, 2020 (virtual).
Lecture 1: "I Can't Breathe: A History of Racialized Inhumanity"
Lecture 2: "Breath on Me, Breath of God: A Pneumatology for a Humanizing Ministry"

The Mullin Preaching and Teaching Forum, Greensboro First Presbyterian, Greensboro, NC, February 22-24, 2020.
Theme: "Living the Questions of the Bible"
Sermon: "Great Expectations"

The Lewis Preaching Series, Salisbury First Presbyterian Church, Salisbury, NC, February 9-10, 2020.

Theme: “Finding God in the Questions”
Sermon: “Why Did It Yield Wild Grapes?”
Lecture 1: “What Should We Do?”
Lecture 2: “Is There No Balm in Gilead?”

The Currie Lectures, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Austin, TX, February 3-5, 2020.
Theme: “Searching for Common Ground”
Lecture 1: “Many Thousand Gone: A History of Inhumanity”
Lecture 2: “Every Time I Feel the Spirit: A Pneumatology for Particularity”
Lecture 3: “There is a Balm: A Ministry with Humanity”

Mackay Memorial Lectures, Taiwan Theological Seminary, Taipei, Taiwan, October 21-23, 2019. Theme: “Homiletic Fire: The Holy Spirit and Preaching.”
Lecture 1: “Preaching and Pentecost”
Lecture 2: “Preaching and Prayer”
Lecture 3: “Preaching and Pain”
Lecture 4: “Preaching and Politics”
Lecture 5: “Preaching and the Possibility of Hope”

Willson-Addis Lecture, George W. Truett Theological Seminary, Baylor University, Waco, TX, March 5, 2019. Lecture: “Preaching and Pentecost.”

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Lecture, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN, January 21, 2019. Lecture: “Diversity in Adversity: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Promise of the ‘World House.’”

Burton-Johnson Lecture Series, Sweet Union Baptist Church, Roanoke, VA, October 27, 2018. Lecture: “Sounds of the Spirit: The Spirituals as a Resource for Preaching.”

Thedford G. and Woodrow W. Sprinkle Lectures, Barton College, Greenville, NC, April 20, 2018. Lecture: “Preaching the Gospel and the Gift of Tears.”

Perkins Lectures, First United Methodist Church of Wichita Falls, Wichita Falls, TX, March 4-5, 2018. Theme: “Human Questions from the Divine Word.”
Lecture 1: “On Disappointment and Hope: Why Did It Yield Wild Grapes?”
Lecture 2: “On Hurting and Healing: Is There No Balm in Gilead?”
Lecture 3: “On Abandonment and Embrace: Why Have You Forsaken Me?”
Lecture 4: “On Idleness and Mission: What Should We Do?”

Frederick E. Turnage Distinguished Speaker Series: Conversations on Christian Citizenship, Lakeside Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, NC, January 28-29, 2018. Lecture: “The Outer Life and the Inward Sanctuary.”

Evans Lecture, Asbury Theological Seminary, Florida Dunham Campus, November 11, 2016. Lecture: “A Weeping Word”

Berger Lectures on Preaching, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary, Dubuque, IA, April 8-9, 2015. Lectures: “Groaning in the Spirit” and “Singing in the Spirit”

Nadine Beacham and Charlton F. Hall, Sr., Lecture, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, March 5, 2015. Lecture: "Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child: Reading the Bible with the Spirituals."

The Bishop Emerson and Jane Colaw Lectures, Bayview Chautauqua, Bayview Association, MI, July 28-July 31, 2014. Theme: "More than a Song: Worship and Witness"

William Self Preaching Lectures, McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA, March 10-11, 2014. Theme: "Preaching in the Age of the Spirit"
Lecture 1: "Soon-a Will Be Done: Preaching and Suffering"
Lecture 2: "I'm Gonna Sing: Preaching and Musicality"
Lecture 3: "I Couldn't Hear Nobody Pray: Preaching and Prayer"

C. Eric Lincoln Lecture, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA, October 10, 2013.
Lecture: "Deep River: The Spiritual Melody of Preaching"

Steelman Lecture, Wake Forest University Divinity School, September 23, 2013.
Lecture: "The Spiritual Mode of Preaching"

Conrad Lecture, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Lancaster, PA, March 14, 2013.
Lecture: "Preaching in a Spiritual Key"

Jacob L. Morgan Lecture Series (with William Willimon and Richard Lischer), Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Columbia, SC, November 2, 2012.
Panel: "The Future of Preaching & Incarnating the Word."

Garnett Nabrit Lecture Series, American Baptist College, Nashville, TN, March 17-19, 2009.
Theme: "Strengthening Black Families: An Agenda for Sound Homiletics in Black Preaching."
Lecture: "Preaching as Groaning in the Spirit"

The Nicholson Lectures, Atlantic School of Theology in Halifax, Nova Scotia, April 30-May 1, 2008. Theme: "Preaching and the Presence of the Spirit."
Lecture 1: "Too Deep for Words? Preaching and Discernment of the Spirit"
Lecture 2: "Preaching in the Language of the Spirit: Lament"
Lecture 3: "Preaching in the Language of the Spirit: Celebration"

Keynote Addresses and Lectures

Worship and Arts Symposium, Bethel College, Newton, KS, November 1-4, 2025. Convocation Address: "The Spirituals as Good News Proclamation"; Keynote lecture: "Christian Preaching in a Crucifying World"

"Faithful Preaching: What is it and How Do We Know it When We Hear it?" Styberg Preaching Institute 20th Anniversary, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL, October 8, 2025.

University of Leipzig and Wittenberg Center for Preaching and Worship, Leipzig and Wittenberg, Germany, June 27-29, 2025. Theme: "Homiletic Fire: Preaching and the Holy Spirit"; Lecture: "Traces of the Homiletical Spirit"; Workshop: "Preaching in a Spiritual Key"; Sermon: "And."

"The Hip-Hop Life," Commencement Address, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Rochester, NY, May 17, 2025.

"Homiletic Breath: Preaching and the Spirit," Byberg Preaching Conference, Seaside, OR, January 27-29, 2025.

"Loving Your Neighbor," 9th Annual Advancing the Vision, DurhamCares, Inc., Durham, NC, November 21, 2024.

The 230th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, Fredericksburg Convention Center, Fredericksburg, VA, November 7-8, 2024. Lecture 1: "The Gospel and the Gift of Tears"; Lecture 2: "The Gospel and the Gift of Song"; Sermon: "Leftovers"

The Episcopal Diocese of Virginia Clergy Conference, Shrine Mont Conference Center, Richmond, VA, April 29-May 1, 2024. Lecture 1: "Jesus and a Politicized World"; Lecture 2: "Jesus and a Racialized World"; Lecture 3: "Jesus and a Brutalized World"

"Faith in the Public Sphere," 2024 Thorne Sparkman School of Religion, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chattanooga, TN, March 20, 2024.

"Becoming Human: The Holy Spirit and the Rhetoric of Race," 2023 NC Synod ELCA Fall Convocation, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Lutheridge Camp and Conference Center, Arden, NC, October 16-18, 2023.

"The Ethics of Dust," TheoEd Speaker Series – Orlando 2023, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Orlando, FL, September 24, 2023.

109th Hampton University Ministers' Conference. Hampton, VA, June 4-8, 2023.
Lecture 1: "Preaching with Your Mouth Shut." Lecture 2: "Preaching in a Valley of Dry Bones."

Festival of Homiletics, Minneapolis, MN, May 17, 2023. Lecture: "Waiting on Angels in a Weary World." Sermon: "Praise During Pandemics (Psalm 150)."

Schooler Institute on Preaching, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Delaware, OH, March 27-28, 2023. Theme: "Deep River: Preaching and the Holy Spirit."

Center for Contemplative Leadership (CCL) Conference, *Prayer as Resistance: Contemplative Practices for Liberative Justice 2.0*. Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ, March 9-11, 2023. Lecture: "Deep River: The Spiritual Wisdom of the Unknown Black Bards."

Society for Christian Scholarship in Music, Annual Meeting. Duke University, Durham, NC, March 2, 2023. Lecture: "Every Time I Feel the Spirit: The Music and Message of the Unknown Black Bards."

Interprovincial Clergy Retreat: Renewal and Hope, Moravian Church in North America, Adamstown, MD, October 19-20, 2022. Lecture: "Preaching in a Spiritual Key"

Festival of Homiletics, Denver, CO, May 19, 2022. Lecture: "The Cost of Healing." Sermon: "Outcry (Mark 15:33-39)."

SC Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Annual State Convention. April 1, 2022. Sermon: Lessons from a Prophet (1 Sam. 3:1-10).

LEAF Lecture, Elon University, Elon, NC, October 28, 2021. Lecture: "How Shall We Live? Jesus and Justice in a Racialized World"

Knox College 175th Convocation, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, May 8, 2019. Lecture: "Preaching the Gospel and the Gift of Tears." Convocation Address: "Dreamers."

Legacy and Mission: Theological Education and the History of Slavery Academic Conference, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ, April 8-9, 2019. Lecture: "Do This In Remembrance of Me: Black Bodies and the Future of Theological Education."

"What is New in Preaching?" conference, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, March 11, 2019. Lecture: "Preaching in/through/beyond a Polarized Culture toward the Promise of Pentecost."

Journeying Toward Justice Speaker Series, Epworth United Methodist Church, Durham, NC, November 4, 2018. Lecture: "Reflections on the Spirituals."

Festival of Homiletics, Washington, D.C., May 24, 2018. Lecture: "A Ministry of the Spirit."

"Faith's School of Continuing Education," Installation dinner for new Dean of Hendricks Chapel, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, November 6, 2017.

Ministers Council Lecture, General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Raleigh, NC, November 1, 2017. Lecture: "Unmet Expectations: The Truth about Ministry"

Context, Collaboration, & the Prophetic in Theological Education, Louisville Institute Vocation of the Theological Educator (VTE) Fall Gathering, Louisville, KY, October 8-10, 2017. Lecture: "Somatic Scholarship: This is My Body (of Work)"

Seminary for a Day, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, VA, September 23, 2017. Keynote Address: "The Gift of Tears"

Labor Day Prayer Breakfast, St. John AME Church, Aurora, IL, September 4, 2017. Address: "Great Expectations"

Duke Divinity Alumni Day, Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC, August 29, 2017. Lecture: "A Homiletical Sankofa: The Spirituals, Memory, and the Future Key of Preaching."

Festival of Homiletics, San Antonio, TX, May 18, 2017. Lecture: "Spiritual Borderlands: Preaching While Black."

Preaching in Our Own Time and Culture Event, Grace Presbytery, Fort Worth, TX, February 25, 2017. Address: "Preaching a Weeping Word."

The Gathering, Texas UMC Annual Conference of Pastors, Tyler, TX, September 25-27, 2016. Lectures: *The Ministry of Groaning* and *The Ministry of Weeping*

Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Keynote Address, Duke Clinical Research Institute, Duke Health, Durham, NC, January 19, 2016. Address: "The Dreamer King."

Celebration of Biblical Preaching Conference, Center for Biblical Preaching, Luther Seminary, Minneapolis, MN, October 5, 2015. Address: "The Courage to Preach."

Festival of Homiletics, Denver, CO, May 13, 2015. Lecture: ""Groaning, Grieving, and Gospel Preaching"

Retirement Celebration for Dick Eslinger, United Theological Seminary, Dayton, OH, May 6, 2015. Presentation: "Preaching in the Age of Spirit."

Garrett Lecture Series, Roxboro Baptist Church, Roxboro, NC, April 12, 2015. Lecture: "The Spirituals: Finding Hope in Heartache."

"The Sonic Resonance of the Gospel" and "The Somatic Presence of the Gospel," Fall Preaching Conference lectures, Center for Excellence in Preaching, Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI, November 6, 2014.

"A Dream Deferred," Commencement Address, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, PA, June 6, 2014.

Festival of Homiletics, "Can These Bones Live? Preaching to Zombies," Minneapolis, MN, May 22, 2014.

"Dreamer King," Durham City-County MLK Celebration Program for Employees, First Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC, January 15, 2014.

Beatrice Cobb Preaching Mission, First United Methodist Church, Morganton, NC, October 13-14, 2013. Theme: "Finding Hope in the Valley of Heartache"

Lee University Arts and Culture Series, Lee University, Cleveland, TN, February 27, 2013. Lecture: "I'm Gonna Sing! The Faith and Music of the Unknown Black Bards"

"More than a Song: Worship as Resistance" (4 lectures), *Refreshing Winds: A Biennial Conference on Worship and Music,* Canadian Mennonite University, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, February 16-18, 2013.

"Lessons from the Unknown Black Bards," Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration, Union College, Lincoln, NE, January 17, 2012.

Calvin Festival of Faith and Music, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI, April 9, 2011. Lecture: "I'm Gonna Sing! The Faith and Music of the Unknown Black Bards,"

Geneva College Colloquia Series, Geneva College, Beaver Falls, PA, January 17, 2011. Lecture: "The Ballads of the Black Bards: Understanding Negro Spirituals"

“This is My Story, This is My Song: The Joys and Sorrows of the Unknown Black Bards,” Annual Conference of Association for Christians in Student Development, Messiah College, PA, June 7, 2010.

“Preaching in the Valley of Dry Bones,” Proclaiming the Text Conference, Montreat Conference Center, NC, June 3, 2010.

Academic Papers and Presentations

Colloquium on Word and Sacrament, Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ, forthcoming April 13-15, 2026.

“Walter Bruggemann and the Conjunctive Imagination of Preaching,” *Brueggemann Tribute Session*, Society for Biblical Literature, Boston, MA, November 22, 2025.

Panelist, “Getting to God: Preaching Good News in a Troubled World,” Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI, February 29, 2024.

Panelist, “RCA 2023 Scholarship Awards Panel” and “Becoming Human: The Rhetoric of Race and the Holy Spirit,” Religious Communication Association (RCA) Conference, Metropolitan AME Church, Washington, DC, November 15, 2023.

Virtual Moderator, “How Can Christian Faculty Excel as Researchers, Teachers and Leaders of Racial Equality?” Center for Christianity and Scholarship, Duke University, April 30, 2021.

Virtual Panelist, “The Scandal of the Gospel and the Future of Homiletics: A Celebration on the Retirement of Charles Campbell,” Duke Divinity School, April 9, 2021.

Respondent to Bethany Hoang and Kristen Deed Johnson, “The Justice Calling: Challenges and Opportunities,” Calvin Symposium on Worship, Calvin College/Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI, January 26, 2017.

Respondent to Melanie C. Ross, “Defying the Dichotomy Between Evangelical and Liturgical Churches,” Calvin Symposium on Worship, Calvin College/Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI, January 26, 2017.

Respondent to Book Panel Discussion of Sally Brown and Luke Powery, *Ways of the Word: Learning to Preach for Your Time and Place*, Annual Meeting of the Academy of Homiletics, San Antonio, TX, November 18, 2016.

“Dr. King and the American Bible” (with Emerson Powery), presented as part of panel on Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Bible, African American Biblical Hermeneutics, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 23, 2014.

“Nobody Knows the Trouble I See: A Spirit(ual) Approach to the Interpretive Task of Homiletical Theology,” Homiletical Theology Consultation, Annual Meeting of the Academy of Homiletics, San Diego, CA, November 21, 2014.

Respondent to Teresa Lockhart Eisenlohr, "The How of Homiletic Theology," Homiletical Theology Consultation, Annual Meeting of the Academy of Homiletics, San Diego, CA, November 21, 2014.

"Academics Teaching #Ferguson," Duke African and African American Studies Department panel, Duke University, September 1, 2014.

"In Our Own Native Tongue: Toward a Pentecostalization of Homiletical Theology," Homiletical Theology Consultation, Annual Meeting of the Academy of Homiletics, Louisville, KY, December 7, 2013.

Respondent to Michael Pasquarello, "Dietrich Bonhoeffer: On Becoming a Homiletic Theologian," Homiletical Theology Consultation, Annual Meeting of the Academy of Homiletics, Louisville, KY, December 7, 2013.

"Reflections on 'the Spiritual'," paper response to panelists on "The Historic Role of the Black Church in the Southern Community of Hayti, Mount Vernon Baptist Church, 1886-2013," First Annual Mount Vernon Baptist Church Symposium, Durham, NC, September 12, 2013.

Respondent to Stephen Barton, Symposium on the Theological Interpretation of Scripture, North Park Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL, September 24-26, 2012.

"Haunting Echoes for Homiletics: Why the Spirituals Matter for Preaching," Theology of Preaching Group, Annual Meeting of the Academy of Homiletics, Austin, TX, December 2011.

"Preaching from Mark: Closing the Bible, Voicing the Body" (with Emerson Powery), presented as part of panel on preaching the gospel of Mark, Homiletics and Biblical Studies, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 21, 2010.

"This is My Body: The Preaching of Black Folk,**"** Arcus Roundtable on the Sexual Politics of Black Churches, New York, NY, June 29-30, 2010.

"Nobody Knows the Trouble I See: Recovering Blues-Inflicted Preaching," presented as part of panel on Cultural Complexities in Black Religious Experience, Cultural Reflections on African American Religious Experience: A Forum of Emerging Thought, Lancaster Theological Seminary, April 16-17, 2010.

Council of Griots Panel, Black Religious Scholars Group Consultation, Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Montreal, Canada, November 6, 2009.

"Lament: Homiletical Groans in the Spirit," Worship and Preaching Group, Annual Meeting of the Academy of Homiletics, Boston, MA, November 21, 2008.

"Flesh That Needs To Be Loved: A Way Forward in Homiletics," African American Scholars Convening, Public/Private Ventures' Religion, Sexuality, and Black Culture Project, Philadelphia, PA, November 14, 2008.

"God of Our Silent Tears: The Voice of Lament in Public Speech," presented as part of panel on "Religious Rhetoric in American Public Discourse: Podium and Pulpit," Christian Scholars' Conference, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN, June 26-28, 2008.

Respondent to Gary Selby, "A (White) Rhetorician Looks at Black Preaching," Christian Scholars' Conference, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN, June 26-28, 2008.

Guest Lectures and Public Conversations

Public Conversation with Joy Harjo, "Poetry and Spirituality," Pluralism Lecture Series, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, March 3, 2026.

Reflection on "Truth that Heals; Truth that Frees," Strengthening the Black Church (SBC) Black History Clergy Luncheon Celebration, North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church, Garner United Methodist Church, Garner, NC, February 17, 2026.

Conversation about finding purpose in "The Entrepreneurial You" course taught by Shep Moyle, Duke University, February 9, 2026.

Opening Reflection, MLK Commemoration and Humanitarian Awards Ceremony, Duke Health, Durham, NC, January 13, 2026.

Virtual Conversation about my book *Rise Up, Shepherd, Navigating Our World Advent Series*, Christian Education Institute, Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA, December 3, 2025.

Podcast Guest, "Church vs. Christ: A Faith-Curious Journey," with Rev. Dr. Katie Givens Kime, *Day1*, Alliance for Christian Media, Inc., November 17, 2025.

Podcast Guest, "How Faith Shapes Our Choices with Dr. Luke Powery," *Maps are Dead with Mike Dauphinee*, October 23, 2025.

Public Conversation with Mike "Coach K" Krzyzewski, "Faith, Sports, and Leadership," William Preston Few Lecture, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, October 9, 2025.

Public Conversation with John Inazu, "Pluralism, Particularity, and Possibility," Pluralism Lecture Series, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, March 27, 2025.

Panelist, "Fostering Dialogue: The Role of Civil Discourse in Higher Education and Beyond," Duke Campaign Launch Event, Duke University, Durham, NC, February 21, 2025.

Virtual Conversation, "Preaching and the Holy Spirit," 2025 Carolina Black Clergy Leadership Retreat, January 22, 2025.

Public Conversation, "Becoming Human," Epworth United Methodist Church, Durham, NC, January 18, 2025.

Virtual Conversation, "Indwelling of Hope: Body," Advent Webinar Series, Washington National Cathedral, December 17, 2024.

Public Conversation with Pádraig Ó Tuama, "Poetry, Prayer, and Public Healing," William Preston Few Lecture, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, November 19, 2024.

"The Gospel and the Gift of Tears," Theologian-in-Residence Lecture, White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, NC, November 10, 2024.

Panelist, "Leading the Whole Person," *Duke Homecoming Program,* Duke University, September 27, 2024.

Moderator, "Dialogue and Discourse amidst Differences" panel, *Universities and the Israel-Palestine Conflict: Key Issues, Key Roles*, 2024 Provost's Forum, Duke University, September 16, 2024.

Podcast Guest, "A Few Minutes With… The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery," *A Few Minutes With The Rev. Matt Rhodes,* August 19, 2024.

Panelist, Summer 2024 Field Education Orientation Faculty Panel, Duke Divinity School, May 7, 2024.

Welcome Address, Blue Devils Day, Duke University, April 18, 2024.

Podcast Guest, "Teaching, Spirit & Prisons," Wabash Center's Podcast Series: *Dialogue On Teaching*, March 13, 2024.

Radio Interview, Salute to Champions Award Recipient, The Sports Shop with Reese and K-Mac, February 12, 2024.

Virtual Conversation, "Becoming Human: The Holy Spirit and the Rhetoric of Race," Beyond the Gatekeepers with Bishop Vanessa M. Brown with Bishop Yvette A. Flunder, January 17, 2024.

Public Conversation with Dr. Thema Bryant, "Faith, Mental Health, and Community," William Preston Few Lecture, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, October 3, 2023.

Public Conversation with Bryan Stevenson, "Seeking Justice and Redemption in the Public Square," William Preston Few Lecture, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, September 21, 2022.

Welcome Addresses from Duke University Leadership, Black Alumni Collective 2022 Conference, Duke University, Durham, NC, April 29, 2022.

"In the Sanctuary: An Inaugural Symposium on Music and the Black Church," The Interdisciplinary Program Music and The Black Church, Yale Institute of Sacred Music, New Haven, CT, April 22, 2022.

"Embracing Dying for Spiritual Living," Surgery Professor's Colloquium, Duke University, September 29, 2021.

Virtual Conversation, "Preaching and the Future Church," *Festival of Homiletics*, May 21, 2021.

Virtual Panelist, *The Church, Immigration, & Racialized Policing Cohort*, Sojourners, Duke Divinity School Office of Black Church Studies, the Hispanic House of Studies, and the Center for Reconciliation, Durham, NC. May 13, 2021.

"Duke Chapel Reads: A Conversation About 'Jesus and the Disinherited," Virtual Discussion with Dr. Walter Fluker, Duke University Chapel, April 6, 2021.

Virtual Conversation, *Lenten Book Discussion: Jesus and Disinherited*, Cary First Christian Church, Covenant Disciples of Christ, Good Shepherd United Church of Christ, Cary, NC, March 24, 2021.

Virtual Conversation with Duke Divinity School Dean Gregory Jones, *What are You For? A Faith-filled Response to this Season of Suffering*, Duke Alumni Association - Texas, March 23, 2021.

Virtual Panelist, "The Black Church: A Conversation with Local Pastors," WNCU Radio and PBS, February 11, 2021.

Virtual Conversation, *Holy God, Wholly Human: Language In Preaching and Worship*, 2021 Institute of Liturgical Studies Virtual Seminar Series, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN, February 4, 2021.

Virtual Panelist, *Preaching Romans in Difficult Times*, Calvin Symposium of Christian Worship, January 26, 2021.

Podcast guest, "At the Crossroads," *Our Voices Matter with Linda Lorelle,* December 3, 2020.

Leader for group discussion regarding "Networking and Rising," Virtual Town Hall on Decentering Whiteness, Academy of Homiletics, November 16, 2020.

Conversation about my book, *Dem Dry Bones* (via Zoom), Rev. David M. Stark's class on African American Preaching, The School of Theology, The University of the South – Sewanee, Sewanee, TN, November 16, 2020.

Guest Speaker, Virtual SALA Series - Managing Through Turbulent Times: Election 2020, Racial Reconciliation, Impact of COVID-19, Driving Sustainable Change, November 5, 2020.

Conversation regarding the African American Christian experience, Christian Ethics, taught by John Rose, The Kenan Institute for Ethics at Duke University, November 3, 2020.

"Meditation on Hope," The Foundation for Justice and Peace, virtual gathering of black church pastors and funeral directors, October 30, 2020.

Virtual Conversation, Racism, Religion and Reconciliation: Tensions in America, taught by Imam Abdul Waheed, OLLI at Duke, October 29, 2020.

Virtual conversation with Suzanne Gulledge, UNC Mindfulness Community, October 22, 2020.

Virtual Conversation, Race and the Professions Fellowship, led by A.J. Walton, Duke Interdisciplinary Studies, October 21, 2020.

"Called to Hope," Duke Chapel Virtual Town Hall, Duke University Chapel, October 8, 2020.

Virtual Conversation, Preaching the Lectionary, taught by Dr. Kenyatta Gilbert, Howard University, October 7, 2020.

Virtual Conversation, Intro to Ordained Leadership, taught by Rev. Dr. William Willimon, Duke Divinity School, October 1, 2020.

Panelist, Ask the Expert – Campus Insider Panel via Zoom, Duke Alumni Advisory Board, September 22, 2020.

"Matters that Matter," Online Program with Dean of Hendricks Chapel Brian Konkol, Hendricks Chapel, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, September 9, 2020.

Keynote speaker, African and African American Student Reception via Zoom, Duke University, August 10, 2020. Theme: Making Good Trouble.

Conversation about preaching (via Zoom), Backstory Preaching Collective+, November 19, 2019.

"African American Preaching Traditions," *#MyVoiceMyBody* Bass Connections team, Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC, September 19, 2019.

"Sermons as Performance," Introduction to Performance Studies, taught by Dr. Hyewon Kim, Duke University, September 18, 2019.

"Preaching and the Public Square," Bridge Panel with two former deans of Duke Chapel, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, February 27, 2019.

Conversation about my book, *Dem Dry Bones* (via Zoom), Rev. David M. Stark's class on African American Preaching, The School of Theology, The University of the South – Sewanee, Sewanee, TN, February 25, 2019.

"Were You There? Lenten Reflections on the Spirituals," public interview with James Todd, Congregation at Duke Chapel Adult Forum, Durham, NC, February 24, 2019.

"Re-visioning Justice" Bridge Panel, moderator, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, November 20, 2018.

"Resilience in the Face of Historic Suffering" with Rabbi Raachel Jurovics and Frank Stasio. Public panel at Durham County Library, Durham, NC, August 27, 2017.

"Another Conversation about Preaching and Politics" with Ellen Davis, Congregation at Duke Chapel Adult Forum, Durham, NC, March 26, 2017.

"Preaching the Lectionary and Special Occasions," class, Howard Divinity School, Washington, DC, March 8, 2017.

"Christian Prayer and Unity" Bridge Panel, moderator, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, April 7, 2015.

"What Is Sacred Space?" Bridge Panel, moderator, Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, February 25, 2015.

"Race, Incarceration, and Death Row" panel, moderator, Duke Divinity School, October 28, 2014.

"Responding to Violence with Justice and Mercy" panel, moderator, Duke Chapel, October 20, 2014.

"#DyingInAmerica: A Panel Discussion on Narratives, Policies, and Law at the End of Life," Duke University, October 9, 2014.

"Body Matters: Why Torture Should Matter to People of Faith?" for "Coming to Terms with Torture: Truth, Accountability, and Renunciation" event, North Carolina Council of Churches, Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, Raleigh, NC, June 24, 2014.

"Worship as Resistance," lecture, Spiritual Leadership Institute, Volunteers of America, Duke Divinity School, April 24, 2014.

Welcome Address, Blue Devils Day, Duke University, April 2014.

Intervarsity Graduate Fellowship public conversation, Duke University, April 4, 2014.

"Responses to Catastrophe from African American and Jewish perspectives," conversation with Rabbi Jurovics moderated by Frank Stasio, Goodson Chapel, Duke Divinity School, March 31, 2014.

"The Spirituals and the Life of Faith," Faith and Life Forum, Memorial Church, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, March 16, 2014.

"Preaching in the Black Church and Reformed Traditions" (with Chuck Campbell), Duke Divinity School, November 12, 2013.

"Musings on a Spiritual Education," Duke Wesley Fellowship, Duke University, November 10, 2013.

"Preaching Lament to Celebrate the Gospel," Introduction to Christian Preaching class, Duke Divinity School, October 30, 2013.

"Reflections on the Taizé Community," Presbyterian Campus Ministry, Duke University, October 27, 2013.

"The Fisk Jubilee Singers and the History of Afro-Atlantic Music," Scholars and Publics panel, Duke University, October 17, 2013.

"Our New Day Begun: The Faith of Duke's First Black Voices" panel, moderator, part of 50th commemoration of 1st Black undergraduates at Duke, Duke University Chapel, October 4, 2013.

"Worship in the Age of Trayvon Martins," Congregation at Duke Chapel Adult Forum, Durham, NC, September 29, 2013.

"What does Duke Gardens have to do with Duke Chapel?" remarks at Duke Gardens Board dinner, Duke University, May 2, 2013.

"Worship as Resistance," lecture, Spiritual Leadership Institute, Volunteers of America, Duke Divinity School, April 24, 2013

"What We Mean When We Talk About Voice," panel, World Voice Day Celebration, Duke Voice Care Center, Nasher Museum of Art, Duke University, April 16, 2013.

"The Relationship of Prayer and Social Action," lunch talk, Durham Ministers in Prayer, Durham, NC, April 16, 2013.

Public conversation with Bob Leftkowitz (Nobel Laureate), Duke Magazine Forum, Alumni Reunion, Duke University, April 12, 2013.

Public conversation with Ellen Davis about prophetic preaching and the Spirit in her class "Biblical Prophecy and Perspectives on Contemporary Ministry," Duke Divinity School, April 9, 2013.

"Preaching, Death, and Hope," guest lecture, Introduction to Christian Preaching, Duke Divinity School, March 27, 2013.

"Tracing the Spirit for a Cultural Homiletical Theology of the Gospel," guest lecture, Boston University graduate homiletics seminar, February 22, 2013.

"So Help Me God": Dr. King and the Legacy of Prayer," evening banquet talk, Durham Congregations in Action, Durham, NC, January 22, 2013.

"For the Common Good," evening talk, Duke Wesley Fellowship, Duke University, October 21, 2012.

"What Does Corporate Worship Have to Do with Suffering and Justice?" and "Why is Lament Important for Christian Worship?" Micah Scholars Gathering, Haiti Partners, Bizonton, Haiti, June 1-June 3, 2012.

Conversation about my book, *Dem Dry Bones* (via Skype), Ph.D. seminar in Preaching and the Arts, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA, May 24, 2012.

"The Practice of Lament in Preaching," Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, November 4, 2011.

"Preaching the Gospel of Mark Today: Speaking into the Silence, Squabbles, and Suffering" (with Richard Eslinger), Center for Worship, Preaching, and the Arts, United Theological Seminary, Dayton, OH, August 9-11, 2011.

"The Musical Stories of the Unknown Black Bards,**"** Waynesburg University, Waynesburg, PA, February 8, 2011.

"Preaching in the Valley of Dry Bones," and "Preaching with Your Mouth Shut," General Baptist Convention of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC, October 26-27, 2010.

"Tragedy and Hope: Preaching When You May Not Really Want to Preach" (3 lectures), Iowa United Methodist School of Ministry (with Tom Long and Steve Kraftchick), Des Moines, IA, April 6-8, 2010.

"Taking it to the Cross in Black Preaching," in *Preaching Redemption in Contemporary Contexts* course, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, NJ, March 18, 2010.

"Prophesy to the Bones: Preaching as a Ministry of Hope" (2 lectures), Presbyterian College, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, February 18-19, 2010.

Lead Interviewer, "Beyond the Books: A Conversation with Professor Cornel West about His Faith," Princeton University, February 17, 2010.

"Why is Lament Important for Christian Worship?" Asian American Program Korean Lay Leader Conference, Princeton Seminary, October 15, 2009.

"More than a Song: Worship as Resistance," Messiah College, Grantham, PA, October 8, 2009.

"A Preaching Life in the Spirit" (Theologian-in-Residence), Princeton Forum on Youth Ministry, Princeton Seminary, April 27-30, 2009.

"Some Reflections on the Embodied Liturgy of Taizé" in *Taizé in the North American Context* course, Princeton Seminary, April 3, 2009.

"Singing as a Spiritual Practice," *Soul Feast: PTS Faculty and Administrators Share Personal Spiritual Practices*, Princeton Seminary, January 12, 2009.

"Why is Lament Important for Christian Worship?" Asian American Program Korean Lay Leader Conference, Princeton Seminary, October 29, 2008.

"Worship in Relation to Theological Exploration," L.I.V.E. Symposium (Learning, Inclusion, Vitality, Exploration): Making Room at the Table, Princeton Seminary, October 28, 2008.

"Spirituality of the Enslaved: Slavery, Texts and the Interpretation of Life," (with Emerson Powery), Northminster Presbyterian Church, Chattanooga, TN, May 31, 2008.

"The Spirit(uals) of Hope," (with Martin Tel), Seminar for NJ Superintendents, Miller Chapel, Princeton Seminary, May 8, 2008.

"The Influence of Black Religiosity on Scholarship," panel discussion for Black History Month (with PTS African American professors), Princeton Seminary, February 21, 2008.

"The Spirit(uals) of Resistance," Messiah College, Grantham, PA, February 13, 2008.

"Why is Lament Important for Christian Worship?" in *Psalms in Christian Worship* course, Princeton Seminary, November 2007.

"Spirituality of the Enslaved: Slavery, Texts, and the Interpretation of Life," (with Emerson Powery), International Council of Community Churches conference, Nashville, TN, July 30-August 2, 2007.

"New Testament and Its Relationship to Practical Ministry, Christian Education, and Preaching." Panel Discussion (with Rick Osmer) in *Orientation to New Testament Studies* course, Princeton Seminary, April 27, 2007.

"Doxological Groans: Exploring Lament for Preaching and Worship," Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY, March 6, 2006.

"Word, Song, and Power: Oral Traditions in the Black Church," Wilfrid Laurier University, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, March 14, 2006.

Seminars

"A Human Homiletic: The Spirit, Race, and Preaching," *Transformative Preaching Lab,* Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC, February 5, 11, 19, 26 and March 5-7, 2026.

"Becoming Human: The Holy Spirit and the Rhetoric of Race," *The Bridge for Early Career Preachers* program, Union Presbyterian Seminary, September 13, 2023.

"Becoming Human: The Holy Spirit and the Rhetoric of Race," Lake Junaluska Summer Worship Series and Theologian-in-Residence Program, Lake Junaluska, NC, August 14-15, 2023.

"Becoming Human," Duke Chapel Congregation Seminar, Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC, February 18, 2023.

"Preaching in the Valley of Dry Bones," Virtual Workshop for The Synod of the Covenant Presbyterian Church, Bloomfield Hills, MI, November 2, 2022.

"Singing the Gospel: The Spirituals as a Homiletical Resource," Philadelphia Theological Institute Preaching Day Workshop, Paoli, PA, October 27, 2022.

"Hope in a Weary Throat," Zick Preaching Scholar Virtual Workshop, October 13, 2022

"The Spiritual Melody of Preaching" and "Preaching in a Valley of Dry Bones," The Preacher Initiative: Highland Oaks Church of Christ Preaching Conference, Dallas, TX, November 9-10, 2021.

"Preaching the Pandemics," Zick Preaching Scholar Virtual Retreat, Macedonian Ministry, Atlanta, GA, August 23-26, 2020.

"Preaching with the Spirituals," Seminary for a Day, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, VA, September 23, 2017.

"I'm Gonna Sing! Spirituals and the Life of Faith," Massanetta Springs Bible Conference, Harrisonburg, VA, July 25, 2017.

"Clash or Collaboration? Learning from Diverse Preaching Traditions" (with Sally Brown), Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ, November 2-3, 2016.

"Preparing to Preach Advent: Fresh Insights for Sermon Preparation," Louisburg College, Louisburg, NC, September 30, 2014.

"Spirituals and the Life of Faith," Congregation at Duke Chapel Retreat, June 2013.

"Nobody Knows the Trouble I See: The Spirituals as a Resource for Preaching," Calvin institute of Worship, Calvin College/Seminary, January 25-26, 2013.

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit! The Spirituals as a Resource for Preaching," Engle Institute of Preaching, Princeton Theological Seminary, July 23-27, 2012.

"Speaking for Listening," Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, NJ, June 25, 2012.

"Groaning Praise," Homiletics, Hymns, and Spirituals Conference, Mayfield Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC, February 17-19, 2012.

"Speaking for Listening," Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, NJ, June 27, 2011.

"Images of (Im)migration: Identity, Place, and the Theological Enterprise" (with Margaret Aymer), FTE Leaders in the Academy Conference, Atlanta, GA, June 4, 2011.

"Preaching in the Valley of Dry Bones: The Spiritual as a Homiletical Resource," Massachusetts Conference, United Church of Christ, Waltham, MA, May 5, 2011.

"Lament as Worship," Whitworth University Institute of Ministry, Spokane, WA, July 12-16, 2010.

"Speaking for Listening," Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, NJ, June 2010.

"Nobody Knows the Trouble I See: Lament as Worship," Proclaiming the Text Conference, Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, NC, June 3, 2010.

National 21st Century African American Lectionary Preaching Institute (with James Forbes, Brad Braxton, Martha Simmons, and Frank Thomas), St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC, May 13-15, 2010.

"Preaching and God," Madison Square Church, Grand Rapids, MI, December 10-12, 2009.

"Mission of Hope: Preaching in Advent," PTS Alumni/ae Reunion, October 27-28, 2009.

"Speaking for Listening," Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton, NJ, June 27, 2009.

"Preaching Grace in a Troubled World," Joe R. Engle Institute of Preaching, Princeton Seminary, June 14-19, 2009.

"Soli Deo Gloria: Preaching as Worship," Joe R. Engle Institute of Preaching, Princeton Seminary, June 14-19, 2009.

"More than a Song: Worship as Resistance," Princeton Forum on Youth Ministry, Princeton Seminary, April 27-30, 2009.

"Too Deep for Words? Preaching in the Language of the Spirit," Calvin Symposium on Worship, Calvin College/Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI, January 29-31, 2009.

"Speaking for Listening," Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, NJ, August 2008.

"Preaching Grace in a Troubled World," Joe R. Engle Institute of Preaching, Princeton Seminary, June 8-13, 2008.

"Soli Deo Gloria: Preaching as Worship," Joe R. Engle Institute of Preaching, Princeton Seminary, June 8-13, 2008.

"Setting Words on Fire: Putting God at the Center of the Sermon," (with Paul Scott Wilson), Center for Excellence in Preaching, Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI, June 5, 2008.

"Speaking for Listening," Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, NJ, June 30, 2007.

"Soli Deo Gloria: Preaching as Worship," Joe R. Engle Institute of Preaching, Princeton Seminary, June 10-15, 2007.

"Making Room at the Table: Worship and the Other," Lee University, Cleveland, TN, September 10-12, 2004.

Preaching Engagements (selected)

Founder's Sunday Inaugural Worship Service, Morehouse College, February 15, 2026.
The Bay View Association of the United Methodist Church, Petoskey, MI, August 10, 2025.
Shiloh Baptist Church, Trenton, NJ, March 9, 2025.
Harvard Memorial Church, Cambridge, MA, February 23, 2025.
White Memorial Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, NC, November 10, 2024.
First Presbyterian Church of Wheaton, Wheaton, IL, October 27, 2024.
Houston Preaching Mission, Central UMC, Concord, NC, February 25, 2024.
Howard University Divinity School Dean Installation, February 17, 2024.
Durham Nativity School, Durham, NC, November 29, 2023.
2023 NC Synod ELCA Fall Convocation, Arden, NC, October 18, 2023.
Lake Junaluska Summer Worship Series, Lake Junaluska, NC, August 13, 2023.

Festival of Homiletics, Minneapolis, MN, May 17, 2023.
Phillips Theological Seminary, Black History Month series (virtual), February 21, 2023.
Rankin Chapel, Howard University, Washington, D.C., February 5, 2023.
Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, OH, January 15, 2023.
St. James United Methodist Church, Kansas City, MO, November 20, 2022.
Village Chapel of Bald Head Island, Bald Head Island, NC, November 6, 2022.
Wilshire Baptist Church, Dallas, TX, August 14, 2022.
Rankin Chapel, Howard University, Washington, D.C., February 6, 2022.
First Baptist Church, Raleigh, NC, November 14, 2021.
Park Avenue United Methodist Church (virtual), New York, NY, June 20, 2021.
Festival of Homiletics (virtual), May 21, 2021.
Bethany Theological Seminary, Richmond, IN, February 10, 2021.
Shiloh Baptist Church, Trenton, NJ, March 8, 2020.
Outdoor Ministries Connections, Lake Junaluska, NC, November 13, 2019.
Rankin Chapel, Howard University, Washington, D.C., September 15, 2019.
Providence Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC, September 9-10, 2019.
Lakeside Chautauqua, Lakeside, OH, July 27-August 3, 2019.
Whitworth University, Spokane, WA, June 24-27, 2019.
Christ Church, Raleigh, NC, April 3, 2019.
Union Baptist Church, Trenton, NJ, December 2, 2018.
Rankin Chapel, Howard University, Washington, D.C., November 11, 2018.
Festival of Homiletics, Washington, D.C., May 24, 2018.
Stanford Memorial Church, Stanford, CA, February 11, 2018.
Lakeside Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, NC, January 28, 2018.
Union Baptist Church, Trenton, NJ, December 3, 2017.
Rankin Chapel, Howard University, Washington, D.C., November 12, 2017.
Speakman Chair, Massanetta Springs Bible Conference, Harrisonburg, VA, July 24-25, 2017.
Samuel Dewitt Proctor Institute for Child Advocacy Ministry, Clinton, TN, July 20, 2017.
Festival of Homiletics, San Antonio, TX, May 18, 2017.
First Presbyterian Church, Grace Presbytery, Forth Worth, TX, February 25, 2017.
Calvin Symposium on Worship, Calvin College/Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI, January 26, 2017.
MLK Sunday, Foundry United Methodist Church, Washington, DC, January 15, 2017.
Marble Collegiate Church, New York, New York, October 30, 2016.
Rankin Chapel, Howard University, Washington, D.C., October 16, 2016.
First Presbyterian Church, Bloomington, IN, November 2015
50th Celebration of Dr. King, The American Church in Paris, France, October 2015.
The Riverside Church in the City of New York, July 2015
Engle Institute of Preaching, Princeton Theological Seminary, July 2015.
Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, NC, June 28, 2015.
ELCA Youth Gathering (30,000 in attendance), Ford Field, Detroit, MI, July 15, 2015.
Oasis Conference on Worship, Campbell University, Buies Creek, NC, July 13-14, 2015.
Festival of Homiletics, Denver, CO, May 13, 2015.
The Village Chapel, Bald Head Island, NC, March 2015.
Trinity Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, GA, February 2015.
MLK Memorial Service, Fountain Baptist Church, Jan 19, 2015
Rankin Chapel, Howard University, November 9, 2014.
Bayview Chautauqua, Bayview, Michigan, July 27, 2014.
General Assembly of the PC(USA), Detroit, MI, June 20, 2014.
Festival of Homiletics, Minneapolis, MN, May 22, 2014.
Memorial Church, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, March 16, 2014.

Mt. Level Missionary Baptist Church, Durham, NC, February 16, 2014.
Men's Day, Concord Church of Christ, Brooklyn, NY, November 17, 2013.
First United Methodist Church of Morganton, Morganton, NC, October 13-14, 2013.
Elevating Preaching Conference, Wake Forest Divinity School, September 23, 2013.
Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center, NC, July 28, 2013.
Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, July 24-25, 2013.
Christ Church, Raleigh, NC, March 20, 2013.
Duke Lutheran and Presbyterian Campus Ministries, March 3, 2013.
Watts Street Baptist Church, Durham, NC, February 24, 2013.
Calvin Symposium on Worship, Calvin College/Calvin Seminary, Jan. 25-26, 2013.
MLK Commemorative Day Service, Shaw University, January 18, 2013.
Goodson Chapel, Duke University, Durham, NC, October 25, 2012
Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, Durham, NC, October 18-19, 2012.
North Park Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL, September 29, 2012.
Princeton University Chapel, Princeton, NJ, July 8, 2012.
Duke University Chapel, Durham, NC, June 24, 2012.
The Pennington School, Pennington, NJ, May 22, 2012.
Romans Conference, Princeton Theological Seminary, May 2, 2012.
Hallelujah Service, Princeton University, April 22, 2012.
Seven Last Words of Christ, Mount Olivet Baptist Church, Hackensack, NJ, April 6, 2012.
Houghton College, Houghton, NY, March 7, 2012.
Mayfield Memorial Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC, February 19, 2012.
Princeton United Methodist Church, Princeton, NJ, January 29, 2012.
Friendship Baptist Church, Brooklyn, NY, December 11, 2011.
Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, 103rd Anniversary, Durham, NC, October 21, 2011.
St. Phillips Baptist Church, 91st Anniversary, Hamilton, NJ, October 16, 2011.
Hour of Power, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, October 12, 2011.
Westminster Presbyterian Church, 113th Anniversary, Trenton, NJ, September 25, 2011.
United Theological Seminary, Dayton, OH, August 11, 2011.
CF Foundation Macedonian Ministries, Israel-Palestine, June 7-21, 2011.
FTE Leaders in the Academy Conference, Atlanta, GA, June 5, 2011.
Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ, Waltham, MS, May 6, 2011.
Madison Square Church, Grand Rapids, MI, April 10, 2011.
Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT, March 31, 2011.
Covenant Presbyterian Church, MLK service, Trenton, NJ, January 16, 2011.
Hallelujah Service, Princeton University, January 9, 2011.
First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, Advent service, Charlotte, NC, December 2, 2010.
Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville, Consecration Sunday, October 24, 2010.
Whitworth University Institute of Ministry, Spokane, WA, July 12-16, 2010.
Revive! (Justice Revival), Trenton, NJ, June 11, 2010.
Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, NC, June 2, 2010.
Princeton Forum on Youth Ministry, PTS, Princeton, NJ, April 26-28, 2010.
First Presbyterian Church of York, PA, March 7, 2010.
Wesleyan Academy, Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, February 8-12, 2010.
Westminster Choir College Chapel, Princeton, NJ, November 12, 2009.
Hallelujah Service, Princeton University, October 25, 2009.
Metropolitan Baptist Church, Tulsa, OK, October 11, 2009.
Messiah College, Grantham, PA, October 8, 2009.
Elberon Memorial Church, Long Branch, NJ, August 23, 2009.
Baccalaureate Service, Princeton Theological Seminary, May 22, 2009.

Hallelujah Service, Princeton University, April 19, 2009.
Seven Last Words of Christ, Princeton University Chapel, April 8, 2009
Garnett-Nabrit Lecture Series, American Baptist College, Nashville, TN, March 19, 2009.
Calvin Symposium on Worship, Calvin College/Calvin Seminary, January 29-31, 2009.
First Baptist Church of Hillside, Hillside, NJ, January 11, 2009.
Elberon Memorial Church, Long Branch, NJ, August 17 & 24, 2008.
Nassau Presbyterian Church, Princeton, NJ, August 10, 2008.
Nassau Christian Center, Princeton, NJ, May 18, 2008.
Palm Sunday, Nassau Christian Center, Princeton, NJ, March 16, 2008.
Princeton University Chapel, February 24, 2008.
Hallelujah Service, Princeton University, February 24, 2008.
Opening Communion, Princeton Theological Seminary, January 28, 2008.
Garden State Youth Correctional Facility, Yardville, NJ, December 12, 2007.
Hallelujah Service, Princeton University, October 7, 2007.
International Students Morning Devotional, Princeton Seminary, Sept. 8, 2007.
Baccalaureate Service, Shiloh Baptist Church, Trenton, NJ, June 24, 2007.
Hour of Power, Princeton University, April 18, 2007.
Black History Month Service, Shiloh Baptist Church, Trenton, NJ, February 25, 2007.
Martin Luther King Celebration, Lee University, Cleveland, TN, January 2005.
Homecoming, Union Baptist Church, Trenton, NJ, October 2003.

Professional Service

Board of Directors, Families Moving Forward, 2018-2020
Advisory Council, Trinity School of Durham and Chapel Hill, 2017-2019
Advisory Council, BUMP: The Triangle, 2017-2019
Advisory Board, Day 1, 2015 - 2024
Consultation on Homiletical Theology, Boston University, 2013-2015.
Advisory Board, "Equipping the Saints: Promising Practices in Black Congregational Life" Lilly-funded project (Howard University Divinity School), 2014-2015
Reviewer, *Black Theology: An International Journal*, 2012 - present
Series Advisor, Fortress Press Companions in Biblical Preaching, 2011-2012
Advisory Board, WomanPreach, Inc., 2011-2014.
Secretary, Academy of Homiletics, 2009-2012
Advisory Board, *The African American Pulpit,* 2009-2010.
FTE Alumni Mentoring Workshop, June 2009
Executive Lectionary Team, *The African American Lectionary*, 2008-2012
Consulting Reader, *The Common English Bible*, eds. Joel Green et al., 2008-2010.
Board of YoungLifeZurich, Switzerland, 2002
Board of Chaplains, Rider University, 1998-1999
Music Faculty Search Committee, Stanford University, 1996

Professional Memberships

Academy of Homiletics
American Academy of Religion
Association for Chaplaincy and Spiritual Life in Higher Education
Religious Communication Association

Society for Biblical Literature
Society for the Study of Black Religion
Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

Duke University Service

Review Committee for Vice Provost for the Arts, 2024-2025
Chair, Search Committee, Associate Vice President/Vice Provost for Community-Engaged Scholarship, Fall 2024
Duke's Institute for Citizens & Scholars' Action Council for Civil Discourse, 2024-Present
Tenure Review Committee for Assistant Professor of Homiletics, Divinity School, Fall 2024
Convener, Interfaith and Pluralism, Provost's Initiative on the Middle East, 2024-2025
Chair, Religious Affairs Advisory Council, 2023-Present
Prison Engagement Initiative, Kenan Institute of Ethics, 2023-Present
Review Committee for Associate Research Professor of Theological Ethics/Bioethics, Fall 2023
Search Committee, Director of the Kenan Institute for Ethics, 2023
Tenure Review Committee for prospective faculty member, Divinity School, 2023
Centennial Celebration Steering Committee, 2022 - 2025
President's Advisory Committee on Institutional History, 2022 - Present
Review Committee for Vice President for Public Affairs and Governmental Relations and Chief Communications Officer, Fall 2021
Education and Training committee, Racial Equity Advisory Council, 2021 - 2024
Conduct Covenant Working Group, Duke Divinity School, Spring 2021
Op-ed writer, Duke Chronicle, www.dukechronicle.com/staff/luke-a-powery, 2020 - Present
Faculty Director, Certificate in Preaching, Duke Divinity School, 2020 - Present
Faculty Advisor, United in Praise undergraduate gospel ensemble, 2020-2022
Steering Committee, Center for Truth, Racial Healing & Transformation, 2018 - Present
Anti-racism Working Group for Story Gathering and Listening, Duke Divinity School, Fall 2020
Faculty Workgroup for the new Duke 101 initiative, focused on meaning and purpose for Duke sophomores, Spring 2020
Convener, Task Force on University Engagements and Scholarship, Divinity School, 2019
Ethics and Values Work Group, Fall 2018
Review Committee for Associate Professor of the Practice of Christian Education, Divinity School, Fall 2018
Board of Directors, Duke Alumni Association, 2018-2022
Task Force on Degree Programs, Divinity School, Fall 2018
Commission on Memory and History, Fall 2017
Presidential Inauguration Committee, 2017
Co-Chair, Search Committee, Faculty Directors of OBCS and CFR, Divinity School, 2017-2018
Chair, Worship subgroup, Fulfillment/ Purpose Work Group, Duke Healthy Campus, 2017-2018
Chair, Search Committee, Director of the Office of Black Church Studies, Fall 2016
Task Force on Bias and Hate, 2015-2016
D.Min. Oversight Committee, Divinity School, 2015-2017
Search Committee, Dean of Divinity School, 2015-2016
Duke WIN Leadership Council, 2015-2019
Review Committee for Assistant Professor and Director of Office of Black Church Studies, Spring 2015
Council for the Arts, 2014-2021
Reader for Duke School of Medicine secondary applications, 2014-2015

Review Committee for Vice President for Institutional Equity and Chief Diversity Officer, Spring 2014
President's Senior Leadership Group, 2013 - Present
STEAM Challenge Faculty Advisory Board, 2012-2014
Executive Board, Brain and Society group, Bass Connections, 2012-2014

Princeton Theological Seminary Service

Placement Support Network, 2015-2019
Seminary Council on Institutional Diversity, 2012
Board of Trustees Committee on Seminary Relations, 2011-2012
Faculty Support and Development Committee, 2011-2012
Convener, Preaching/Speech Communication in Ministry/Worship Area, 2011-2012
Chair, Seminary Council on Institutional Diversity, 2009-2010
Chapel Committee, 2009-2010
Bicentennial Committee, 2008-2012
Black Concerns Council, 2008-2010
Admissions Committee, 2007-2009
International Admissions Committee, 2007-2009
Chair, Latino/a Concerns Council, 2007-2008
Task Force on Racial/Ethnic Sensitivity and Multi-Cultural Awareness, 1998