

August 29, 2017, 11:00 a.m., Wait Chapel

FALL CONVOCATION





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PRELUDE: Fugue on St. Anne
* PROCESSIONAL SONG: "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 2:1-12
Our God, our Help in ages past, Our Hope for years to come, Our Shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal Home!
Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its years away; They fly forgotten as a dream Dies at the opening day.
A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone, Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.
Our God, our Help in ages past, Our Hope for years to come, Be Thou our Guard while troubles last And our eternal Home!
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER
BRINGING IN THE LIGHT Michael Hood (MDiv '20), Pamela Mitchell (MDiv '19), Taina Diaz Reyes, (MDiv/MA '19)
CONVOCATION ADDRESS: "Redeemer Nation and Lost Cause Religion: Making America Great Again (For the First Time)"



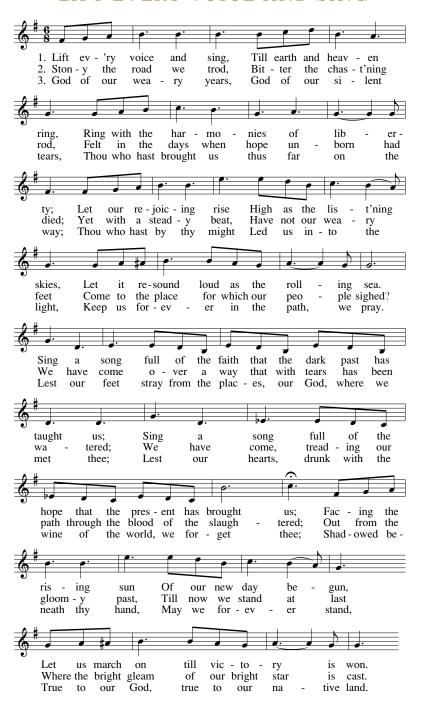


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PRESENTATION OF THE BILL J. LEONARD DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD PRO FIDE ET HUMANITATE
BENEDICTION. Bill J. Leonard

* **RECESSIONAL SONG:** "Lift Every Voice and Sing"...... see page 3

LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING



Text: James W. Johnson, 1871–1938 Tune: ANTHEM, 66 10 66 10 14 14 66 10; J. Rosamund Johnson, 1873–1954

ABOUT BILL J. LEONARD

Leonard's research focuses on Church History with particular attention to American religion, Baptist studies, and Appalachian religion. He is the author or editor of some 25 books including *The Challenge of Being Baptist* (2010); *Can I Get a Witness?*: *Essays, Sermons and Reflections* (2013); and *A Sense of the Heart: Christian Religious Experience in the U.S.*, (2014). In March 2015 he delivered the William James Lecture on Religious Experience at Harvard Divinity School and in February 2017 he gave the William Self Lectures on Preaching at McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University.

His newest book, *The Homebrewed Christianity Guide to Church History: Flaming Heretics and Heavy Drinkers*, was published by Fortress Press in July 2017. Leonard is on the board of the *Journal of Disability and Religion*, *The Baptist Quarterly (England)*, the *Day1 Preaching Network*, the Institute for Rural Journalism and Community Issues, and the Governing Board of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship.

While on sabbatical this year, his research focuses on a new book, tentatively entitled: "Security or Idolatry?: A History of Religion and Firearms in the U.S."

Leonard writes a twice-monthly column for *Baptist News Global*, is an ordained Baptist minister, and a member of First Baptist Church, Highland Avenue (American Baptist Churches, USA) in Winston-Salem.

THE BILL J. LEONARD DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD PRO FIDE ET HUMANITATE

The Bill J. Leonard Distinguished Service Award is awarded annually to faculty, alumni, or friends of the Wake Forest University School of Divinity. The award will be given annually at the spring University Founder's Day Convocation or at an appropriate venue to be determined by the School. Recipients embody the principle of Wake Forest's motto of *Pro Humanitate* and the School's mission, such as a commitment to diverse faith engagements and to being agents of justice, reconciliation, and compassion in Christian churches and other ministries.

The award was established and funded by the late James M. Dunn and his wife, Marilyn, to honor "the life contributions of Bill J. Leonard as teacher, scholar, historian, and as the first dean of the divinity school at Wake Forest." Dunn served as resident professor of Christianity and public policy from 1999 until his retirement in 2014.

The first award was made during the 2009-2010 academic year to commemorate the School's first class of entering students in 1999 and to honor the Reverend Doctor Bill J. Leonard's decade of service to the School.

Previous recipients include:

2010

Bill I. Leonard

2011

Douglass "Doug" M. Bailey Assistant Professor of Urban Ministry (retired)

2012

Laura Barclay (MDiv '08)

2014

Michael "Mike" Aiken (*71) Executive Director, Greensboro Urban Ministry (retired)

2015

Jo Ann Trethaway Operations Manager, School of Divinity (retired)

2016

Jeanette Wallace Hyde United States Ambassador and Wake Forest life trustee

COMMUNITY WORSHIP

The School of Divinity gathers together for worship on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the academic year at 11:00 a.m. in Davis Chapel (located in Wingate Hall). Community members are invited to join us. Here's a preview of our upcoming worship leaders:

Tuesday, September 26

Rev. Minerva G. Carcaño

Bishop of the California-Nevada Annual Conference The United Methodist Church

Tuesday, October 17

Admiral Margaret Kibben

Chief of Chaplains U.S. Navy

Tuesday, October 31

Rev. Susan Minaisan

Pastor, Sojourners United Church of Christ Charlottesville, VA

Thursday, November 2

Jorge Lockward

Director of the Global Praise Program of the General Board of Global Ministries
The United Methodist Church

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JOIN US THIS FALL

Thursday, September 19, 5:00 p.m., Wingate Hall Room 302

Food, Ecology, and Vocation: How God Called an Atheist from Las Vegas to Start a Faith-Based Farm Ministry and Steward a Christian Food Movement

with the Rev. Nurya Love Parish

In a tremendous time of change for the church and all Creation, God is still at work. Discerning and following God's call on your life is the work of a lifetime. Rev. Parish will share her own story and some of the stories of other reflective practitioners responding to God's call at the intersection of Christian discipleship, sustainability, health and justice. This lecture is sponsored by the School of Divinity's Food, Health, and Ecological Well-Being Program.

Tuesday, September 26, 11:00 a.m., Wait Chapel

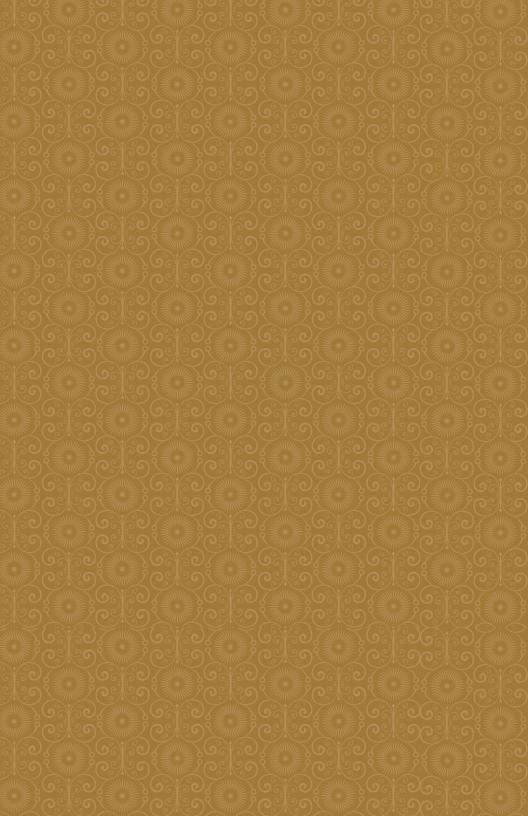
Mac Bryan Prophetic Preaching Series welcomes Bishop Minerva G. Carcaño

In 2004, Bishop Minerva G. Carcaño became the first Hispanic woman to be elected to the episcopacy of The United Methodist Church, the second-largest Protestant denomination in the U.S. She currently serves as Bishop of the San Francisco Area of The United Methodist Church, and is an official spokesperson for the United Methodist Council of Bishops on the issue of immigration. A native of Edinburg, Texas, Bishop Carcaño spent her early years aspiring to make a difference in the lives of persons who faced poverty and discrimination. Not forgetting her roots and early hopes, her ministry has always involved work with the poor, farm workers, immigrants, refugees, and those advocating for the full rights of the LGBTQ community.

Friday, November 3 - Saturday, November 4, First Baptist Church on Fifth, Winston-Salem Let Justice Sing Down: Congregational Songs for Our Times

The two-day music festival unites individuals and choirs, clergy and laity from the Winston-Salem and Triad area faith communities in musical celebration of shared worship and common concerns of social justice in our city, our country, and our world. Worship leadership involves some of the best known church musicians in the United States including Brian Hehn of the Center for Congregational Song, James Abbington of Emory University's Candler School of Theology, D'Walla Simmons-Burke of Winston-Salem State University, and Jorge Lockward of the Global Praise Program of the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church.

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The Wake Forest University School of Divinity is a dynamic and ecumenical theological institution that prepares men and women to be religious leaders in a changing world. The School currently offers the Master of Divinity degree and several joint degrees in law, bioethics, counseling, education, and sustainability, and a dual degree pathway in business, offered in partnership with other schools of the University. Through imaginative courses and diverse programs of community engagement, students are equipped to be agents of justice, reconciliation, and compassion in Christian churches and other ministries.