

# PERKINS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

A CELEBRATION OF DEGREES AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS  
AS A PART OF  
THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES  
OF SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY



FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2021

4 P.M.

MOODY COLISEUM

DALLAS, TEXAS

## GATHERING MUSIC

CHRISTOPHER S. ANDERSON  
Associate Professor of Sacred Music

### PROCESSIONAL

*Please remain seated during the Processional.*

### \*INVOCATION

REV. DR. HUGO MAGALLANES

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Associate Professor of Christianity and Cultures

### \*LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: Let us give thanks to God for gifts, gracefully given.

**All: We praise you, O God, for all your great and glorious deeds.**

Leader: For the gifts of your Spirit made manifest in preaching, teaching, music, and study:

For love and courage,

For wisdom and commitment,

For knowledge and discernment.

**All: We praise you, O God, for all your great and glorious deeds.**

Leader: For the Church of Jesus Christ,

For the call to ministry and the grace to accept.

**All: We praise you, O God, for all your great and glorious deeds.**

Leader: For the gift of each other,

For the love, prayers, and strength of family and friends;

For the guidance, challenge, and care of mentors, teachers and colleagues.

**All: We praise you, O God, for all your great and glorious deeds.**

Leader: For the continued unfolding of the call,

For the repeated affirmation of our baptism, and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

**All: We praise you, O God, for all your great and glorious deeds.**

### WELCOME

CRAIG C. HILL

Dean, Perkins School of Theology

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 9:23–24 (NRSV)

REV. DR. JAIME CLARK-SOLES

Professor of New Testament

### CHORAL ANTHEM

“We Come Unto Our Savior God”

Jane Marshall (1988)

### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

I Corinthians 1:17–26

REV. DR. JAIME CLARK-SOLES

### SERMON

“What’s the Word?”

REV. DR. GEORGE MASON

Senior Pastor, Wilshire Baptist Church

### PRESENTATION OF HONORS AND AWARDS

DEAN CRAIG HILL

### DIPLOMA PRESENTATION

DEAN CRAIG HILL

TRACY ANNE ALLRED

Assistant Dean of Student Life and  
Director of Community Engagement

JOE F. MONROY

Registrar and Director of Academic Services

### HYMN OF PRAISE

“We Are One in Christ”

Text: John Thornburg, 2006

Music: Marcell Steuernagel, 2019

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

\*BENEDICTION

DEAN CRAIG HILL

RECESSIONAL

CHRISTOPHER S. ANDERSON

Associate Professor of Sacred Music

The service pianist is Christopher S. Anderson, Associate Professor of Sacred Music.

Choral music for this service is provided by the Seminary Singers, Perkins School of Theology, Marcell Silva Steuernagel, Director.

*Following the ceremony, you are cordially invited to exit Moody Coliseum  
and meet your graduate outside. Photos of graduates will be taken  
at Perkins Chapel immediately following the service.*

2021 GRADUATES

*Master of Arts in Ministry*

Jong Ahn  
Julian Lennon Kanombirira  
Brooke Leonard

Victor M. Resendiz  
Cassandra Joelle Rice  
#Shirley Kafka Sharp

#Kristen Ruth Von Gonten

*Master of Sacred Music*

#Allison Shutt

*Master of Theological Studies*

Amy Ledonna Cannon  
+Colton Castle  
Rebecca Marie Chase

\*Kimberly Noel DiBiase  
Jeffrey Charles Foster  
+Juanita Marie Johnson

Alice Bonareri Ondieki  
\*Faith Ann Sheedy  
Kiersten Cierra Smeal

*Master of Theology*

+Julius Yibebo Collins

#Iris Lucille Hollister

\*Adam Gerald Muckleroy

*Master of Divinity*

William Holmes Atwood  
Victoria Pepper Ayala  
+Carlene Rachel Barbeau  
Caleb Forrest Brimmage  
+Paul Raymond Bussert  
Theresa Louise Cass  
Reymundo L. Chacon  
#Timothy Wayne Clifford  
Kanika Lavette Douglas  
+Walter Justin-Summers Garrett  
Deneen V.R. Goldsmith  
Edna Hargraves

Gerry Hubbs  
+Steven James  
Allie Grace Johnson  
#Jennifer Kilpatrick  
#Dukwhan David Kim  
#Shandon Chasity Klein  
David Eugene Lee  
#Adam Lubbers  
+Kelly Rose Mariott  
#Scott Alexander Moore  
Zulma Suscely Morales  
Rosedanny Ortiz

Sarah Elizabeth Rozeboom  
#Meredith Crim Scruggs  
Walter Shumac III  
Ronda L. Simmons Parish  
Brenda Lee Smith  
Brandy Lea Stevens  
Carrie Chapman Teller<sup>2</sup>  
+Megan Leah Twyman  
Maxwell Levi Urbina Jarquin  
+Kaylee Sue Vida  
#Victoria Ashley Wood  
Wallace E. Wyatt III<sup>1</sup>

*Doctor of Ministry*

Etta Lea Anderson  
°Stephen Daniel Kirkpatrick  
Arbogast  
°Kevin Antoine Brown  
°Thomas Daniel Irving

John Joseph Noggle  
°David Eli Rangel  
Earl B. Robinson  
Todd Ryan Salzwedel

Naomy Mbewe Nyendwa  
Sengebwila  
Gregory C. Smith  
°Pamela Elaine White

*Doctor of Pastoral Music*

Hyun Min Lee

Joshua Taylor

*The following students will complete studies in August 2021  
and are participating in today's ceremony:*

*Master of Arts in Ministry*

Shamra Hodge

Monica O'Donnell

Adrienne Nicole Stuckey

*Master of Sacred Music*

Lucas Shane Eaton

*Master of Theological Studies*

Cescilio Chavez

*Master of Divinity*

Christine Deeds

\*Shayla Allyssa RaeAnne Jordan

Edgardo Ruiz

*Master of Theology*

+Abraham Rohan

*Doctor of Pastoral Music*

Thomas M. Shapard

*The following students previously completed their studies  
and are participating in today's ceremony:*

*Master of Arts in Ministry*

Kelli Kennington

*Master of Theological Studies*

\*Richard Anastasi

Ellen Chimowa

*Master of Divinity*

Cori Raylene Clevenger<sup>1</sup>  
Todd Mitchell Fee

Lynzey Journae' Guidry  
Gina Rachell Hahn

+Zachary David Hughes  
\*Joyce Lee Vanderlip

*Master of Theology*

#Sumesh Jacob

*Doctor of Ministry*

Ki Young Kyoung

*Doctor of Pastoral Music*

Kevin Allan Turner

# *Summa Cum Laude*

+ *Magna Cum Laude*

\* *Cum Laude*

° With honors on the D.Min. project

<sup>1</sup> Concentration in Church/Nonprofit Management

<sup>2</sup> Concentration in Pastoral Care

## 2021 ROLL OF HONOR

### *Highest Honors*

Jennifer Nichole Abbott  
Garth Kasimu Baker-Fletcher  
Amber Leigh Benson  
Anne Marie Berg  
Elizabeth Ladd Beshear  
Amy Gwyn Boriack  
Katherine Boyd  
Pamela Seung Brantley  
Elizabeth Ann Bridges  
Josiah David Brown  
John Wiley Bryant  
Richie Butler  
Julia Nicole Castleman  
Eunbyul Cho  
Jae Jun Cho  
Jeremy William Clark  
Timothy Wayne Clifford  
Caroline Elizabeth Collins  
Keneshia Colwell  
Brennan Reid Cummings  
Elmer L. Doty  
Ralph Pieter du Plessis

Jennifer Harmon Gros  
Robert Ivan Gulledge  
Julian P. Hobdy  
Laura A. Hudec  
David Christopher Kemp  
Jennifer Kilpatrick  
Dukwhan David Kim  
Meredith Kirk  
Shandon Chasity Klein  
Pamela Nancy Leach  
Steven B. Lefebvre  
Rachel Nicole LeMay  
James Martin Loman  
Kelly Dee Long  
Adam Lubbers  
Courtney Patrick Mitchell  
Margo Lee Moore  
Scott Alexander Moore  
Michele Anne Mrak  
Marissa Jean Neil  
Melissa Ethlyn Nelms  
Andrew Bartlett Patton

Julie Ann Paulick  
Courtney Renee Reid  
Matthew Schroeder  
Meredith Crim Scruggs  
Leanne Seabright  
Alyson Shahan  
Shirley Kafka Sharp  
Bryce Wayne Shelton  
Allison Shutt  
Tanner Joseph Smith  
Jessica Tucker Spillers  
Vincent Staggs  
Rebecca Lynn Stegmann  
Alexandra Sarah Stokes  
Ashlee Renae Sweeney  
Jonathan Paul Totty  
Thomas Murray Twyman  
Kristen Ruth Von Gonten  
Claire Nicole Ward  
Shunda Kidd Wilkin  
Victoria Ashley Wood  
Dianale R. Wright

### *High Honors*

Rohan Vinu Abraham  
Donald Gene Acton  
Carlene Rachel Barbeau  
Tamara Marie Schlueter Bayo  
Lindsay Bruehl  
Paul Raymond Bussert  
Laura Watson Byrd  
Colton Castle  
Maria Soledad De La Cerdas  
Allyson Nicole Drummond

Lacey Renee George  
Steven James  
Trent William Juarez  
Stephen Douglas Kimmel  
Alyssa Coady Lawther  
Sean Andrew McDonald  
Sean Patrick McMaughan  
William Murphree  
Dane Lindsay Nelson  
Shelby Leigh Olive

Caleb E. Palmer  
Genie Ellen Potes  
Kelly Lynn Rose  
Lauren Manson Sandstedt  
Edward Andrew Scoggins  
Claudia Stephens  
Sandra Barbara Taylor  
Ellen Elizabeth Thornburg  
Megan Leah Twyman  
Kaylee Sue Vida

### *Honors*

Kyle Wayne Abshire  
Richard Anastasi  
Keidra Dorvonne Carmichael  
Rhonda Ann Chambers  
Jonathan Colley  
Kimberly Noel DiBiase  
Amanda Paulette Garnier  
Sarah Ingham

Shayla Allyssa RaeAnne Jordan  
Sang won Lee  
Matthew Eaton Lewis  
Whitney Mertz  
Grace Marie Millard  
Adam Gerald Muckleroy  
Rachel Mumaw  
Josean Alexis Otero Lopez

Jillian Abbey Shannon  
Faith Ann Sheedy  
Benjamin Wesley Sinclair  
Joseph Phillip Stobaugh  
Isaiah Terry  
Madison Leigh Wentworth

## AWARDS

The Dr. and Mrs. J.P. Bray Award in Hebrew is given to the student who ranks highest in Hebrew scholarship.

The Faculty Award in Greek goes to the student who ranks highest in New Testament Greek scholarship.

The Charley T. and Jesse James Bible Awards are awarded to three students on the basis of academic achievement in biblical courses and overall scholastic performance.

The W.B.J. Martin Award in Homiletics is given in recognition of outstanding students in the introductory preaching classes.

The W.B. DeJernett Award in Homiletics is given to senior students with the highest academic average in homiletics courses.

The Paul W. Quillian Award in Homiletics is given to the student who has presented the best written sermon.

The William K. McElvaney Preaching Award is given to the student who has presented the best written sermon on a public issue, which includes a social crisis, a controversial issue or a chronic social problem.

The Robert Weatherford Prize for Internship Preaching provides an award to theology students for excellence in preaching during internship. Recipients are chosen by the intern faculty of Perkins School of Theology and a representative from the preaching faculty.

The Bert Affleck Award is given to a student for creativity in ministry during internship.

The Hoyt Hickman Award for Outstanding Liturgical Scholarship and Practice, awarded by the Order of Saint Luke, is given to the graduating student who, in the judgment of the selection committee, has given evidence of a high quality of scholarship in the study of liturgy and is an effective leader of Christian worship.

The Roger Deschner Prize in Sacred Music was established by friends and family in memory of Roger Deschner. The prize is awarded to an M.S.M. student who has excelled in academic work, musical abilities and overall achievement in the Sacred Music Program.

The Albert C. Outler Award in Theology is awarded to the student contributing the most outstanding essay in theology during the academic year.

The Philip Schaff Prize in Church History, established by Klaus Penzel, is given for demonstrated excellence in the historical study of Christianity, while participating in courses in church history.

The B'nai B'rith Award in Social Ethics is given by the Harold M. Kaufman Memorial Foundation to students on the basis of scholarly competence in the field of social ethics and personal commitment as shown in voluntary activity in support of worthy causes.

The Harry Hosier Spirit Award, established by Perkins alumnus Reverend Dr. Henry Masters, is given to a graduating student who best exemplifies the spirit of Harry Hosier expressed in what is described as his "eloquence of faith: I sing by faith, preach by faith, pray by faith and do everything by faith."

The Hunt-Francis Research Grant in Pastoral Care and Counseling, funded by a gift from Dr. Richard and Joan Hunt, provides financial support to a student undertaking faculty-supervised research on the subject of Pastoral Care and Counseling at the Perkins School of Theology.

The Dr. and Mrs. Glenn Flinn Senior Award is given to that member of the graduating class who, in the judgment of the faculty, best exemplifies the aims of the school and the church for its ministry.