

ALPS/Memphis/Tennessee/Holston COS
March 31-April 1; May 12-13, 2017
Hiwassee College
Assignment and Course Requirements

Course: COS 324 - Preaching
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Your prework for Session One is to be submitted on the first Friday night of the course. Please staple it to a Cover Sheet. Additional work will be due on the second Friday night of the course. This course focuses on preaching the gospel from the Old and New Testaments.

Students will be able to:

1. Articulate a theology of proclamation.
2. Exegete a variety of biblical passages for preaching
3. Evaluate sermons for biblical integrity, theological soundness, internal logic and delivery, and appropriate insights gained from the evaluation of their own sermons.
4. Develop plans for ordering and delivering sermons in their congregational and communal context.

TEXTS

Hamilton, Adam. *Unleashing the Word*. (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2003)
ISBN 13: 9781426707001

Long, Thomas G. *The Witness of Preaching (Second Edition)*. (Westminster John Knox Press, Louisville, 2005). ISBN – 13: 9780664229433

Taylor, Barbara Brown. *Preaching Life*. (Boston: Cowley Publications, 1993)
ISBN 9781561010745

Lectionary Passages

Reference:

Paul Scott Wilson, Editor, *The New Interpreter's Handbook of Preaching*. (Nashville: Abingdon, 2010) ISBN 9781426735707

Supplementary:

Craddock, Fred. *Craddock on the Craft of Preaching*. (St. Louis, MO: Chalice Press, 2011)
ISBN 9780827205536

LaRue, Cleophus *The Heart of Black Preaching (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 1999)* ISBN - 13: 9780664258474

Webb, Joseph *Preaching Without Notes*. (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2001)
ISBN - 0687090881

Textbooks may be ordered from Cokesbury.com or Amazon.com

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

April 23, 2017

2nd Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:14a, 22-32
Psalm 16
I Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31

April 30, 2017

3rd Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
I Peter 1:12-23
Luke 24:13-35

May 7, 2017

4th Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
I Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

May 14, 2017

5th Sunday of Easter
Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
I Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14

May 21, 2017

6th Sunday of Easter
Acts 17:22-31
Psalm 66:8-20
I Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Read the chapter on "Weddings and Funerals" in Hamilton's book Unleashing the Word. Write a one page reflection on each.
2. Read Long's The Witness of Preaching and write a paragraph on each of the Four Images of a preacher. Comment on the steps Long mentions in the sermon preparation process (Biblical exegesis; focus, function, form; interaction; rhythm; speaking the truth; what you take with you into the pulpit, etc.). This paper should be 3 pages in length.
3. Read part one of The Preaching Life by Barbara Brown Taylor. Write a reflection paper on the chapter regarding Imagination. This paper should be one to two pages in length.
4. The reflections should show that you are familiar with the material of the assigned readings.
5. Late papers will be graded down.

While on campus for the first session, we will be working on the assigned lessons from the Lectionary. Between sessions you will be asked to do further study on the texts. During the second session, we will begin preparing a sermon to preach to your congregation.

Grading System:

Prework:	40%
Midwork:	30%
Class Participation:	30%