

### MONDAY

February 8

9:30 a.m.	Welcome, registration and coffee	Gallery
10 a.m.	Opening Chapel <i>Sermon by Dr. Mike Graves</i>	Alford Centrum
10:45 a.m.	Break	
11 a.m.	Lecture I <i>Dr. Graves</i>	Alford Centrum
Noon	Lunch	Dunn Dining Hall
1 p.m.	Q&A and workshop <i>Dr. Graves</i>	Alford Centrum
3 p.m.	Dismissal	

### TUESDAY

February 9

9:30 a.m.	Welcome and coffee	Gallery
10 a.m.	Workshop <i>Dr. Valerie Bridgeman and Dr. Graves</i>	Alford Centrum
11 a.m.	Dialogue and Q&A <i>Dr. Bridgeman and Dr. Graves</i>	Alford Centrum
Noon	Lunch	Dunn Dining Hall
1 p.m.	Closing Chapel	Alford Centrum
2 p.m.	Dismissal	



### MIKE GRAVES

Dr. Mike Graves is the William K. McElvaney Professor of Preaching and Worship at Saint Paul School of Theology, a United Methodist seminary in Kansas City. He serves as regional minister of preaching for the Greater Kansas City Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Ordained in the Christian Church, Graves has served on the Saint Paul faculty since 2007. He holds a Ph.D. in preaching from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, a Master of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and a B.S. in education from University of Houston.

On the transformational power of prophetic preaching, Graves has said, "I believe preaching does indeed transform the world, both in terms of calling people to be change agents but also by speaking truth to power. My teaching of preaching begins with the notion that our agenda must be the same as Christ's, who in his first sermon proclaimed 'good news to the poor' as well as 'release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free.'"

Graves's recent publications include *The Story of Narrative Preaching: Experience and Exposition* (2015) and *The Fully Alive Preacher: Recovering from Homiletical Burnout* (2006). He is currently finishing a book titled *Eating and Talking in Church: Rethinking Communion and Community* and editing a collections of essays to honor the preaching gifts of Fred Craddock.

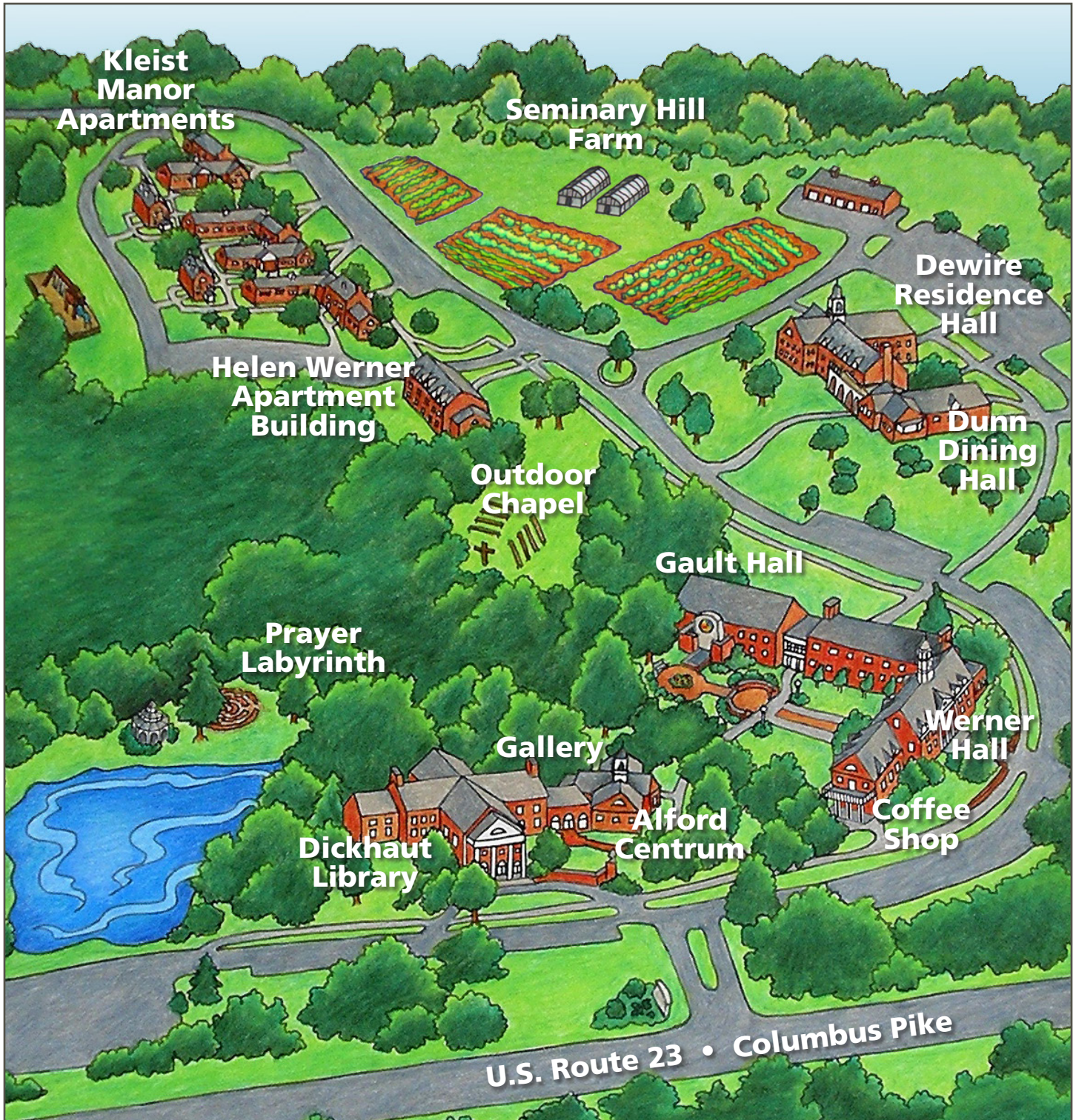
### VALERIE BRIDGEMAN

Dr. Valerie Bridgeman is associate professor of homiletics and Hebrew Bible at MTSO. A preacher and speaker in high demand throughout the country, she is the founding president of WomanPreach!, an organization bringing preachers to full prophetic voice. Ordained in the Church of God (Anderson, Indiana), she holds a doctorate from Baylor University, a Master of Divinity degree from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary and a B.A. from Trinity University.





Events for the Schooler Institute on Preaching will be held in the Alford Centrum, the adjoining Gallery, and Dunn Dining Hall.





FACULTY LECTURE

7 p.m. Feb. 16

## **Missing in Action: The Disappearance of Progressive Christianity in the Movement to End Human Trafficking**

Yvonne Zimmerman, MTSO associate professor of Christian ethics, will discuss the process by which progressive Christian perspectives are co-opted and effectively silenced in the anti-trafficking movement.

CALL TO ACTION

1-6 p.m. Feb. 26

## **Faithful Justice: Confronting Mass Incarceration**

We gather for an afternoon of critical dialogue, scholarship, and networking with advocates, program and faith leaders, students, and community members. The day will include a keynote address by author and scholar James Logan. Register at [www.mtso.edu/faithfuljustice](http://www.mtso.edu/faithfuljustice).

SYMPOSIUM CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF MACM

8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. March 16

## **Integrating Clinical Wisdom and Spirituality in the Teaching and Practice of Counseling and Psychotherapy in a Diverse World**

We'll take a day to reunite, celebrate the past three decades, and recommit ourselves to the continuing value of holistic, interdisciplinary, spiritually informed counseling education and clinical training.

PROPHETIC MINISTRY

8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. April 4

## **Institute on Organizing and Preaching for Social Justice**

On the anniversary of the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., engage with scholars of community organizing, preaching and ethics from MTSO and around the country as we work together to understand prophetic action in our own contexts.

ANNUAL LECTURE ON WORLD RELIGIONS AND INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE

7 p.m. April 13

## **Challenges and Opportunities in Christian-Muslim Relations: A Perspective from Pakistan**

The Rev. Canon Dr. Titus Presler will deliver this lecture, sponsored by the Theological Consortium of Greater Columbus, at All Saints Episcopal Church in New Albany.

FACULTY LECTURE

1 p.m. April 20

## **Millennial Dreaming: Cultivating Hope and Ecological Vision**

Timothy Van Meter, MTSO associate professor of Christian education and youth ministry, delivers an Earth Day lecture focusing on hope in a time when the earth is in crisis. On this day, we will also plant new fruit trees donated by the graduating class of 2015.

LECTURE

1 p.m. May 4

## **Ministries of the Body: Christianity and Health in the 21st Century**

Doctoral student and MTSO alum Jennifer Stockwell is studying language at the intersection of medicine and religion. She will discuss the sometimes troubling ways medical metaphors are used in ministry.