

Deep River: Preaching and the Holy Spirit

MONDAY

March 27

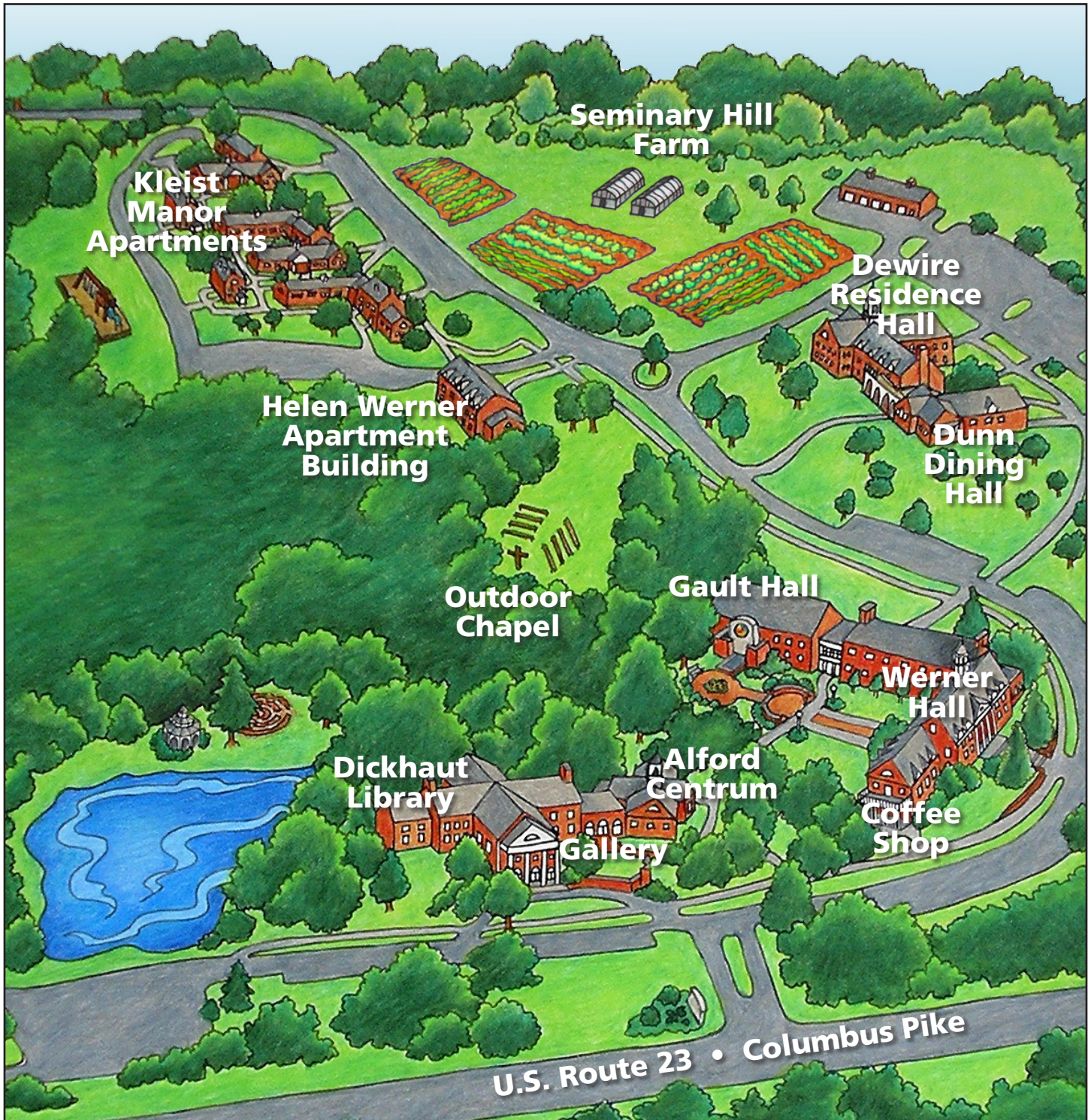
9:30 a.m.	Welcome, registration and coffee	Gallery
10 a.m.	Opening Chapel	Alford Centrum
10:45 a.m.	Break	
11 a.m.	Lecture 1	Alford Centrum
Noon	Lunch	Dunn Dining Hall
1 p.m.	Workshop 1	Alford Centrum
2 p.m.	Dismissal	

TUESDAY

March 28

9:30 a.m.	Welcome and coffee	Gallery
10 a.m.	Lecture 2	Alford Centrum
10:45 a.m.	Break	
11 a.m.	Workshop 2	Alford Centrum
Noon	Lunch	Dunn Dining Hall
1 p.m.	Closing Chapel	Alford Centrum
2 p.m.	Dismissal	

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



LUKE POWERY

Rev. Dr. Luke Powery is dean of Duke University Chapel and associate professor of homiletics at Duke Divinity School.

A national leader in the theological study of the art of preaching, Powery regularly delivers sermons at Duke Chapel as well as at churches throughout the United States and abroad. He is often a keynote speaker and lecturer at educational institutions, conferences, symposia and retreats.

Among the books Dr. Powery has authored are *Becoming Human: The Holy Spirit and the Rhetoric of Race*; *Spirit Speech: Lament and Celebration in Preaching*; and *Dem Dry Bones: Preaching, Death, and Hope*. He is co-author of the textbook *Ways of the Word: Learning to Preach for Your Time and Place*.

Dr. Powery received his Bachelor of Arts degree in music with a concentration in vocal performance from Stanford University, his Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary, and his Doctor of Theology from Emmanuel College at the University of Toronto.



ABOUT THE SCHOOLER INSTITUTE ON PREACHING

The MTSO campus fills annually with religious leaders who come to enrich their understanding and enhance their preaching skills at the Schooler Institute on Preaching. The institute was established in 1989 by a generous grant from the Schooler Family Foundation, in recognition of the importance of effective preaching in the life of the church.

Schooler is led by renowned preachers who share their expertise and insights. In addition to lectures, the institute features workshops around the institute theme, dialogue with the leader, and chapel services featuring preaching by the leader.

Past Schooler Institute leaders include Fred Craddock, James Forbes, Edwina Hunter, Leontine Kelly, Donald English, Walter Brueggemann, Peter Gomes, Tex Sample, William Sloane Coffin, Peter Storey, Joseph Roberts, Ruth Duck, Philip Wogaman, Zan Holmes, Cecil Williams, William Willimon, Marjorie Suchocki, Thomas Troeger, John Kinney, Sharon Ringe, Dale Andrews, Gregory Palmer, Mark Kelly Tyler, Timothy Eberhart, Valerie Bridgeman, Jorge Lockward, Mike Graves, Wil Gafney and O. Wesley Allen, Jr.

Archived video and resources from past Schooler Institutes, as well as other MTSO events, are available online at www.mtso.edu/eventarchives.

Prelude

Welcome

Jay Rundell
President

Call to Worship

One: God our refuge, our fortress, our source of abundant life –
we have gathered as your people, in your presence.

Many: We come to be inspired.

One: We come to be moved.

Many: We come to be challenged.

One: We come to be corrected.

Many: We come to have our eyes opened once again.

One: We come to experience your Spirit in fresh, new ways.

Many: We come letting go of old assumptions.

One: We come open to new discoveries.

Many: Amen.

Hymn

"Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire" (*United Methodist Hymnal*)

1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our hearts in - spire, let
2. Come, Ho - ly Ghost (for moved by thee the
3. Ex - pand thy wings, ce - les - tial Dove, brood
4. God, through the Spir - it we shall know if

us thine in - fluence prove; source of the old pro -
ph - ets wrote and spoke), un - lock the truth, thy -
o'er our na - ture's night; on our dis - or - dered
thou with - in us shine, and sound, with all thy

phet - ic fire, foun - tain of life and love.
self the key, un - seal the sa - cred book.
spir - its move, and let there now be light.
saints be - low, the depths of love di - vine.

Opening Prayer

God of love. God of life. God of our deepest yearnings.
Day by day and moment by moment you call us
to share in your work and be signs of your presence in this world.
May this time of gathering, be more than just a retreat
from the normal routines of our lives,
but a movement toward a deeper encounter
with your transforming Word and Holy Spirit.
Draw us, startle us, envelop us, and change us –
so that we may become true reflections of your grace, mercy, and love.
Amen.

Call to Listen

"Come, Holy Spirit" (a capella)

Come, Ho-ly Spir-it, Come, Ho-ly Spirit
 Move a - mong us Come, O come!

Scripture Reading

Acts 19:1-7

One: A word of life for a people in need.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Reprise

"Come, Holy Spirit"

Message

"We Have Not Even Heard"

Luke Powery

Hymn

"Take My Life" (*Chalice Hymnal*)
Verses 1, 2, 3 and 6

1. Take my life, and let it be con-se-crat-ed, Lord, to thee.
 2. Take my hands, and let them move at the im-pulse of thy love.
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing; un-to God my praise I bring.
 6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its trea-sure store.

1. Take my mo-ments and my days; let them flow in
 2. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beau-ti-ful
 3. Take my lips and let them be filled with mes-sa-ges
 6. Take my-self, and I will be ev-er, on-ly,

1. cease-less praise, let them flow in cease-less praise.
 2. ful for thee, swift and beau-ti-ful for thee.
 3. ges from thee, filled with mes-sa-ges from thee.
 6. all for thee, ev-er, on-ly, all for thee.

Continues

Prayers of Intercession

One: God who Hears,
Trusting that you have heard the words we have sung as a song to you –
we come to you now and ask that you hear our words once again –
as a prayer to you.

Take our lives and let them be consecrated unto thee:

**Many: Lives that work for your justice –
in the midst of unjust governments, systems, and theologies.
Lives that work for your peace – in the midst of war, division, and deception.
Lives that work for your flourishing –
in the midst of oppression, silencing, and exploitation.**

One: Take our voices and let them be filled with messages from thee:

**Many: Voices that proclaim your message of love to those
who have been told they are unlovely.
Voices that proclaim your message of hope to those who have lost hope
or had their hope stolen from them.
Voices that proclaim your message of abundance
to those who have been told there isn't enough –
to those who have been told they aren't enough.**

One: Take our hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love:

**Many: Hands that carry food to those who hunger.
Hands that carry healing to those who suffer.
Hands that carry the baptism of your Holy Spirit to all that needs transformation.**

One: Holy God, as your Church, we give to you every part of us.
Be enthroned in our heart.
Be enthroned in our words.
Be enthroned in our life.
For the sake of your kin-dom come.
Amen.

Hymn

"O Spirit of the Living God" (United Methodist Hymnal)

1. O Spir - it of the liv - ing God, thou
 2. Blow, wind of God! With wis - dom blow un -
 3. Teach us to ut - ter liv - ing words of
 4. So shall we know the power of Christ who

light and fire di - vine, de - scend up - on thy
 til our minds are free from mists of er - ror,
 truth which all may hear, the lan - guage all may
 came this world to save; so shall we rise with

church once more, and make it tru - ly thine.
 clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to thee.
 un - der - stand when love speaks loud and clear;
 him to life which soars be - yond the grave;

Fill it with love and joy and power, with
 Burn, wing - ed fire! In - spire our lips with
 till ev - ery age and race and clime shall
 and earth shall win true ho - li - ness, which

righteous - ness and peace; till Christ shall dwell in
 flam - ing love and zeal, to preach to all thy
 blend their creeds in one, and earth shall form one
 makes thy chil - dren whole; till, per - fect - ed by

hu - man hearts, and sin and sor - row cease.
 great good news, God's glo - rious com - mon - weal.
 fam - i - ly by whom thy will is done.
 thee, we reach cre - a - tion's glo - rious goal!

Benediction

Postlude

Gathering Song

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord.
There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love.
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise.
Without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

Welcome

Jay Rundell
President

Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 104

One: Bless Adonai, my soul!
Oh God, how great you are!
– clothed in majesty and honor,
wrapped in light as with a robe.

Many: Send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

One: You set the earth on its foundation – immovable from age to age.
You wrapped it with the depths like a cloak;
the waters stood higher than the mountains.

Many: Send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

One: You make springs gush forth in the valleys;
they flow in between the hills.
There the birds of heaven build their nests;
from the branches they sing their song.

Many: Send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

One: From your dwelling you water the mountains;
by your works the earth has its fill.
You make the grass grow for the cattle;
and plants to serve creation’s needs –
to bring forth bread from the earth.

Many: Send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

One: How many are your works! In wisdom you have made them all.
The earth is full of your artistry. Bless Adonai, O my soul.

Many: Send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

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Song

“Gracious Spirit” (Tanzania)

Come, — come, — come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.

Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing: fash - ion us all a - new.
 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be - lieve in Christ.
 Come and stir us, come, and heal us, o - pen our eyes, we pray.

It's your lead - ing that we're need - ing, help us to fol - low you.
 Bless the faith - ful, may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.
 Light our fire — for the mis - sion we have been called by grace.

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1-21

One: A word of life for a people in need.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Message

“And”

Luke Powery

Song of Response

“Loving Spirit” (tune: BEACH SPRING)

**Loving Spirit, Loving Spirit – you have chosen us for you.
 You have drawn us to your wonder – you have set your sign anew.
 Like a mother you enfold us – hold our lives within your own.
 Feed us with your very body – form us of your flesh and bone.**

Spoken word (based on a prayer by Fred Kaan):

Come Holy Spirit, set your church on fire
 Strike it as the lightning hits a reaching spire.
 Burn away the structures and consume the shame
 Of our holy systems. Come in Jesus name.

**Loving Spirit, Loving Spirit – you have chosen us for you.
 You have drawn us to your wonder – you have set your sign anew.
 Friend and lover, in your closeness – we are known and held and blessed:
 In your promise is our comfort – in your presence we may rest.**

Continues

Spoken word (based on a prayer by Fred Kaan):
Come Holy Spirit,
Blow away the cobwebs of our stubborn past
Come blow up among us, myths unfit to last
Wind of change, pursue us and disturb our calm
Teach us what true love is. Take our hearts by storm.

**Loving Spirit, Loving Spirit – you have chosen us for you.
You have drawn us to your wonder – you have set your sign anew.**

Prayers of Intercession “Disturb Us” (Sir Francis Drake)

Many: Disturb us, Oh God

One: Disturb us, God,
when we are too well pleased with ourselves,
when our dreams have come true
because we have dreamed too little,
when we arrived safely
because we sailed too close to the shore.

...And so, we ask you, once again: Disturb us, Oh God!

Many: Disturb us, Oh God

One: Disturb us, God,
when with the abundance of things we possess
we have lost our thirst for the waters of life;
having fallen in love with life,
we have ceased to dream of eternity
and in our efforts to build a new earth,
we have allowed our vision
of the new Heaven to dim.

...And so, we ask you, once again: Disturb us, Oh God!

Many: Disturb us, Oh God

One: Disturb us, God,
to dare more boldly, to venture on wider seas
where storms will show your mastery;
where losing sight of land,
we shall find the stars.

...And so, we ask you, once again: Disturb us, Oh God!

One: We ask You to push back the horizons of our hopes;
and to push us into the future
in strength, courage, hope, and love.

Many: Amen.

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Closing Song

"Come O Spirit, Dwell Among Us" (tune: NETTLETON)

**Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; come with Pentecostal power.
Give the church a stronger vision; help us face each crucial hour.
Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,
still the church is called to mission that God's love shall be made known.**

**We would raise our true thanksgiving for the grace of yester-years;
For tomorrow's unknown pathway, hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.
In the church's pilgrim journey you have led us all the way.
Still in presence move before us, fire by night and cloud by day.**

**Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; give us words of fire and flame.
Help our feeble lips to praise you, glorify your holy name.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – Three in One: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas now and through eternity.**

Benediction

"Loving Spirit"

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TUESDAY

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Do you have a suggestion for future presenters?

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