

**FRIDAY,
MAY 3
2024**

PERKINS NEWS

**THE NEWSLETTER OF
THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE AND
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

GET READY FOR FINAL EXAMS WEEK!

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE FOR SPRING 2024

In-Person Final Exams Only on Dallas Campus

Day	Time: 9:00-Noon	Place	Time: 1:00-4:00 p.m.	Place	Time: 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Place
Monday, May 6	----		----		OT 6302-701: Levison	106P
Tuesday, May 7	----		HB 7301-001: Scholz	201P	----	
Wednesday, May 8	NT 6302-001: Smith	209P	----		----	

Online Exam: TC 7315-401. Mason. All day on 05-07-2024.

Updated: 04-10-2024



**ENJOY SNACKS IN THE REFECTORY
MONDAY, MAY 6 THROUGH
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8
FROM THE PERKINS STUDENT
ASSOCIATION AND
THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE
STOP BY THE REFECTORY FOR A
BREAK AND RELAX.**

**SEE NEXT PAGE TO SIGN UP FOR
OUR LAST COMMUNITY LUNCH
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 12:00 PM**



WORSHIP SERVICE FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS

All Graduating seniors, their families,
and faculty/staff are invited

to participate

Friday, May 10

5:00 pm

Perkins Chapel

For more information contact The Office
of Student Life at
lfigura@smu.edu



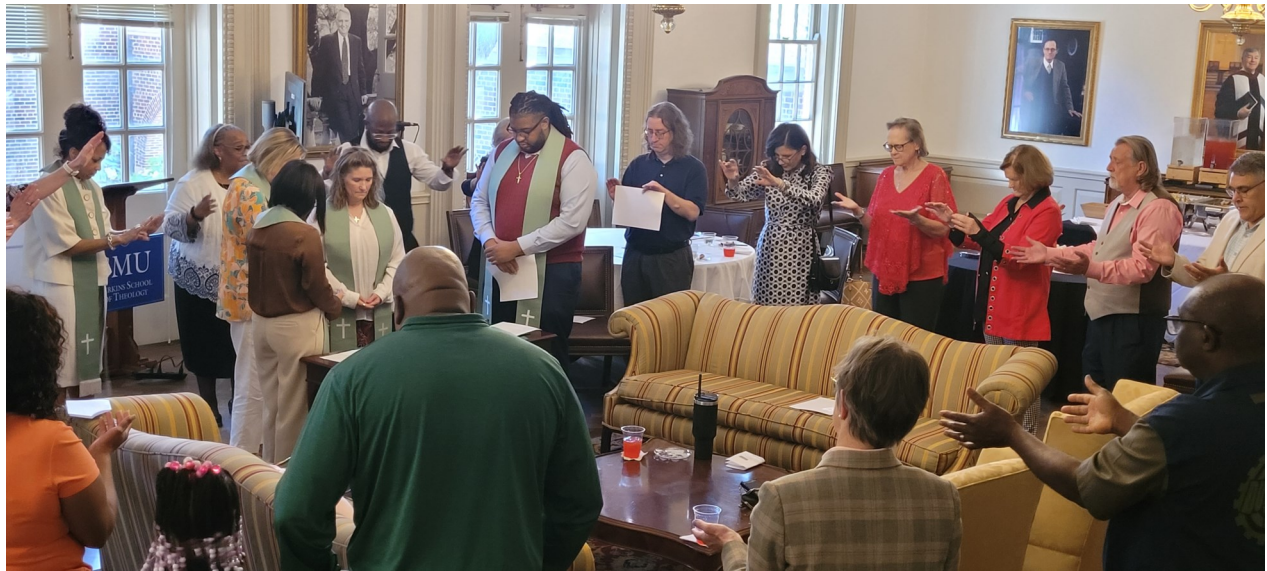
JOIN US FOR A FINALS WEEK
COMMUNITY LUNCH
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8
12:00 PM
PROTHRO REFECTORY

Menu

Chicken Cacciatore
Harissa Basil Cous Cous
Roasted Broccoli
Salad
Rolls and Butter
\$6 per person

Reserve by this Friday, May 2 at
[https://smu-forms.libwizard.com/f/
Perkins_Community_Lunch_Survey](https://smu-forms.libwizard.com/f/Perkins_Community_Lunch_Survey)

For more information contact
Laura Figura at lfigura@smu.edu



Passing the Mantle. Congratulations to Azeez Akande, Nancy Brockman, Pauline Henry, and Diana Wright upon completing their oral exams in the Pastoral Care Concentration. The community gathered in Kirby Parlor to celebrate with a reception hosted by Dr. Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner.



Students, Faculty, and Staff competed in the traditional Wesley Cup Kickball Tournament on the SMU soccer fields. Even John Wesley was there!



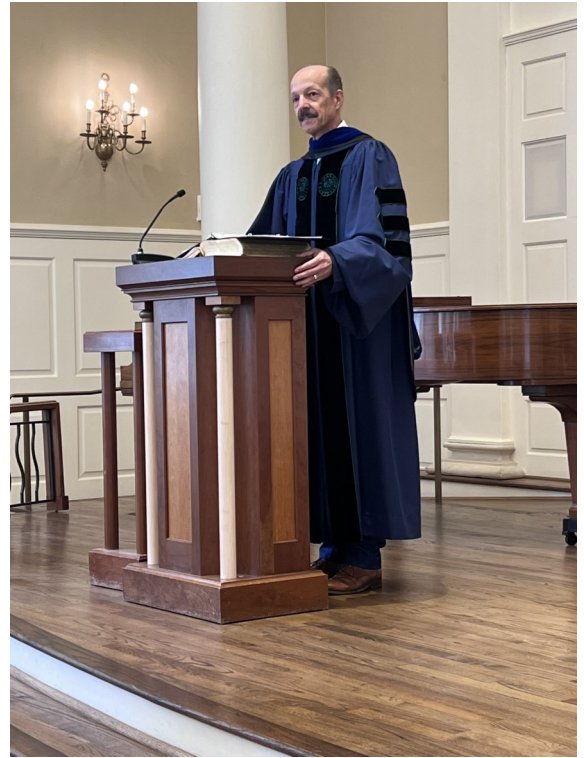
The Black Seminarians enjoyed a Graduation Dinner together



Students enjoyed Community Lunch in the Refectory as a place to meet with friends and have delicious lunches by Chef David Crow.



The Perkins community celebrated Sending Forth Service in Perkins Chapel and then enjoyed community lunch on the lawn prepared by Chef David Crow.



Professor Jack Levison's Interpretation of Old Testament II Class were happy to complete their Prophecy Presentations.



MDIV Student, David Geller, watched the livestreaming of the the UMC Conference in the Selecman Perk . Bishop Michael McKee was spotted on the screen!



Perkins Student Association Board Elections
Vote by Friday, May 3

Check your SMU email for the link to vote!



Vote!

For more information contact Azeez Akande, PSA Vice President at
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Reminder

Dallas Students!
Please clean out your mail slots
on the 1st floor of
Kirby Hall!

If you have a locker,
please renew it for the summer
or check out of it.

Contact Laura Figura at lfigura@smu.edu or stop
by Kirby Hall Room 216
The Office of Student Life

**THE WOMEN & LGBT CENTER ANNOUNCES
THE SECOND ANNUAL LAVENDER CELEBRATION**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

6:00 PM



Sign up using QR code

This event is a recognition and celebration of our graduating queer and ally students. This year, we will be celebrating all students who are graduating in the Spring, Summer, or Fall of 2024 (including undergraduate and graduate students). These students will receive a special lavender graduation stole and rainbow cord.

For more information contact, Emma Bluestein,
Diversity Officer for the Women and LGBT Center at
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The last Spiritual Formation class with Dr. James Woods





COURSE OFFERING
EARLY AMERICAN DEFENSES OF A
WOMAN'S RIGHT TO PREACH
OT 8351: MAJOR MOTIFS OF
BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

TUESDAYS DURING THE FALL SEMESTER
2:00 - 4:50 PM

Discover the inventive ways in which women bucked the trend and defended their right to preach in early America—women such as Deborah Peirce, who composed her defense within forty years of the close of the American Revolution, famed abolitionist Sarah Grimké, Harriet Livermore, who preached three times in Congress, Antoinette Brown, the first ordained woman in the United States, and famed holiness preacher Phoebe Palmer. This unprecedented interdisciplinary course, taught by historian Priscilla Pope-Levison and biblical scholar Jack Levison, will explore how these women interpreted scripture, from Genesis 1:26-28 to 1 Timothy 2:8-15, in creative ways to support their conviction that women should preach.

This course illuminates a pivotal era in the history of biblical interpretation *and* American freedom of thought, when women combined a high regard for the inspiration of the Bible with newfound tenets of the liberty of the conscience. This would prove to be a peculiarly *American* phenomenon, reflecting the fresh breath of revolution, a burgeoning interest in the Bible, and the limits that hounded women. You will discover in these treatises riveting insight into how Americans interpreted—and continue to interpret—the Bible to defend a woman's right to preach.

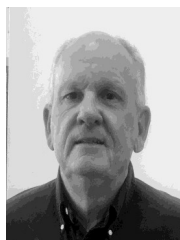
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