# E-COMMUNICATOR NO. 10 VANDERBILT DIVINITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER January 23, 2006

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### MONDAY, January 23

 $10: 10\text{-}11: 00 \;\; \text{Divinity Students meet with Candidate Lim}$ 

Tillett Lounge

10:10 Monday Forum

12:00 Academic Programs Mtg

PDR

3:15 Lecture of Candidate Paul Lim

G-23

#### TUESDAY, January 24

10:10 GDR Students meet with Candidate Lim

Tillett Lounge

12:00-1:00 PAN Mtg

**PDR** 

## WEDNESDAY, January 25

10:10 a.m. Weekly Worship Service All Faith Chapel

#### THURSDAY, January 26

5:15-7:00 United Methodist Student Association Colloquy G-23

## FRIDAY, January 27

10:10 a.m. Community Coffee Commons Room

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#### FIRST FORUM OF 06!

January 23, 10:10, Commons Roon

Join us to hear award-winning journalist Ray Waddle, who also happens to be a Divinity School instructor. For more than twenty years, Waddle has written about the connections between spirituality and day-to-day experience. His byline has appeared in The New York Times, Christian Century, USA TODAY, Sojourners Magazine, Image Journal, Vanderbilt Magazine, United Methodist News Service, and Episcopal News Service. Waddle has a B.A. in journalism from the University of Oklahoma and M.A. in religious studies from Vanderbilt University. He was religion editor for seventeen years at The Tennessean. Come visit with one of the area's finest writers as he talk about his work with words--and faith.

Leah Payne and Amy

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Carpenter Program in Religion, Gender, and Sexuality Upcoming Events

Dr. Shaye Cohen, Harvard Divinity School

February 10, 2006 2:15 p.m. Room G-23

Lecture Title: Are Women in the Covenant? Circumcision and Brit in Judaism

Dr. James Alison

February 23, 2006 7:00 p.m. Room G-23

Lecture Title: Original Sin and the Possibility of Learning: Towards a Properly Theological Understanding of Natural Law

Dr. Alison will attempt to make the case for how a strong understanding of Original Sin, understood backwards from Christ's Resurrection, makes it possible for us to develop a properly theological understanding of Natural Law as our normal way of grasping the link between Creation and the New Creation

February 24, 2006 (Brown Bag Lunch) 12:00 p.m. G-23

Lecture Title: Ecclesial Learning and the Gay Question: Notes on the Process of Discovering Ourselves as Having Got Something Wrong

Dr. Alison will apply some of what he has talked about in the previous lecture to contemporary Church discussion about matters gay and how we might agree on ecclesial processes of talking.

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#### KMSI Events

- -Black Church Studies Consultation January 31 February 3, 2006 Atlanta, GA
- Black Church and Public Policy Conference April 4-6, 2006 Nashville, TN

KMSI is co-sponsoring, with the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, a Black Church Studies Consultation on January 31 - February 3, 2006. Directors of Black Church Studies programs across the country will be in dialogue about the future of Black Church Studies and the academy. This consultation was initiated last year at the Vanderbilt Divinity School.

Community and black church leaders will be in dialogue with Vanderbilt University professors during the Black Church and Public Policy Conference on April 4-6, 2006. Participants include the following:

Governor Phil Bredesen, Congressman Harold Ford, Jr., Commissioner Kenneth Robinson, Professor Victor Anderson, Professor Brad Braxton, Professor Herbert Marbury, Professor Dennis Dickerson, Professor Lewis Baldwin

I invite you to participate in each of these events. Additional information will be forthcoming.

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If you have information/announcements to be included in the E-Communicator please email the information to sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu All information must be received by noon on Friday for the following week's E-Communicator.