

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, January 17
Martin Luther King Holiday

TUESDAY, January 18
1:00 - 2:00 Divinity Students meet with Steed Davidson (Hebrew Bible Candidate)
Tillett Lounge

WEDNESDAY, January 19
10:10 a.m. Worship Service -- John Thatamanil
"Against Explanation and For Consolation: Faith in the Wake of the Tragic"
All Faith Chapel
11:00 Community Meal
Commons Room
11:30 _ UMSA Joint session with GABLE--How can the UMC be in ministry
with the GLBT community?
PDR
12:00 - 1:00 Steed Davidson Lecture
G-23
2:30 - 3:15 GDR Students meet with Steed Davidson
Tillett Lounge

THURSDAY, January 20
7:30-8:30 AM Community Breakfast – John Thatamanil
"Dealing With Religious Difference: Christian Responses"
St. Ann's Episcopal Church.
10:30 - 11:30 GDR Students meet with Nyasha Junior (Hebrew Bible Candidate)
Tillett Lounge
12:00 - 1:00 Nyasha Junior Lecture
G-23
4:00 - 5:00 Divinity Students meet with Nyasha Junior
Tillett Lounge

FRIDAY, January 21
10:10 Coffee Hour
Common Room
12:00 – 1:00 SGA Meeting
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2:10 Faculty Meeting
PDR

Hebrew Bible Candidates

Steed Davidson of Union Theological Institute will visit on January 18-19. Professor Davidson is a biblical scholar with strong training in literary-historical and literary-critical approaches to the Bible. His current work focuses on the intersection of postcolonial

theory and biblical studies for the exploration of notions of exile, diaspora and displacement within the context of empire and current realities of globalization.

Nyasha Junior of Princeton Theological Seminary will visit on January 20-21. Professor Junior is in her fourth year of the doctoral program in Old Testament. Her doctoral seminars and examinations include a solid grounding in traditional historical-critical approaches to biblical studies, as well as newer methodologies, including literary and feminist theory.

Vanderbilt Institute for Public Policy Studies (VIPPS) and East Asian Studies Program

"Jews in China: Legends, History and Perspectives."
Dr. Guang Pan

Walter & Seena Fair Professor of Jewish Studies; Dean, Centre of Jewish Studies Shanghai(CJSS); Director, Institute of European and Asian Studies, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences; and Director of the Centre for International Studies, Shanghai Municipality.

Date: Monday, January 24, 2005
Time: 12:10 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Location: Sarratt 189

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Pastoral Residency Program
August 1, 2005 – June 30, 2007
Wellesley Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, Wellesley, MA
The Historic Charles Street A.M.E. Church, Boston, MA

Two Boston area congregations are each currently searching for three outstanding seminarians in their denominations preparing for graduation in the spring of 2005 to participate in their two year Pastoral Residency Programs funded by the Lilly Endowment, Inc.

The Pastoral Residency program provides an extraordinary entrance into pastoral ministry. Building on strong seminary experiences, Pastoral Residents work full-time in their local church, gaining experience in the full range of pastoral responsibilities. They also share in the partnership that continues to grow between the two congregations, meeting together monthly and supporting partnership activities.

Pastoral Residents receive a full-time salary and benefits. The Pastoral Residency is a fully ordainable appointment or call in the AME and UCC.

For more information, contact The Rev. Chris Braudaway-Bauman, Coordinator for the Wellesley Congregational Church at 781-235-1988 ext. 20, or at chris@wellesleyvillagechurch.org or The Rev. Viola Morris-Buchanan, Coordinator for Charles Street A.M.E. Church at 617-427-8077 and ymbuchanan@csame.org

Database Open House

The Divinity Library will be holding its next Database Open House Wednesday, January 26, 2005 from 1:10-2 pm in the Electronic Classroom (across the hall from the Divinity Library, through the Reserves Room.) These monthly training sessions are open to all Divinity and GDR students, faculty and staff.

The January Open House will offer an opportunity for review of the ATLA Religion Database. Topics covered will include how to conduct simple and complex searches, how to find book reviews, how to search for articles related to a specific passage of Scripture, and how to use the VUFinder link from the database. If there is interest and if time allows, tips for using the ACORN catalog will also be offered.

For more information, please contact Public Services Librarian Amy Limpitlaw at amy.e.limpitlaw@vanderbilt.edu.

Please take the time to send your information/announcements to be included in the E-Communicator to sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu All information must be received by noon on Friday for the following week's E-Communicator.