



Public Ministry

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I. Course Description

This course is designed to increase the theological understanding and practical/technical competency of ministers in the performance of public ministry. Class topics include worship planning, presiding skills, public prayer, exegetical preaching, and the sacraments of Community of Christ. Major emphasis will be placed on sermon preparation, construction, and delivery. Students will be expected to read assigned texts, deliver one five-minute homily/sermon, as well as plan one worship service.

II. Required Reading

Students are expected to complete all reading assignments prior to the first day of class.

Books:

- Long, Thomas G., *The Witness of Preaching*, second edition, Westminster/John Knox Press, 2005. ISBN 978-0-664-22943-3
- Taylor, Barbara Brown. *The Preaching Life*. Cowley Publications, 1993. ISBN 56101074X

Attachments:

- Belrose, Danny A., *Worship Developments in Moderate Mormonism*
- Chvala-Smith, Tony, "Exegetical Method Workbook"

Suggested Reading:

- Bolton, Andrew and Jane Gardner, editors. *The Sacraments: Symbol, Meaning, and Discipleship*. Independence, Missouri: Herald Publishing House, 2005. ISBN 1008309117311731

NOTE: Please bring your scriptures [Bible (NRSV), Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants] and assigned reading texts to class.

III. Course Requirements

- A. Show evidence that class texts have been read and studied prior to class.

- B. ***Due at first class*** -Students will submit a three-page, double-spaced reflection paper in response to:
1. Having read Thomas G. Long and Barbara Brown Taylor, explore and discuss the role of the Enduring Principles and Mission Initiatives in preaching in the Community of Christ. Be specific in your discussion and reflections.
- C. Attend all class sessions and participate in discussions and activities. Class time will include primarily lecture format as well as Q&A discussion and time for sharing oral assignments.
- D. Students will be required to deliver a five-minute exegetical homily in class. The homily must be based on a scripture text from the lectionary. All students will “draw” a selection randomly on the first day of class. Each student will deliver a five minute homily to the class, date to be announced. A full homily manuscript will be **due no later than the last day of class**.
- E. Students will plan and submit a fully developed annotated worship service outline based on a lectionary scripture and theme. ***Students will make lectionary selections on the first day of class.*** Complete details of assignment will be discussed in the first class session. **Due date: November 23, 2018.** Please e-mail your work to instructor (idlloyd23@gmail.com) as a Word attachment.