



# Candler Chronicle

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CANDLER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY, EMORY UNIVERSITY

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## Advent Week at Candler: While We are Waiting, Come!

### Worship Schedule this Week

#### **Morning Prayer in the Benedictine Tradition**

Tuesday through Wednesday in Cannon Chapel 7:25 am - 7:45 am.

#### **Tuesday, December 1: Hanging of the Greens**

A service of Advent prophecies, prayers, hymns and songs, and the decorating of the chapel space. Music by instrumentalists, Candler Singers, Voices of Imani

#### **Wednesday, December 2: Magnificat—my soul magnifies the Lord**

A service of the artistic gifts of the Candler community—students, faculty, staff. Do you play an instrument, sing, write poetry? Are you a potter, photographer, painter? Do you dance? Consider offering your gift for this service.

#### **Thursday, December 3: International Lessons and Carols**

A service led by our international students. Readings, remembrances, global customs and songs. Music by instrumentalists, Candler Chorale, Korean Women's Choir and others.

#### **Friday, December 4: Mid Day Eucharist with Christmas songs**

A service celebrating the incarnation. Come to hear the gospel, offer prayers for the world, and share the feast. Christmas songs and carols. Presider: Rev. Ellen Echols Purdum; *Director of Ministry Fellowships*

## Office of Student Programming Advent Open House and Alternative Gift Fair!

#### **Thursday, December 3, 7:30 am-10:30 am and 2:00 pm—3:00 pm**

Drop by the Office of Student Programming (CST 311) for delicious treats and warm coffee, tea, and hot cocoa! You'll get to spend time with new and old friends, listen to and sing Christmas carols, and take a break from the hustle of the end of the semester. **You'll also have the Opportunity to SHOP for your holiday gifts that give back!** 10,000 Villages, Ties that Matter (Central Outreach), The Metro State Women's Prison Theological Certificate Program, and other area nonprofits will showcase products and give you a chance to support their work with your purchases! GET EXCITED and bring your wallets!

### C3 Meeting this Week

The last C3 General Body Meeting for this semester will take place on **Friday, December 4, from 11:45am - 1:00pm in CST 102**. We invite you to join us for fellowship and to see what's going on at Candler. As always, lunch will be provided. Happy Holidays!

## Support the Metro State Women's Prison Certificate Program!

**The women at Metro need books** for their program! This year, we are looking for book or monetary donations from interested persons and organizations. Two key texts (with which you are well-acquainted) are Migliore's *Faith Seeking Understanding* and the paperback version of *The New Interpreter's Study Bible: New Revised Standard Version with the Apocrypha* (Abington). If you have a gently used copy of Migliore's book that you wish to donate, please drop it off in the basket at the entrance to the sanctuary of Canon Chapel during the season of Advent. If you would like to buy a book or bible for a student in Metro's incoming theology class, simply speak with Michael Thompson in the Cokesbury bookstore at any time between now and December 16 and tell him you would like to donate to the Metro Prison Book Fund (checks or cash only, please). If your church, student group, or family would like to pool its resources and buy a number of books for the program, please speak with Jenny McBride ([jmcbri3@emory.edu](mailto:jmcbri3@emory.edu)). We also will be collecting funds and books at the Advent services.

## Christmas Scripture, Art, Scholarship Joined in DVD from Candler

### **Faculty Offer Insights in "A Thrill of Hope: The Christmas Story in Word and Art"**

Emory University's Candler School of Theology has released, "A Thrill of Hope: The Christmas Story in Word and Art," a new DVD presentation that blends the school's extensive collection of the art of John August Swanson with the well-known biblical narrative of the Christmas story.

The 50-minute DVD presents the familiar story of Christmas as told in the Gospels of Luke and Matthew. There are six seven-minute sections, or "chapters," each featuring a passage of scripture from the Christmas story and a work from Swanson's six-paneled "Birth Narrative," depicting the events surrounding the birth of Jesus: The Annunciation to Mary, The Nativity, The Shepherds, Epiphany, Presentation in the Temple, and the Flight into Egypt. In each chapter, members of Candler's faculty offer their insights on the scripture and the intersection of story and art.

"A Thrill of Hope" sets, including the DVD and five participant discussion guides, are available for \$30. To order the DVD or watch a video preview, visit [www.candler.emory.edu](http://www.candler.emory.edu).

## Give Subscriptions of Weavings this Christmas

Weavings is a journal of the Christian spiritual life now in its twenty-fifth year. The current issue is titled, "Where Is Your God?" focusing on biblical and human cries of anguish. Essays, poetry, reviews, and a fine editorial by John Mogabgab--the founding editor and former secretary to Henri Nouwen—are always spiritually and theologically relevant. Subscriptions make wonderful Christmas gifts, and there is currently a 40% discount available for this coming year. A limited number of free copies will be available at the OSP's Alternative Gift Fair on Dec. 3.

## Cokesbury Holiday Sale

Cokesbury will be having a Holiday / Celebrate Finals Sale beginning on **Tuesday, December 1 throughout the week** as long as stock remains. Between 50% - 75% off on our current stock in the store.

## Donate A Blanket!

With the colder weather upon us, it's especially hard for our homeless friends. The Open Door Community has indicated a constant shortage of blankets, and asked us to help donate as many as we can. **Look for donation boxes throughout Candler the week after Thanksgiving.** Ask your friends, family, and congregation if they want to also help – and stock up when you go home over the thanksgiving break! Money donations will also be accepted by Joshua Case, Todd Salmi, Ben Gosden and Andrew Johnson. Sponsored by Candler Social Concerns Network & Candler Evangelical Society (Matt 25:40)

## Upcoming Deadlines for International Travel Opportunities!

Candler prepares leaders for the church throughout the world. Through academic exchanges, travel seminars, and internships, and off-campus study opportunities, students learn about the church in its great unity and diversity. If you're interested in these INCREDIBLE opportunities, make sure to send in your application. Access more information about these programs on the OSP Blackboard site. Here are some upcoming application deadlines.

**Sweden: Uppsala University Theology School** – Application Due December 1

**Bahamas Methodist Internship**— Application due December 4

## Office of Religious Life Activities

### Journeys of Reconciliation: Deadline to Apply is Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>

Journeys of Reconciliation is an inter-religious, immersion program that explores the root causes of conflict and builds relationships between Emory University and communities around the world. At the program's heart is an affirmation that barriers of race, religion, nationality, gender, and class can, and ought, to be overcome. The program invites groups to encounter the world's complexity, to hear stories of pain and liberation, and to seek wisdom outside university walls. Intellectually rigorous and psychologically demanding, each trip carries the hope that participants will be transformed into more thoughtful and caring citizens of the world. This year's trips are to Los Angeles, California and Turkey from May 12-22, 2010. For an application go to <http://www.religiouslife.emory.edu> or LearnLink Rabbi Vicki Armour-Hileman.

### This Week @ Common Grounds

Café Unity in Conjunction with World AIDS Day Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00-9:00pm Brooks Commons  
December 1<sup>st</sup> is World AIDS Day and Common Grounds and the IRC will host a time of poetry reading, musical offerings, dance, and other expressions in celebration and remembrance. If you want to perform contact Brett Harris. If you want to enjoy others perform, just head on over on Tuesday evening. Hope to see you there.

### University Worship

Join us for worship this Sunday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, at 11am in Cannon Chapel. University Worship is an ecumenical worship service open to the entire Emory community. The Rev. Dr. Steffen Lösel, Associate Professor in the Practice of Systematic Theology at Candler will be preaching. Following the service lunch will be served in Brooks Commons. We hope to see you there.

### Questions About What's Happening in Brooks Commons?

If you have questions about the changes taking place in Brooks Commons contact 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Candler Student and Resident in the Office of Religious Life, Brett Harris ([bhharri@emory.edu](mailto:bhharri@emory.edu)).

### Walk the Labyrinth

Come enjoy space for meditation, reflection, and prayer by participating in the ancient practice of walking a labyrinth, which will be available on Thursdays in Cannon Chapel's sanctuary from 4:30-6:00 pm

## Spiritual Direction and Disciplines

### **Advent Quiet Day - Learning to Wait: Praying with Mary's *Let It Be***

**Saturday, December 5, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, Deep Waters Space**

Advent is a season of waiting and preparation. But waiting is so hard! I dare say, not many of us are too good at it. And yet the Bible is full of stories of waiting people, Mary perhaps being our best model. What can we learn from her about waiting and surrender? Come for this quiet time of prayer and reflection. We'll read some scripture and other sacred texts together and listen for the ways that God might be speaking to us this Advent season. Investment: \$30 (lunch included) If you would like more information about these offerings, or would like to come, contact Kimberly at 404-275-3328 or [kbroerman@yahoo.com](mailto:kbroerman@yahoo.com).

## Candler Community Sponsored Events (Spring Semester)

### **Get Centered for Spring Semester!**

The Office of Student invites you to begin your semester with an emphasis on spiritual formation at a Quiet Day Retreat. On **Wednesday, January 13th from 10 am – 2 pm** there will be an optional day of centering and reflection for students before classes begin. If you are interested in taking part in this Quiet Day Retreat, please RSVP on the Candler Calendar. There is a \$10.00 cost per student for this event.

### **Candler's Day ON! Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day with Service!**

Mark your calendars for the Candler Day On MLK day celebration on **Monday January 25th**. Stay tuned for more information about our group's service project and trip to the Parade in Sweet Auburn.

### **See Scripture for the Eyes with Other Candler Students!**

**Candler is taking a tour together of *Bible Illustration in Netherlandish Prints of the Sixteenth Century* on January 20th at 11am!**

This is the first major exhibition of its kind to explore the central role played by printed illustrations from both the Old and New Testaments during one of the most dramatic artistic and religious transformations in European history. Prints are often viewed as merely mimicking or following artistic developments in the more prestigious medium of painting and, more generally, the visual arts are seen as mirroring societal change. "Scripture for the Eyes" challenges these views and shows prints to have been a dynamic force both in the transformation of Northern European art between Albrecht Dürer and Rembrandt van Rijn and in the intensified attention to Scripture in the religious turmoil of the Reformation and Counter-Reformation. Approximately 80 images from illustrated Bibles and books, as well as independent engravings and woodcuts will be featured. **There is a limit of 40 people so be sure to RSVP. The group will also go to lunch together also! This event is free.**

### **.New Student Group: Candler Society for Multiracial Congregations**

Tired of homogeneous congregations in heterogeneous communities? Ready to be a voice of hope and a catalyst for change? The CSMC will offer tools, support, and an open forum for conversation regarding the formation and nurture of multiracial congregations in new and existing churches. Our first meeting will be February 2 at noon (room TBA). Contact Brian Tillman ([batillm@emory.edu](mailto:batillm@emory.edu)) or Paige Ann Miller ([pamille@emory.edu](mailto:pamille@emory.edu)) for more information.

## Candler Community Sponsored Events (Summer)

### International Summer Opportunities

Do you love to travel and work internationally? Do you want to be the resident theologian on an interdisciplinary team? Are you interested in global health? Are you fluent in a language other than English? If you said yes to any of these questions, then the Emory Global Health Institute's Field Scholarship opportunity may be right for you. This year we have projects all over the world and several teams are looking for Candler students to join their teams. For information about individual, team and partner site field scholar opportunities please check out the Emory GHI website at <http://www.globalhealth.emory.edu/fundingOpportunities/globalLearning.php>. If you have questions about these programs or specific international opportunities please contact Suzanne Mason at [smason@emory.edu](mailto:smason@emory.edu) or Gretchen Van Ess at [gretchenve@yahoo.com](mailto:gretchenve@yahoo.com).

#### Mental Health Field Study in Thomonde, Haiti:

Emory Medishare is the Emory chapter of an international NGO known as Project Medishare for Haiti that provides rural development programs and primary health care services to Haiti's Plateau Central region. Emory Medishare identified a large burden of mental health disease among the population. We are currently looking for a Candler student to spend six weeks in rural Haiti to explore attitudes and perceptions of mental health among key population groups. Specifically, the Candler student would focus on how Haiti's religious influences play into the population's perception and understanding of mental health disease.

**Interested students e-mail Bonnie Fullard ([bfullard@gmail.com](mailto:bfullard@gmail.com)) a copy of their resume**

#### Safe Water Study in Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico

Living Waters for the World (LWW) is a faith-based organization which trains and equips mission teams to work with local partners to install technologically appropriate sustainable clean water systems in communities with available but contaminated water. The installations are accompanied by a basic health and hygiene education program where a "teach the teacher model" is employed, and community education continues after the team leaves. LWW systems have now been installed at 306 sites in 23 countries. The purpose of the project is to evaluate the impact of a water treatment system installation on the health of members of the community, especially the children.

**Interested students email Alison Kernohan: [akernohan@gmail.com](mailto:akernohan@gmail.com) a copy of their resume**

#### Responding to the Conservative backlash to women's sexual and reproductive rights in Mexico, including abortion, through strategic and collaborative research and advocacy

This project will contribute to the National Pro-Choice Alliance's objective of broadening favorable public opinion about sexual and reproductive health (SRH) and rights, including abortion, in Mexico. Reaching the Alliance's objective requires a unified effort from diverse experts in law, ethics, advocacy, and research. A theology or religious studies student will work at the Catholics for Choice, which develops pro-choice arguments from ethical, feminist, and Catholic perspectives in favor of women's right to choose. This student will help with argument development and research analysis; fluency in Spanish (written and oral) is required.

**Interested students email Roger Roachat at [rrochat@emory.sph.edu](mailto:rrochat@emory.sph.edu) a copy of their resume**

## Important Student Information

### Submitting to the Candler Chronicle

The Candler Chronicle is a weekly newsletter that highlights events of importance and interest to the Candler Community. **All submissions** for the Chronicle must be sent to [chronicle@learnlink.emory.edu](mailto:chronicle@learnlink.emory.edu) by **noon every Thursday** in order to appear in the following week's edition. Please include the title of your event, the date, the time, and the location as well as a one to five sentence blurb about your event.

This Chronicle is the last edition for this semester.

### Going to a Conference? Use Candler's Leadership Development Fund

Candler School of Theology encourages student attendance and participation in professional conferences and meetings and other learning experiences offered by other organizations. The Leadership Development Fund offers financial support for these events. Awards will generally be offered for up to 75% of the total cost of the event, including registration, travel, lodging and meals, with **maximum of \$300 per award**. For consideration, students must complete the **Leadership Development/Conference Sponsorship Application Form found in the OSP office or on Blackboard**. The Along with this form, students must submit a copy of promotional material for the event, including information on content and cost. **The application and supporting materials should be delivered to CST311 at least two weeks prior to the registration or payment deadlines for the event.** Find more information about this event on the OSP blackboard site!

## Emory Campus Events

### Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

**December 4, at 8:00pm and 5 at 5:00pm and 8:00pm in Glenn Memorial Auditorium**

The Emory tradition established in 1935 continues with this candlelit evening service of choral music and scripture, with readings by special guests from the community. Tickets: \$15; Discount Category Members \$12; Emory Students \$5.

### University Libraries Exhibits

#### **“Between You and Me: Inscriptions and Associations,”**

**Sat., Aug. 22-Mon., Dec. 14, 2009. Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Books Library, Level 10, Robert W. Woodruff Library**

Books exhibited demonstrate a broad range of associations including intimate sentiments between a husband and wife, presentation inscriptions from a teacher to a pupil, touching exchanges between friends and formal regards from a leader in one field to the leader in another. Free and open to the public.

#### **“Scripture for the Eyes: Bible Illustration of the Sixteenth Century,”**

**Oct. 17, 2009-Jan. 24, 2010, Michael C. Carlos Museum**

A collection of approximately 80 engravings and woodcuts by the foremost Dutch and Flemish masters of the sixteenth century.

## Quilt on the Quad 2009

Emory remembers World AIDS Day on December 1, 2009. The Quad will once again be filled with the vibrant patchwork of the AIDS Memorial Quilt on World AIDS Day Dec. 1 in an 800-panel display that is a somber reminder of the millions of lives lost to the disease. The fifth annual Quilt on the Quad, sponsored by Emory Hillel, takes place from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., and will be the largest collegiate display and the second largest in the world that day. In the event of rain, Quilt on the Quad will be held on the fourth floor of the Woodruff P.E. Center. The opening ceremony at 11 a.m. will feature a keynote talk by Sandra Thurman, president and CEO of the International AIDS Trust based in Atlanta at the Rollins School of Public Health. She is one of the world's leading experts on AIDS issues, and in 1997 President Bill Clinton appointed her as director of the Office of National AIDS Policy. She also is a former director of AID Atlanta. Following her talk, members of the Emory community will read the names of each individual memorialized by a quilt panel on the quad.

## Emory Humanitarian Awards Nominations

Please nominate outstanding students in your school or department for the Emory University Humanitarian Award. This award was created to recognize students who have qualities of honesty, integrity, courage and responsibility which are fundamental to effective leadership. The criteria used to determine the recipients are as follows: Consistent living of one's own life with honesty, integrity, responsibility and a sense of the welfare of the community, special acts of courage benefiting others, unusual commitment of time and energy in service to others, and special gifts of friendship. Students selected as Humanitarians will be recognized at a reception on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 where President Wagner will present all awards. **The deadline for submitting nomination forms is Monday, December 7, 2009.** Nomination forms will be available at the Dobbs University Center information desk and in the Office of Student Leadership & Service, Room 340 E of the DUC. Thank you for participating with us in this wonderful celebration of spirit! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 404-727-4148.

## Water and Spirit: Theology in the Time of Cholera

**Monday, November 30, 4:00 p.m. in the Jones Room of Woodruff Library**

Dr. Steve de Gruchy, Head of School and Professor of Religion and Theology at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, will give a talk entitled "Water and Spirit: Theology in the Time of Cholera" which centers on the recent cholera outbreak in Zimbabwe. This event is sponsored by The Religion and Public Health Collaborative.

## Healthworlds: Conceptualizing Landscapes in Health and Healing

The Religion and Public Health Collaborative in collaboration with the Office of the Dean of Religious Life is sponsoring a luncheon talk by Rev. Paul Germond, Senior Lecturer in Sociology at the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg entitled "Healthworlds: Conceptualizing Landscapes in Health and Healing." Rev. Germond's talk will be held on **December 2, from 11:45 – 1:00 p.m. in Cox Ballrooms 1 – 3**, and a light lunch will be served. Please RSVP for the lunch to Susan Landskroener at [slandsk@emory.edu](mailto:slandsk@emory.edu).

## Community Events, Conferences, Grants, Etc.

### Apply for the DART Community Organizing Institute

The Direct Action & Research Training (DART) Center is currently accepting resumes from alums and spring graduating Candler students interested in social and economic justice issues for their paid, four-month community organizing training program known as the DART Organizers Institute. The DART Center has built non-partisan community organizations throughout the country that have won important improvements on a broad set of issues affecting low-moderate income people including: · Education reform in low-performing public schools · Job Training · Drugs and Violence · Affordable Housing · Criminal Recidivism · Neighborhood Revitalization, etc. The DART Organizers Institute starts July 18, 2010 and combines a 7-day classroom with 15-week field training.

This is a paid training program designed to promote successful graduates into permanent salaried positions making up to \$35,000/year in starting salaries, plus benefits. Graduates from the DART Organizers Institute have gone on to accept Executive Director and Associate Community Organizing positions throughout the country. We continue to train the best of those working to build the power of low-moderate income neighborhoods to win victories on important issues in their community. To apply, students must send an updated resume to: Ben MacConnell, the Recruitment Director at: [ben@thedartcenter.org](mailto:ben@thedartcenter.org) before December 15, 2009. You can also call him with questions: (785) 841-2680. To find out more about the DART center, check out our website: [www.thedartcenter.org](http://www.thedartcenter.org).

### Southern Folk Advent® 2009—When Shall I See Jesus?

**Saturday, December 5, 4:00 PM, Old Church, Oxford**

Renowned churchman William Willimon will preach at Meridian Herald's sixteenth annual Southern Folk Advent® Service on Saturday, December 5, 4:00 PM at Old Church, Oxford. This unique service brings southern shape-note folk hymns into a modern liturgy and introduces the season of Advent in a profoundly memorable way. We hope that you can find space for this. A photo of last year's service is below. We have many more and can send higher resolution copies for publication. Please let me know if you want these or more information.

### UUCA Moravian Love Feast

**Celebrate Christmas This Year in an Unforgettable Way Thursday, December 10th at 7:30 pm!** Held by the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta (UUCA) In America, the first Christmas Love Feast was held in Salem, North Carolina in 1771. UUCA has celebrated this elegant, traditional-style service for almost 50 years. Come and enjoy our joyous holiday service of spectacular music, readings and a sharing of fellowship, food and drink. Featuring the Peachtree Brass Ensemble, UUCA's own Phoenix Choir and a stunning performance of "O Holy Night." \$10 - Adults \$7 - Seniors \$5 - Under 18 \$20 - Family Max Reserve tickets by calling UUCA at (404)634-5134 during regular business hours.