

Schedule
Marking the Moment 2023
Virginia Theological Seminary

VTS is pleased to share the schedule for our Historic Bicentenary from Wednesday, October 11 to Saturday, October 14.

Overview: On Wednesday, we celebrate the African American Episcopal Historical Collection. Thursday has an Alumni focus, Friday features art at VTS as well as child and family-friendly activities, and on Saturday at 9:00 am, we conclude with a Festive Eucharist with **Celebrant**, The Most Reverend Dr. Hosam E. Naoum, Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem, Primate and President Bishop, The Province of Jerusalem & the Middle East, and **Preacher**, The Very Reverend Ian S. Markham, Ph.D., Dean and President of Virginia Theological Seminary and President of The General Theological Seminary.

Please direct any questions to RSVP@vts.edu.

Wednesday, October 11

- 7:45 am: Morning Prayer (Immanuel Chapel)
- 8:15 am: Holy Eucharist (Immanuel Chapel)
- 9:30 - 11:00 am: African American Episcopal Historical Collection (AAEHC) Welcome and Panel Discussion: "Resources inform research: How the AAEHC helps tell our stories" (Lettie Pate Evans Room [LPER] & live streamed)
- 11:30 am - 2:00 pm: Lunch in Coffield Refectory
- 1:30 - 2:45 pm: Keynote address, Ms. Julieanna Richardson, founder and president of HistoryMakers (LPER & livestreamed)
- 3:00 - 4:30 pm: African American Episcopal Historical Collection Panel Discussion: "How did we become a segregated church and what can we do about that?" (LPER & live streamed)
- 4:30 - 4:45 pm: African American Episcopal Historical Collection Concluding Remarks "The AAEHC Historically and Today" (LPER & live streamed)
- 5:15 pm: Evening Prayer (Immanuel Chapel)
- 6:00 - 8:30 pm Invitational reception and dinner for the African American Episcopal Historical Collection with keynote address by The Rt. Rev. Gayle Harris, Assistant Bishop, Diocese of Virginia (Scott Lounge and Coffield Refectory - Keynote livestreamed)

Thursday, October 12

- 8:15 am: Morning Prayer (Immanuel Chapel)
- 10:00 am – 12:00 noon: Campus tour of renovated spaces led by The Rev. J. Barney Hawkins IV, Ph.D. (Meet at the St. Martin's Deanery)
- 10:00 - 11:00 am: Book launch: "Becoming Cosmopolitan; Unfolding Two Centuries of Mission at VTS" with authors The Rev. Dr. William Sachs and Dr. Wanjiru M. Gitau (LPER)
- 10:00 am – 12:00 noon: Viewing of DUST, the story of VTS' 200-year journey seen through the eyes and told through the voices of those who lived that history. (Addison 101)
- 11:00 am- 12:00 noon: Lifelong Learning Fair: Join Dr. Lisa Kimball and the Lifelong Learning team for an opportunity to visit several stations that demonstrate a range of their programming and engagement. (Lifelong Learning Offices, Lower Level of Addison)

- 11:30 am - 2:00 pm: Lunch in Coffield Refectory
- 2:00 -3:30 pm: Keynote Address: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Renta Nishihara, President, Rikkyo University and Bishop, Diocese of Chubu, Mid-Japan (LPER & live streamed)
- 3:45 – 4:45 pm: Sonnet readings and discussion with the Rev. Malcolm Guite, Ph.D., English poet, Anglican priest, and academic who has written five sonnets for the VTS Bicentenary. (LPER & live streamed)
- 5:15 pm: Evensong with sermon by Alumni Association Executive Committee (AAEC) President, The Rev. Lisa Saunders Ahuja '07, and reading of the Alumni Necrology (Immanuel Chapel & live streamed)
- 6:30-9:00 pm: Alumni Invitational Class Reunion Reception and Dinner (Scott Lounge and Coffield Refectory)
- 9:00-11:00 pm: Viewing of DUST, the story of VTS' 200-year journey seen through the eyes and told through the voices of those who lived that history. (Addison 101)

Friday, October 13

- 8:15 am Morning Prayer (Immanuel Chapel)
- 10:00 am – 12:00 noon: Campus tour of renovated spaces led by The Rev. J. Barney Hawkins IV, Ph.D. (Meet at the St. Martin's Deanery)
- 10:00 am-1:00 pm: Alumni Association Executive Committee (AAEC) and Class Stewards meetings (Locations TBD)
- **9:30 am – paintings viewing; 10:30 am program:** Dr. Leo Franklin Twiggs, Ph.D. Art Forum (St. Martin's Deanery Marquee, zoom, live streamed)
- 11:30 am - 2:00 pm: Lunch in Coffield Refectory
- 2:00 - 3:00 pm: Bishop Payne Divinity School celebration and unveiling of the portrait of Archdeacon James Solomon Russell (Immanuel Chapel, zoom, live streamed)
- 2:00-5:00 pm: Family-Friendly Fun on the Grove! Enjoy amusements, games, refreshments, and other festivities. (Seminary Grove)
- 3:00 – 3:30 pm: “Paws to Pray” pet-friendly Worship Service (Chapel Garden)
- 3:45 – 4:45: Conversation with The Most Rev. Hosam Naoum '11, '20, (H) '22 "The Communion in the Land of the Holy One" (LPER, live streamed)
- 5:15 pm: Bicentenary Evensong with Sermon by The Rev. Melody Knowles, Ph.D., Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs. (Immanuel Chapel)
- 6:30-9:00 pm: Invitational Reception, Gala Dinner, followed by a Silent Disco (Scott Lounge and Coffield Refectory) **Black Tie optional.**

Saturday, October 14

- 9:00 am: Festive Eucharist, Celebrant: The Most Rev. Dr. Hosam Naoum and Preacher: The Very Rev. Ian S. Markham, Ph.D. (Immanuel Chapel & live streamed)
- Brunch immediately following the service, with "to-go" options available. (St. Martin's Deanery)

Please note the change from previous schedules for our Preacher for Friday's Bicentenary Evensong and Saturday's Celebrant and Preacher for the Festive Eucharist, and join us in holding our Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry, in prayer as he recovers from his surgery.

Schedule Current as of September 28, 2023