



VTS Campus Calendar

2026

August

August 26: Interfaith and Ecumenical Initiatives in Theological Education Conference, 3:30 pm, Bicentennial Hall

August 27: Interfaith and Ecumenical Initiatives in Theological Education Conference, 8:30 pm, Bicentennial Hall

August 28: Interfaith and Ecumenical Initiatives in Theological Education Conference, 8:30 pm, Bicentennial Hall

September

September 1: Evening Prayer and Bishop Budde Sculpture Dedication, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

Book launch of “Have Mercy: Following Jesus in Politically Perilous Times,” 7:00 pm, the Welcome Center

September 7: Labor Day - Offices Closed

September 8: Fall Semester begins: Opening Eucharist with Academic Procession, 8:15 am, Immanuel Chapel

Reading Daniel in Uncertain Times, led by Stephen L. Cook, Ph.D., the Catherine N. McBurney Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Addison 201 and online



September 10: Community Eucharist and Blessing of the Backpacks followed by community dinner, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

September 12: Godly Play Commuter Core Training Module 1: Sacred Space & Sacred Stories, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm, Lifelong Learning Office

September 15: CACS Forum: Presentation by Dr. Yvonne Dohna Schlobitten, Professor, Pontifical Gregorian University, 12:45 pm - 1:45 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

Reading Daniel in Uncertain Times, led by Stephen L. Cook, Ph.D., the Catherine N. McBurney Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Addison 201 and online

September 17: Rumi Forum Scriptural Reasoning: Covenant, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

September 22: The Ministries of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, talk by the Rt. Rev. Mark Edington, Bishop in Charge of the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, 12: 45 pm -1:45 pm, Scott Lounge

Reading Daniel in Uncertain Times, led by Stephen L. Cook, Ph.D., the Catherine N. McBurney Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Addison 201 and online

September 23: VTS Giving Day 2026

September 24: The Rt. Rev. John T. Walker Commemoration and Symposium 2026
Discussion Panel with Cynthia Shattuck, L.H.D., writer and editor, and the Rev. Judy Fentress-Williams, Ph.D., Dodge Professor of Biblical Interpretation, 1:00 pm, the Welcome Center

Keynote Address by the Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, 27th Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, 3:00 pm, the Welcome Center



Commemorative Eucharist honoring the Rt. Rev. John T. Walker, 6th Bishop of Washington, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

September 29: Reading Daniel in Uncertain Times, led by Stephen L. Cook, Ph.D., the Catherine N. McBurney Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Addison 201 and online

September 30: Fall Quiet Day. All classes canceled

October

October 1: Community Eucharist followed by community dinner, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

October 6: Reading Daniel in Uncertain Times, led by Stephen L. Cook, Ph.D., the Catherine N. McBurney Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Addison 201 and online

October 7: Jerome Berryman Special Collection Opening, 4:30 pm, Lifelong Learning Office

October 10: Godly Play Commuter Core Training Module 2: Spirituality of the Child & Parables, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm, Lifelong Learning Office

October 12: Class Reunion Reception and Dinner, 6:00 pm, Scott Lounge and Coffield Refectory

October 13: VTS Alumni Convocation

Reflections on Seminary Life, the Very Rev. Ian S. Markham, Ph.D., Dean and President of VTS, 9:30 am - 10:30 am, Lettie Pate Evans Room

Preaching in an age of AI, address by the Rev. Emily J. Garcia, creator of The St. Dunstan Pledge for Preachers, 10:45 am - 12:15 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

Presentation of the Carol Myers St. Nicholas Award, 2:00 pm - 2:15 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room



What AI reveals about ministry, address by the Very Rev. Michael DeLashmutt, Senior Vice President, The General Theological Seminary, 2:15 pm - 3:45 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room
Practical Workshops on AI and Ministry, 4:00 pm - 4:50 pm, Addison Academic Center
Convocation Evensong and the Awarding of Honorary Degrees, preacher the Rev. Canon Kathy Walker '18, AAEC President, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel,
Convocation Reception, 6:30 pm, Coffield Refectory

October 15 – 16: Fall Break

October 20: English Perspectives on the Nairobi-Cairo Proposals, with the Rev. Dr. Charles Baczyk-Bell, Lecturer, Girton College, Cambridge, 12:45 pm – 1: 45 pm, Lettie Pate Evan Room

October 21: Book launch: “Turning Points in Prayer Book History” by Dr. Matthew Olver, 4:30 pm, Bishop Payne Library

October 22: VOICE Faith and Labor Training, 9:00 am, Lettie Pate Evans Room

Rumi Forum Scriptural Reasoning: Craft and Construction, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

October 23: VOICE Faith and Labor Training, 9:00 am, Lettie Pate Evans Room

October 26: Costan Lecture: Paul and Chrysostom on the Visibility of the Hungry, by Prof. Margaret M. Mitchell, Ph.D., the Shailer Mathews Distinguished Service Professor of New Testament and Early Christian Literature, the University of Chicago, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Bicentennial Hall

October 27: Costan Lecture: John and Origen on the Bread from Heaven, by Prof. Margaret M. Mitchell, Ph.D., the Shailer Mathews Distinguished Service Professor of New Testament and Early Christian Literature, the University of Chicago, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Bicentennial Hall



October 28: Costan Lecture: Biblical Witness and Public Debate Over Food Stamps in 2025 America, Prof. Margaret M. Mitchell, Ph.D., the Shailer Mathews Distinguished Service Professor of New Testament and Early Christian Literature, the University of Chicago, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Bicentennial Hall

October 29: The Anglican Communion Science Commission Report Out to VTS Community, 12:45 pm - 1:45 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room
Science Commission Eucharist, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

November

November 3: Family Systems Theory, with the Rev. Canon Jacques Hadler, 12:45 pm - 1:45 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

November 5: Community Eucharist followed by community dinner, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

Phillips Brooks Book Celebration, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm, The Flamingo

November 6: Fall Visit Day

November 7: Godly Play Commuter Core Training Module 3: Liturgical Action & Supporting the Circle of Children, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm, Lifelong Learning Office

November 10: Family Systems Theory, with the Rev. Canon Jacques Hadler, 12:45 pm - 1:45 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

November 13: Immanuel Chapel Concert Series, The Thirteen: Reincarnations, 7:30 pm, Immanuel Chapel

November 19: Rumi Forum Scriptural Reasoning: Delegating Responsibility, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

November 20: Holy Eucharist, Trans Day of Remembrance, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel



November 25 – 27: Thanksgiving Break – Offices closed from noon on November 25

December

December 1: Saint Nicholas Commemorative Evensong, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

December 3: Community Eucharist followed by community dinner, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

December 4: Saint Nicholas Feast Day Holiday Jazz Concert and Fundraiser, 7:00 pm, the Welcome Center

December 7: Lessons and Carols Service with the Awarding of the Dean's Cross for Servant Leadership, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

December 10: Rumi Forum Scriptural Reasoning: Dreams, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

December 18: Fall Semester ends; Christmas Break Begins - Offices close at 2:00 pm until Monday, January 4

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January

January 4: January Term begins

January 4 – 7: Doctoral Thesis Week

January 18: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday - Offices Closed

January 22: January Term ends



January 25: Spring Semester begins: Opening Eucharist with Academic Procession, 8:15 am, Immanuel Chapel

January 28: Rumi Forum Scriptural Reasoning: Education and Learning, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

February

February 4: Community Eucharist followed by community dinner, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

February 5: Immanuel Chapel Concert Series, The Thirteen: Path of Miracles, 7:30 pm, Immanuel Chapel

February 10: Ash Wednesday, Lenten Quiet Day. All classes canceled

February 15: Presidents' Day – Offices Closed

February 25: Rumi Forum Scriptural Reasoning and Iftar Dinner: Fasting, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

March

March 4: Community Eucharist followed by community dinner, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

March 8 – 12: Spring Break

March 19: Spring Visit Day

March 26: Good Friday - Offices Closed

March 29: Easter Monday - Offices Closed

April



April 1: Rumi Forum Scriptural Reasoning: Encountering God I, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

April 7: The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Presentation, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

April 8: The Eucharist Commemorating The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. followed by Community Dinner, 5.15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

April 22: Rumi Forum Scriptural Reasoning: Encountering God II, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

April 29: Commissioning of Families Service followed by Community Dinner, 5.15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

April 29: Thesis and Summative Project Presentations, 7 pm, Lettie Pate Evans Room

May

May 5: Spring Semester ends

Service for the Mission of the Church, 5:15 pm, Immanuel Chapel

May 6: Commencement with Academic Procession, 10:00 am, Immanuel Chapel

May 31: Memorial Day – Offices closed

June

June 14 – July 2: Doctoral Program Residency

June 18: Juneteenth National Independence Day Holiday - Offices closed



July

July 5: Independence Day Holiday - Offices closed