

SPRUNT LECTURES

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Redeeming the Creature: Race, Place, and the Hope of the Church

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The Early Center and Lake Chapel are located at 1106 Westwood Avenue. Watts Chapel is at 3401 Brook Road. Richmond Hall (Holderness Dining Hall) is at 1101 Melrose Avenue. William Smith Morton Library is at 3406 Chamberlayne Avenue. Jefferson Lakeside Country Club is at 1700 Lakeside Avenue, Richmond, VA 23228. Intermission Beer Company is at 10089 Brook Road, Unit A, Glen Allen, VA 23059.

Founded in 1812, Union Presbyterian Seminary is among the oldest and most respected theological institutions in the United States. It is one of 10 theological institutions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

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The Sprunt Lectures began in 1911 through a generous gift by James Sprunt of Wilmington, NC, to bring speakers of outstanding quality to the seminary to discuss aspects of Christian thought and work. The lectures are offered without charge and are open to all.

CLASS REUNIONS Honoring alumni in class years of 1943, 1948, 1953, 1958, 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, 2008, 2013. If you can assist with the reunion of your class, please contact Alumni Office Program Associate Hayley Mathews at hmathews@upsem.edu.

LOCATION OF EVENTS The Sprunt Lectures will be held in Watts Chapel on the Richmond seminary campus. Times and locations for all events are listed in this brochure.

REGISTRATION There is no charge to attend any of the lectures. However, we ask all who attend to register. Please fill out and mail in the attached form or register online at www.regonline.com/Sprunt2018. Please pick up your name tag at registration as listed in the schedule as it will serve as your ticket for all meals.

MEALS Reservations and advanced payments are required, and can be made at www.regonline.com/Sprunt2018. **Seating may be limited. Early registration is encouraged.**

HOUSING A limited number of rooms are available on campus. Please make your reservations directly with the hotels. Mention Union Presbyterian Seminary and the rates below when you call.

SpringHill Suites Glen Allen
9701 Brook Road, Richmond, VA 23059
King suites (\$92 + tax, includes breakfast)
(804) 282-1881

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6400 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23230
Standard King (\$98 + tax, includes breakfast)
(804) 261-2266

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Garden rooms (\$99); Main house king room (\$119);
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SPRUNT LECTURER

Willie James Jennings, associate professor of systematic theology and Africana studies at Yale University Divinity School, focuses his studies and teaching on the areas of theology, the black church and African studies, as well as post-colonial and race theory.



Born and raised in Grand Rapids, MI, Jennings received his B.A. in Religion and Theological Studies from Calvin College (1984), his M.Div. from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, CA, and his Ph.D. degree from Duke University. He is the author of *The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race*, one of the most important books in theology written in the last 25 years and now a standard text read in colleges, seminaries, and universities. Jennings is also the recipient of the 2015 Grawemeyer Award in Religion for his groundbreaking work on race and Christianity. He recently authored a commentary on the Book of Acts published by Westminster/John Knox and is currently working on a book on the doctrine of creation, tentatively entitled, *Reframing the World*.

Jennings is a regular workshop leader at pastor conferences and a consultant for the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, and for the Association of Theological Schools.

SPRUNT PREACHER



Jill Duffield (M.Div.'96) currently serves as the editor and publisher of *The Presbyterian Outlook*, an independent publication on the PC(USA). She earned a B.A. in history from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, graduating magna cum laude and as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She graduated with her Master of Divinity from Union Presbyterian Seminary in 1996 and was ordained as a teaching elder in 1998. In May, 2013, Jill earned her Doctor of Ministry from Austin

Presbyterian Theological Seminary. She has served large and small congregations, led numerous retreats, and has had articles, sermons and curricula published. She was the 2015 recipient of the Associated Church Press James Solheim Award for Editorial Courage. In addition, Jill is frequently asked to preach and has had the privilege of preaching at the Massanetta Springs Bible Conference and the Montreat Conference Center. Jill is married to Grant and they have three children—Joseph, Jessie, and Marissa.

2018 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS

One Ho Park (Ed.D.'89) has been president of the Graduate School of Practical Theology in Seoul, Korea since June 2017. He was the senior pastor of Presbyterian Church of the Lord, Seoul, Korea for 10 years. He received a Ed.D. from the Presbyterian School of Christian Education, a Th.M. in Christian Education from Princeton Theological Seminary, his M.Div. from Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary in Seoul, Korea, and a B.A. in English Literature from Keimyung University in Taegu, Korea.



From 2003–2007, Park served as senior pastor of Korean Presbyterian Church of Metro Detroit in Southfield, MI. From 2000–2003 he served as co-pastor of Arumdaun Church in Long Island, NY. He served from 1994–2000 at Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary in Seoul, Korea as both professor and associate professor. Park is married to Ho Soon Shinn. They have two children and two grandchildren, Ellie and Lehnah. He began his term on the Union board of trustees in 2014.

2018 BAA TRAILBLAZER



Karen Brown (M.Div.'92) serves as a pastoral associate at Grace Presbyterian Church in Baltimore, MD, and as the resource developer for Intersection of Change, a non-profit organization offering a myriad of services to the underserved Baltimore community. She received her Bachelor's Degree from Towson University in Townson, MD, a Master of Divinity from Union Seminary in Richmond, VA, and a Doctorate in Metro Urban Ministry from New Brunswick Theological Seminary in New Brunswick, NJ.

Brown served simultaneously as the associate pastor of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church from 1994 to 2005 and as the executive director of the Madison Avenue Family Life Center until 2009. She has served on various committees within the Presbytery of Baltimore and as an advisor to the Youth Advisory Delegates for two consecutive General Assemblies. She was the founding president of the Union Theological Seminary Black Caucus in 1999 and of the African American Clergy Women's Caucus of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. She also served on the National Black Presbyterian Caucus as a board member and vice president. Currently, she is a member of the National Self Development of People Committee.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, May 7, 2018

- 8:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Union Presbyterian Seminary Golf Tournament
with Post-Tournament Cookout Jefferson Lakeside Country Club
- 5:00–7:00 p.m. Registration/Welcome Reception Holderness Dining Room,
Richmond Hall
- 7:30 p.m. **“The Land Speaks: Rethinking both the Private and Possession”**
Willie Jennings Watts Chapel, Watts Hall

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

- 8:00–8:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast Holderness Dining Room
- 9:00 a.m. **“The Body Grows: Reframing the Idea of Maturity”**
Willie Jennings Watts Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Reception to honor *Distinguished Alumnus of the Year*
One Ho Park (Ed.D.’89) and *Black Alumni Association*
Trailblazer Karen Brown (M.Div.’92)
Holderness Dining Room
- 11:15 a.m. Worship with **Jill Duffield** (M.Div.’96) preaching
Watts Chapel
- 12:30–2:00 p.m. Alumni Luncheon with **President Brian K. Blount**, speaker
Holderness Dining Room
- 2:00 p.m. Class Reunion Pictures Front Steps of Morton Library
- 3:00 p.m. Black Alumni Association annual meeting Hussey Rm. (125), Early Center
- 3:00 p.m. Free time for class reunions Various locations
- 4:30 p.m. Lemonade on the lawn Westminster Lawn
- 5:30 p.m. Cookout: Burgers and Beer The Quad
- 7:30 p.m. **“The Line Connects: Reconsidering the Nature of Boundary”**
Willie Jennings Lake Chapel
Book Signing will follow lecture Rose Reception Hall, Early Center
- 9:00 p.m. Alumni Gathering at local brewery Intermission Beer Company

Wednesday, May 9, 2018 *

- 8:30–9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast Holderness Dining Room
- 9:00 a.m. **“The Circle Forms: Forming the Character of Belonging”**
Willie Jennings
Q&A to follow Watts Chapel
- 10:45 a.m. Worship & Shalom Farms Celebration with service opportunity
with **Jill Duffield** preaching
(Lunch available) Shalom Farms at Westwood Tract

* Please wear comfortable attire for Shalom Farms service opportunity

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1. Full Name _____

Name tag _____
(name as it is to appear on name tag) (school/class year)

2. Full Name _____

Name tag _____
(name as it is to appear on name tag) (school/class year, if applicable)

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Reservations and/or Advance Payment are *required* for:

Monday, May 7, Union Golf Tournament* _____ person(s) (\$100/ea) = \$ _____

Special all inclusive rate, covers continental breakfasts, Alumni Luncheon, Cookout, and box lunch _____ person(s) x \$ 55.00 = \$ _____

Monday, May 7, Welcome Reception _____ person(s) (no charge)

Sprunt Lectures _____ person(s) (no charge)

Tuesday, May 8, Continental Breakfast _____ person(s) x \$ 8.00 = \$ _____

Tuesday, May 8, Reception to honor Distinguished Alumnus of the Year and Black Alumni Association Trailblazer _____ person(s) (no charge)

Tuesday, May 8, Alumni Luncheon _____ person(s) x \$15.00 = \$ _____

Tuesday, May 8, Cookout: Burgers and Beer** _____ person(s) x \$20.00 = \$ _____

Wednesday, May 9, Continental Breakfast _____ person(s) x \$ 8.00 = \$ _____

Wednesday, May 9, Box Lunch (Shalom Farms)*** _____ person(s) x \$ 10.00 = \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Please check if you are interested in child care for children 10 and under.

Please check if you require assistance with mobility. A golf cart is available.

Please make checks payable to Union Presbyterian Seminary. Checks are non-refundable.
Send to: Sprunt Lectures, Union Presbyterian Seminary, 3401 Brook Road, Richmond, VA 23227

Reservations and payments can also be made online by credit card.

www.regonline.com/Sprunt2018

All reservations and payment must be received by April 24, 2018.

Any questions, call (804)278-4245 or e-mail Hayley Mathews at hmathews@upsem.edu.

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