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Welcome to Saint Paul, Minnesota, for the 34th Biennial Meeting of the Association for Theological Field Education

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Especially to all of you who may be new to ATFE, welcome! You are not alone. There is a lot of turnover in our vocation, as people move in and out of theological field education from other areas of service: pastoral ministry, classroom teaching, school administration. If you are new, I hope you're here early enough to take advantage of our orientation session, "All About ATFE." But even if you can't attend that orientation, I'm hopeful that you will find this Association to be inviting, accessible and helpful.

I'm exciting about this Consultation—both the opportunities for supportive fellowship and for our mutual resourcing of one another. The theme of this Consultation, *Across the Divides*, is meant to be a generative one, allowing us to engage various challenges to our work in church and society. We have a rich line-up of colleagues who will be leading break-out sessions covering so many aspects of our work together: immersive learning, sexuality, emotional awareness, artistic expression, multiculturalism, publishing, supervision, assessment, theological reflection, economic life, urban ministry, environmental justice, interdisciplinary collaboration, and the challenges we face in theological education in the "changing landscapes of ministry."

I'm thrilled that C. Anthony Hunt is our plenary speaker. A field educator himself as well as a pastor, scholar, and church administrator, Dr. Hunt bridges many of the contexts of concern to us: racism, ideological differences, cultural conflict, generational changes, and theological differences. He teaches at both Catholic and Protestant seminaries, and I'm looking forward to his ecumenical spirit and theological insight as he addresses our gathering.

There are also opportunities to contextualize our experience to the Twin Cities. On Friday, some have signed up to take excursions on the Green Line lightrail or to discover local earthkeeping ministries, CPE programs for social justice, the Saint Joseph Workers' ministry, or to visit the Cathedral and Basilica.

For me, this is like coming home. Actually it is coming home. I'm still a member of the Minnesota United Methodist Conference and of a local congregation here. I was at United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities in 2005 when I first attended an ATFE biennial meeting. So, yes, I feel at home. I hope you do too—even if this is your first trip to Minnesota! However long or short the time you've been in theological field education, you are here now among friends and colleagues. Welcome!

Sincerely,
Joe Bush, Chair

BREAK OUT SESSION SCHEDULE

ATFE 34th Biennial Consultation, Saint Paul, MN

BREAK OUT SESSION #1

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2017

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

| Room | Presenter(s) | Topic |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| North Promenade | Jennie Lee Salas | “The Global Shift and Growing Dimensions of Multiculturalism: Dialogue, Stories, Equity vs. Equality” |
| South Promenade | Barbara Sutton | “Word and Image: An Artistic Response to the Exploration of the Vocation of Lay Ecclesial Ministers” |
| Summit | Matt Floding and Barbara Blodgett | “Brimming with God: Reflecting Theologically on Cases in Ministry” |
| Lexington | Tracy Hartman | “Human Sexuality and the Church” |
| Hill - South | Mary Kay DuChene and Mark Sundby | “The Dark Side of Emotional Intelligence” |
| Hill - North | Odette Lockwood-Stewart | “Creative Dislocation: Immersive Learning, Formation and Transformation” |

BREAK OUT SESSION #2

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2017

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

| Room | Presenter(s) | Topic |
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| North Promenade | Chris Scharen | “Field Education in the Changing Landscapes of Ministry” |
| South Promenade | Axel Schoeber | “Online Supervised Ministry as a Community of Inquiry: Sharing Our Ideas” |
| Summit | Darrick Jackson | “Crossing Borders: A Multiracial/Cross-cultural grounding for Contextual Education” |
| Lexington | Christina Zaker | “Theological Reflection Across Religious Divides” |
| Hill - South | Paul Ruff | “Enriching the Supervisor/Supervisee Relationship” |
| Hill - North | Mary Froehle and Alfredo Hernández | “Putting a Number on It: Crossing the Assessment Divide” |

BREAK OUT SESSION #3

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2017

2:45 PM – 4:15 PM

| Room | Presenter(s) | Topic |
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| North Promenade | Cristian De La Rosa and Wanda Stahl | “Across the Divides of Culture, Language, and Economics in Urban Settings” |
| South Promenade | Christopher Thompson | “The World as Joyful Mystery: Laudato Si and the Recovery of Natural Law” |
| Summit | Timothy Johnson and Deborah Penny | “Facing the Cultural Realities: How to advance intercultural development in our students and institutions by utilizing tools like the IDI (Intercultural Development Inventory)” |
| Lexington | Trudy Hawkins Stringer and Lucinda Stewart | “Caring for the Whole Person: Collaborative Experiential Education for Divinity and Nursing Students” |
| Hill - South | Beth Gaede | “I Have This Idea ... : How to Get Published” |
| Hill - North | Annette Brownlee | “Participating in Christ’s Ministry: Models of Theological Reflection on Case Studies” |

Plenary Speaker: C. Anthony Hunt



We are pleased to welcome Rev. Dr. C. Anthony Hunt as our plenary speaker. Dr. Hunt is Professor of Systematic, Moral and Practical Theology at St. Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore, where he is a Permanent Dunning Distinguished Lecturer, in recognition of excellence in teaching and scholarship. This is the highest distinction bestowed on a faculty member of the Ecumenical Institute. He also teaches on the adjunct faculties at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC and United Theological Seminary in Dayton, OH, and is a faculty fellow at the Graduate Theological Foundation, in Mishawaka, IN.

He is the author of six books, including - *My Hope is Built: Essays, Sermons and Prayers on Religion and Race*, vol. 2 (2011); *And Yet the Melody Lingers: Essays, Sermons and Prayers on Religion and Race* (2006); *Blessed are the Peacemakers: A Theological Analysis of the Thought of Howard Thurman and Martin Luther King, Jr.* (2005); *Upon the Rock: A Model for Ministry with Black Families* (2002).

Dr. Hunt is Senior Pastor of Epworth Chapel United Methodist Church in Baltimore, MD, where he has served since 2011. From 2008-2012, he served as the first District Superintendent of the Baltimore Metropolitan District in the Baltimore-Washington Conference and as Director of *Hope for the City*, the initiative to strengthen urban churches in Baltimore. From 2004-2008, he was the Superintendent of the Baltimore-Harford District, and from 1998-2004, he served as the Executive Director of the Multi-Ethnic Center for Ministry of the Northeastern Jurisdiction, headquartered in Columbia, MD.

Dr. Hunt regularly supervises students for ministry in internships in his congregation, and he teaches field education colloquies for Wesley Theological Seminary both in the classroom and on-line environments. He has led intercultural immersions on Civil Rights in Alabama and on Urban Ministry in Baltimore. In his ministry and in his teaching, Dr. Hunt bridges many of the contexts of concern to us as field educators.

Dr. Hunt will address us twice:

Plenary One – “Across the Divides – Dimensions and Dynamics of Diversity in the 21st Century” – What forms of diversity are most prevalent in the church and society today? This plenary will address how these forms of diversity converge to offer new challenges and opportunities for doing ministry in the 21st Century.

Plenary Two – “Across the Divides -Theological Field Education amidst Difference and Change” – Given the dimensions and dynamics of diversity today, what are important considerations for theological field educators to help students navigate the various divides that may need to be crossed in preparing to do (and doing) ministry? This plenary will outline various competencies that could be helpful to students ministering in diverse contexts.