

Episcopal Divinity School at Union Theological Seminary  
Spring 2020  
Mondays, 6:00 to 8:00 pm  
Room 303

PT 202 – Anglican Studies Capstone Seminar:  
From Seminary to Ministerial Leadership

Convener and Co-Instructor: Patrick Cheng  
Co-Instructors: Kelly Brown Douglas, Miguel Escobar, and Bill Franklin  
Office Hours: By appointment

Course Requirements:

- 60% -- Regular attendance and participation, including two parish site visits (on March 2 and March 25). Prior to each class, please identify 4-5 questions and key passages from the week's readings that you would like to discuss in class.
- 40% -- Two reflection papers on ministerial leadership, synthesizing the seminar readings and your EDS@Union experience. Each paper should be 8-12 pages; one is due on March 13, and the other on May 8.

Course Schedule:

I. Identities (Discussion Leader: Douglas)

January 27 – Vocational Identities

- Barbara Harris with Kelly Brown Douglas, *Hallelujah Anyhow!: A Memoir* (2018).
- Fredrica Harris Thompsett, ed., *In Conversation: Michael Curry and Barbara Harris* (2017).

February 3 – Priestly Identities

- “Forty Days” and “In the Temple,” in Michael Dwinell, *Being Priest to One Another* pp. 67-122 (1993).<sup>1</sup>
- Michael Ramsey, *The Christian Priest Today* (1982).

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<sup>1</sup> These sections include the chapters “Priest as Homeless,” “Priest as Vulnerability,” “Priest as Wound,” “Priest as Silence,” “Priest as Sinner,” “Priest as Courageous Coward,” “Priest as Servant of Ceremony,” and “Priest as Judge and Absolver.”

## February 10 – Biographical Identities

- “Full Circle” and “Epilogue,” in Pauli Murray, *Song in a Weary Throat: Memoir of an American Pilgrimage*, pp. 557-72 (1987).
- “The Reverend Dr. Murray” and “Epilogue,” in Rosalind Rosenberg, *Jane Crow: The Life of Paul Murray*, pp. 354-88 (2017).

## II. Sacraments (Discussion Leader: Franklin)

### February 17 – Sacraments and Social Justice

- Barney Hawkins, *Episcopal Etiquette and Ethics: Living the Craft of Priesthood in the Episcopal Church* (2012).
- Mark Searle, *Liturgy and Social Justice* (1980).
- Simon Skinner, “Social and Political Commentary,” in Stuart J. Brown et al., eds., *The Oxford Handbook of The Oxford Movement*, pp. 333-48 (2017).

### February 24 – Baptismal Ministry

- Gerald W. Keucher, *Humble and Strong: Mutually Accountable Leadership in the Church*, pp. 67-91 (2010).
- Fredrica Harris Thompsett, *We Are Theologians: Strengthening the People of God*, pp. 55-83 (2004).

### March 2 – Sacramental Leadership

- **Parish site visit** – We will meet at St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Church, the Pro-Cathedral of the Diocese of Long Island, in Brooklyn Heights (157 Montague Street between Clinton and Henry Streets).
- Neal O. Mitchell, *How to Hit the Ground Running: A Quick-Start Guide for Congregations with New Leadership* (2005).
- Katherine Tyler Scott, *Transforming Leadership* (2010).

March 13 – First reflection paper due via email to the co-instructors.

**Note: Beginning on March 30th, classes will be held via Zoom from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.**

## III. Bodies (Discussion Leader: Cheng)

### March 30 – Ecclesial and Nonbinary Bodies

- Paul Avis, *The Identity of Anglicanism: Essentials of Anglican Ecclesiology*, pp. 18-38, 58-80, 152-70 (2007).
- Cameron Partridge, “Skandalon of Conjoinment: Anglican Ecclesial Embodiment,” in Zachary Guiliano and Charles M. Stang, eds., *The Open Body: Essays in Anglican Ecclesiology*, pp. 125-49 (2012).
- Tara K. Soughers, *Beyond a Binary God: A Theology for Trans\* Allies*, pp. 75-120 (2018).

April 6 – Intercultural Bodies

- Patrick S. Cheng, *Rainbow Theology: Bridging Race, Sexuality, and Spirit* (2013).
- Carla E. Roland Guzmán, *Unmasking LATINX Ministry for Episcopalians: An Anglican Approach*, pp. 131-91 (2020).
- Pauli Murray, “IV: No Greener Spring,” in *Dark Testament and Other Poems*, pp. 67-95 (1970).

IV. Moral Leadership

April 20 – Case Study: Gentrification (Discussion Leader: Douglas and Escobar)

- Michael Henry Adams, “On Every Harlem Corner: Big Money and Bulldozers Threaten Black History,” *The Guardian* (June 23, 2019).
- Anna B. Olson, *Claiming Resurrection in the Dying Church: Freedom Beyond Survival* (2016).
- Robert A. Simons et al., *Retired, Rehabbed, Reborn: The Adaptive Reuse of America’s Derelict Religious Buildings and Schools* (2017).

April 27 – Case Study: Open Communion (Discussion Leader: Franklin)

- Canon I.17.7 (2018).
- Charles Hefling, “Who Is Communion For?: The Debate Over the Open Table,” *Christian Century* (2012).
- James D. Prendergast, “The Debate Over Open Communion in the Episcopal Church: Ecclesiastical Disobedience or Lawlessness?,” *Ecclesiastical Law Journal* (2014).
- Stephanie Spellers, *Radical Welcome: Embracing God, The Other, and the Spirit of Transformation* (2006).

May 5 – Case Study: Lambeth 2020 (Discussion Leader: Cheng) **Note: This is a Tuesday evening.**

- Adam Beckett, “Same-Sex Spouses Not Invited to Lambeth 2020,” *Church Times* (February 22, 2019).
- Paul Avis, “Lambeth 2020: Conference or Council?,” *Theology* (2019).
- Paul Avis and Benjamin Guyer, *The Lambeth Conference: Theology, History, Polity and Purpose* (2019).

May 8 – Second reflection paper due via email to the co-instructors.