



THE  
**GENERAL**  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

of the Episcopal Church

**Alumni Gathering Schedule 2018 AS OF MARCH 2, 2017**

**Monday, May 14**

11:30 am Registration – *Welcome Center*

12:30 pm Lunch – *Refectory*

2:00 pm Continuing Education Workshop – *21<sup>st</sup> Street Room*

*Holy Cross, Life Giving Tree*, led by Fr. Donnel O’Flynn, is an ecumenical exploration of what Christianity would be like if the principle of a new creation were its guiding idea, and the Cross as Life-Giving Tree its central image.

5:30 pm Evensong; Blessing of the Rings and Crosses; Celebration of Alumni Ministries – *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*

6:30 pm Reception and Dinner in the Deanery for Alumni celebrating Jubilee Years (ending in ‘8’ or ‘3’) Hosted by the Very Rev. Kurt H. Dunkle ’04 and Mrs. Cathleen Dunkle – *The Moore Bldg.; 4<sup>th</sup> floor*

**Tuesday, May 15**

9:00 am Registration – Continental Breakfast available – *Welcome Center*

9:50 am Memorial Eucharist – *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Marguerite H. Steadman ’97; Assisting: The Rev. Susan Wrathall ’06  
Preacher: The Rev. Deacon Geraldine Swanson ’08; Necrologist: The Rev. Dr. Richard Corney ’57  
Presentation of the Distinguished Alumni Award to the Rev. Deacon Geraldine Swanson ’08,  
Introduction by the Rev. Deacon Denise LaVetty ’13

**Reception honoring Deacon Swanson immediately following in the Narthex**

12:30 pm Lunch and Alumni Association Annual Meeting – *Matthews Room at the Tutu Center*  
Ratification of By-Laws Revision, Election of Necrologist, Remarks and Q & A with Dean Dunkle & Dean DeLashmatt

**2:00 pm** Alumni Led Continuing Education Workshops – *Close/ 21<sup>st</sup> Rooms*

- *Gifts from God: Spirituality and Sexuality*: The Rev. Dr. Tommie Watkins, Jr., Class of 2016, leads this workshop using contemplative practices to explore issues of human sexuality. This is an abridged version of a training developed and piloted by the Rev. Dr. Watkins and Dr. Westina Matthews at General through the Center for Christian Spirituality.
- *Ecclesia Ministries: Radical Welcome to the Poor and Marginalized*: The Rev. Deacon Denise LaVetty ’13 leads a workshop exploring the work of Ecclesia Ministries, which provides a Eucharist for the homeless and needy in and around parks in New York City.

5:30 pm Baccalaureate Service – Preacher TBD – *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*

6:30 pm Baccalaureate Dinner – *Refectory*

**Wednesday, May 16**

8:00 am Morning Prayer – *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*

8:20 am Graduation Eucharist – Preacher TBD – *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*

9:20 am Graduation Breakfast – *Refectory*

11:00 am Commencement – *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*

12:00 pm Reception – *Chapel Lawn* – The Alumni Executive Committee welcomes the Class of 2018 to the Alumni Association

*At any time please feel free to enjoy a visit to the Rt. Rev. Christoph Keller, Jr. Library,  
where there will be a Book Sale and a display of archival items that you may enjoy and help us identify your classmates!*