

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION SUNDAY

Celebrate Christian Education with Sewanee for All God's People

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A message from
Dean Stafford

We share a compelling mission: when have people needed the Good News more than now? When has the Church needed better leadership (clergy and lay) for that mission? The School of Theology exists to serve Christ by preparing leaders in excellence and depth. Sewanee offers top quality education and formation. There are many ways to serve Jesus. Supporting the best possible preparation of the Church's future priests and lay leaders is a particularly important way, and I commend it to you with all my heart.



Theological Education Sunday is a day parishioners set aside to pray and give for all laity and clergy whose ministry is Christian education, wherever that ministry happens — in the home, preschool programs, parishes, colleges, universities, and seminaries. Established in 1999 by the national church, this Sunday on the church calendar is an occasion for all parishioners to focus on education as a key aspect of mission.

The School of Theology at Sewanee welcomes this opportunity to be a part of your Theological Education Sunday program. As a leader in Episcopal education, The School of Theology prepares men and women for ministry in witness and service to the Triune God rooted in scripture, theology, prayer, and reflective practice. Its academic, worship and community life is characterized by intentional commitment to the mission of the church, especially through Christian education and formation for all God's people and to the church's call to social justice.

The Very Rev. Dr. William S. Stafford, Dean of The School of Theology, asks when you pray for teaching ministries that you include Sewanee's faculty, students, and staff who are dedicated to teaching, preaching, and living out the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The University of the South



At the University of the South, known as Sewanee, students, faculty, and staff in the College of Arts and Sciences and The School of Theology share traditions, journeys of mind and spirit, and a commitment to the vision of Christ's kingdom.

Seventy-seven men and women are enrolled in graduate-level degree and certificate programs at The School of Theology: Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Theology, Certificate of Theological Studies, and Anglican Studies. An additional 63 students are enrolled in the summer Advanced Degrees program, which offers the degrees of Doctor of Ministry and Sacred Theology. There are also 7,035 students in the Education for Ministry (EfM) program, which equips lay leaders for theologically reflective ministry.

The seminary community shares life, worship, and studies with 1,478 undergraduates and 135 faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences, one of the outstanding liberal arts colleges in the country. Sewanee is owned by 28 Episcopal Dioceses, the only university so directly related to the Episcopal Church.

The Mountain, as the School's home in Sewanee is often called, is known for its serenity and panoramic beauty. Located in middle Tennessee on a 13,000-acre campus atop the south Cumberland Plateau, the University boasts an extraordinary campus community rooted in the environment.

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