Worship for Christian Unity Ecumenism Award and Figel Lectures @ VTS February 13, 2018

Tuesday, February 13 6:00-9:00 pm



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Annual Ecumenism Award Prayer Service for Christian Unity and 10th Annual Figel Address on Ecumenism

> The Healing of Memory: Lessons for Church Unity from Mennonite—Lutheran Dialogue

Venue: Virginia Theological Seminary 3737 Seminary Road Alexandria, VA 22304

Two distinguished scholars in their own traditions share lessons learned from the international dialogue that produced the historic Lutheran-Mennonite report: "Healing of Memory: Reconciling in Christ." This phrase, developed by Pope John Paul II, has deeply influenced Christian dialogues that address histories of religious persecution, trauma, and suffering, including Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Reformed, Mennonite and other dialogues.

The *healing of memory* requires "right remembering" that speaks candidly about these histories of suffering, and it provides an historical and theological approach to overcome past barriers to Church unity. It also has implications for interfaith and social histories of suffering and trauma.

Prayer Service lead by the WTC Student Board, Ecumenism Award Presentation, Lectures and Discussion. Full Reception Follows.

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