



STUDY UNDER PASTORS



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FALL QUARTER, WEEK 7



ACADEMIC REMINDERS

2018 Winter Registration Opens – October 15

Graduating Seniors - Apply for Graduation in the Web Portal by Nov. 16



ACADEMIC NEWS

Registration for the Winter Quarter opens TODAY. The course schedule is posted at rpts.edu under Students. Your account and any Library fines must be paid in full in order to register for classes. Complete the Registration Advising Worksheet form (found in the RPTS Links tab in the portal) – you will need to consult your final approved plan from registration for the Fall. If you follow that previously approved plan, or if you are comfortable with any changes you are making without an advisor review, then when you submit the form a request will be sent directly to the office for your Advisor PIN so that you can register.

***The last day to register for the Winter Quarter without a late fee is Friday, Nov. 9.**

The Winter Booklist was emailed to your RPTS account and is also available on the RPTS website. Students should order their own textbooks. In the case of textbooks that must be ordered through RPTS, orders are due by Fri., Nov. 2, to Vicki Smith. Payment is due with your order.

Requesting Incompletes: Incompletes are not routinely granted to any student who applies for one. Incompletes are only granted in exceptional cases and for true emergencies, as determined by the professor. In order to request an Incomplete Grade, a Request for an Incomplete form (found under the RPTS Links tab in the portal) must be initiated and submitted by the student before the Friday of finals week in a quarter. A professor has the right to deny permission to receive an incomplete grade or to reduce the final grade up to one grade point.

Planning to graduate in May, 2019? Apply now for Graduation! Log into the Web Portal. Go to the Student Records tab. Under Degree Information, click Application to Graduate. Click the “Apply” button. Choose the 2019 Spring term as the Completion term even if you will finish in a different quarter. When you are finished, click the Submit button. *Deadline to apply is Nov. 16.*



RPTS ACTIVITIES

Your professors are writing! RPTS will hold a special book preview event on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 1 pm in the chapel as Drs. Gamble, Scipione, and York speak about their latest works. Distance Students, we will record the presentations and provide a link following the event.

RPTS Board of Trustees: The Seminary Board of Trustees will be meeting this Fri. & Sat., Oct. 19 & 20. The Board is composed of twelve elders who are members of the RPCNA and are elected by Synod to superintend, safeguard, and promote the interests of RPTS. Please introduce yourself and make them welcome.

Panera Blessings: Volunteers are needed to assist with this ministry each Wednesday morning (6:15 at RPTS). Although drivers are welcomed, a car is not required. Contact [Ed Blackwood](mailto:Ed.Blackwood@rpts.edu) at 412-731-6000, 412-407-3317 (cell), or in person with questions. Sign-up here: <http://s.rpts.edu/BreadHelp>.

Amazon Smile: There is a unique way for you to help RPTS through your purchases on Amazon. Using [this link](#), you can designate the Seminary which will be listed as 'Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America' as your charity and a portion of your purchases will be donated to RPTS.

Bite-Sized Theology: Join us for lunch at the next meeting on Oct 19. Bring your lunch or order a lunch (in Office by Wednesday morning). While we eat, we will consider a theological topic with a short talk by faculty, staff, or students. Then we will "chew" on the topic around the lunch tables.

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

October 16	Josh Giesler
October 17	Peter Zhang
October 18	Shawn Wang
October 19	Jason Thoman

NEWS FROM STUDENTS

New Baby: Andrew (MDiv) and Laura Battiato welcomed Clara Grace Battiato on Oct. 10 at 12:42 pm, weighing 7 lb, 14 oz.



Weekly Activities:

- ◇ *Tea Time and Prayer for Women:* Tuesdays from 12:30-1:30pm in Willson Center.
- ◇ *Faculty/student/staff prayer:* Tuesdays at 1 pm in the 2nd floor classroom.
- ◇ *Practice for oral presbytery exams:* Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30pm in the second floor class room. Contact [Garrett Mann](#) for information.
- ◇ *Missions Prayer:* Wednesdays at 1:30 pm in the Chapel.
- ◇ *Walk with Director of "Edmissions":* 5K on Thursdays at 6:30 am.
- ◇ *Basketball on Fridays:* Meet at the hoop at 1 pm.

BEYOND OUR WALLS

Reformation Service: Geneva College will host a worship service to celebrate the great gospel truths recovered and proclaimed during the Reformation on Oct. 28 at 6:30pm in the Fieldhouse. Dr. Barry York will preach. A light reception will follow.



Conference: First Reformed Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Penn Hills invites you to join them as they welcome Dr. Michael Kruger from RTS - Charlotte for a conference on Nov. 3-4. A Joint Reformation Service for the community will be held at 7 pm on SATURDAY evening. If you have any questions, call the FRPC office at 412-793-7117 or see the flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

BREAKING BREAD TOGETHER

Join fellow students and faculty during lunch in the basement dining area each week of classes from Tuesday through Friday. Bring your own lunch or purchase the catered meal. Non-dorm students may purchase lunch for \$6, if desired. Reservations are required with the Office at least two days in advance of a meal.



Hee-Haw is coming to Scotland!

Submitted by Mike McCormick

CAPTION THIS...



Dunk Tank Time: On Wednesday, Oct. 17 at 1 pm, watch as your favorite faculty and staff members are “dunked” as part of the Strike the Match campaign. Not able to make it? Watch on Facebook during that time for a live broadcast.



Email all entries by Thursday at noon to [Vicki Smith](#) with “Caption This” as the subject. The caption will appear in next week’s newsletter. Winner will receive a small prize courtesy of Edmissions.