“Love bade me welcome”: Bringing Poetry into the Life of Your Church

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MAY 12 | Yale Divinity School

3:15pm – Bus leaves hotel for Yale ISM-Divinity School

3:00-4:30 – Conference check-in

4:30-4:45 – Welcome & Orientation

4:45- 5:45 – PLENARY #1 (Keynote): CHRISTIAN WIMAN | “When You Consider the Radiance: Poetry for Preachers and Prophets”

6:00-7:00 – Dinner Reception

7:15-8:15 – Evening Worship led by MAGGI DAWN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13 | Yale Divinity School

8:30am – Bus leaves hotel for Yale ISM. Continental breakfast in Common Room.

9:15–10:00 – GUIDED MEDITATION led by JANET RUFFING

10:00-10:30 – Coffee break

10:30-11:30 – WORKSHOPS #1

- MAGGI DAWN | “Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs: Integrating Poetry and Song Lyric into Worship”
- DAVID MAHAN | “‘all that beauty comes home’: Teaching Faith through Verse”
- THOMAS TROEGER | “Cultivating the Landscape of the Heart: How to Nurture the Poetic Imagination for Preaching”

12-1:00pm – LUNCH

2:15-2:45 – Coffee break

3:00-4:00 – WORKSHOPS #2

- **CHRISTIAN WIMAN** | “Reading Poetry as an Act of Faith”
- **JANET RUFFING** | “Poetry as an Opening to the Mystical?”

4:15-5:15 – WORSHIP led by **MAGGI DAWN**

5:30 – Bus leaves for hotels, downtown

**THURSDAY, MAY 14 | St. Thomas More**

8:30–9:00am – Continental breakfast served

9:00-10:00 – WORKSHOPS #3

- **MAGGI DAWN** | “Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs: Integrating Poetry and Song Lyric into Worship”
- **DAVID MAHAN** | “‘all that beauty comes home’: Teaching Faith through Verse”
- **THOMAS TROEGER** | “Cultivating the Landscape of the Heart: How to Nurture the Poetic Imagination for Preaching”

10:00-10:30 – Coffee break

10:30-11:30 – PLENARY #3: “Spirit & Muse” An open conversation moderated by **DAVID MAHAN**

11:30-12pm – GUIDED MEDITATION led by **JANET RUFFING**

12:00pm – Conference ends