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SEMINARY CELEBRATES 222ND COMMENCEMENT

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary celebrated its 222nd commencement activities Fri., June 1, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at East Liberty Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson II, stated clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), was the commencement speaker. **A number of students also received graduation prizes.**

VIDEO

Watch the archived live stream of the graduation ceremony.

PHOTO GALLERIES

Service of Thanksgiving

Brunch

Commencement

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Our Own Interior Castle: The Effect of Intimate Group Participation on Spiritual Formation Through Teresa of Avila

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An Egalitarian Vision of Race Permeated from the Pulpit: Can Measuring Racial Tolerance of the (PWNC) Church Leaders Be Sufficient to Deconflict Perceptions Within the Church?

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Parish Ministry and Leadership: How Prepared Are Church of Scotland Parish Ministers for the Leadership Role the General Assembly Expects Them to Play?

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Green Bay, Wis.
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How Can We Help People Talk About Death?

JOHN FLOYD HOWELL III
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Small Steps Toward Each Other: Evaluating Practices in Intercongregational Relations to Strengthen Ecclesial and Missional Unity

REDDA THABET IBRAHIM
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Toward the Full Inclusion of the Youth in the Presbyterian Church of Asyut, Egypt

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Empowering the Laity for Ministry

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