



## SEMINARY CELEBRATES 222<sup>ND</sup> COMMENCEMENT

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary celebrated its 222<sup>nd</sup> 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**

### GRADUATES

**MASTER OF DIVINITY**

ERIN E. ANGELI  
Marquette, Mich.

GEORGE ROBERT BARR  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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East McKeesport, Pa.

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Vandergrift, Pa.

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DuBois, Pa.

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Hostetter, Pa.

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Wooster, Ohio

DEBORAH RUTH SMITH  
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VICTORIA A. VOLLER  
Etna, Pa.

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#### **MASTER OF ARTS**

JOANNE ELAINE SPENCE  
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JOSEPH D. BURKE SR.  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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#### **MASTER OF THEOLOGY**

PAUL JAMES PFEUFFER  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

#### **DOCTOR OF MINISTRY**

BRENDA FUNK BARNES  
Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Our Own Interior Castle: The Effect of Intimate Group Participation on Spiritual Formation Through Teresa of Avila

HAROLD JOSEPH LEE BENNETT II  
Lenoir, N.C.  
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?

JOHN A. COWIE  
Edinburgh, Scotland  
A Welcoming Community

NEIL JAMES DOUGALL  
North Berwick, Scotland  
Parish Ministry and Leadership: How Prepared Are Church of Scotland Parish Ministers for the Leadership Role the General Assembly Expects Them to Play?

LUKE EDWARD FARWELL  
Green Bay, Wis.  
Back to the Wall: The Redemptive Role of Narrative Theology for Spiritual Care of Suicide Survivors

RUTH GREEN †  
Edinburgh, Scotland  
How Can We Help People Talk About Death?

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

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

JAMES D. KING



Novi, Mich.  
Empowering the Laity for Ministry

JUDITH IRENE McMILLAN  
Troy, Mich.  
Contemplative Mission: Practicing Deep Listening as a Way to Engage Missional Imagination

GRAHAM McWILLIAMS  
Comri, Perthshire, Scotland  
Investigation of Sanctuary in a Diverse World

ANDREW DAVID POMERVILLE †  
Haslett, Mich.  
The Great Baptismal Experiment: The Attempt to Practice Interdenominational Baptism at the Peoples Church of East Lansing, Michigan

CHARLES MARK SCOTT  
Inverness, Fla.  
A Spiritual Intervention for Hospice Chaplains Threatened by Compassion Fatigue

LEZLEY J. STEWART  
Edinburgh, Scotland  
The Psalms: "The Standard Liturgy and Grand Magazine of Devotion for the Church in All Ages." (Dr. Robert Lee – Prayers for Public Worship 1857)

JENNIFER L. STROUD  
Port Saint Lucie, Fla.  
"Seeking to Serve The People Of God With Energy, Intelligence, Imagination and Love" Reforming Reformed Worship: A Study in the Response of God's People

ALISON I. SWINDELLS  
Aberdeen, Scotland  
The Decalogue, Discipleship and Delight: Ten Words Towards Freedom

MARK LUZERNE TIDD  
Arlington, Va.  
"God is Good. Life is Hard. Prayer Matters." Navigating the Implications for the Staff and Leadership of Military Community Youth Ministries when the Financial Model Changed

MARK A. WHITSEL  
Pleasant Hills, Pa.  
Standing in Cemetery Shadows: Developing Hope and Understanding in Preparing for Life's Final Journey

GRAEME RICHARD WILSON  
Bearsden, Scotland  
Eldership and Discipleship in the Church of Scotland: A Local Case Study

MOURIS A. YOUSEF  
Moorestown, N.J.  
Human Enhancement Technologies: Theological, Pastoral, and Ethical Reflections

† In Absentia  
\*\* Joint Degree – Master of Science in Public Policy and Management (Carnegie Mellon University)  
\*\*\* Graduate Certificate in Urban Ministry  
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