Annual Convocation with Dr. Brian Blount Saturday, January 22, 2022 9:30-11:30 a.m. Now All Virtual Event



Dr. Brian Blount President and Professor of New Testament at Union Presbyterian Seminary

He will speak on:

The Liberation Trajectory in the Reformed Tradition

9:25 Sign in to Zoom link (sent to RSVP's)
9:30 Welcome and Introductions
9:40 Presentation
10:30 Break and Books
10:45 Questions and Discussion
11:30 Adjourn

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This year's convocation digs into the Reformed Tradition to find elements of justice and liberation. Toward the end of last century, South African theologian John de Gruchy offered a challenging question that engages the context of the 21st century with movements like Black Lives Matter, Say Her Name, and the attempted insurrection in the U.S. of a previously stable democracy. His questions are: "Is there now any point in doing Reformed Theology?... How can Reformed Theology help us usefully reflect and strategize in such a context?... Does Reformed Theology have within it a trajectory and resource that offers hope for transformation that reflects the movement of the Rule of God?" Join Brian Blount as he considers these questions and contemplates a response.

Dr. Blount holds a BA from the College of William and Mary, an MDiv from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a PhD from Emory University. He served as pastor of Carver Memorial Presbyterian Church in Newport News, Virginia, from 1982 to 1988, before studying for his doctorate. He served as the Richard J. Dearborne Professor of New Testament Interpretation at Princeton Theological Seminary for 15 years before being called as President of Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA in 2007. He lectures widely in local churches and the academy, including delivering the 2011 Beecher Lectures at the Yale Divinity School. He is the author of numerous articles and books, including:

Go Preach! Mark's Kingdom Message and the Black Church Today (Orbis, 1998)

The Whisper Put on Flesh: New Testament Ethics in an African American Context (Abingdon 2001)

Can I Get A Witness? Reading Revelation Through an African American Lens (Westminster John Knox Press, 2005)

Revelation. A Commentary in the New Testament Library Series (Westminster John Knox Press, 2009)

Invasion of the Dead. Preaching Resurrection (Westminster John Knox Press, 2014)