NWTS Graduation 2015
Join us in celebrating our graduates commencement!

Graduation 2015 at NWTS

Graduation
May 9
10:30 am
Lynnwood OPC
This year we are happy to announce that we have two prospective graduates, Ben Davenport (M.Div.) and Carlo Saulzallido (M.T.S.). The 2015 NWTS graduation ceremony for these students is scheduled for Saturday, May 9 at 10:30am at Lynnwood Orthodox Presbyterian Church. Participating in the graduation procession will be board members Rev. Randall Bergquist, Mr. Scott Hunter, and Rev. Rob Van Kooten and faculty members Rev. James T. Dennison, Jr., Rev. J. Peter Vosteen, Mr. Scott Sanborn, Rev. Marcus Renkema and Dr. Scobie Smith. The President of the Board, Rev. Lawrence Semel, will not be able to attend for health reasons. (Please pray for his continuing health.) Also absent will be board member Rev. Don Knox. Rev. Benjamin Swinburnson, the pastor of Lynnwood OPC (2007 NWTS graduate) will also be participating.

We congratulate the graduates, their families and church members who have supported them during their studies at NWTS. We are also grateful for all of you who have supported the seminary, making this education possible for them. Please come and join us for this time of solemnity and celebration as our graduates are recognized for completing the course of their labors at NWTS.


#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FACULTY NEWS

**A Biblical-theological Catechism for Young and Old Alike**

**Professor James T. Dennison, Jr.** has been working on a long dreamt of biblical theological catechism. He is planning (God willing) to write a section of this catechism on each book of the Bible in canonical order. *Kerux* has already published the introduction to the catechism [K:JNWTS 28/2 (September 2013): 28-31] in addition to its sections on Genesis [K:JNWTS 28/3 (December 2013): 18-25] and Exodus [K:JNWTS 29/2 (September 2014):19-30]. This catechism is appropriate for the young in the church with its brief questions and answers that get to the heart of the biblical theology of each book. Older saints in the church will also find this catechism new and engaging in that it raises fresh biblical theological questions with answers that will draw them back into the biblical drama of the text, a drama suffused with Christ. The May *Kerux* will feature Leviticus as the keystone of the Pentateuch as well as the eschatological Levite (Jesus Christ) and the eschatological sacrifice and offering (Jesus Christ).

Professor James T. Dennison, Jr. has completed his teaching on the book of Zephaniah (audio lectures available at nwt.edu). This is a rich and detailed look at the literary genius of this prophet, this radiant light of glory, shining his lamp in mirky darkness, as he anticipates the true light of the world. Recently, professor James Dennison has been trailing through the book of Philemon. In this brief letter, Paul uses a tapestry of literary structure and personal associations to draw Philemon to embrace Onesimus in the union of Christ their Lord. In this, as in all things, Christ is central. (Audio lectures also available at nwt.edu)

**Professor Dr. Bill Dennison** has published a recent professional journal article: “For a Better World? Response to David C. Ward,” *Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies: An International Journal of Interdisciplinary and Interfaith Dialogue.* Interdisciplinary Studies: The Next 25 Years, XXVI, no. 1/2. (2014): 57-72. (This journal is a high tier academic journal in the field on Interdisciplinary Studies.)


**Professor Scott Sanborn** has recently published the first part of a review of Robert Jewett’s commentary on Romans in *Kerux* [K:JNWTS 29/3 (December 2014): 17-42]. The review not only engages Dr. Jewett’s work on Romans but along the way discusses some of the biblical theological themes and exegetical issues of this majestic letter of the apostle.

**Professor J. Peter Vosteen,** in addition to his classes at NWTS, continues to preach in local churches. He is currently working on a book to help others in the craft of sermon preparation and delivery. The plan of the work follows the biblical-theological method that Professor Vosteen has been using to teach preaching at NWTS.

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Carlo Saulzallido M.T.S.

Ben Davenport M.Div.