

DISTINGUISHED ANGLICANS HONORED AT CONVOCATION 2005

EVERY YEAR BERKELEY HONORS a distinguished group of Anglicans for their prayerful and prophetic service in the church. From those who have given a lifetime of leadership, to bishops who are the primary teachers of the faith in their diocese, to those who are in the midst of their careers and have more to come, honorees represent a wide range of gifts, passions, and fields.

THE LEADER IN EDUCATION

William Andersen, Jr. is the retired executive director of the Episcopal Church Foundation. Under Andersen's leadership, the Foundation launched initiatives to rethink mission and ministry in the Episcopal Church and throughout the Anglican Communion. With creative emphasis on congregations and the ministry of all baptized persons, Andersen's work has produced clarity of identity, vocation, and mission at all levels of the church's life.

THE BISHOP

Kirk Smith is the fifth Bishop of Arizona. Before his ordination as bishop, Smith served the church in a variety of contexts, from the graceful shores of Connecticut to the urban street ministry of homelessness, earthquakes, and civil unrest in Los Angeles. Bishop Smith has proven not only to be an effective administrator but also a gifted pastor.

THE GLOBAL LEADER

As the Archbishop of Ireland, Robin Eames is the senior statesman in the Anglican Communion. He was chair of the Commission on Communion and Women in the Episcopate (1989); the Inter-Anglican Theological and Doctrinal Commission that authored *The Virginia Report* (1996); and most recently the Lambeth Commission on Communion which produced *The Windsor Report* (2004). Most of all, Eames is a grace-filled pastor to his people. Eames' courageous work for peace in communities of strife and violence as well as his theological and ecclesial acumen was underscored by his time at Berkeley in October, when he offered the Pitt Lecture, entitled, "Where now for global Anglicanism?" A web-cast version of this talk can be found at <http://www.yale.edu/divinity/video/convocation2005.html>.

THE MISSION LEADER

Sandra Swan is the retired director of Episcopal Relief and Development, an organization that under Swan's visionary leadership was transformed from a modest emergency fund for mission, to a model agency for international and domestic emergency relief and development. A life-long Episcopalian, Swan embodies the conviction that God calls us to work tirelessly for the dignity of all.

THE LAY LEADER

Jon Meacham is the managing editor of *Newsweek* magazine. He has served as a faithful member of the Vestry at both St. Thomas Church Fifth Avenue and Trinity Church, Wall Street, as well as on the Board of Regents at the University of the South (Sewanee, Tennessee). Meacham is what Senator John Danforth described in a recent *New York Times* piece as a "moderate Christian soldier." An accomplished writer, historian, journalist, and observer of American religious life, writing with a critical eye, keen intellect and abiding faith, Meacham was selected for this honor not only for what he has done for the church, but as a sign of the School's confidence that he will continue to serve the church and society in substantial ways.

Berkeley Divinity School raises up these leaders not only for the work they have done, the model they have set, but because they are people our students need to know, learn from, and be inspired by during their time at seminary. It is an honor to engage these five individuals into the life of our school.



The Very Rev. Joseph Britton with degree recipients, The Rt. Rev. Kirk Smith '79 M.Div., The Most Reverend Rev. Robin Eames, Sandra Swan, Jon Meacham, William Andersen, and George Fowlkes '99 L.H.D. (Chairman of the Berkeley Board of Trustees).

Students Spread the Word around the Globe

SWISS THEOLOGIAN EMIL BRUNNER is credited with saying, "The church exists by mission as fire exists by burning." Berkeley students continue to leave our hallowed halls for summer vacations, spring breaks, and semester-long internships to explore the expanse of global Christianity. They return restored, challenged by the opportunity to be an ambassador of the school, and most of all, burning with a deep sense of what is possible for mission and the church.

Over the summer of 2005, our students trotted the globe. Ann Bonner-Stewart '06 M.Div. (Diocese of Massachusetts) taught Anglican Spirituality at St. Phillip's Theological College in Maseno, Kenya. Elizabeth Marie Melchionna '06 M.Div. (Diocese of Southwestern Virginia), Megan Holloway '07 M.Div. (Diocese of Virginia), and Whitney Zimmerman '07 M.Div. (Diocese of Virginia) took part in the *Palestine of Jesus* course at St. George's College, Jerusalem. Rob Boulter '06 M.Div. (Diocese of Connecticut) traveled to Iona to explore approaches to multigenerational worship. Kate Bryant '06 M.Div. (Diocese of New York) attended the Canterbury Summer Institute and while living on the Cathedral grounds serendipitously found herself spending time with the Archbishop of Canterbury. Yvonne Lodico '08 M.Div. (Diocese of New York) served as an intern at Emmanuel Church, Geneva, Switzerland. And finally, Pamela Wesley-Gomez, director of development and external church affairs, traveled to Tanzania to work with the bishop of Mt. Kilimanjaro.

The school is grateful to the generosity of the Episcopal Evangelical Education Society (EEES), the Seminary Consultation on Mission (SCOM), and other granting institutions for the generous support of our students.



Ann Bonner-Stewart '06 M.Div. in Kenya this summer.



Pictured with Archbishop Rowan Williams at Canterbury Cathedral are the 2005 Canterbury Scholars from the U.S.: Bob Corley (Sewanee), Kate Bryant (Berkeley Divinity School at Yale), Giden Pollach (General Theological Seminary), Holly Gloff (Virginia Theological Seminary) and Ted Clarkson (Sewanee).



Whitney Zimmerman '07 M.Div. at St. George's College, Jerusalem

Save the Date!

Berkeley Divinity School Dinner
at General Convention
Sunday, June 18, 2006
Columbus Club, Columbus, Ohio