

## GODDARD TALK

### THE GODDARD CHAPEL NEWSLETTER Tufts University

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## From The Chaplain

Greetings and welcome to our Fall newsletter, Goddard Talk. September is always a very exciting time of year for all who work in the field of education. Everyone is in a state of anticipation about the future; new students worry about fitting in, teachers and professors worry about the first lecture; coaches worry about the incoming talent; and administration and staff worry about keeping the whole enterprise running. But amidst all the worrying there is a profound sense of joy and accomplishment. Everyone deep down knows they have earned the right to be here and are eager to show what they have to offer.

The Chaplaincy at Tufts and Goddard Chapel are no

different. All the Associate Chaplains and myself are very eager to meet the students and launch our programs. The Fall semester is full of opportunities for discussions, presentations, interaction and dialogue. All programs of the Office of University Chaplain and all the Associate Chaplains' programs are open to all people, all the time. Please consider yourself invited and know you are welcome to attend all programs.

Besides the enclosed information about Chaplain's Table, Reflections, Noontime Concerts, thoughts on peace and our Chaplaincy Interns, please note the date for our Russell Lecture this year given by Reverend Gloria White-Hammond, M. D. She is a terrific and very inspir-

ing speaker.

Please know of my willingness to be of service to you individually, your family, or your group. I would be happy to do a presentation for you or your group; it is just a matter of scheduling.

Pax et Lux,  
God Bless,

Rev. David M. O'Leary  
S.T.L., D.Phil  
University Chaplain & Adjunct  
Professor in Comparative Religions & Medical Ethics ♡

### THE CHAPLAINCY WELCOMES TWO INTERNS FOR 2006—2007

It is our pleasure to welcome as interns for the 2006-2007 academic year Shareda Hosein and Geoffrey A. Whitlock. Below is some biographical information for them. Look for them around campus and feel free to make them welcome.

#### Shareda Hosein

The migration of Shareda's family from Trinidad

to Boston when she was eleven shaped her views at an early age, making her better able to help people understand what it means to come from a different religion and culture. Born and raised as a Muslim, she has lived up to her father's expectations that she remain a Muslim and guide her life by the principles of Islam.

Her desire to build bridges and create a more peaceful communication between people of different faiths caused her to apply for a chaplaincy position in the United States Army Re-

serves. One of the decisions to become a chaplain was observing a young Muslim soldier in Kuwait who didn't know how to pray and was being taught by another soldier who also didn't have much more knowledge than she, but he was trying. He was unable to help the female soldier make her ablution for prayer because he couldn't go into the women's bathroom to show her, but Shareda was present to do so.

### Special points of interest:

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## Upcoming Chapel Events

### REFLECTIONS

12:00 — 1:00 P. M.

September 27, The Reverend David M. O'Leary, S.T.L., D.Phil., University Chaplain  
"New Beginnings"

October 4, Rev. Barbara Asinger, Associate Protestant Chaplain  
"A Woman's Voice—Reflections on the Gospel of Mary Magdalene"

November 8, Rabbi Jeffrey Summit, Associate Jewish Chaplain  
"Muslims, Jews, Christians: What Does It Mean to Really Talk Together?"

December 6, Shareda Hosein, Chaplaincy Intern, Hartford Seminary  
Topic to be Announced

### CHAPLAIN'S TABLE—RELIGION, WAR AND PEACE

5 — 7 P. M., MacPhie Conference Room

September 28, The Reverend David M. O'Leary, S.T.L., D.Phil., University Chaplain  
"Overview of Series"

October 5, Ben Tousley, Storyteller,  
"Peace"

October 12, Assoc. Professor Malik Mufti, International Relations Program  
"Ideas of Jihad in Islamic Political Thought"

October 19, Professor Paul Joseph, Sociology Department  
"Religion Does Not Play a Major Role in Causing War: A Skeptic's Approach"

October 26, Professor Felipe F. R. Fernandez-Armesto, History Department, "JUST War or Just WAR?"

November 2, Kate Wheeler, Buddhist, Lecturer English Department, "When Is a Religion Not a Religion? When It Doesn't Go to War?"

November 9, OPEN DISCUSSION

November 16, Geoffrey Whitlock, Chaplaincy Intern, B. U. School of Theology

"John Wesley's Perspective on Religion, War and Peace"

November 30, Sherman Teichman, Director-Institute Global Leadership, Office of the Dean of Arts & Sciences "The Instrumentality of Religion and Political Violence"

### NOONTIME CONCERTS AT GODDARD CHAPEL

Concerts will be held on the dates listed below at 12:30 p.m. For more information, call chapel office (617) 627-3427.

September 28, Dana Russian, Trumpet

October 12, Ann Steeves, Soprano

October 26, Tom Duprey, All Trumpets

November 9, Marty Theater Ensemble, Arnold Friedman, Cello and Richard Melde, Double Bass

November 30, Mark DeVoto, Organ

December 7—Christmas Concert, 4:00 p.m.

### GODDARD CHAPEL FORUM ON RELIGION AND MONEY, SPRING, 2007

All lectures take place at 6:00 p.m.

#### February 21—

Harry Hutson, Ph. D., Organizational Consultant & Executive Coach, "Putting Hope to Work: Five Principles to Activate Your Organization's Most Powerful Resource"

#### March 28—

Prof. Max Stackhouse, Prof. of Christian Ethics, Reformed Theology & Public Life, Harvard University, 2007 Russell Lecturer "Faith and Globalization"

#### April 25—

Laura Nash, Senior Research Fellow, Harvard Business School "Of Two Minds: The Love/Hate Relationship between Religion and Money"

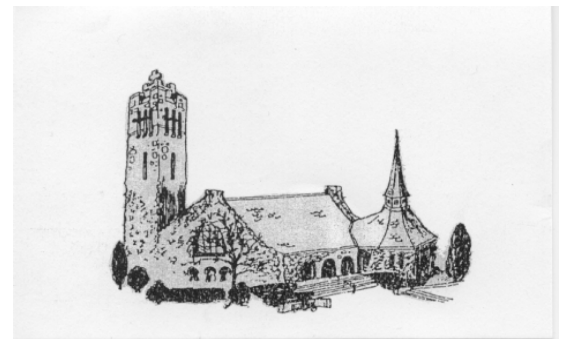
### SERVICES

**Protestant Worship**  
Sundays, 7:30 p.m.

**Catholic Mass**  
Sundays, 10:00 p.m.

*The Reverend Gloria White-Hammond, M. D., Bethel AME Church, Roxbury, 2006 Russell Lecturer, — "A Career in Medicine vs. A Ministry of Healing"*

*Wednesday, September 27, 6:00 p.m., Goddard Chapel*



**THOUGHTS ON PEACE**

Reverend David O'Leary

The motto of Tufts University is "Pax et Lux" which means Peace and Light. The world needs these more than ever. This past October was the twentieth anniversary of the World Day of Peace held in Assisi, Italy.

In 1986, Pope John Paul, II, was convinced that prayer could bring believers together. This was the idea that inspired the 1986 World Day of Prayer for Peace in Assisi, Italy. That unprecedented gathering at Pope John Paul's invitation drew leaders of Jews, Buddhists, Shintoists, Muslims, Zoroastrians, Hindus, Unitarians, traditional African and Native American religions and many others. Together under the roof of the Basilica of Saint Francis, they all prayed, side by side, Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant, Jew, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, all coming together as one to pray for peace.

In 1999, again, world religious leaders came together at the close of the millennium to pray for peace and to "refuse to allow religion to be used to incite hatred and violence."

Another meeting was convened in Assisi in 2002 in the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks. At that gathering, a joint statement was released from world religious leaders calling for the end of violence in the name of religion. Pope John Paul, II, declared: "Violence never again! War never again! Terrorism never again! In the name of God, may every religion bring upon the earth justice and peace, forgiveness and life, love."

Patriarch Bartholomeos declared: "Although we belong to different religious traditions, we affirm that building peace requires loving one's neighbor in obedience to the golden rule: "Do to others what you would have them do to you."

General Secretary of the World Council of Churches, Konrad Raiser, affirmed: "We commit ourselves to proclaiming our firm conviction that violence and terrorism are incompatible with the authentic spirit of religion, and, as we condemn every recourse to violence and war in the name of God or religion, we commit ourselves to doing everything possible to eliminate the root causes of terrorism."

This past April Georgetown University in Washington, D. C., hosted the 2006 International Prayer for Peace. This was the first time the conference started after the 1986 Prayer for Peace in Assisi, came to the United States. More than 850 leaders and representatives of the world's spiritual/religious faiths came together.

Reverend Constance Wheeler, the Protestant Chaplain at Georgetown University, read the official proclamation:

"Humanity is not made better by violence and terror, but by faith and love. Fundamentalism is the childhood disease of all religions and cultures, for it imprisons people in a culture of enmity. This is why, in front of you young people, we say to those who kill, to those who sow terror and make war in God's name: Stop! Do not kill! With violence everyone loses! Let us talk together and God will shine on us! Only peace is holy. Let us have and advocate for serious, honest dialogue."

American Muslim leader Imam Warith D. Mohammed said: "Religious leaders must go to the basic message of their religions, a message of love and peace. People should focus on lifting up the human identity."

Rabbi Shear-Yashuv Cohen, chief rabbi of Haifa and President of Ariel Institutions of Israel, said: "It is vital that people start talking to one another. How can we ignore the fact that violence is done in the name of religion?"

In the current world events a prayer for peace is needed more than ever. What follows are various prayers for peace from different faith traditions/spiritual paths; may we all go forward holding high the light of peace for the world needs more peace and light.

**Prayer of Saint Francis**

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light;  
Where there is sadness, joy.  
O divine Master,  
Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console,  
To be understood as to understand,  
To be loved as to love,  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

**Hindu Prayer for Peace**

O God, lead us from the unreal to the REAL. Lead us from darkness to light. Lead us from death to immortality. May there be peace on

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This action showed the need for a female Muslim Chaplain in the military. Another incident that further propelled her to becoming a chaplain was again, while serving in Kuwait and observing the people of the Abrahamic faiths worship simultaneously under the same roof, with respect to their own faith traditions. This harmony and respect of people within the military caused her to enroll at Hartford Seminary in the Master's program for Islamic Studies—Christian/Muslim Relations and a certification in chaplaincy (equivalent of a Masters in Divinity). While at the Hartford Seminary, she published an article in the Encyclopedia of Women & Islamic Cultures, Volume 2, "Military: Women's Participation, The United States." Brill Publishing 2005. Shortly after 9/11, she was invited frequently to speak at a variety of venues educating others on the tenants and practices of Islam to promote peace and understanding.

Shareda also volunteered in many capacities at her mosque, the Islamic Center of New England (ICNE) in Quincy and Sharon, MA. Her most important contribution, as Director of the Youth Group, was helping to create and expand youth programs and activities for the young people and children to learn about Islam, develop as Muslims, and have fun while practicing their religion. She served on the Board of Directors of the ICNE for six consecutive years in the 1990s holding different executive and chair positions in the capacity of increasing membership, fundraising, and helping to build interfaith relations. The most recent challenge was the position of acting principal at the ICNE High School (2003). She joined the Army at age 18 as a Private and has served on active duty and in the Reserves for the past 26 years with service in Germany, Panama, and recently in Kuwait in support of Iraqi Freedom. She currently holds the rank of Major. Shareda has educated many in the military about the Islamic faith and served as a lay leader for Muslims in the military while in Kuwait. Beginning in the fall, 2006, she will be serving as a chaplaincy intern at Tufts University.

**Geoffrey A. Whitlock**

Geoff Whitlock is a first year Masters of Divinity student at Boston University School of Theology pursuing a career in

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Earth. May all beneficent beings bring peace to us. May all things be a source of peace to us. And may Thy peace itself, bestow peace on all, And may that peace come to me also.

**Buddhist Prayer for Peace**

May all beings everywhere plagued with sufferings of body and mind quickly be freed from their illnesses. May those frightened cease to be afraid, and may those bound, be free. May the powerless find power, and may people think of befriending one another.

**Jewish Prayer for Peace**

Come, let us go up to the mountain of Yahweh,  
To the Temple of the God of Jacob,  
That he may teach us his ways  
So that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion,  
And the oracle of Yahweh from Jerusalem.  
He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples;  
These will hammer their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into sickles,  
Nation will not lift sword against nation  
There will be no more training for war.  
O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of Yahweh.

**Muslim Prayer for Peace**

In the name of Allah, the beneficent, the merciful,  
Praise be to the Lord of the universe who has created us and made us tribes and nations,  
That we might know each other.  
If the enemy inclines towards peace, do thou also incline towards peace, and trust in God, for the Lord is the one that heareth and knoweth all things.  
And when we address them, we say  
PEACE.

**Baha'i Prayer for Peace**

Be generous in prosperity and thankful in adversity. Be fair in thy judgment and guarded in thy speech. Be a lamp unto those who walk in darkness and a home to the stranger. Be eyes for the blind and a guiding light unto the feet of the erring. Be a breath of life to the body of humankind, a dew to the soil of the human heart, and a

fruit upon the tree of humility.

**Native American Prayer for Peace**

O Great Spirit of our ancestors, I raise my pipe to you, to your messengers the four winds, and to Mother Earth who provides for your children. Give us the wisdom to teach our children to love, to respect, and to be kind to each other so that they may grow with peace in mind. Let us learn to share all good things that you provide for us on Earth.

**Words by Mother Theresa at Calcutta**

“There is only one God and He is God to all; therefore it is important that everyone is seen as equal before God. I’ve always said we should help a Hindu become a better Hindu, a Muslim become a better Muslim, a Buddhist become a better Buddhist, and a Christian become a better Christian.”

**Words by Mahatma Gandhi**

“Like the bee gathering honey from different flowers, the wise person accepts the essence of the different scriptures and sees only the good in all religions.”

**Final Thoughts**

Dialogue is an art. It is not the choice of the fearful, of those who give way to evil without fighting. Dialogue challenges men and women to see the best in others and to be rooted in the best of themselves. Dialogue is a medicine that heals wounds and helps make this world more livable for present and future generations.

Let us pray for peace. Let us work for justice. Let us have the courage to live the art of dialogue.

All earth's crammed with heaven  
And ev'ry common bush afire with God.  
But only those with eyes to see  
Take off their shoes.  
The rest sit 'round  
And pluck blackberries.

From “Aurora Leigh”  
Elizabeth Barrett Browning

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pursuing a career in College/ University Chaplaincy. The setting of higher education lends itself to his individual ministry goals and proficiencies, which include working with university students who are dealing with faith issues in the context of a broader community. Such an environment also suits Geoff's interests in ecumenical and inter-faith dialogue and worship, social justice, and liturgical theology. Geoff is licensed as a Conference Ministerial Candidate in the Gateway Conference (Illinois/Missouri) of the Free Methodist Church, meaning that he is officially working toward ordination in that tradition, and is frequently involved in conference events, broader denominational initiatives, and pulpit supply opportunities. Geoff has been a member of the Knox Knolls Free Methodist Church in Springfield, Illinois for most of his life, and in the context of that fixed space his faith has grown and changed, as it continues to do now.

**Religious Preferences****Fall 2006****Enrolling Students**

Jewish	23%
Catholic	22%
Protestant	19%
Hindu	2%
Muslim	2%
Buddhist	1%

The figures from Institutional Research never reflect 100% because many students do not care to list or give their religious preferences.

## FRIENDS OF GODDARD CHAPEL SOCIETY WISH LIST

1. Endow the University Chaplain's Position "The Name" Professor of Religion & Society. The University Chaplain was established in 1979 by vote of the Trustees, but the position has its roots at the founding of Tufts College in 1852. The University Chaplain reports directly to the President of the University. Responsibilities include the spiritual, moral, and ethical leadership for the University, programming and outreach to all spiritual and faith traditions. Officiate at all Memorial Services and University-wide events, pastoral, engaged and marriage counseling, administration of historic Goddard Chapel and promote relations with all the surrounding religious communities. Other duties are teaching in the Comparative Religion Department and guest lecturing in Medical Ethics at the Boston and Grafton campuses. The Chaplain is very active in the field of Medical Ethics, chairing the Institutional Review Board for human subject testing on the Medford campus and a committee member for the T-NEMC. "The Name" Professor of Religion & Society would get much attention due to the Chaplain's wide range of public meetings, author of five books (more to come), and numerous country-wide presentations.
2. Gift of climate control/air conditioning/dehumidifiers for Goddard Chapel The "Name" Plaque for Environmental Generosity would be on permanent display in the lounge of Goddard Chapel. This gift would protect the historic Hook & Hastings organ and the priceless Steinway piano. It would also make the worship area of the Chapel comfortable for all religious services, weddings, memorials and concerts year round.
3. Endowing a lecture series or an entire

- program The "Name" Fall and Spring Lecture at Goddard Chapel or the "Name" Goddard Chapel Forum on. . . . Both events are highly attended events and speak to the Office of University Chaplain's outreach to all faith traditions and spiritual paths.
4. "Name" Grant for all activities of the Giving Camp at Tufts Six to eight times a year the Office of University Chaplain sponsors the Giving Camp at Tufts for physically and mentally challenged children and adults. Tufts students and "guests" do activities in the community that foster inclusion instead of exclusion.

Please call Goddard Chapel (617) 627-3427 to discuss the above giving opportunities.

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### REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Prof. Jim Schmolze—April 6

Elizabeth Van Huysen Mayer—June 17

Kalman Aaron Burnim—August 3

### SERVICES

#### Friday:

12:30 p.m. Muslim, The Crane Room  
Paige Hall

6:00 p.m. Jewish, Reform and Conservative  
Hillel Center

#### Sunday - Goddard Chapel:

7:30 p.m. Protestant Worship

10:00 p.m. Catholic Mass

Buddhist, Hindu, and Orthodox worship during the week—times to be determined.

**Check out our new web site at [www.tufts.edu/chaplaincy](http://www.tufts.edu/chaplaincy). We are very pleased to use the new University image, settings, and designs. Many thanks to Teresa Loftin for all her help and work.**

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