



## NEW BEGINNINGS // SUMMER 2022

### OUR MISSION

Theological Horizons supports Christians and seekers by providing a welcoming community for engaging faith, thought and life.



*“How happy are those who live in your Temple, always singing praise to you” (Psalm 84)*

Late summer is a season of comings and goings, of farewells and hellos. At Theological Horizons, we prepare to embrace a new crop of students, board members and staff, even as beloved grads and leaders step out into the wide world.

To them and to you, we say, “Welcome Home, wherever you are!”

*Our prayers and God’s presence go with you. Whether near or far, know that you are beloved, for indeed “there is no house like the house of belonging.” (David Whyte)*

Be well!

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### Faith & Work Fall Forums

[theologicalhorizons.org/faithandworkforum](http://theologicalhorizons.org/faithandworkforum)

Our Faith & Work Forum is a flourishing tradition that invites community leaders and innovators to share their personal stories with a focus on the interplay of faith & vocation. Each profiled guest is interviewed by a Theological Horizons Fellow pursuing a similar career pathway. This fall, we’re honored to host UVA physicians and married couple, Dr. Leigh-Ann Webb & Dr. Cameron Webb. A second Forum will feature Frank S. Alexander, emeritus professor of Law and founding director of the Center for the Study of Law and Religion at Emory University. Watch our website for details.



## Meet our new Engagement & Communications Manager

Big news! We warmly welcome Erin Haas Verham (UVa '16 & '17) to join us in a new, full time role to champion, organize and communicate the expanding work of Theological Horizons.

*What drew you to Theological Horizons, and what are your hopes within this role?*

As a student, I felt so welcomed by the TH community. After college and five years in education, I was burned out and hopeful for change. When I saw the job listing, I jumped at the chance to work with an organization that I hold so dear. I'm excited to get to know students and see ways in which my teaching experience will lend itself to this position.



### LAUNCHING OUR FELLOWS

Our Horizons & Perkins Fellows grow deeply through a year of journeying with one another and a community mentor or service partner. Fellows seek to learn how to love God & neighbor in light of their unique gifts and limitations. We proudly launch this year's graduating students into the world to pursue their new adventures in ministry, medicine, education, technology, design, and more!

Congratulations, '22 graduating Fellows!



## Welcomes & Advice for Incoming Students

Welcome to all! Summer interns have sent handwritten notes to incoming students as a token of our care. In August, help us kick off this year's theme, *Being & Belonging*, at Lattes on the Lawn and our Wahoo Welcome lunch!

Pass on this advice to the new college student in your life:

"Get to know peers who seem different or odd. People will surprise you with their sincerity, vulnerability, and care!"  
- Thomas Hamilton, '22

"Prioritize networking over a perfect GPA. Most opportunities come down to who you know." - LaNija Brown, '22

"It might look like everyone quickly finds their people, but don't be discouraged; we're all really still just figuring it out." - Ava Flory, '25



## COMING UP

[theologicalhorizons.org/events](http://theologicalhorizons.org/events)

- August 18 & 19 | Lattes on the Lawn | Pavilion 5, 1-3pm
- August 22 | Perkins Fellows Plunge in Charlottesville
- August 26 | Wahoo Welcome Lunch | Common Grounds 12-2pm
- September 23-24 | Horizons Fellows retreat at Corhaven Retreat Farm
- October 6 | Faith & Work Conversation with UVa Drs. Leigh & Cameron Webb, Common Grounds, 12:30-1:30pm
- Oct 22-23 | TH Board Retreat at Swift Run Farm
- November 3 | Faith & Work Conversation with Frank Alexander, Sam Nunn Professor of Law, *Emeritus*, Emory Law, Founder, [Vulnerablecommunities.org](http://Vulnerablecommunities.org), Common Grounds 12:30-1:30pm
- Fridays @1pm | Vintage Lunches | Common Grounds & Zoom
- Fridays @ 12:15pm under the Ginkgo Tree | Fresh Air Prayer
- Throughout the Fall | Saints of the City Gatherings | Atlanta, Charlottesville, Richmond & Washington, DC

To learn more and join us, email [info@theologicalhorizons.org](mailto:info@theologicalhorizons.org)

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## Incoming & Outgoing Board Members

We're delighted to welcome new board members, Dr. Taison Bell and Betty Li Simpson.

### *What drew you to Theological Horizons?*

Betty: "As a student, TH guided me to journey 'as if joy were my constant companion' (Søren Kierkegaard). TH's initiatives have continued to invite me in as they fill vital needs for students and beyond."

Taison: "I felt immediately connected to TH's mission and people after attending an event. In these especially hard times, it is so important to find community in places like TH."

Many thanks to outgoing board members Betsy Hutson, Carolyn Mitchell Dillard, and Melissa Wright for their faithful service. How grateful we are!

## STAFF AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Alexa Andrews | Charlottesville, VA  
Nancy Beane | Atlanta, GA  
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Kate Harris | Falls Church, VA  
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Erin Haas Verham, Engagement & Communications Manager  
ElizaBeth Pierce Wright, Manager of Ministry Operations  
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## GIVING Your Provision

Build the “house of belonging” with us! Your faithful financial gifts are the bricks that equip us to welcome believers and seekers “home” to Theological Horizons. Each contribution, however small or large, is gratefully stewarded to provide for our lively array of in person gatherings, virtual events and varied online resources. We thank God every day – for you.

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### WAYS TO GIVE

#### ONLINE

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#### UVA FUND

Online at [www.theologicalhorizons.org/giving](http://www.theologicalhorizons.org/giving)  
or make a check out to the “UVA Fund” and mail it to:  
PO Box 400314, Charlottesville, VA 22904  
(Write “#FAA288 Theological Horizons” in the memo.)

#### MAIL

Make a check out to “Theological Horizons” and mail it to:  
1841 University Circle, Charlottesville, VA 22903

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