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



KAREN WRIGHT MARSH

co-founded Theological Horizons in 1991 with Charles Marsh, now the Commonwealth Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Virginia. Karen holds degrees in philosophy and linguistics and is a sought-after speaker and teacher. Karen is the author of *Vintage Saints and Sinners*.

Who's a saint? Who's a sinner? At our weekly Vintage Lunch, students and I trace the tales of the broken, beautiful people we sometimes call "saints", only to discover that they were sinners, as well. Just like you and me! Years of conversation led me to write *Vintage Saints and Sinners: 25 Christians Who Transformed My Faith* (Intervarsity Press, 2017).

Now YOU can join in on the conversation, too.

The Vintage Saints and Sinners Podcast is here! Through storytelling and entertaining

conversation, my friends and I recover the ancient Christian wisdom that helps us flourish in today's complex world. So listen in. Come as you are. And thank you for supporting Theological Horizons; your generosity makes all of this possible.

Karen Wright Marsh, *Executive Director*
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The Vintage Saints and Sinners Podcast Is Here!



You can find the Vintage Saints and Sinners Podcast on iTunes, Spotify and anywhere you listen to podcasts. Each 23 minute podcast episode features Karen's lively retelling of one sinner-saint's story followed by her conversation with a guest. Jonathan Merritt (The Atlantic), Donyelle McCray (Yale Divinity School), Tim Tseng (InterVarsity Fellowship) and Katelyn Beaty (The New York Times) join Karen in the studio. The 16 episodes of Season One explore the lives of Mother Teresa, C.S. Lewis, Francis and Clare of Assisi, Soren Kierkegaard, and more. More info at vintagesaintsandsinnerspodcast.com.

Early reviews and ratings make all the difference to a brand new podcast's success. Please boost the Vintage Saints and Sinners Podcast by rating, reviewing and sharing it. Thanks!



There are few things in this world that more ably transform us than our encounters with real stories. Stories that tell of joy and shame. Of hope and anguish. Of the very hard work that leads to a world of goodness, beauty, and redemption. These are the stories that we so desperately need to hear, and they are the very stories that Karen Marsh has so thoughtfully given us with *Vintage Saints and Sinners*. If you want your hope to be strengthened, if you want your mind to be renewed, and if you want your story to be changed, look no further: this collection of stories is for you.

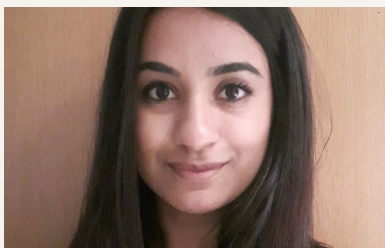
— Curt Thompson, author of *The Soul of Shame*

Announcing the Goodwin Prize Winners!

The Louise and Richard Goodwin Writing Prizes for Excellence in Theological Writing lift up Christian graduate students from around the world: faithful young scholars who demonstrate creative theological thinking, engagement with the Christian tradition, and commitment to the well-being of the church. Read interviews with the winners at theologicalhorizons.org/goodwinprize



The \$2,500 prize has been awarded to Jonathan M. Platter (University of Cambridge) for the essay, "Divine Simplicity and Scripture: A Theological Reading of Exodus 3:14."



The \$1,000 prize has been awarded to Hina Khalid (University of Cambridge) for the essay, "At the bedside: a theological consideration of the role of silence and touch in the accompaniment of the dying."



Drew Masterson (Duke Divinity School) has been awarded \$500 for the essay, "Challenging Our Limits or Sacrificing Our Relativity? Karl Barth, Colin Gunton, and Transhumanist Anthropologies."

MEET OUR THEOLOGICAL HORIZONS INTERNS



Caroline Broom (CLAS 2020)
Development Intern

"I serve with Theological Horizons because I want to give back to the community that warmly welcomed me and made me feel at home my first year at UVa."

Caroline Ehler (SEAS 2021)
Marketing and Social Media Intern

"Theological Horizons is where I feel most loved and accepted around Grounds. I love serving because I love our mission. Theological Horizons is a ministry open to all and serves everyone no matter where they are in life."

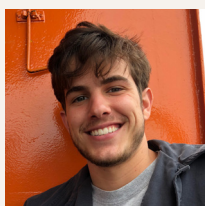


Kristen Shin (CLAS 2020)
Marketing and Social Media Intern

"Sometimes you just need to take a break from the UVa craziness to hear wisdom from Karen, pet Ginger the dog, eat some good food, and have meaningful conversations with people and Theological Horizons is the place for that. Anyone can walk in and feel welcomed, regardless of where they're coming from, and I love being a part of that!"

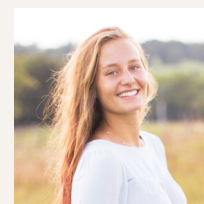
Harmony LaJeunesse (CLAS 2023)
Vintage Lunch Intern

"I love serving with Theological Horizons because it allows me the opportunity to be a part of a space that fosters biblical wisdom, inclusion, and inspiration!"



Sam Mallow - *Vintage Lunch Intern*

"I love serving others and learning about past minds who spent their days contemplating God."





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FEATURED EVENTS

- **Nov 15:** Vintage Saints and Sinners Podcast Launch
- **Dec 1:** Advent e-devotionals begin. Sign up: info@theologicalhorizons.org
- **Jan 17-18:** Fellows Winter Retreat at Richmond Hill Retreat Center, Richmond, VA
- **Jan 16-19:** Karen speaks at Laity Lodge, Leakey, TX
- **Jan 24-25:** Karen speaks at First Presbyterian Church Women's Retreat, Atlanta, GA
- **Feb 21-23:** Dr. John Perkins delivers the 2020 Capps Lecture, The Rotunda at UVa, with community events
- **Each Friday,** Vintage Lunch
- **Each Tuesday,** Evening Prayer on the Lawn

Follow our calendar at www.theologicalhorizons.org/events

Faith and Work Forum

UVa Dean of Arts and Sciences Ian Baucom shared the personal side of life in academia and beyond at our Faith & Work Forum, the latest in a series that explores the interplay between faith, work, and life. Guest speakers with leadership experience across a wide range of vocations bring authentic stories of seeking a meaningful, purpose-driven life.

God on the Big Screen

Moments of prayer have appeared in Hollywood movies since the silent era, illuminating our society's shifting ideas about how one ought to pray. During the Virginia Film Festival, Theological Horizons hosted a public lecture on prayer in the movies by author and professor Terry Lindvall, Virginia Wesleyan University.

JOHN M. PERKINS TO DELIVER THE 2020 CAPPS LECTURE



National leader, community builder and visionary Dr. John M. Perkins comes to the University of Virginia on February 21-23 to give the 2020 Capps Lecture in Christian Theology: "Parting Thoughts on Scripture, Race and Love." Perkins will be joined by Nathan Walton, PhD UVa, Executive Director of Charlottesville's Abundant Life Ministries.

Sponsored by the Project on Lived Theology at UVa, the Department of Religious Studies and Theological Horizons, the conversation will be free and open to the public, livestreamed and archived. For updates on the lecture and surrounding events, go to theologicalhorizons.org/capps-lecture.

Gifts in Honor and Memory

Gifts have been given in loving memory of Rev. Dr. Charles P. Wright by Marie and George Murdaugh, Karen and Don Handell, Dell and Rodney Lawler, Lauren Winner, Priscilla and Gene Dewey, Marilyn Dimock, Ida and Jim Bell, Joy Roberts, Jean and Tom Parsons, Frances Short, Janet and Tony Hall, Jane Johnston and Ingrid and Joel Richardson.

A gift has been given in honor of Margie Wright by Priscilla and Gene Dewey.

Why I Give Back



Stephanie Newton Bedard
UVa CLAS '11, LAW '16

Theological Horizons was a constant, affirming, and grounding presence during my time as an undergrad at UVA. I relished spending time with Karen and other students at the weekly Vintage lunches, learning about the "saints and sinners" who had the courage to write honestly and thoughtfully about their faith.

When I returned to UVA for law school, I helped Karen prepare the Friday Vintage lunches and continued to benefit from the many opportunities offered to students at Theological Horizons. I give back to support the Vintage lunches and the incredible mentoring and training provided through the Horizons and Perkins Fellows programs. Won't you join me in supporting the ministry?

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