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Troparion to the Three Hierarchs

Opening of the Commencement Exercises

The Most Blessed Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All America and Canada, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Welcoming Remarks

The Very Rev. Dr. Chad Hatfield, President

The Father Alexander Schmemmann Lecture

Dr. Scott Kenworthy

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES ON THE GRADUATES OF
THE DOCTOR OF MINISTRY CLASS OF 2017

Address by Members of the Graduating Class

Mr. Gregory Abdalah

The Rev. Timothy Chrapko

The Rev. John Parker

Closing Remarks

The Most Blessed Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All America and Canada, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Closing prayer

It is Truly Meet

Recessional

Troparion to the Three Hierarchs

Reception follows

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"On Earth As It Is in Heaven": Our Youth and Our Liturgy

The Very Rev. Dr. Alexander Rentel, advisor

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"Heavenly Things for Earthly, Eternal for Temporal": Experiencing the Divine Liturgy: A Proposed Methodology of a Modern Mystagogy of the Byzantine Anaphora of St. Basil the Great

Dr. Grant White, advisor

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Radechesis: A Radical Return to the Roots of Christian Catechism with a Critical Analysis of Pre- and Post-Baptismal Catechesis of Adults in the USA and Canada

The Very Rev. Dr. Chad Hatfield, advisor



THE FATHER ALEXANDER SCHEMANN LECTURER

Scott Kenworthy is an associate professor in the Department of Comparative Religion at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Kenworthy received his Ph.D. in History from Brandeis University in 2001, and that year came to Miami University as a post-doctoral fellow. In 2004 Dr. Kenworthy joined the faculty of the Comparative Religion Department at Miami University. He earned his M.A. in Theology from St. Vladimir's Seminary in 1996.

Dr. Kenworthy's research interests focus on the history and thought of Eastern Orthodox Christianity, particularly in modern Russia. His first book was *The Heart of Russia: Trinity-Sergius, Monasticism and Society after 1825* (Oxford University Press, 2010), which won the 2010 Frank S. and Elizabeth D. Brewer Prize of the American Society of Church History.

Dr. Kenworthy is currently writing a biography of Tikhon (Bellavin, 1865–1925), who became patriarch of the Russian Church at the time of the Bolshevik Revolution. Additionally he is writing an introductory text about Christianity in contemporary Russia, co-authored with Alexander Agadjanian and to be published by Fortress Press.

Among his other publications are:

- “Monasticism in Modern Russia.” *Monasticism in Eastern Europe and the Former Soviet Republics*, ed. by I. A. Murzaku. Routledge, 2016, 265–84.
- “Monasticism in War and Revolution.” *Russia's Home Front in War and Revolution, 1914–1922, Book 2: The Experience of War and Revolution*. Bloomington: Slavic Publishers, 2016, 221–49.
- “Archbishop Nikon (Rozhdestvenskii) and Pavel Florenskii on Spiritual Experience, Theology, and the Name-Glorifiers Dispute.” *Thinking Orthodox in Modern Russia*. U of Wisconsin, 2014, 85–108. Project Muse.

Dr. Kenworthy was a Senior Fulbright Scholar in Romania, where he taught in the Faculties of Orthodox Theology at the University of Babes-Bolyai in Cluj-Napoca and at the University of Bucharest; he has also had fellowships with the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, the Kennan Institute (Woodrow Wilson Center), the International Research and Exchanges Board, and the Social Science Research Council. He is also President of the Association for the Study of Eastern Christianity.

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