"Labor Pains: Preparing for Advent and Christmas" A Workshop Offered by the Preaching and Worship Faculty of Perkins School of Theology September 16, 2013

Gathering and Registration 8:30-9

9-9:30 Welcome

Introduction of Theme

Opening Worship

9:30-10:15

"Labor Pains in the Old Testament"

Dr. John C. Holbert, Lois Craddock Perkins Professor of Homiletics, Emeritus, Perkins School of Theology

10:30-11:15

"Labor Pains in the New Testament"

Dr. Alyce M. McKenzie, Le Van Professor of Preaching and Worship

Break

11:30-12:15

"Advent and Christmas Preaching: A Labor of Love"

The Rev. Tamara Lewis, Instructor in Church History

12:15-1pm

Lunch

1-1:40: Presentation and Group Reflection

"Naming the Pain in the Room" - Addressing Congregational Pain during Advent and Christmas" Dr. Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, Professor of Pastoral Care

1:40-2:15 Presentation and Group Reflection

"The Best Advent/Christmas Sermon Series You Ever/Never Preached"

Dr. Alyce M. McKenzie, Le Van Professor of Preaching and Worship

Break

2:30-3:10 Presentation and Group Reflection

"The Best Advent/Christmas Services You Ever/Never Planned"

Dr. Heidi A. Miller, Assistant Professor of Christian Worship

3:10-3:40

"The Best Advent/Christmas Music You Ever/Never Included"

Dr. C. Michael Hawn, University Distinguished Professor of Church Music; Director, Master of Sacred Music Program;

Dr. Christopher S. Anderson, Associate Professor of Sacred Music