

# HENDERSON LECTURE ON CHURCH MINISTRY AND LEADERSHIP

## WITH BARBARA BROWN TAYLOR

## DATE / TIME

Tues., June 5, 2018, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

## **SPEAKER**

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Taylor did her undergraduate studies at Emory University where she graduated in 1973. She then went on to study at Yale Divinity School, where she graduated in 1976. She was ordained in 1984, and became the rector of Grace-Calvary Episcopal Church (Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta) in Clarkesville, Ga., in 1992. In 1996, she was named one of the 12 "most effective" preachers in the English-speaking world by Baylor University. She later left parish ministry and became a full-time professor at Piedmont College in Demorest, Ga., and an adjunct professor of Christian spirituality at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Ga.

She was awarded the 1998 Emory Medal by the Emory Alumni Association of Emory University for her distinguished achievement in education. In February 2009, Brown Taylor led the second annual Piedmont College religion conference. She was also the keynote speaker at the conference in previous years. In February 2010, days before Piedmont College's religion conference, Taylor ranked in the top 10 most influential living preachers in a poll conducted by the Southern Baptist Convention.

She lives at her farm in northern Georgia, with her husband, Edward Taylor.

## OVERVIEW

Dr. Brown Taylor will present thoughts on liturgy, the work of the people during this evening. She will also be reading from some of her works and available for signing copies of her work. This event is free and open to the public. An ASL interpreter will be present for this event.

If you are interested in spending more time learning from Dr. Brown Taylor, check out the **Henderson Summer Leadership Conference**.

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