**Course Syllabus**

**TRP2031HF – Introduction to Preaching**

**Trinity College**

**Toronto School of Theology**

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***Instructor Information***

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***Course Identification***

Course Number: TRP2031HF

Course Format: In-class

Course Name: Introduction to Preaching

Course Location: LA213

Class Times: Tuesdays – 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Prerequisites: None

***Course Description***

This course introduces the student to the fundamentals of oral communication and preaching. The student will learn to read a scriptural text closely, exegete a passage, and develop oral communication skills. Attention will be paid to the postmodern context, contemporary homiletical theory, and different sermonic forms. The student will be encouraged to be creative and find his/her own voice in a supportive environment. Expectations: class attendance and participation, one book review, two sermon reviews, four short presentations and one homily. All assignments will be evaluated on an equal basis.

***Course Resources***

***Required Course Texts/Bibliography***

Weekly readings will be available on a DropBox provided by the Instructor.

***Course Learning Objectives/Outcomes***

Students successfully completing this course will be able to demonstrate the following outcomes:

* increased confidence in oral communication
* disciplined approach to preaching with time limits
* understanding of ways to communicate concepts of faith
* enhanced appreciation of the complexities of scriptural texts
* discovering accessible language to explain beliefs and convictions