COURSE SYLLABUS – PT524  
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Preaching Lab II  
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Class Hours: 2

COURSE PURPOSE

A course taught in conjunction with Communication II that offers students opportunities to preach sermons.

COURSE OBJECTIVE

Preach, preach, preach!

COURSE TEXT (REQUIRED)


COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. ATTENDANCE — Class attendance is mandatory. Each unexcused absence will result in a full letter grade reduction for the course. Absences to fulfill requirements of other courses are unacceptable.

2. SERMON FORMATTING – All sermons must be typed double-spaced using 12 pt. Times New Roman font, and include pagination and line numbering.

3. GRADES –

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PREACHING LAB II SYLLABUS
5. SERMONS – Students will deliver four expository sermons, and turn into the instructor a full manuscript when the sermon is preached. The manuscript will include:

1. Title
2. Text
3. Introduction
4. Proposition
5. Body: which will include:
   a. Main Points
   b. Subpoints
   c. Explanations
   d. Illustrations
   e. Application
6. Conclusion
7. Transitions (throughout sermon)
8. A list of sermon preparation resources (commentaries, Bible dictionaries, etc.)

These elements will accompany the preaching of the sermon:

1. Announcement of the Text
2. Prayer of Illumination
3. Reading of the Text
4. Sermon
5. Concluding Prayer

Total time must not exceed twenty-five minutes.

Although a full manuscript will be submitted the instructor, sermons must not be read!

6. EVALUATIONS – Bring writing pad and pencil to each class. Students will listen to and evaluate each sermon for structure, content, and delivery, and submit the evaluations to the instructor after each sermon. The evaluation will identify both the preacher and evaluator. General comments are unacceptable; evaluations must be concise and specific.

7. SPRING BREAK - There will be no class on Tuesday, March 11.

8. DEADLINES - All students must be ready to preach when requested by the instructor.
Students unprepared to speak will be assigned to preach the following week and penalized a full letter grade.

9. ELECTRONIC DEVICES - Computers and tablets are not permitted in the lab. Cell phones must be turned off and put away.

10. DISCLAIMER - The instructor reserves the right to modify any portion of this syllabus during the semester.

11. OFFICE HOURS – Monday through Wednesday, by appointment or whenever the door is open.

12. COMMUNICATION II – This course is taken in conjunction with Communication II (PT522). In the lab, four sermons will be prepared and delivered. To maximize lab preaching time, sermon feedback will also be given in Communication II.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

January 28 – Come prepared to preach your first sermon. Bring to class a full manuscript to be turned into the instructor. The sermon may be one you have previously preached at RTS.

February 18 – Come prepared to preach your second sermon, a new sermon on an Old Testament narrative text. Bring to class a full manuscript to be turned into the instructor.

March 4 – Come prepared to preach your third sermon, a new sermon on a New Testament narrative text. Bring to class a full manuscript to be turned into the instructor.

April 1 - Come prepared to preach your fourth sermon, a new sermon on a text from a New Testament epistle. Bring to class a full manuscript to be turned into the instructor.