



CURRIE FAMILY LECTURE

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I Weep Because I Have A Human Heart: Pandemics, Endemic Infections, and Early U.S. Protestant Missions



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Dr. Erskine Clarke received his doctorate in 1970 from Union Presbyterian Seminary and is the author of numerous publications on American religious history, including *Dwelling Place: A Plantation Epic*, for which he received Columbia University's Bancroft Prize for a distinguished work in American history. *Dwelling Place* was the "originating catalyst" for the opera *Castor and Patience*, commissioned by the Cincinnati Opera for its 100th anniversary to be celebrated in July 2020. Dr. Clarke's *To Count Our Days: A History of Columbia Theological Seminary* was published in 2019. He is, with Walter Brueggemann, editor of the *Journal for Preachers*. He completed his doctoral work under the careful direction of Jim Smylie at Union.

THE CURRIE FAMILY LECTURE

Begun through a gift to Union Presbyterian Seminary by Thomas Currie Jr. and delivered annually through the Seminary's Charlotte campus, the Currie Family Lecture is a regular series in which lectures are presented on the history and mission of the church. Given Currie's vocational interest in the connection between the church's historical work and its present mission, the lecture series seeks to explore that link, examining how the past might inform our present and direct us toward a faithful future.

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