

# TRINITY SCHOOL FOR MINISTRY

This past year was marked by transitions, success, and challenges at Trinity.

In February 2017, the Association of Theological Schools accrediting agency reaffirmed accreditation for Trinity for a period of ten years. This announcement came after a rigorous three-day on-site comprehensive evaluation in October 2016.

On Thursday, March 16, the Rev. Dr. Laurie Thompson III was installed as Trinity's seventh Dean President in a service at St. Stephen's Church, Sewickley. Trinity alumnus Sarah Lebhar Hall preached. Also in March, the Rt. Rev. George Sumner, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas, was Trinity's special guest to lead the Ash Wednesday Quiet Day.

In August, Trinity held its first Academic Boot Camp, a two-week intensive course for International Scholars working towards a Trinity degree. Six scholars from various countries in Africa participated in the program. The camp focused on honing academic skills including the preparation and presentation of research. The Camp also included sessions on general American culture and academic life specifically. Feedback from the attendees was overwhelmingly positive with the result that Trinity plans to offer the camp every August.

Respectfully submitted,  
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