



*Baccalaureate
Service*

FRIDAY, MAY TENTH
TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FOUR
SIX O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING
LAWLESS MEMORIAL CHAPEL



REV. DR. DOMINIQUE A. ROBINSON

JOHN HINES ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF PREACHING, SEMINARY OF THE SOUTHWEST



The Rev. Dominique A. Robinson, DMin, a New Jersey native, is a millennial Womanist homiletician and justice advocate. Reared in the Pentecostal tradition, she answered her call to ministry at 13. Dominique earned her Bachelor of Arts in Government from Georgetown University, Master of Divinity concentrating in Biblical Interpretation, and Master of Theology concentrating in Homiletics, both from Candler School of Theology. She earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from Columbia Theological Seminary in Gospel and Culture. Her dissertation, "iHomiletic™: Preaching that Clicks" is a groundbreaking research and consulting service

to assist faith leaders with developing impactful ministry that employs technology and social media linguistics.

Dominique is a Ph.D. student at Christian Theological Seminary in the world's first African American Preaching and Sacred Rhetoric Ph.D. program. Her areas of study include womanist homiletics, millennial womanism, womanist interpretation, and mental health within the African American community. For her dissertation, Dominique's research will focus on how depression impacts African American biblical interpretation rooted in millennial womanist discourse.

She is the John E. Hines Assistant Professor of Preaching at the Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas; this is a historical appointment as she is the institution's first African American full-time faculty member. Dr. Robinson is an ordained itinerant elder in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Zion Church and a member of the illustrious Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

She is continuously humbled by opportunities to share God's Word and desires to march to the drumbeat of God's heart.

LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

Lift every voice and sing,
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of
Liberty; Let our rejoicing
rise High as the list'ning
skies,

Let it resound loud as the
rolling sea. Sing a song full
of the faith that the dark past
has taught us, Sing a song
full of the hope that the pres-
ent has brought us;

Facing the rising sun of our
newday begun,

Let us march on till victory is
won. Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chast'ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope
unborn had died;

Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which
our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that
with tears has been watered.
We have come, treading our
path through the blood of
the slaughtered,

Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our
bright star is cast.
God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us

thus far on the way; Thou
who hast by Thy might, Led
us into the light, Keep us
forever in the path, we pray,
Lest our feet stray from the
places, our God, where we
met Thee, Lest our hearts,
drunk with the wine of the
world, we forget Thee; Shad-
owed beneath Thy hand, May
we forever stand, True to
our God, True to our native
land.



ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL		Keith Tillman '18, Reginal Selder & Bryce Henburg
PRAISE AND WORSHIP*		Vision Quest Gospel Choir
INVOCATION		Isabell A. Mitchell-Starks '24 Chaplain, Student Government Association
WELCOME		Tyler Finley '24 18th Mister Dillard University
HYMN*	"Lift Every Voice and Sing"	Vision Quest Gospel Choir
SPOKEN WORD		Brooklyn Anderson '24
SANKOFA: TIME OF REMEMBRANCE		Rev. Herbert A. Brisbon III University Chaplain
TRIBUTE		Covay Joseph '24 and Zaria Ivory '24
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Philippians 3:12-16	Kevin Harris '24
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER		Oyinloluwa Akande '24
MINISTRY OF MUSIC	"Total Praise"	Vision Quest Gospel Choir
MESSAGE		Rev. Dr. Dominique A. Robinson John Hines Assistant Professor of Preaching Seminary of the Southwest (Austin, TX)
REMARKS		Rochelle L. Ford, Ph.D., APR University President
ALMA MATER*	"Fair Dillard"	Music: Frederick D. Hall
SENDING FORTH		Rev. Herbert A. Brisbon III
RECESSIONAL		Keith Tillman '18, Reginal Selder & Bryce Henburg

The congregation is requested to remain seated during the processional and recessional.

The taking of photographs and videotaping during the ceremonies is restricted to professional news and University officials.

*Those who are able, please stand.



DILLARD UNIVERSITY ALMA MATER

“FAIR DILLARD”

Fair Dillard,
Gleaming white and spacious green,
We love thy every blade and tree;
We love thy breathless days, thy nights serene,
Thy halls where men are men and free.
Arise, O sons and daughters, hail thy queen,
And pledge for aye thy loyalty.

Fair Dillard,
Flaming love and learning's light,
Teach us each day, each passing hour.
A deep'ning love for beauty, truth, and right.
Source of all nobleness and pow'r.
And through the joyous day,
the dreaded night,
Forever guide, Alma Mater!
Forever guide, Alma Mater!

CEREMONIAL MARSHALS

UNIVERSITY MARSHAL

Robert A. Collins, Ph.D.

Professor of Urban Studies and Public Policy

PLATFORM MARSHALS

Lana Chambliss, Ph.D. '88

Associate Professor of Psychology

Hong Dai, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Mathematics

Abdalla Darwish, Ph.D.

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Presidential Professor

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Louisiana Poet Laureate

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