

Women and the Word

The Prophetic Stance

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Boston University School of Theology

In an effort to discern and affirm the unique gifts which women bring to preaching, the *Women and the Word* seminar series of the Anna Howard Shaw Center was born. The Shaw Center's second annual preaching event for women, *The Prophetic Stance*, will focus homiletically on prophetic preaching and its power for women.

Teaching preacher for this seminar, Katie G. Cannon, will lead participants in study on how preaching out of the Black idiom can be empowering to all women who proclaim the Word.



Katie G. Cannon is Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics at Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, MA. She is the first Afro-American woman to earn her Ph.D. from Union Theological Seminary and the first Afro-American woman to be ordained to the ministry by the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

Joining Katie in leadership will be:

Kip Tiernan founder and director of Boston's Rosie's Place, a shelter for homeless women, and co-founder of the Poor People's United Fund. Kip brings to this seminar her experience of living out a prophetic ministry in inner-city Boston.

Format of Women and the Word: The Prophetic Stance:

Using a preaching model presented by Katie Cannon, the seminar will include: focused workshops on sermon development, small-group opportunities for sharing the Word proclaimed, worship, and opportunities to meet other women striving to preach and proclaim the prophetic word in dance, music, storytelling, and traditional homiletic styles.