

LAURA S. MENDENHALL

Education:

D.Min, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, 1997
M.Div., San Francisco Theological Seminary, 1980
M.A., Presbyterian School of Christian Education, 1971
B.A., Austin College, 1969 (Honorary Doctorate awarded May, 2000)

Work History:

2000-2009 President, Columbia Theological Seminary
1991-2000 Pastor (Head of Staff), Westminster Presbyterian Church, Austin, Texas
1987-1991 Co-Pastor, Central Presbyterian Church, Victoria, Texas
1983-1987 Associate Pastor, Central Presbyterian Church, Austin, Texas
1981-1983 Associate Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Orlando, Florida
1977-1980 Associate for Education, San Gabriel Presbytery
1973-1977 Bible Department Faculty, St. Catherine's School, Richmond, Virginia
Missionary in Zaire, Africa; Director of Christian Education

Service to the Presbyterian Church:

Mission Presbytery

1991 Moderator
1989-1995 Committee on Preparation for Ministry
1990 Coordinating Council, Chair
1984-1991 Director/Keynote Speaker at Youth Conferences

Synod of the Sun

2001 Preacher at Mo Ranch Worship and Music Conference
2000 Baccalaureate Speaker, Austin College
1995 Baccalaureate Speaker, Schriener College
1994 Keynote Speaker, Synod Youth Workshop
1990 Keynote Speaker, Youth Conference at Mo Ranch
1990, 1991 Preacher, Women's Conferences at Mo Ranch
1984-1989 Commission on Christians and Jews
1989 Preacher, Older Adult Conference
1986-1987 Director of Bible Conference
1984 Commissioner

General Assembly

1995-2001 Permanent Judicial Commission; 1999-2001, Moderator
2002 Leader for PCUSA College Conference
2000 Preacher on the Protestant Hour
1999, 2001, 2002 Preacher at Worship and Music Conferences (Montreat, Mo Ranch, Westminster)
1997 Worship Leader, Albuquerque Worship and Music Conference
1999 Worship Leader, Theology Convocations, Charlotte and San Francisco
1995, 2003 Worship Leader, Theology Convocation, Pittsburgh
1999, 1996, 2001 Preacher for Stewardship Conferences (Palm Springs, San Antonio, Chicago)
2002 Preacher at Montreat, Presbyterian Women
2002 Preacher at Montreat, Christian Education
2001 Preacher at Princeton Summer Institute
1997, 2000 Writer for Stewardship materials
1998 Preacher at Pittsburgh Summer School of Religion
1996-97 Writer for Mission Yearbook of Prayer

1987-94 Director for multiple Conferences on Worship
1994, 2000 Leader at Association of Presbyterian Church Education Conference
1994 Preacher, Sprunt Lectures, Union Theological Seminary
1992 Commissioner and Worship Leader; 2001, Preacher
1992 Worship Coordinator and Leader, Youth Triennium; 1989, Small Group Leader
1991 Participated in video "Through Jesus Christ: Worship and Faith" (Adult Celebrate Curriculum)
1983 Preacher at Montreat, Youth Conference
Writer for Alert, Celebrate curriculum, Reformed Liturgy and Music, study guide for
Supplemental Liturgical Resource 2, Baptism