

**Dr. Matthews:** It is a joyous day when we install new faculty at Asbury Theological Seminary. Will our new faculty member, Dr. Christine Johnson, come forward?

Do you in the presence of God and this congregation, believe you are divinely called to this vocation?

**Dr. Johnson:** *Yes, this is God's call for me.*

**Dr. Matthews:** Will you faithfully discharge your duties as a Christian scholar, prayerfully and passionately pursuing academic excellence, spiritual transformation and vital global engagement for yourself, faculty, staff and your students?

**Dr. Johnson:** *With the help of God, I will.*

**Students:** Will you faithfully discharge your duties as a teacher, setting before us a model of knowledge and vital piety, and will you walk courageously and humbly with God?

**Dr. Johnson:** *With the help of God, I will.*

**Ordained Clergy:** Will you diligently enter into the means of grace, including what Wesley referred to as works of piety (such as daily prayer, reading Scripture, receiving communion, fasting and regular Christian conferencing) and works of mercy (such as feeding the hungry, welcoming the sojourner, visiting the imprisoned, comforting the grieving, healing the sick and counseling the doubtful) in order to not hinder the work of the Holy Spirit in your life?

**Dr. Johnson:** *With the help of God, I will.*

**Other Faculty:** Will you faithfully discharge your duties as a professor, advancing the Biblical and Holy Kingdom and leading us in evangelism and church planting throughout the world?

**Dr. Johnson:** *With the help of God, I will.*

**Dr. Tennent:** By the authority given me by the Board of Trustees, I declare that you are a full member of the faculty of Asbury Theological Seminary. Yours is a holy and daunting calling. Therefore, continue in prayer for the strength you need. Be an example of the Christ-like professor. Show forth the biblical mysteries of the Triune God. In everything give thanks. Fulfill Christ's law of love and serve His church. Lead us, by God's grace, in twenty-first century ethical reflection and global ministry. May God's overflowing peace and kingdom anointing be upon you.

Community Affirmations ..... Dr. Matthews

**Dr. Matthews:** "Asbury Theological Seminary is a community called to prepare theologically educated, sanctified, Spirit-filled men and women to evangelize and to spread scriptural holiness throughout the world, through the love of Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and to the glory of God the Father."  
Students, do you affirm that God has led you to join this called community and to be formed in the image of Christ for the sake of others?

**Students:** *Yes, we affirm that God has led us to become members of the Asbury community and we gladly commit ourselves to being formed in the image of Christ for the sake of others.*

**Dr. Matthews:** Members of the staff, do you affirm that God has led you to invest your gifts and talents in the ministries that make possible the work of preparing theologically educated men and women?

**Staff:** *Yes, we affirm that God has led us to use our gifts and talents in the work of preparing theologically educated men and women at Asbury Seminary.*

**Dr. Matthews:** Members of the faculty, are you fully persuaded that God has led you to this community and do you affirm your commitment to live sanctified, Spirit-filled lives before your students?

**Faculty:** *By God's grace we are indeed persuaded that God has called us to a vocation of incarnational teaching at Asbury Theological Seminary, and we affirm our commitment to live sanctified, Spirit-filled lives as we strive to honor God's call on our lives.*

**All:** *Through the love of Jesus Christ, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, and to the glory of God the Father, we will honor and support and love one another in this called community that we may together fulfill God's mission for Asbury Theological Seminary.*