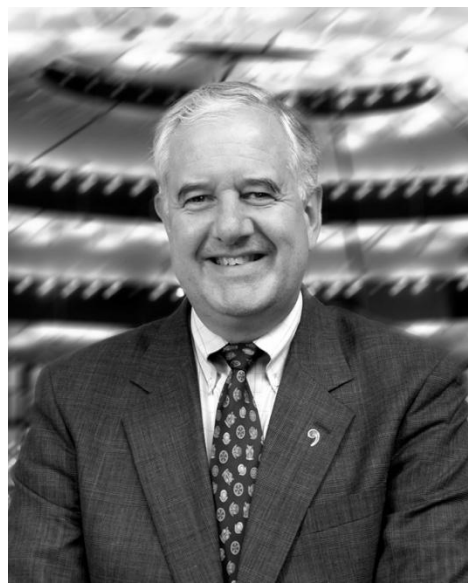


“Looking Back, Looking Ahead”: A conversation about Church and Society with Rev. Dr. John Thomas

General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ



Tuesday, January 20, 2009

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

The Wilson Chapel

at

Andover Newton Theological School

Join us for an evening conversation with **Rev. John Thomas** about what's happening in the UCC, and beyond, on the evening of Inauguration Day. John will speak to the issues of the day, and engage us in discussion. Light refreshments will be served, beginning at 7:00 p.m., with the program beginning at 7:30.

Free and open to the public; handicapped accessible.

Reverend Thomas is serving his final year as General Minister and President of the UCC. John served UCC congregations in Connecticut and Pennsylvania before being appointed Assistant to the President of the UCC for Ecumenical Concerns. In that role he represented the UCC in theological dialogues and conciliar bodies, served as the ecumenical representative to the General Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and was instrumental in the development of the full communion relationship between the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and three Reformed churches, the Reformed Church in America, the Presbyterian Church (USA), and the UCC. He is currently teaching a week-long course, “Pastoral Ecumenics,” at Andover Newton, together with Lydia Veliko (minister of ecumenical relations for the UCC) and Professor Mark Burrows of Andover Newton.

Directions to the campus are available on the Andover Newton website at: www.ants.edu. Free parking on campus is available.

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