



Preaching Theme:

## *"The Gospel and the World"*

Preachers are encouraged to consider the global origins, historical and contemporary contexts, and wide-ranging transformative impacts and possibilities of the biblical narrative(s), the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Gospel preaching. Young Preachers are encouraged to engage topics and texts from their diverse contexts and traditions that reflect the overarching theme.

### Suggested Texts:

#### **Preaching as Global Witness**

Matthew 28:19-20

Mark 16:15

Acts 1:8

Acts 17:22-28

Romans 1:14-17

1 Timothy 4

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Ephesians 3:8-21

Colossians 1

#### **Care for Creation**

Genesis 1

Nehemiah 9:6

Psalms 8

Isaiah 37:15-16

Isaiah 45:18

Isaiah 66:12

Revelation 4:11

#### **Kingdom - God's and the World's**

Matthew 6:9-14

Matthew 16:24-28

Romans 12:1-2

James 1:27

1 John 5:1-5

Psalms 24

#### **God's Love for the World**

John 3:16-17

1 John 2:1-2

1 John 4:4-21

Psalms 108:1-6

#### **God Transforming the World**

1 Corinthians 1:18-37

John 8:12

Titus 2:11-14