# The *Humanitas* Forum on Christianity and Culture

The purpose of The *Humanitas* Forum on Christianity and Culture is to provide a venue for wrestling with many of the profound issues at the intersection of faith and culture as well as with deeper cultural currents that often go unnoticed—currents such as individualism, secularization, scientific reductionism, and the changing conception of human dignity.

The mission of The *Humanitas* Forum is deliberately broader than that of The *Humanitas* Project, which focuses on bioethics education as an increasingly critical area within Christian discipleship. In addition to bioethics, future Forums will address a broad range of topics, such as education, entertainment, technology, vocation and calling, Christian discipleship in a secular age, science and religion, and human suffering.

In sum, the mission of The *Humanitas* Forum on Christianity and Culture is to address both the need for an accurate understanding of contemporary culture and the requirements for engaging the culture on the basis of historic Christian convictions. What does it mean to follow Jesus in a post-Christian culture?

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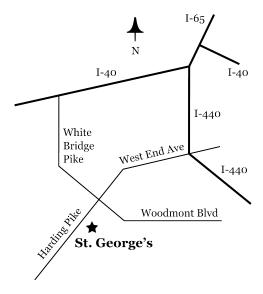
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St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Road Nashville, Tennessee

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#### Overview

The art of spiritual warfare has rarely been described as insightfully as in the writing of C. S. Lewis. The genius of his work lies in his ability to dissect the spiritual distractions and deceptions of our modern age. Lewis worries that ours is a superficial culture because it is concerned chiefly with appearances and feelings. As a corrective, he encourages serious thinking that is grounded in good theology. In these three lectures, Dr. Ralph Wood will use two of Lewis's books, The Screwtape Letters and The Four Loves, to help us recover a healthy understanding of three important facets of Christian spirituality—love, desire, and the demonic.

### Speaker

**Dr. Ralph C. Wood** is University Professor of Theology and Literature at Baylor University, Waco, Texas. He has given dozens of lectures at major universities and churches across the U.S. and Canada on theological topics as well as on writers such as C. S. Lewis, J. R. R. Tolkien, Flannery O'Connor, and Walker Percy. He is the author of several books, including The Gospel According to Tolkien: Visions of the Kingdom in Middle-earth and Flannery O'Connor and the Christ-Haunted South. He is currently working on a book on G. K. Chesterton.

#### C. S. Lewis

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### Love, Desire, and the Demonic

Ralph C. Wood, PhD

October 24-25, 2008

*Friday – 7:00 p.m.* The Screwtape Letters I: Why Does the Devil Have No Sense of Humor?

*Saturday – 8:30 a.m.* The Screwtape Letters II: Why God Wants Us to Grow Up

Break - 10:00 to 10:30

*Saturday – 10:30 a.m.* The Four Loves: Why Marriage Should Lead to Romance

*Q&A Following Each Lecture* 

Doors & Book Table: Open at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and at 8 a.m. on Saturday

Additional Info: www.humanitas.org/forum

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