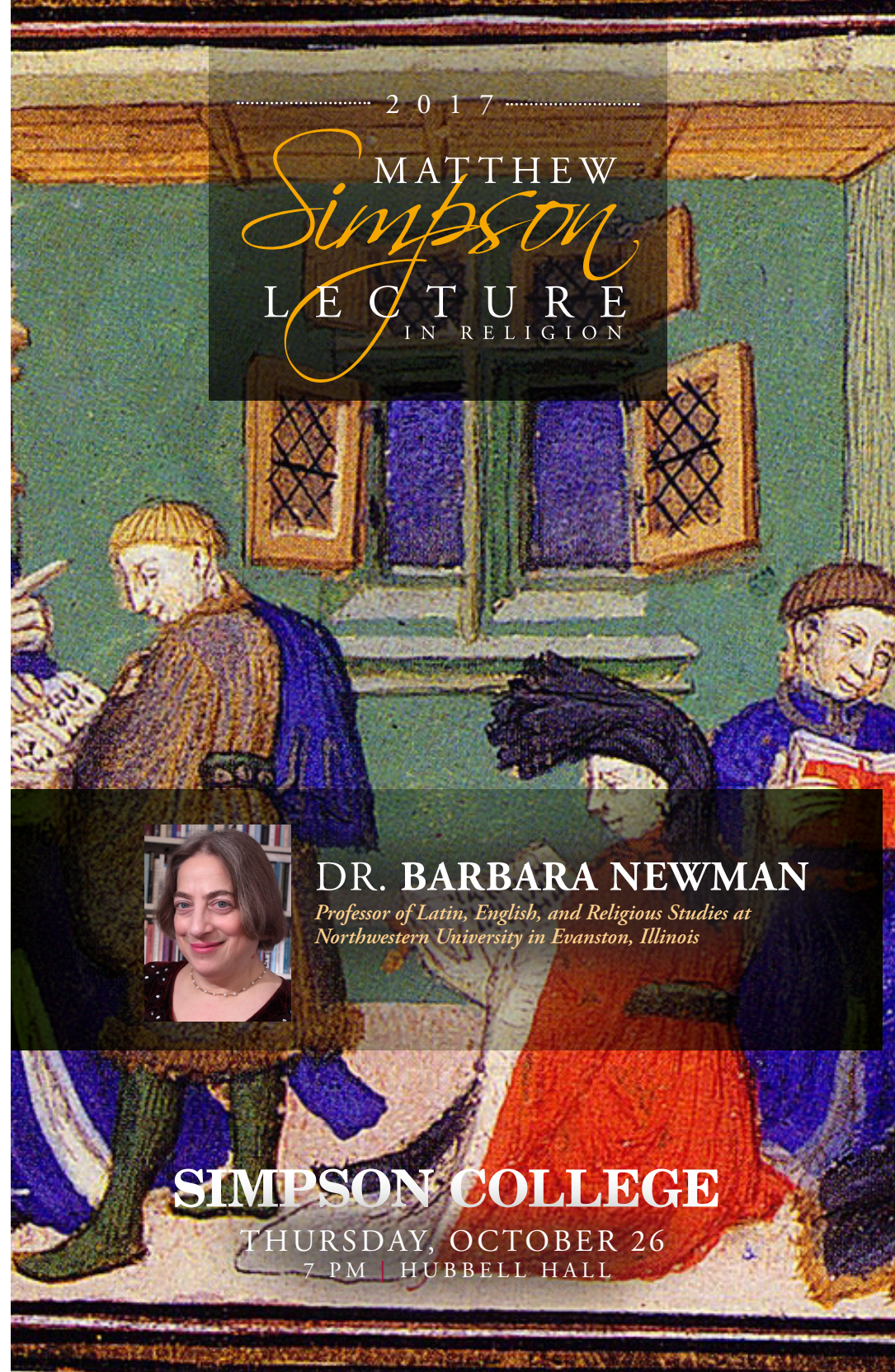

Matthew Simpson Lecture Endowment Fund

In 2013, gifts from two college employees established the Matthew Simpson Lecture Endowment Fund to help ensure the ongoing quality of the annual lecture and related events. In 2016 the Fund had grown to approximately \$10,900. In February 2017, a gift of approximately \$50,000 boosted the fund significantly! As the fund grows, we hope to fully support the Matthew Simpson Lecture in Religion via this endowment. Bob Lane, vice president for college advancement, is happy to talk with anyone who would like to contribute to the fund. He can be reached at 515-961-1417 or bob.lane@simpson.edu.

SIMPSON COLLEGE



2017

MATTHEW
Simpson
LECTURE
IN RELIGION



DR. BARBARA NEWMAN

*Professor of Latin, English, and Religious Studies at
Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois*

SIMPSON COLLEGE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

7 PM | HUBBELL HALL

The Matthew Simpson Lecture

Professors Roger Betsworth and Bruce Haddox, members of the department of religion and philosophy, founded the Matthew Simpson Lecture in 1980. With the assistance of the dean for academic affairs, Mel Henderson, who granted the lecture program a \$500 operating budget, the two founders were able to invite their first speaker, Dr. Stanley Hauerwas. Dr. Hauerwas' talk was titled "A Tale of Two Stories," an exploration of "being a Christian and a Texan." In 2013, several gifts inaugurated the Matthew Simpson Lecture Endowment Fund to help ensure the ongoing quality of the annual lecture and related events.

The original goal of the lectureship was to expose Simpson students to the leading thinkers in religion, biblical studies, and social ethics. Past speakers have included provocative thinkers such as the Reverend Will Campbell, a Southern Baptist preacher and a longtime civil rights leader; John Dominic Crossan, the leading scholar in the Jesus Seminar and expert on the New Testament; the internationally acclaimed theologian Martin Marty; and Amy-Jill Levine, leading Jewish New Testament Scholar.

Matthew Simpson Lecturers

1980 - Stanley Hauerwas	1999 - Roberta Bondi
1981 - John Dominic Crossan	2000 - Luke Timothy Johnson
1982 - Will Campbell	2001 - L. Gregory Jones
1983 - John Cobb	2002 - William H. Willimon
1984 - John Yoder	2003 - George Forell
1985 - Stephen Crites	2004 - Stanley Hauerwas
1986 - Martin Marty	2005 - Robin W. Lovin
1987 - Beverly Harrison	2006 - Gregory Boyd
1988 - Walter Brueggemann	2007 - Pamela Eisenbaum
1989 - Dan Maguire	2008 - Mark D. Jordan
1990 - James Cone	2009 - Teresa L. Fry Brown
1991 - Huston Smith	2010 - Grant Wacker
1992 - Charles Long	2011 - William Cavanaugh
1993 - Sharon Ringe	2012 - Anantanand Rambachan
1994 - Robert McAfee Brown	2013 - Amy-Jill Levine
1995 - Rebecca Chopp	2014 - Victoria Barnett
1996 - Phyllis Trible	2015 - Traci West
1997 - Marcus Borg	2016 - David Gushee
1998 - Richard Hays	

Thirty Seventh Annual Matthew Simpson Lecture in Religion

Introduction

Associate Professor of Religion, Maeve Callan
Simpson College

"Wisdom, Charisma, and the Medieval Art of Teaching"

Dr. Barbara Newman, Professor of Latin, English, and Religious
Studies at Northwestern University



Dr. Barbara Newman, professor of Latin, English, and Religious Studies at Northwestern University, has authored more than ten books and seventy articles. Her multiple honors and awards include most recently being elected to the American Philosophical Society, our nation's oldest scholarly society, founded in 1743 by Benjamin Franklin. A past president of the Medieval Academy of America, Dr. Newman has also been a Fellow of the Guggenheim Foundation, the American Council of Learned Societies, and the National Endowment for the Humanities, among others. In 2009, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation awarded her a \$1.5 million Distinguished Achievement Grant.

Dr. Newman has been at Northwestern University since 1981, the same year she received her Ph.D. in Medieval Studies from Yale University. Dr. Newman's talk, "Wisdom, Charisma, and the Medieval Art of Teaching," is based on her current book project, on medieval concepts of the self.