

Greetings preachers!

As you prepare to preach at Nashotah House, please note a few requirements for preachers:

1. Weekday Morning Homilies are **3-5 minutes in length**. Three minutes is perfectly acceptable. There is not a universal ratio for words to minutes, so you will do well now to figure out what your personal pace is. Practice your homilies out loud and time them. Anyone will tell you that writing a brief homily is much, much more difficult than writing one 10-15 minutes in length.
2. Morning Homilies are based on the lectionary texts. NB: The Offertory Hymn and Collect are part of the lectionary texts. The liturgy is one cohesive unit of proclamation, not a container to hold your wondrous sermon. Finding synthesis between the lectionary texts, hymn text, collect, calendar, is a learned skill.
3. Preachers should arrive by 7:30 a.m. (adjust the pulpit desk as needed) and be in the preacher's seat in the Gospel side sedilia by 7:40 a.m.
4. It is our custom for preachers to vest in cassock & surplice. Tippet and Bands may be worn if ordained.

Take advantage of this great opportunity that is yours and ask for help if you need it.

Warmly,

Dr. Williams