"There was always a line of four or five students outside this professor's door waiting to see him, and he patiently and diligently made time for all of us," said one student about the next recipient of the Hunter-Hamilton Love of Teaching Award. Another student wrote from abroad, "His door is literally always open, and his home, as well, when needed. The line outside his door often rivals some of the lines here in Russia - the difference being of course that everyone is always accommodated by him." Another student said admiringly, "He is one of the most interested as well as interesting people I know." Students describe the classes of this professor as "exciting," "interesting," and "understandable for all levels of students." One student affirmed that "he uses [his] general knowledge as a common vehicle for relating complicated concepts to his students." This professor inspires, motivates and challenges students. Even those who do not share his particular views, respect, admire and love him for his honesty and for the kindness with which he treats everyone in and out of the classroom. His classes are a combination of rigor and enthusiasm. At the end of the semester, his students have not only learned the material but have also witnessed a professor at work who loves his subject and who has answered the call of sharing his knowledge and his experiences with all his students. One wrote: "Love is a difficult word to use at times because it can be applied to so many different things. This professor loves his wife, his children, his job, sports; he has a passion for many things in life... He loves teaching! Moreover, he loves teaching at Davidson! We are so fortunate to have a great professor, a responsible department head, an active faculty member, and a friend."

Please, join me in celebrating this award to an exceptional professor and an excellent human being: Professor Thomas A. Kazee.