

THE MID-ATLANTIC REGION ANNUAL MEETING
of the
AMERICAN ACADEMY OF RELIGION
and the
SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE

27-28 March 2008

Thursday, 27 March 2008

The Book Display will be open from 7:30 am until 5:00pm

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7:30am	Registration -AAR and SBL
	<i>AAR Panels</i>
9:00am – 11:00am	<p><i>Religion and Culture: Identity and Expression in the Public Square</i> Katie Oxx, St. Joseph's University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Charles Brian McAdams, Temple University ▪ Amalee Meehan, Boston College, "No Place Like Home" ▪ Justin Paul Farrell, Princeton Theological Seminary, "Nietzsche's Unhistorical Quest for the Ahistorical Jesus"
	<p><i>Contemporary Religious Experience: Prayer, Personalism, and Power</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stephen S. Bush, Princeton University, "Religious Experience and Sociopolitical Power" ▪ Patrick Tiernan, Boston College High School, "Transcending the Immanence of Selfhood: A Postmodern Catholic Personalism"
	<p><i>Language & Meaning-making</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hetty Zock, University of Groningen, "Spiritual Caregivers and psychologists: Allies Taking Care of Meaning-Making" ▪ Aron Dunlap, Temple University, "The Paradoxical Nature of the Subject's Ex-timate Core" ▪ Daniel J. Gaztambide, Union Theological Seminary, "The Role of the Placebo Effect, Individual Psychology, and Immune Response in Regulating the Effects of Religion on Health"
	<p><i>Christianity and Nazism: Troubled Encounters</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Matthew Bowman, Georgetown University, "The Corruption of Martin Luther: American Fundamentalists and the Problem of Nazism: 1933-1940" ▪ Maria Mazzenga, Catholic University of America, "Catholicism, Nazism, and the 1939 South American Goodwill Tour of Father Maurice Sheehy and Bishop James Ryan" ▪ Andrew Wackerfuss, Georgetown University, "Franz Tügel, Pastor to the Storm troopers"

<p>9:00am – 11:00am</p>	<p><i>First Generation Christianity in East Asia, in dialogue with local religions and cultures</i> John Stanley, Kutztown University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Thomas G. Oey, PhD, Independent Scholar and Consultant, China-USA Cultural History Exchanges, “Reconstructing the Biography of Early Chinese Protestant Leader Huang Guangcai; A Preliminary Analysis of the Sources, with Emphasis on His Extant Letters to Colleague E.W. Syle” ▪ Hyung-Jin Park, PhD candidate, Princeton Theological Seminary, “Converting History: Ham Sok-Hon’s <i>A Spiritual History of Korea</i>” ▪ Jonathan Seitz, PhD, lecturer, Princeton Theological Seminary, “Jesus’s Three Jewels? The Saving Merit of the God Jesus? Christian Doctrine in a Chinese Diasporic Religious Context” <hr/> <p><i>Women’s Forgotten Innovations on Global Issues</i> Jacqueline Pastis, LaSalle University, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Patricia Way, Temple University, “A Masculinist, Discursive Colonization of the ‘Globalization Debate’” ▪ Rachel Kamel, Temple University, “Feminism, American Jewish Identity, and Jewish Dissent” ▪ Erica Olson, Fordham University, “Learning to be Attentive: Reading Mujerista Theology as an Outsider”
<p>11:00am – 12:30pm</p>	<p><i>Theologians in Retrospect</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stuart Squires, Catholic University of America, “<i>Contra Academicos</i> as Autobiography: A Critique of the Historiography of Augustine’s first Extant Dialogue” ▪ R.F. Bulman, St. John’s University, “Hans Kung’s Attempt at <i>Aggiornamento</i>: A Retrospect”
<p>11:00am – 1:00pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Book Display and Lunch</i></p>
<p>1:00pm – 3:00pm</p>	<p><i>Religion & Cultural Practices in the 19th Century City</i> Katie Oxx, St. Joseph’s University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nicole Kirk, Princeton Theological Seminary, “An Education in Christian Taste: John Wanamaker’s Christian Practice at the Wanamaker Philadelphia Store” ▪ Lydia Brawner, New York University, “The Moral Barnum” ▪ Daniel Vaca, Union Theological Seminary, “The Role of the Placebo Effect, Individual Psychology, and Immune Response in Regulation the Effects of Religion on Health” <hr/> <p><i>Divine Command Theory</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ William J. Hawk, James Madison University, “When God Allegedly Commands Immoral Action: On claiming Divine Justification for what would otherwise be immoral ▪ Elias Ortega-Aponte, Princeton Theological Seminary, “God’s Emotional Commands and their rational tale?: Divine Command Theory, Neuroscience finding a place between reason and emotion” ▪ Bradford McCall, Regent University, “The Paradox of Teleology and Causation: From whence Does God Act?”

1:00pm – 3:00pm	<p><i>New Theologies of Mediation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mario Costa, Drew University, “The Christic Mediation of God's Love: Turning Derrida's Gift of Death into a Gift of Life” ▪ Aimee Upjohn Light, “Referential Inclusivism: Maintaining our Truth Claims While Learning from the Other” ▪ Matthew T. Powell, Marquette University, “The Otherness that is Only Difference: Theological Trajectories for a Post-Traditional World”
	<p><i>Ecological Ethics: Cosmic Paradox/Earthly Reconciliation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alicia Ostriker, Rutgers University, “The Earth is the Lord’s: What Does That Mean?” ▪ Anthony Lioi, The Julliard School, “Unheard Melodies Are Sweeter: Cosmic Music as a Foundation for Environmental Ethics” ▪ Cecil Berit Marshall, Drew University, “VandanShiva and Intraspecies Integrity”
	<p><i>Missionaries as Scholars and Activists: Paradoxical Identity and the Challenge of Cross-Cultural Understanding</i></p> <p>Thomas Ricks, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kaley Carpenter, PhD candidate, Princeton Theological Seminary, “The Missionary Legacy for Middle Eastern Policy: James Barton and the Genesis of Modern American-Turkish Relations, 1894-1927” ▪ La Seng Dingrin, PhD, independent scholar, Philadelphia, PA, “The Conflicting Legacy of Adoniram Judson: Appropriating and Polemicizing Against Burmese Buddhism” ▪ Kathleen Lodwick, PhD, Professor, Penn State University, LeHigh Valley, “James Gilmour: The Missionary as Amateur Ethnographer”
	<p><i>Africa to America: Interconnections</i></p> <p>E. Obiri Addo, Drew University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adam Clark, Xavier University, “The Future of Black Theology in a post Civil Rights, Post Black Power Era” ▪ Lorena M. Parrish, Union Theological Seminary, “Talking Culture, Talking Race: African Feminists and African American Womanists in Dialogue” ▪ Jude Aguwa, Mercy College, “The Belief in Reincarnation: Its Paradoxical and Inspirational Role in Igbo Religious Practices”
3:00pm - 4:30pm	<p><i>Theological Geographies</i></p> <p>Katie Oxx, St. Joseph's University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Andrew Wilson, Princeton Theological Seminary, “Free Indians and Black Slaves in Las Casas' Vision for a Repopulated Indies” ▪ Vera Jakoby, McDaniel College, “Vision and Destruction of Paradise” <p><i>Love, God, & the Other</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Daniel Wade McClain, The Catholic University of America, “Mystery, Gift, and Love: Henri de Lubac's <i>Ressourcement</i> of the <i>desiderium naturale visionis dei</i>” ▪ John Yong Lee, Korean Presbyterian Church of Rockville, “Friendship and Suffering: Love's inherent Vulnerability to the Other” <p><i>Religion & Other media</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College, “God and the Gun: Religion, Virtual

	<p>Reality, and Violence”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Philippe Eberhard, William Patterson University, “The Mediality of Postmodern Architecture and Theology”
	<p><i>The Fathers & the Self</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rebecca R. Howell, Lutheran Theological Seminary, “Spiritual Ecstasy and Death to Self in Bonaventure’s Understanding of Contemplation” ▪ Mark A. Frisius, Marymount University “The mercy and justice of God: Tertullian’s understanding of God’s preference for repentance over death”
	<p><i>Paradox, Unbelief, & the Incarnation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Margaret Taylor-Ulizio, Georgian Court University, “The Paradoxical Need for Unbelief” ▪ Paul D. Molnar, St. John's University, “Should the Incarnation be seen as the conclusion and not the starting point of Christology?”
	<p><i>Contemporary Responses to Otherness</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kenneth A. Reynhout, Princeton Theological Seminary, “Alain Badiou: Paradoxical Theology of the Void?” ▪ E. Maynard Moore, Baltimore-Washington Conference, UMC, “Patristic Pneumatology as a Clue to Religious Intolerance”
4:30 – 5:45pm	<p>SBL Plenary Talk Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary, presiding Plenary Speaker: Choon-Leong Seow, Henry Snyder Gehman Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, Princeton Theological Seminary, “Job’s Wife, A Lecture in Slides: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim interpretations”</p>
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9:00am – 11:30am	<p><i>Theodicy</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Steven Lee, St. Vladimir's Orthodox Seminary, “An Eastern Orthodox Theodicy?” ▪ David Bradnick, Regent University, “Decay, Vitality, and the Spirit: A Pneumatological Perspective on Entropy and Emergent Systems” ▪ Mark Larrimore, Eugene Lange College The New School for Liberal Arts, “The problem of evil and the paradoxes of good” ▪ William McKenith, “An Hegelian Approach to Theodicy-Making”
	<p><i>Religion & Literature</i> Johanna Monighan-Schaefer, Dickinson College, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stephen M. Johnson, Montclair State University, “Irreverent Revelation: Paradoxical Powers of Religious Fiction” ▪ Lee Barrett & James E. Siburt, Lancaster Theological Seminary, “God and Time: Science Fiction and Theology” ▪ Philip Browning Helsel, Princeton Theological Seminary, “Androgyny in Shakespeare's Twelfth Night: Middle Space Between Gender Polarity as Sacred Paradox” ▪ Alexandra N. Carroll, The Catholic University of America, “The Devil in the Darkness: Mikhail Bulgakov's Mysticism of Darkness in The Master and Margarita” ▪ Tolonda Henderson, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, “Some of the Best Stuff God Did: The Paradoxical Relationship Between the Erotic and the Divine in the Color Purple”
	<p><i>Islam</i> Habibeh Rahim, St. John’s University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Zaenal Muttaqin, Temple University, “The Silent Reaction of the Prophet Muhammed against Musaylima's Opposition” ▪ Phillip Hoefs, Temple University, “Ethnicity in 11th Century al-Andalus: Using Bourdieu to Investigate Historiographical Assumptions” ▪ Martyn Oliver, Boston University, “Infidelity: Islam, Apostasy, and Ayaan Hirsi Ali as a Challenge to Liberal Democracy” ▪ Daniel Ali, American University, “Theology of Slavery in Islam”
9:00am – 11:30am	<p><i>Theology & Paradox</i> Frank Connolly-Weinert, St John’s University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Francis Caponi, Villanova University, “‘It Seems That God Has No Name’: Thomas Aquinas on Analogy and Metaphor” ▪ Jyoti Raghu, Columbia University, “The Paradox of the Self's True Identity” ▪ Stacey E. Ake, Drexel University, “<i>simul justus et peccator</i>, or the Faithfulness of Sin” ▪ Sung-Sup Kim, Princeton Theological Seminary, “The Paradox of Divine Knowledge in the Theology of Thomas Aquinas”

	<p>Panel: Evangelicals, Ecumenism, and Emerging Questions: The Paradox of Diversity and Unity at Oberlin 2007 R.M. Keelan Downton, Somerset Christian College, Presiding Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Christina Busman, Princeton Theological Seminary ▪ John L. Drury, Princeton Theological Seminary ▪ Mary M. Veeneman, Fordham University
	<p>Boundaries of Protestant Denominationalism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ David Komline, Princeton Theological Seminary, "Deconstructing Fundamentalism: Reconsidering the Canonical Texts" ▪ Martin Lohrmann, Lutheran Theological Seminary, "A Monument to American Intolerance: The Iowa Synod's 'Open Questions' in their American Context" ▪ William Brent Jones, University of Virginia, "What shall we do about Campbell?"
<p>11:30am – 1:00pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Books & Lunch MAR-AAR Business Meeting</p>
<p>1:00pm – 3:00pm</p>	<p>Inscribing Religion; Subjugated Bodies Patricia Way, Temple University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ann Michaud, Fordham University, "Sex and Eros as Sacred and Profane" ▪ C.S. Matthews, U.S. Naval Academy, "The Paradox of Identity: Bodies as sites of difference and dissent in New Lebanon during Mother Ann's work" ▪ Geoffrey Pollick, Drew University, "Converting to Resistance: Reading Wiliam Apess's Struggle for native History" <p>Karl Barth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Michael T. Dempsey, St. John's University, "Trinity and Election in the Theology of Karl Barth: Problems and Possibilities in Contemporary Interpretations" ▪ D. W. Congdon, Princeton Theological Seminary, "The Sinlessness of Jesus? An Examination of Chalcedonian Chirstology in Light of Karl Barth and Oliver Crisp" ▪ W. Travis McMaken, Princeton Theological Seminary, "Authority, Mission, and Institution: A Systematic Consideration of Mt 28.18-20 in Karl Barth's Rejection of Infant Baptism" <p>Jewish Christian Relations: Polemic, Mysticism, and the Cut Jacqueline Pastis, LaSalle University, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Devorah Schoenfeld, St. Mary's College of Maryland, "Scribes as Active Readers: Manuscript Devlt and Jewish Christian Polemic in Rashi and in the <i>Gloss Ordinaria</i>" ▪ Hartley Lachter, Muhlenberg College, "Mystical Annihilation and Cosmic Renewal in the Zohar" ▪ Erika Murphy, Drew University, "Cut and Continuity: Toward an Open Ending"

	<p><i>Hospitality & the Meaning of Place</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hyun Soo Kim, Princeton Theological Seminary, "Two Approaches to the Paradox of Hospitality: Jacques Derrida and Dietrich Bonhoeffer" ▪ Jana Strukova, Emory University, "Island vs. Dining Room Table: Residential Living as a Clue to the Practice of Hospitality in a Family" ▪ David M Krueger, Temple University, "The Kensington Runestone: Religious Mapping and Ethnic Identity"
	<p><i>Emptiness, Consciousness, Righteousness: Religious Questions in Early & Medieval East Asia</i></p> <p>Jonathan Seitz, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ H. Bhyun Choo, SUNY Stony Brook, "Wonch'uk's Commentary on the Heart Sutra: His unique exposition of the Yogacara Interpretation of the Heart Sutra" ▪ Ping Guan, Syracuse University, "Mencius on Neighboring State Relations: Rules of Exigency vs. Right Principles" ▪ Gregory Scott, Columbia University, "Yogacara, Chinese Buddhism, and Western philosophy?"
	<p><i>Religion & the Visual Arts</i></p> <p>Mikhail Sergeev, University of the Arts, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mikhail Sergeev, University of the Arts, "Crucifixion in Abstract Painting" ▪ Johanna Monighan-Schaefer, Dickinson College, "Religious Interpretation in Art: The Nazarenes" ▪ Phyllis I. Gillie, retired scholar, "Role of the Iconographer in Expressing Creativity and Spirituality through the "Writing" of Icons"
3:00pm - 5:00pm	<p><i>Paradox & Political Action</i></p> <p>Patricia Way, Temple University, Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nicholas Rademacher, Cabrini College, "Militant Pacifism" as Corrective Paradox: A Study of Daniel Berrigan's Appearance in Germantown, PA" ▪ Hsiao-Lan Hu, Temple University, "The Personal is Political, and Vice Versa: Karma as Non-Self Volitional Action" ▪ Hsuan-Li Wang, Columbia University, "The Public Use of Non-public Reason: Habermas on the Religion of the Public Sphere" <p><i>Interfaith Dialogue: The biblical persona of Solomon in Judaism, Christianity and Islam.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Michael Kogan ▪ Catherine Martin ▪ Habibeh Rahim <p><i>Psychology of Death, Religion, & Violence</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jerry S. Piven, Case Western Reserve University, "Terroristic Apotheosis in Death" ▪ Neil J. Kressel, Yale University and William Paterson University, "Religious Elements in the Motivation of Jihadi Terrorists" ▪ Thomas E. Kryst, The Catholic University of America, "The Divine Wrath--Jealous Love or Human Projection?"

	<p><i>Hindu Orthodoxy, Dhārmic Ecology, and the Complexity of Madness: Religious Paradox in South and Central Asia</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R S Dalvi, Brock University, “Sankara and the Construction of Orthodoxy” ▪ David M. DiValerio, University of Virginia, “A New Direction in the Study of Tibet's Holy Madmen” ▪ Pankaj Jain, University of Iowa, “Indian Ethnic and Tribal Identity, the Dhārmic Life, and the Ecological Order”
	<p><i>Social Ethics from the Classroom to the World</i></p> <p>Natalie Houghtby-Haddon, The George Washington University, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nancy M. Rourke, St. John’s University, “Paradox in the Classroom: Where is the end?” ▪ Brian Berry, College of Notre Dame, MD, “Sin, Salvation and Social Teaching in the Theology of Gregory Baum” ▪ Jennifer Lancaster, Lancaster Theological Seminary, “Global Economics Viewed Theologically”

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	<p><i>The Johannine Literature</i> Michael Newhart, Howard University School of Divinity, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Steven B. Nash, Faculdade Teológica Batista de São Paulo, “The Presentation of the Paschal King: The Climax of the Johannine Passion?” ▪ Grant Gieseke, Drew University, “The Kidron Connection: Arresting Ambivalence in John 18:1-12” ▪ Jason S. Sturdevant, Princeton Theological Seminary, “John 12 as a Midrash on Isaiah 6:1-10” ▪ Matthew E. Gordley, Regent University, “The Logos in History: Another Look at the Structure and Emphasis of John 1:1-18” ▪ Carlos Bovell, Independent Scholar, “3 John as Canon: A Canonical Approach to a Much-Neglected Epistle”
11:00am – 12:30pm	<p><i>“Empires, Swords, and Thrones: Power Metaphors in the Synoptics”</i> Natalie Houghtby-Haddon, The George Washington University, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dong Sung Kim, Drew University, “Empire and Wilderness in Mark’s Gospel” ▪ Sungho Choi, Wales Evangelical School of Theology, United Kingdom, “The Christological use of the Royal-Enthronement Psalms in the Gospel of Matthew and their significance for Trinitarianism” ▪ Brittany E. Wilson, Princeton Theological Seminary, “A Peaceful Army and A Soul-Piercing Sword: Ironic Uses of Violence Imagery in Luke 2:1-35”

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	<p><i>The Writings/ Kethuvim</i> Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jennifer L. Koosed, Albright College, “Will the Real Mother of Obed, Please Stand Up?” ▪ Sarah Zhang, Princeton Theological Seminary, “Concerted Paradoxes: Delight in Song 4:1-7” ▪ Judy Fentress-Williams, Virginia Theological Seminary, “Dialogue and Identity in the Book of Ruth”
<p>3:00pm – 4:30pm</p>	<p><i>Hebrew Prophetic Books</i> Fred W. (“Chip”) Dobbs-Allsopp, Princeton Theological Seminary, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jason Radine, Morgan State University ▪ Couey ▪ Safwat Henein
	<p><i>“Darkness, Distinction, and Ethos: Exploring the Unexplored in Luke-Acts</i> Paul Bellan-Boyer, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Jersey City, New Jersey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Amy Peeler, Princeton Theological Seminary, “Power in the Midst of Darkness: Luke’s Motif of Darkness in the Passion Narrative” ▪ David A. Handy, Independent Scholar, “The Radical Implications of a Crucial, Overlooked Biblical Echo in Acts 11:12: Overturning the Priestly Call to ‘Make a Distinction’ Between the Clean and Unclean ▪ Stephen Finlan, “The Gospel’s Family Metaphor and Ethics within the Family”
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	The Wisdom Literature Choon-Leong Seow , Princeton Theological Seminary, presiding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Edward Ho, McMaster Divinity College, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, “Elihu as the Reader in the Text in the Book of Job” ▪ Jennifer Barbour, Oxford University, “The Battle is Not to the Strong’: Biblical Intertextuality in a Wisdom Paradox at Qoheleth 9:11-18” ▪ Gregory Glazov, Immaculate Conception Seminary School of

	Theology, Seton Hall University, "In Defence of the Qere at Proverbs 20:16"
11:30am – 1:00pm	<p><i>MAR-SBL President's Talk</i> Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary, presiding Fred W. ("Chip") Dobbs-Allsopp, Princeton Theological Seminary, 2008 MAR-SBL President, "The Way of Poetry in Psalm 133"</p>
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3:00pm – 5:00pm	<p><i>John Matters: Howard Divinity Students Speak Out on the Gospel of John</i> Michael Newheart, Howard University School of Divinity, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alessandra Thompson, Howard University School of Divinity ▪ Ashley Banks, Howard University School of Divinity ▪ Denise Grant, Howard University School of Divinity ▪ Kenneth Thomas, Howard University School of Divinity ▪ Hambisa Belina, Gettysburg Theological Seminary <hr/> <p><i>Epistles</i> A. Katherine Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Matthew W. Puffer, Princeton Theological Seminary, "Faith and Suffering in Hebrews 11: Bonhoeffer's Interpretive Key" ▪ Francis D. Connolly-Weinert, Saint John's University, "The Dark Side of the Covenant: Jesus' Death and the Shadow of Blood Guilt" ▪ Matthew V. Novenson, Princeton Theological Seminary, "P46 and the So-Called Concluding Doxology of Romans" ▪ Lisa Dawkins Kenkeremath, Idylwood Presbyterian Church, Falls Church, Virginia, "'Sorrowful Yet Always Rejoicing': Paradox in Christian Experience in the Pauline Communities" <hr/> <p><i>Contexts of Biblical Interpretation</i></p>

	<p>Donna Laird, Drew University, presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Laurel W. Koepf, Union Theological Seminary, “Calling for Children: Children as Agents in and Interpreters of Texts”▪ Surekha Nelavala, Drew University, “The Widow beyond Her Two Coins: An Indian Feminist Reading of Mark 12:41-44”▪ Robert Wafula, Drew University, “This is My Story: The Joban Use of Irony to Resist Divine Tyranny”▪ Nancy A. Lynch, Moravian Theological Seminary, “The Womb Symbolism in Genesis 1-6”
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