

Thursday May 24 th	Friday May 25 th	Saturday May 26 th
(Wednesday May 23 rd , 2:00-5:00 pm and Thursday May 24 th , 9:00-11:00 am: Meeting of the Board of Directors)	7:30 – 9:00 am Continental Breakfast 8:00 – 8:45 am JECS Business Meeting 8:00 – 8:45 am Graduate Student Caucus Meeting	7:30 – 9:00 am Continental Breakfast
10:00 am – 5:00 pm Exhibits Open	9:00 – 10:40 am <u>Session 4</u> : Panels 4A-4J	9:00 – 10:40 am <u>Session 10</u> : Panels 10A-10J
	10:40 – 11:00 am Morning Coffee Break	10:40 – 11:00 am Morning Coffee Break
9:00 am – 12:00 Noon Digital Humanities Pre-Conference Workshops [please pre-register]: A) Using Digital Tools to Facilitate Deeper Understanding I: Digital Editions and Text Analysis B) Using Digital Tools to Facilitate Deeper Understanding II: Mapping the Marginalized ReMedHe Pedagogy Pre-Conference Workshop: Teaching Medicine and Religion in Late Antiquity	11:00 am – 12:00 Noon <u>Session 5</u> : NAPS Presidential Address D. Jeffrey Bingham <i>Reading the Second Century: Interpretations Ancient and Modern</i>	11:00 am – 12:00 Noon <u>Session 11</u> : Plenary Lecture: Elizabeth DePalma Digeser <i>Crisis as Opportunity: Urban Renewal and Christianization in Constantine's Gaul</i>
12:00 – 1:30 pm Lunch (<i>on your own</i>)	12:00 – 1:30 pm Lunch (<i>on your own</i>)	12:00 – 1:30 pm Lunch (<i>on your own</i>)
1:30 – 3:10 pm <u>Session 1</u> : Panels 1A-1J	1:30 – 3:10 pm <u>Session 6</u> : Panels 6A-6J	1:30 – 3:10 pm <u>Session 12</u> : Panels 12A-12J
3:10 – 3:30 pm Afternoon Coffee Break	3:10 – 3:30 pm Afternoon Coffee Break	3:10 – 3:30 pm Afternoon Coffee Break
3:30 – 5:10 pm <u>Session 2</u> : Panels 2A-2J	3:30 – 5:10 pm <u>Session 7</u> : Panels 7A-7J	
5:10 – 7:30pm Dinner Break (<i>on your own</i>) 5:30-6:30 pm Graduate Student Networking Reception	5:15 – 6:30 pm <u>Sessions 8 & 9</u> : Session 8: <i>Instrumenta Studiorum</i> (5:15-5:30 pm) Session 9: NAPS Business Meeting (5:30-6:30 pm)	
7:30 – 8:30 pm <u>Session 3</u> : Plenary Lecture Aaron Johnson <i>The New Apologists</i>	7:30 – 9:30 pm: Banquet Buffet After Dinner Presentation: <i>Patristics Lite: NAPS Memes and Emotions, Vol. 1</i>	
8:30 – 10:30 pm Dessert Reception		

Session 1: THURSDAY MAY 24th, 1:30 - 3:10 pm – Panels 1A - 1J

<p>1A Scriptural Figures in Early Christianity Chair: Joel Kalvesmaki, Dumbarton Oaks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cavan Concannon, Charlatan or Flatterer?: Defending Paul’s Ethnicity in Late Antiquity • David Eastman, Conflicting Stories and the Deaths of Peter and Paul • Evangeline Kozitza, Notes on Zachariah’s Tablet: Luke 1:63 and Early Christian Literary Culture • Michael Motia, Three Ways to Imitate Paul in Late Antiquity 	<p>1F Alexandrian Thinkers Chair: Brian Burns, Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alexander Miller, Image and Likeness in Cyril of Alexandria’s Liturgical Anthropology • Gregg Schwendner, A New Edition of the Last Known Quire of Didymus’ <i>Lectures on Psalms</i>: PsT 26:10–29:1, 36:1–3 • Tarmo Toom, Appealing to the Creed: Cyril and Theodore • Shawn Wilhite, “Was It Not the ‘Only Begotten’ that was Speaking Long Ago”: Cyril of Alexandria’s Christological Exegesis in the <i>Commentary on Hebrews</i>
<p>1B Augustin of Hippo I Chair: Jennifer Hunter, Northern Arizona University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roberto De La Noval, Take Up and Read (Again): Biography, Exegesis, and the Unity of Augustine’s <i>Confessions</i> • Julia Keltso Lillis, Augustine on Minds, Bodies, and Violence: Virginal Status in the <i>City of God</i> • Erika Kidd, What Child Is This? How Augustine Learns to Speak • Nicholas Krause, Production, Distribution, and the Aesthetics of Creation in Augustine 	<p>1G Monks and their Clients Chair: Michail Kitsos, University of Michigan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sean Moberg, Barsanuphius, John, and the Medical Treatment of the Soul • Dana Robinson, Social Spaces of Monastic Labor • Joshua Schachterle, Alone Together: John Cassian and the Formation of Early Monastic Subjectivity • Anthony Sciubba, Mediators between Man and God: Monastic Mediation in the Deserts of Late Antiquity
<p>1C Ad Fontes Armeniacos Chair: Jesse Siragan Arlen, University of California at Los Angeles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesse Siragan Arlen, Mourning with Tears in Armenian Christianity from the Fifth to Tenth Centuries • S. Peter Cowe, Contending Models of Masculinity in Fifth, to Sixth, Century Armenia: the Pagan Parthian Aristocratic Ethos versus the new Christian Ascetic Ideal • Ani Honarchian, The Rhetoric of Empire: The Battle of Avarayr and the Armenian Sources 	<p>1H 1H Syriac Christianity I Chair: Yifat Monnickendam, Tel Aviv University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris De Wet, Old Age in the Discourses of Philoxenus of Mabbug • Susan Harvey, Training the Women’s Choirs in Ancient Syriac Christianity • David Kiger, Ephrem the Syrian on the Holy Spirit in Genesis, Reconsidered • Erin Walsh, The Daughter of Ham Speaks: Slavery in the Poetry of Narsai
<p>1D Irenaeus of Lyons Chair: Lewis Ayres, Durham University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stephen Presley, Rhetorical Illustrations of Theological Coherence in Irenaeus of Lyons • Michel René Barnes, “My Lord and My God!”: Exegesis, Doctrine and Theological Grammar in Irenaeus’ Trinitarian Discourse • Anthony Briggman, Divine Infinity According to Irenaeus • Devin White, Jesus at Fifty: Recapitulation in <i>Against Heresies</i> 2.22.4, 6 and <i>Mekhilta de, Rabbi Ishmael</i> 	<p>1I Theorizing Gendered Violence Chair: Christopher Frilingos, Michigan State University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Gendered Violence in Early and Late Antique Christian Texts on Abortion • Jennifer Barry, Fantasy, Violence, and the Suffering Self • Jennifer Collins-Elliott, Rape without Consent?: An Alternative Approach to Sexual Violence in Literature • Christine Luckritz Marquis, Better Off Dead?: Divine Violence and the “Discovery” of Cross-Dressing Ascetics
<p>1E Buildings and their Purposes Chair: Dawn Lavelle Norman, Australian Catholic University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iskandar Bcheiry, Shedding Light on the Identity and History of the Monastic Complex of ŞIR BANĪ YĀS/UAE • Andras Handl, Christian or not Christian? Mapping the Presence of Christians in the Catacombs of Priscilla. • Blake Jurgens, Shower Scenes, Sex Magic, and Scandalous Spirits: Christian Interactions with the Demonic at the Public Bathhouse • Alexander Perkins, Stage Fright: Tertullian, the Actor, and the Anxieties of Roman Masculinity 	<p>1J Constructive Historical Theology: God’s Power and Virtue in Early Latin Social Teaching Chair: Jason Gehrke, Valparaiso University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thomas Humphries, Ph.D., The Love of God, Augustine’s Trinitarian Theology in the Pelagian Controversy • Daniel Lloyd, Ph.D., A Model of Subordinationist Social Trinitarianism • Jason M. Gehrke, Ph.D., Christus Exemplar: Divine and Human Virtue in Cyprian and Lactantius • Michael Novak, Ph.D., Social Trinitarianism and Historical Theology: an Unpatristic Postscript

Session 2: THURSDAY MAY 24th, 3:30 - 5:10 pm – Panels 2A - 2J

<p>2A The Cappadocians and Fourth-Century Theology Chair: Joseph Trigg, Rector, Christ Church, LaPlata MD (Retired)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bogdan Bucur, A Blind Spot in the Study of Fourth-Century Christian Theology: The Christological Exegesis of Theophanies • Nathan Howard, The Epistolary Agōn in the Cappadocian Fathers • Morwenna Ludlow, Understanding the Cappadocians as a Literary Workshop • Adam Rasmussen, "Breathing Together": Basil of Caesarea on Synodality 	<p>2F Rethinking "Alexandria and Antioch" Chair: Peter Martens, St. Louis University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura Locke Estes, Lost in Translation: Early Versions of Daniel and Its Christian Interpretations • Peter Martens, Rehabilitating "Alexandria and Antioch": Toward a New Construct • Tracy Russell, Bodies, Bark, or Mortality: Early Christian Interpretive Approaches to the Garments of Skin in Genesis 3:21 • Anna Williams, Christological Interpretations of the Old Testament? Psalm 8 in Early Christian Exegesis
<p>2B Chalcedon Reconsidered Chair: Zachary Keith, The Catholic University of America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher Beeley, Chalcedon in Context • Brian E. Daley, The Reception of Chalcedon: Was There Ever a "Neo, Chalcedonian" Christology? • Joshua Lollar, The Concept of <i>Phantasia</i> in Maximus the Confessor 	<p>2G Jewish Thought, and Early Christians Chair: Allison Ralph, Independent Scholar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Jacobs, <i>Ad religionis lucem de tenebris superstitionis</i>: Jewish Converts under Christian Law • Jared Jones, Justin Martyr and Jewish Messianic Exegesis: Polemic and Appropriation • Michael Rosenberg, Divisive Holidays: Calendar Disputes, Authority, and Legal Diversity in Eusebius and the Mishnah • Sheldon Steen, "A witness whom the Jews regard with the highest trust": John Chrysostom's Weaponization of Josephus
<p>2C Religion, Medicine, Disability, Health and Healing in Late Antiquity (ReMedHe) Chair: Mark Anderson, California State University San Bernardino</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candace Buckner-Double, Blindness: Race, Disability, and Conversion in the Life of Aaron • Brenda Llewellyn Ihssen, Marketing the Martyr: A Tale of Two Stephens • Myrick Shinall, Basil's Hospital and the Conflation of Poverty and Illness • Shulamit Shinnar, Leprosy, the Etiology of Illness, and Late Antique Rabbinic Public Health Practices: Discourse on Skin Afflictions in <i>Leviticus Rabbah</i> 	<p>2H Early Christian Buildings and Ceremonies Chair: Ashley Purpura, Purdue University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nathan Dennis, Baptizing Virgil: The Early Christian Baptistery at Djémila and the Making of a Pagan Saint • Mary Farag, Festivals for the Consecration of Churches in Late Antiquity • Robin Jensen, Baptism as a Pilgrimage Practice: Case Studies from Carthage • David Wilhite, Who is the Good Shepherd? Answers from Early African Sources
<p>2D North African Christianity Chair: Alex Fogleman, Baylor University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bradley Daugherty, The Geography of the Schism of North African Christianity: A Spatial Analysis Approach • Megan DeVore, Domina Soror? Dynamics of Greco, Roman Benefaction in an Early Christian Martyrdom Account • Edwina Murphy, Like Angels in Heaven: Cyprian, Sex, and Celibacy • David Riggs, <i>The Acta Gallonii</i>: Assessing the Significance of a Recently Discovered North African Martyr Act from the Great Persecution 	<p>2I Augustine of Hippo II Chair: Ian Gerdon, University of Notre Dame</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matthew Drever, Loving the Neighbor in Christ, in the Late Augustine • Matthew Elia, Humility, Power, and the <i>Forma Servi</i>: On the Politics of Augustine's Slave Christology • Charles Kim, <i>Opportuno tempore, ex tempore est</i>: Augustine's Rhetorical Explanation of Time in <i>Sermo</i> 187 • Joseph T. Lienhard, S.J., Augustine, <i>Questions on the Heptateuch</i>: What a Translator Learns
<p>2E In the Eye of the Animal: Zoological Imagination in Early Christianity Chair: Georgia Frank, Colgate University Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virginia Burrus • C.M. Chin • Blake Leyerle <p>Respondent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patricia Cox Miller 	<p>2J Speech Ethics in the Fathers I Chair: Jonathan Yates, Villanova University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lisa Driver, Ἡ λογικὴ παιδεία: Asterius of Amaseia on Speech Formation and Martyrs • Brian Matz, γλῶσσαν οὐδεὶς δαμάσσει: Mapping speech ethics in Gregory of Nazianzus <p>Respondent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stephen Presley

Session 4: FRIDAY MAY 26th, 9:00 - 10:40 am – Panels 4A - 4J

4A Irenaeus and Tradition

Chair: Rebecca Rine, Grove City College

- Khaled Anatolios, Remembering History Forever: Historical Memory and Deification in Irenaeus
- Awet Andemicael, Recapping Freedom: The Anthropological Implications of Irenaeus' Marian Recapitulation
- Ky Heinze, The Devil's Rights in Context
- Matthew Kemp, "When You Say It Anew, Say Nothing New: Tradition and Doctrinal Development in the Early Church

4F Gregory of Nyssa, and Gregory Thaumaturgus

Chair: Charles Cosgrove, Garrett, Evangelical Theological Seminary

- Maria Dasios, Like Magic: *ψυχαγωγία* in a Late Ancient Martyr Homily by Gregory of Nyssa
- Allison Gray, Passing Notes and Throwing Rocks: *Paideia* and Divine Power in the *Life of Gregory Thaumaturgus*
- Monica Keith, The Audience of Gregory of Nyssa's *Homilies on the Song of Songs*
- Eric Meyer, Inhuman Indignities: Gregory of Nyssa on Animality and Enslavement

4B Augustine of Hippo III

Chair: Shane Owens, The Catholic University of America

- Rick Brumback, When Augustine "Lost": The Bishop's Debate with Maximinus
- Marianne Djuth, Augustine on the Philosophy of Miracles
- Shane Owens, Images of the Bishop in Augustine's *Contra Faustum* and Sermons on John's Gospel
- Adam Ployd, *Tempora Martyrum*: The Rhetoric of the Past in Augustine's Preaching on Martyrdom

4G Prudentius and the Later Latin Tradition

Chair: Christopher Beeley, Yale University

- Nicolas De Maeyer, Grace, Free Will and Predestination in Anglo-Saxon England: An Analysis of the Venerable Bede's Biblical Commentaries from the Perspective of His Patristic Sources
- Kathleen Kirsch, Innovating the *Carmen Triumphale*: Prudentius' *Retractatio* of Ambrose and Hilary in Peristephanon 1
- Joshua McManaway, As Close as the East is to the West: Alcuin of York's use of John Cassian's *De Incarnatione* in his "anti-Nestorian" Polemics
- Laura Roesch, "A Fine Spray of Blood": Prudentius' Landscapes of Violence

4C Syriac Christianity II

Chair: Dina Boero, College of New Jersey

- Kathleen Gibbons, The Astrology of Bardaisan of Edessa
- Ellen Muehlberger, Casting the Future: John Rufus' *Plerophoriae* and the Creation of a Non-Chalcedonian Church
- Columba Stewart, Re-situating Aphrahat's Demonstrations and the Book of Steps in the Ascetic Landscape of Late Antique Mesopotamia: Marcionites, Manichaeans, and Other Conversation Partners
- John Zaleski, The Anonymous Commentary on the Gnostic Trilogy: A New Source for the Syriac Reception of Evagrius of Pontus

4H Christian Manuscripts, Jewish Texts? Biblical Pseudepigrapha in Late Antiquity

Chair: Blossom Stefaniw, University of Halle

- Christopher Brenna, Joseph and Aseneth, Jewish and Christian: The Scholarly Particularization of a Late Antique Text
- Jill Hicks-Keeton, Baptizing Aseneth: Beyond "Provenance" in the Study of Biblical Pseudepigrapha in Antiquity
- Liv Ingeborg Lied, Imagining and Re-imagining 2 Baruch: Syriac Christian Manuscripts, Ancient Jewish Text?
- Gregory Robbins, Echoes of Maccabees in Eusebius of Caesarea

4D Egyptian Asceticism

Chair: Sean Moberg, The Catholic University of America
Daniel Becerra, Angelic Benefaction in the Egyptian Ascetic Tradition

- Stephen Davis, Anastasia, Thecla, and Friends: Archaeological Evidence for the Women's Monastery in the Shenoutean Federation
- Rebecca Krawiec, Besa and the Women of the White Monastery
- Janet Timbie, Rhetoric by Proxy: From Paul to Shenoute

4I Gregory of Nazianzus: Poet, Theologian, Philosopher

Chair: Alex Poulos, The Catholic University of America

- Alex Poulos, Gregory of Nazianzus and the Tradition of Didactic Poetry
- James McDonald, The Hymn and the Agon: The Internal Unity of Carm.1.2.1
- Thomas Kuhn, Treichel, Strategies for Creating Credibility in Gregory Nazianzen's Autobiographical Poems

4E ReMedHe II

Chair: Chris Len De Wet, University of South Africa

- Anne Kreps, Who Knew Healthcare Could Be So Complicated? Ancient Medicine and the Formation of Christian Heresy
- Helen Rhee, Christian Paideia: The *Therapeia* for Greek Madness in Theodoret of Cyrrhus
- Ulrich Volp, Steps of Mourning and the Intelligence of Emotions: Observations on Fourth-Century Christian Funeral Orations
- Jessica Wright, Animal Models for the Human Brain: Negotiating Comparative Anatomy in Arguments for Divine Providence

4J Debating Religious Identity in Contested Spaces: Donatist and Catholic Exegetical Tactics

Chair: Laura Lysen, Baylor University

- Alden Bass, Between Donatus and the Devil: Readings of Ezekiel's Prince of Tyre in Fourth-Century North Africa
- Joseph Grabau, Augustine's Anti-Donatist Notions of Redemption and Atonement: Biblical Sources, Social Contexts, and Theological Implications
- Jesse Hoover, Decoding the Donatist *Capitula*
- Jane Merdinger, Exegesis and Polemics: Vituperative Tactics at Donatist Councils in the Late Fourth Century

Session 6: FRIDAY MAY 25th, 1:30 - 3:10 pm – Panels 6A - 6J

<p>6A Foucault, the Fathers and the Self Chair: Ellen Muhlberger, University of Michigan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elizabeth Clark, Foucault's Augustine • Niki Clements, Technologies of the Ascetic Self: Reconsidering Foucault via Cassian • Ryan Savage, The Food Of Belonging: The Role Of The Eucharist In Proto, Orthodoxy In The Early Second Century • Zachary Smith, Contextualizing Cassian: A Challenge to Foucault's View of Obedience in Monasticism 	<p>6F Discussion of Theodore De Bruyn, Making Amulets Christian Chair: Dr Sophie Lunn, Rockcliffe, University of Cambridge Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Georgia Frank • Eirini Afentoulidou • Sophie Lunn, Rockcliffe • Joseph Sanzo
<p>6B Augustine of Hippo IV Chair: Rebecca Falcasantos, Florida State University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patout Burns, Jr., "The Bishops Sit on the Chair of Moses:" Augustine's Advice to Christians on Receiving the Teaching of Their Clergy. • Coleman Ford, "The Gospel Terrifies Me:" Augustine's Vision for Pastoral Virtue in His <i>Sermones ad populum</i> • Brian Gronewoller, Augustine's Utilization of Rhetorical Economy in His Doctrine of Creation • Kenneth Wilson, Augustine's Conversion from Traditional Free Choice to "Non, free Free Will" 	<p>6G Politics, Pedagogy and the Profession Chair: Kristi Upson, Saia, Occidental College</p> <p>Panelist Christine Luckritz Marquis</p>
<p>6C Cities and Institutions Chair: Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elizabeth Digeser, From Irenaeus to Constantine: The Topography of Christianity in Gaul • Paul Russell, The Novatianists as Patrons of the Nicene Community in Constantinople during the 'Arian Ascendancy, Especially. from 364 to 379 • Michele Salzman, Aristocrats and Bishops in Rome: the Papacy of Felix III (483, 492) • Colin Whiting, The Relationship between the <i>Quae gesta sunt</i> and the <i>Libellus Precum</i> 	<p>6H Themes in Gregory of Nazianzus Chair: Monica Keith, The Catholic University of American</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brendan Harris, Theosis and Angelomorphic Humanity i Gregory Nazianzen's Or.38.11 and the <i>Poemata Arcana</i> • Andrew Hayes, The Father of Glory: Disputing Gregory Nazianzen's Reading of Eph. 1.17 in Syriac • Joel Kalvesmaki, Evagrius of Pontus and Gregory of Nazianzus: A New Proposal • Sarah Wear, Metastoiicheiōsis in Greogry and Cyril
<p>6D Greek Monasticism Chair: David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thomas Cattoi, Hagiographical and Christological Themes in the Iambic Compositions of Theodore the Studite • Michael Champion, Passions for Learning in Early Asceticism • Mark Roosien, Becoming a Prophet of Disaster: Earthquakes and Identity Construction through Hymnography in the <i>Life of Symeon Stylites the Younger</i> • Becky Walker, More than One Kind of Monk: Reconciling Chrysostom's Seemingly Contradictory Statements on Monasticism in His Antiochene Works 	<p>6I Origen and Other Exegetes Chair: Columba Stewart, St. John's University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miriam DeCock, The Spiritual Pay, Off of Searching the Scriptures: The Notion of the Bible's Usefulness in the Thought of Origen and Chrysostom • Gerardo Rodríguez-Galarza, Philo of Alexandria's Transformation of Stoic Impressions • Matthew Thomas, Prove It Some Other Time: Origen on Paul's Authorship of Hebrews • Arthur Urbano, Jesus' Dazzling Robes: Origen's Sartorial Poetics in his Exegesis of the Transfiguration
<p>6E Latin Christianity Chair: Mark Randall James, Hunter College & Fordham University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daniel Caner, A Forgotten Meaning of Early Christian Philanthropy • Charles Meeks, Innovation versus Tradition: the Baptismal Confession as Polemical Device in Hilary of Poitiers • Allison Ralph, "Their Speech Spreads Like a Canker" versus "A Little Yeast Leavens a Whole Loaf" • Stuart Squires, The Priscillian Roots of Pelagianism 	<p>6J Organizing Knowledge in Late Antiquity I Chair: Janet Timbie, The Catholic University of America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dina Boero, Putting the Local Holy Man in Order: Narrative Organization in the Vatican Manuscript of the Syriac <i>Life of Symeon the Stylite</i> • Virginia Burrus, The Ancient Typewriter: Toward a Theory of Christian Writing • Warren Campbell, From Jewish "Counter, History" to Ecclesial "Orthodoxy": Theorizing the Function of the <i>Epistula Clementis</i> in the Material History of the Pseudo, Clementine Literature • Tim Denecker, <i>Origo et fundamentum liberalium litterarum</i>: Cassiodorus and Isidore of Seville on the Role and Organization of Grammatical Knowledge

Session 7: FRIDAY MAY 26th, 3:30 - 5:10 pm – Panels 7A - 7J

<p>7A Organizing Knowledge in Late Antiquity II Chair: Niki Clements, Rice University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philip Forness, Shaping the Interpretation of Texts through Synodal Acts Blake Hartung, The Collection and Transmission of Liturgical Poetry in Late Antiquity: Ephrem, Romanos, and Yannai Mark Letteney, Nicene Creed to Theodosian Code: Christian Epistemology in Theodosian Book Culture Benjamin Overcash, Archives and the Ancient Schoolroom: “Pagan” Literature in Christian Schooltexts from Late Roman Egypt 	<p>7F Themes in Gregory of Nyssa Chair: Elizabeth Clark, Duke University, Emerita</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul Blowers, The Passion of Grief in Gregory of Nyssa: Revisiting a Scholarly Debate Emily Cain, Porous Bodies and the Seal of Prayer in Gregory of Nyssa Zachary Keith, Erōs and Desire in Configuration to Christ Michael Petrin, Variety in Gregory of Nyssa’s Teaching on Salvation
<p>7B Augustine of Hippo V Chair: Rick Brumback, Freed-Hardeman University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gregory Cruess, Preaching the Fourfold Gospel: Augustine's Exegetical Method in the <i>Sermones ad populum</i> Robert McFadden, Becoming a Ciceronian Christian: Monica in Augustine's Cassiciacum Dialogues Philip Porter, Inheriting Wittgenstein's Augustine: A Grammatical Exploration of the Two <i>Verba</i> Marcin Wysocki, “Why, then, should we despair of reaching an agreement?” (Aug. Ep. 108, 5). Hope or Hopelessness for the Reconciliation of Heretics – A Study of Latin Letters of the Fourth and Fifth Centuries 	<p>7G New Research on Cyril of Alexandria's Contra Julianum Chair: Michael Champion, Australian Catholic University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brad Boswell, Polemics and Paideia: Cyril of Alexandria against Julian the Apostate Matthew R. Crawford, The Influence of Eusebius’ <i>Chronicle</i> on the Anti, Pagan Treatises of Augustine of Hippo and Cyril of Alexandria Marie Odile Boulnois, Cyril of Alexandria reading Porphyry Aaron Johnson, Cyril and the Defense of the Cult of Martyrs
<p>7C Thinking Beyond Boundaries in Late Ancient Christianity Chair: Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matthew Chalmers, Beyond Boundaries: Epiphanius, On Gems, and an Alt, History of the Samaritans Jae Han, From Borders to Borderlands: Christians in Manichaean Territory Carly Maris, Were Christians Paraded on Aurelian's Roman Triumph? Networks and Ethnicity on the Eastern Border M. Tong, Heirs to the Problem: Circumcision, Pauline Genetics, and the Borderline between Judaism and Christianity 	<p>7H Early Christians and Incarceration Chair: Sonja Anderson, Carleton College</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark Anderson, “In the Prison of the Hospital”: Incarceration in Early Christian Charitable Institutions Matthew Larsen, Condemnation to the Mines as Carceral Practice Tina Shepardson, Letters from a Byzantine Jail: Sixth, Century Miaphysite Christians on their Incarceration for Christ
<p>7D Gregory of Nyssa's <i>In diem natalem salvatoris</i>: Translation and Theology Chair: Andrew Radde-Gallwitz, University of Notre Dame</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maria Doerfler, Gregory and the Children: Rhetoric and Theodicy in <i>In diem natalem</i> Margaret M. Mitchell, A Duet of Two Trumpets J. Warren Smith, Akolouthia and Soteriology in <i>In diem natalem salvatoris</i> Andrew Radde-Gallwitz, Christmas in Cappadocia, 386: Gregory’s Rewritten Christology 	<p>7I Pre, Dissertation Research Workshops Chair: Blake Hartung, St. Louis University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wade Casey, Asceticism, Ethics, and the Process of Beautification in Maximus the Confessor Michael Ennis, Theologically, Motivated Paraphrase in Ephrem’s Genesis Commentary: the Joseph Story Joshua Gibb, The Hermeneutical Key in Tertullian’s Polemic Samuel Johnson, The Figure of Christ in Luke’s Infancy Narrative Annemarie Leitner, Which Phoenix is the Elder? Re, examining Two Related Phoenix Poems Laura Locke Estes, Transforming Christian Anti, Jewish Polemic in the Early Islamic Period Zach Lycans, The Candle and Its Radiance: Biblical Markers in C. Ar. 3.1, 25 Mark Mariani, Bucking the Allegorist Tradition: Toward an Integration of the Senses in Origen’s Commentary on the Song of Songs Grayden McCashen, The Source of Irenaeus’s <i>Imago Dei</i> Theology

<p>7E Animals in Early Christianity Chair: Susan Harvey, Brown University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blake Leyerle, Tertullian's Chameleon • Jason Scully, Redemption for the Serpent: The Reception History of Serpent Material from Latin <i>Physiologus</i> 	<p>7J Earlier Christian Writers Chair: Mark Roosien, University of Notre Dame</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jeremiah Bailey, The Curious Case of Clement and the Canon: The Rise and Slow Decline of 1 Clement's Canonicity • Micah Miller, Origen's Pneumatology and Its Indebtedness to Clement of Alexandria • Thomas Schmidt, The Statue of "Hippolytus" as Baptismal Bride of Christ • Geoffrey Smith, Identifying Justin's "Valentinians"
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Session 10: SATURDAY MAY 26th, 9:00 - 10:40 am – Panels 10A - 10J

<p>10A Augustine of Hippo VI Chair: Shane Owen, The Catholic University of America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jason BeDuhn, If Not a Pelagian, Then a Manichee: Augustine and Julian's Debate over Original Sin and Grace • Amy Hughes, Dialogue as Theological Method in Gregory of Nyssa and Augustine • Thomas Scheck, The Relation of Chromatius of Aquileia's Doctrine of Grace to That of Pelagius and Augustine • Mark Weedman, Marius Victorinus' Influence on Augustine and Latin Pro-Nicene Trinitarian Theology? 	<p>10F Erasing Memory in Early Latin Christianity Chair: Wendy Mayer, Australian Lutheran College</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ryan Strickler, "We Must Pass Over the Persons in Silence": <i>Damnatio Memoriae</i> in the <i>Disputatio cum Pyrrho</i> Attributed to Maximus the Confessor • Naoki Kamimura, Augustine and the Quest for Peace in the Community of Roman North Africa • Bronwen Neil, Papal Letters and Community Memory: Pope Hormisdas (514–23) on What Not to Read in the Sixth Century
<p>10B Maximus the Confessor Chair: Joshua Lollar, University of Kansas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sotiris Mitralaxis, Terminological Challenges in Maximus the Confessor's <i>Q.Thal. 59</i> • Daniel Opperwall, Will, Asceticism, and Love in Maximus the Confessor's <i>Centuries on Love</i> • Jordan Wood, Stoic Cosmology in Maximus the Confessor 	<p>10G Quid Est Veritas? Chair: Thomas Clemmons, The Catholic University of America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pablo Irizar, Image(s), Imagination and the Image of God in Augustine's Early Works • Eetu Manninen, The Varied senses of knowledge in Augustine's Early Works • Makiko Sato, Falsehood in Augustine's Early Works
<p>10C The Christian Life according to Ambrose and Augustine Chair: David Hunter, University of Kentucky</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thomas Clemmons, Ambrose's <i>De paradiso</i> and <i>De Isaac</i> and Augustine's <i>De Genesi contra Manichaeos</i> • Brian Dunkle, "To Earn the Holy Spirit": An Ambrosian Verse in Augustine's <i>On Nature and Grace</i> • Matthew W. Knotts, Ambrose's Understanding of Divine Incorporability (ca. 385 CE) • David Voprada, From the Visible to the Unseen: Ambrose's Exegesis of the Psalms 	<p>10H The Newly Discovered Psalms Homilies of Origen: Sacred Geography in His Last Work Chair: Robin Darling Young, The Catholic University of America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Randall James, "Christ Speaks in Me:" Origen on Deification as Linguistic Formation • Samuel Pomeroy, The Distribution of the Stars: Israel, Church, and Eschatology in Origen's <i>HPs XV and LXXIII</i> • John Solheid, Origen and the Psalms: Bible and Prayer in Elite and Sub, Elite Early Christian Textual Communities • Joseph Trigg, The Holy Land in Origen's <i>Homilies on the Psalms</i>
<p>10D Organizing Knowledge in Late Antiquity III Chair: Philip Rousseau, The Catholic University of America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Riggsby, Learning the Language of God • Eric Scherbenske, The Library of Caesarea and Institutional Memorialization in Late Ancient Christianity • Blossom Stefaniw, Reorganizing Knowledge, Reorganizing Time: Christian Grammar in the Tura Papyri • Nicholas Wagner, Restoring the Link between Biblical Texts and Their Commentaries: Marginalia as Hermeneutical Keys • James Walters, Syriac Biblical Manuscripts as Archives of Preservation 	<p>10I Ascent to the Divine Chair: Michael Petrin, University of Notre Dame</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Despina D. Prassas, Evagrius and the Re, ascent of the Nous to Union with God • Jonathan L. Zecher, Views from Sinai's Slopes: Dogmatic Theology on the Path of Spiritual Ascent According to John Klimakos • Don W. Springer, Imaged Ascent: Irenaeus on the Restoration of Humanity's Potential for Union with God

10E Reflections on the Cambridge Companion to the Council of Nicaea

Chair: Young Richard Kim, Onassis Foundation USA

- Participants: H. A. Drake
- Paul Gavriilyuk
- Rebecca Lyman
- David Maldonado Rivera
- Kelley Spoerl
- Daniel Williams

10J Speech Ethics of the Fathers II

Chair: Brian Matz, Fontbonne University

- Allan Fitzgerald, Ambrose: Truth and Delight
- Jonathan Yates, *Ut non simus homines*: Augustine's Exhortations against Lying in his *Sermones ad Populum*
- Brian Dunkle, Response to the Session Papers

Session 12: SATURDAY MAY 27th, 1:30 - 3:10 pm – Panels 12A - 12J

12A Scripture in the Second Century

Chair: James Walters, Rochester College

- D. Jeffrey Bingham, Irenaeus and John's Apocalypse
- Clayton N. Jefford, Scripture in the Apostolic Fathers: Reincarnation of the *Didache*
- Paul Hartog, Reproach and Respect for Unburied Bodies: Uncovering Echoes of Psalm 79 within Jewish and Christian Martyr Texts
- David Hionides, Irenaeus's Use of Genesis 3:15: Satan's Authorship of Evil and Humanity's Free Will

12F Augustine's Sacramental Vision

Chair: Elizabeth Klein, The Augustine Institute

- Douglas Finn, Between Sacrament and Example: Stephen and Paul in Augustine's Preaching on the Nascent Church
- Ty Monroe, Sacramental Efficacy in Augustine's Developing Soteriology, ca. 392–401
- Veronica Roberts, Church as City of God? Exploring the Political Implications of Augustine's Sacramental Worldview
- Augustine Reisenauer, Sacramentality and Exemplarity of Christ's Death and Resurrection in Augustine's *De Trinitate*

12B Overlapping Religious Discourses

Chair: John Zaleski, Harvard University

- Yifat Monnickendam, Levirate Marriage: Roman Law in Biblical Attire
- Mark Shaffer, Two-Virtue Canon in Eusebius' *Ecclesiastical History*
- Stephen Shoemaker, Anastasius of Sinai and the Beginnings of Islam

12G Evagrius the Scholiast

Chair: Carle Vennerstrom, The Catholic University of America

- Ian Gerdon, The Community of Knowledge in Evagrius's *Scholia on Proverbs*
- Stuart Parsons, The Ascetic Sub, Structure of Evagrius' *Scholia on Proverbs*
- **Respondent:** Stephen Davis, Arabic *Evagriana*: Three Works in Imitation of Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, and Proverbs

12C Power and Performance

Chair: Dana Robinson, Creighton University

- Rebecca Falcasantos, Mutilation and Extra, Lethal Violence in Late Antique Historiography
- Allan Georgia, Power and Performance: The Roman Triumphal Ritual in Early Christian Literature
- Ellen Scully, The Barrier between Humans and Death: Christ's Representative Humanity in Athanasius
- Hajnalka Tamas, The Hagiography of Late Antique Sirmium Revisited

12H Nag Hammadi and Gnostic Studies

Chair: Susan L. Graham

- David Litwa, The Curse of the Creator
- Steven Payne, The *Tripartite Tractate* and the Speculative Afterlife of the Ancient Democracy Assembly
- Jimmy Chan, "Emotional Wellness in Augustine and Stoicism"

12D The Demonic and Its Environment

Chair: David J. DeVore, California State Polytechnic University, Palmona

- Carson Bay, Magic and Miracles, Zombies and Demons: Pseudo, Hegesippus and the Supernatural in Late Antiquity
- David DeVore, Demon Possession and Roman Justice: Explaining Eusebius, Ecclesiastical History 8.4.2
- Katie Kleinkopf, A Crisis of Categorization: Ascetics, Demons, and the Destabilization of Materiality
- Travis Proctor, Rethinking Nature, the "Human," and the Christian Body amid the Evil Ecosystems of Early Christianity

12I Eve and Her Daughters

Chair: Erin Walsh, Duke University

- Jennifer Freeman, *Nutrix Omnium*: Early Christian Conceptions of Eve
- Dawn LaValle Norman, The Role of Women in Late Ancient Dialogues

12E Pre-Dissertation Research Workshop

Chair: Virginia Burrus, Syracuse University

- Corine Milad, Freedom of the Will in Augustine's *Ad Simplicianum* and *Confessions* 8
- Heather Penner, Leprosy, Necrosis and Pus in Late Ancient Literature: The Impact of Christianization on Medicine
- Justin Powell, Ethics and Heresy in the first three centuries
- Richard Rush, Sanctity and Intercession as Seen in the Epitaph of Sidonius Apollinaris
- Ryan Scruggs, A Gift Freely Given: Irenaeus on *Creatio ex Nihilo*
- Corey Stephan, Integrated Selves in the Image of the Trinity: The Mundicordes in Book 8 of St. Augustine's *De Trinitate*
- Rota Stone, Intergroup Relations in the Bible and Early Jewish and Christian Interpretations
- Nathan Tilley, Erotic Virgins: Psychagogy and Traces of Platonic Writing in Methodius's *Symposium*
- James White, The *Visio Dei* according to Saint Irenaeus of Lyons

12J Doctrinal Reconsiderations

Chair: Robert McFadden, University of Notre Dame

- Andrew Hofer, Pre-Chalcedonian Scholasticization?
- Jacob Lollar, Archives Between Mythology and Historiography: British Library *Add.* 14,644 and the Construction of History among Syriac Christians
- Michael Simmons, "The Apologetic Function of Arnobius, *Adversus Nationes* VII.44, 47: Greco, Roman Religious & Philosophical Contexts"