

**North American Patristics Society
2014 Annual Meeting
Program Booklet**



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Dear NAPS Members and Conference Participants,

Welcome to the 2014 Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society. Our Vice-President, Susanna Elm has put together an outstanding program for us this year. Susanna had excellent assistance, also, from NAPS Board members Stephen A. Cooper and Ellen Muehlberger. They make a wonderful team! Please join me in extending our gratitude to them all for their generous gifts of time and effort.

This year's plenary speakers include Christoph Marksches of Humboldt-Universität in Berlin, speaking on Thursday evening on "God's Body: A Neglected Dimension of Ancient Christian Religion and Theology." Our traditional dessert reception will follow that event. I will be delivering the Presidential Address on Friday morning, "Compiling Narratives: The Visual Strategies of Early Christian Art," and on Saturday morning we will hear from David Brakke (Ohio State University). David will speak to us on "*The Gospel of Judas: The Beginning and End of Sethian Gnosticism.*" I am sure that we will all want to thank David, also, for completing his two terms of service as editor of the *Journal of Early Christian Studies*.

Our three days will be filled with other presentations, panels, discussions, and hallway conversations. We have over seventy other sessions fit into seven time slots, so attendees will have to make some difficult choices about how to divide their time. As always we will have our banquet on Friday evening, coffee breaks, continental breakfasts, and other opportunities to socialize with colleagues and friends.

I look forward to our time together and hope that each and every one of you has a fruitful and enjoyable conference.



Robin M. Jensen
Vanderbilt University
President, North American Patristics Society

NAPS ANNUAL MEETING 2014 PROGRAM

Wednesday, May 21, 2014

2:00pm–5:00pm: Meeting of the NAPS Board of Directors

Location: Roosevelt

Chair: Robin Jensen, Vanderbilt University

Thursday, May 22, 2014

9:00am–11:00am: Meeting of the NAPS Board of Directors

Location: Roosevelt

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10:00am–5:00pm: Exhibits Open

Location: Columbus AB

9:00am–12:00pm: Pre-Conference Workshops

Workshop I:

Translation Workshop: The Gnostic Trilogy of Evagrius Ponticus

Location: Columbus CD

Chair: Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America

Workshop II:

Religion and Medicine, Health, Healing, Disease, and Disability in
Late Antiquity

Location: Columbus EF

Chairs: Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba, and Kristi Upson-Saia,
Occidental College

This inaugural workshop will focus on “pathos” as affect, and “pathos” as disease. Wendy Mayer (Australian Catholic University) and Jessica Wright (Princeton University) will provide readings on the subject and lead the discussion. These readings will be available a month prior to the meeting. Please email Heidi Marx-Wolf (Heidi.Marx-Wolf@umanitoba.ca) to join the workshop mailing list, register for the workshop (free of charge), and receive access to the readings. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Sessions 1–10, 2:00pm–3:40pm

Session 1

Becoming Holy I: The Body as Locus of Transformation (Second through Fourth Centuries)

Organizers: Lisa D. Maugans Driver, Valparaiso University, and
Jennifer Henery, St. John's Northwestern Military Academy

Location: Columbus CD

Chair: Lisa D. Maugans Driver

Jennifer Henery, St. John's Northwestern Military Academy:
"The Eschatological Context of Transformational Imagery in the
Martyrdom of Perpetua"

Jason Gehrke, Marquette University:
"Ex[s]poliata sum et facta sum masculus: The Exemplary Meaning
of *Passion X.7*"

Daniel McClain, Catholic University of America:
"Poetics and Pain: Exploring Martyr Accounts and Anglican Verse"

Session 2

Bishops and Authority I

Location: Columbus EF

Chair: Nathan D. Howard, University of Tennessee, Martin

Janet Sidaway, Independent Scholar:
"The Invisible Bishop: The Surprising Omission of Hilary of Poitiers
from Studies of Bishops in Late Antiquity"

Bonnie Brunelle, Catholic University of America:
"Avitus of Vienne and His Advice to Women in a Changing World"

Geoffrey Dunn, Australian Catholic University:
"...*quid habuerit antiqua consuetudo*: Zosimus of Rome and
Hilary of Narbonne"

Rev'd. Mark Smith, Cambridge University:
"Nicaea as a Fig Leaf: Ciphers of Orthodoxy at Chalcedon"

Session 3

Christianity and Sophistic Culture in the Second and Third Centuries I

Organizer: Jared Secord, University of Chicago

Location: Columbus GH

Chair: Jared Secord

Allan Georgia, Fordham University:

“Tertullian the Greek: Agonistic Greekness in *De Pallio*”

John Elmer Abad, University of Toronto:

“Contesting Masculinity: A Sophistic Technique in Tertullian’s Apologetic Writings”

Jason Robert Combs, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill:

“In the Eye of the Beholder’: Art and Epiphanies in Greek Novels and the Apocryphal Acts”

Myrick Shinall, Vanderbilt University:

“Miracles as Propaganda in Philostratus and Luke”

Session 4

Demons and Daimons

Location: Columbus IJ

Chair: Zachary B. Smith, Fordham University

Jack Collins, University of Virginia:

“Demonic Philosophy: A Clementine Approach to ‘Theodore’”

Ky Heinze, Catholic University of America:

“Sacrifice and ‘Demon Substitution’ in Porphyry”

Greg Wiebe, McMaster University:

“Augustine and the Devil’s Two Bodies”

Session 5

Epiphanius of Cyprus: Controversies and Contexts I

Organizers: Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College,
and Young Kim, Calvin College

Location: Columbus KL

Chair: Andrew Jacobs

Young Kim, Calvin College:

“In the Footsteps of Athanasius: Epiphanius as Orthodox Successor”

David Maldonado-Rivera, Indiana University:

“Epiphanius’s Offspring: Filastrius’s *Book on Diverse Heresies*”

Jason Radcliff, University of Edinburgh:

“Thomas F. Torrance’s Reading of Epiphanius of Cyprus”

Session 6

Gregory of Nyssa’s *Homilies on the Song of Songs*: Exegesis and the Poetics of Ascent

Organizer: Scot Douglass, University of Colorado Boulder

Location: Michigan A

Chair: Sandy Haney, Temple University

Morwenna Ludlow, Exeter University:

“The Logos in Gregory of Nyssa’s *Homilies on the Song of Songs*: Beauty, Technique, and Rhetoric”

Rebecca Rine, George Mason University:

“Moses and Paul as Exemplary Brides in Gregory of Nyssa’s *Homilies on the Song of Songs*”

Scot Douglass, University of Colorado Boulder:

“Poetics of Ascent in Plato and Gregory of Nyssa’s *Homilies on the Song of Songs*”

Session 7

Theological Polemics

Location: Michigan B

Chair: Benjamin D. de Lee, State University of New York Cortland

Nicholas Baker-Brian, Cardiff University:

“Revisiting the *Antitheses* in Early Manichaeism”

Adam Ployd, Eden Theological Seminary:

“Augustine and the Polemics of Angelic Participation”

Scott Ables, Regent’s Park College, University of Oxford:

“Are the Polemical Interlocutors of John of Damascus Real or Rhetorical?”

Session 8

Schooling and The Spirit

Location: Michigan C

Chair: Thomas Cattoi, Santa Clara University

Ashley Edewaard, University of Notre Dame:

“Musonius Rufus and Clement of Alexandria on Diet”

Blossom Stefaniw, Mainz University:

“Didymus the Grammarian: The Evidence of the Tura Papyri”

John Burkhard, Washington Theological Union:

“The Meaning of Charism in Cyril of Jerusalem”

Yuliya Minets, Catholic University of America:

“Three Answers for an Uneasy Question: Jerome, Chrysostom, and Augustine on Why People Do Not Speak in Tongues Now as the Apostles Did”

Session 9

Roman Mores

Location: Randolph

Chair: Elizabeth Digeser, University of California Santa Barbara

James Petitfils, University of California Los Angeles:

“*Mos Christianorum: M. Lyons* and Roman Exemplarity”

Arthur Urbano, Providence College:

“In the Company of Wisdom: The Cult of Martyrs and the Translocation of *paideia*”

Tyler Flatt, Harvard University:

“*Vitalia verba*: Redeeming the Hero in Juvenecus”

Andrew Harmon, Marquette University:

“Varieties of Deceit in Ambrose of Milan”

Session 10

Family Matters I: Reproduction

Location: Grand EF

Chair: Brian Matz, Carroll College

Chris Frilingos, Michigan State University:

“Who is your *pater*? Fatherhood in the *Protevangelium Jacobi*”

Nicole Kelley, Florida State University:

“Abortion and Contraception in the Apologists”

Jennifer Barry, Drew University:

“Aborting Heresy in Pseudo-Martyrius’s *79th Funeral Oration in Praise of the Holy John Chrysostom*”

Erin Walsh, Duke University:

“‘Saved through the Rearing of Children’ in Chrysostom”

3:40pm – 4:00pm, Coffee Break

Sessions 11–20, 4:00pm–5:40pm

Session 11

Becoming Holy II: The Body as Locus of Transformation

Organizers: Lisa D. Maugans Driver, Valparaiso University, and
Jennifer Henery, St. John's Northwestern Military Academy

Location: Columbus CD

Chair: Jennifer Henery

Xueying Wang, University of Notre Dame:

“‘Eat and Drink Worthily’: Gregory of Nyssa on the Eucharist
and Its Partakers”

Lisa D. Maugans Driver, Valparaiso University:

“Apophatic Theophanies among Ordinary Laity”

Joshua Brockway, Catholic University of America:

“Neither Hot Nor Cold: Cassian's Ascetic Anthropology”

Session 12

Demons and the Devil in the Works of Tertullian

Organizer: Sophie Lunn-Rockcliffe, King's College London

Location: Columbus EF

Chair: David Kneip, Abilene Christian University

Gregory Smith, Central Michigan University:

“Tertullian and Augustine on Demons and Souls”

Stephen A. Cooper, Franklin and Marshall College:

“The Invocation of Demons in Tertullian's Apologetics”

Sophie Lunn-Rockcliffe, King's College London:

“The Disempowered Devil in Tertullian's *De fuga*?”

Session 13

North Africa after Augustine

Location: Michigan B

Chair: Maureen Tilley, Fordham University

Éric Fournier, West Chester University of Pennsylvania:
“Recycling and Vandal Africa”

Dana Iuliana Viezure, Seton Hall University:
“A Re-Dating of Vigilius of Thapsus’s *Against Eutyches*”

Session 14

Maximus the Confessor

Location: Columbus GH

Chair: Bronwen Neil, Australian Catholic University

Taylor Ross, Duke University:
“Liturgical Deification in Maximus the Confessor’s *Mystagogia*”

Luis Salés, Fordham University:
“Correcting Misconceptions about Mysticism in Light of Virtue”

Paul Blowers, Emmanuel Christian Seminary:
“Maximus of Palestine? A Response to New Scholarship on the Syriac Life of Maximus the Confessor”

Session 15
**The Role of Medicine and Health in the Making of
Christian Subjects**

Organizers: Kristi Upson-Saia, Occidental College,
and Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba

Location: Columbus IJ

Chair: Kristi Upson-Saia

Phillip Webster, University of Pennsylvania:

“Diagnose and Heal: The Sick Soul in Clement of Alexandria”

David Woodington, University of Notre Dame:

“Healing the Empire: The Rhetoric of Disease in Maternus”

Allison Ralph, Catholic University of America:

“Constantine and Coercion for the Health of Society”

Session 16
The Process of Exegesis I

Location: Columbus KL

Chair: Edmon Gallagher, Heritage Christian University

Jonathan Yates, Villanova University:

“1 Peter 2:13–17 in Early Western Christianity”

Olga Solovieva, Union College:

“Exegesis as an Ascetic Performance in Gregory of Nyssa”

Nicolas Kamas, University of Notre Dame:

“Double Exegesis in Jerome’s *Commentary on Habakkuk*”

Session 17

Metaphors of Economy in Patristic Thought I

Organizer: Devin Singh, Yale University

Location: Michigan A

Chair: Michael J. Thate, Yale University

Jeffrey Wickes, Saint Louis University:

“Ephrem and the Economics of Poetic Speech”

Norman Underwood, University of California at Berkeley:

“Between Medicine and Metaphor: Physicians, Bishops, and Clerical Representation in Late Antiquity”

Luke Gardiner, University of Chicago:

“Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Heretic: Occupational Status and the Construction of Religious Deviancy in the Late Antique East”

Session 18

Transformation through *paideia* and Ritual

Location: Michigan C

Chair: Dennis Trout, University of Missouri

Michael Peppard, Fordham University:

“Does Rebirth Require Death? Syrian Ritual Texts, the *Gospel of Philip*, and the Incarnation”

Naoki Kamimura, Tokyo Gakugei University:

“The Basis for Christian Identity: ‘Spiritual Exercises’ in the North African Church A.D. 250–320”

Benjamin Wayman, Greenville College:

“Conflicting Education: Basil and Julian on Greek *paideia*”

Nathan Bennett, Claremont Graduate University:

“Jerome’s Understanding of Education as Asceticism”

Session 19

Athanasius of Alexandria

Location: Randolph

Chair: Kelley Spoerl, Saint Anselm College

Christopher Nofziger, University of California Santa Barbara:

“Authority of Fathers: Athanasius and Philosophical Succession in the Third and Fourth Centuries”

Michael Slusser, Duquesne University (Emeritus):

“‘Humanly, he asked where Lazarus lay, but he raised him divinely’: Adverbial Christology in Athanasius”

Jonathan Morgan, Toccoa Falls College:

“The Nature and Effects of the Fall according to Athanasius”

Awet Andemicael, Yale University:

“The Aesthetics of Dualism in Athanasius’s Christology”

Session 20

Family Matters II: Daughters and Wives

Location: Grand EF

Chair: J. Patout Burns, Vanderbilt University

Jordan Smith, University of Iowa:

“A Battle for the Family: Redefinition in the *Passion of Perpetua* and the Deuteronomic Conquest Narrative”

Katherine Milco, Marquette University:

“Augustine’s *Sermons on Sts. Perpetua and Felicity*”

Karl Shuve, University of Virginia:

“Jerome’s *Letter 22* as a Gloss on Origen’s *Homilies on the Song of Songs*”

Kathryn Kleinkopf, University of Tennessee, Knoxville:

“Overwriting Women: Identity Creation in Augustine’s *Letter 262*”

5:40pm–7:45pm, Dinner Break (on your own)

Session 21 - 7:45pm–8:45pm

Plenary Lecture

Location: Grand EF

Chair: Kristina Sessa, Ohio State University

**“God’s Body: A Neglected Dimension of Ancient Christian
Religion and Theology”**

**Christoph Marksches,
Professor of Ancient History and Patristics
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin**

8:30pm–10:30pm Dessert Reception

Partly sponsored by InterVarsity Press

In celebration of its publication of Encyclopedia of Ancient Christianity

Location: Grand Foyer

Friday, May 23, 2014

7:30am –9:00am, Continental Breakfast

Graduate Student Continental Breakfast

Location: Randolph

The Graduate Student Breakfast will be hosted by NAPS President, Robin Jensen; past presidents of NAPS also are invited and encouraged to attend. This is mostly, however, a time and place for graduate students to meet and talk with one another.

In addition, this year’s Graduate Student Breakfast will include the kick-off of the Graduate Student Mentoring Program. Mentors and mentees will have the opportunity to meet and connect during the breakfast. Please be sure to sign up to join the program **BEFOREHAND** at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084CADA82AA4F94-graduate>.

8:00am–8:45am, JECS Business Meeting

Location: Jackson Boardroom

9:00am –5:00pm, Exhibits Open

Location: Columbus AB

Sessions 22–31: 9:00am–10:40am

Session 22

Ascetic Practices

Location: Columbus CD

Chair: Scott Ables, Regent's Park College, University of Oxford

Vasilije Vranic, St. Sava School of Theology:

“The Cultural Influences on Stylitism as an Ascetic Practice”

Sean Moberg, Catholic University of America:

“Contemplation of Death in the *Apophthegmata Patrum*”

NAPS 2014 Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Prize Awardee

Zachary B. Smith, Fordham University:

“Ancient and Christian Self-Care in the *Apophthegmata Patrum*”

Session 23

John Chrysostom

Location: Columbus EF

Chair: Wendy Mayer, Australian Catholic University

Adam Serfass, Kenyon College:

“Enclothed Cognition and the Sanctifying Power of the Baptismal Robe in John Chrysostom's *Catechetical Homilies*”

Mark Therrien, University of Notre Dame:

“An Old-Fashioned Love Song: Chrysostom's Exegesis of Psalm 41”

Mark Roosien, University of Notre Dame:

“John Chrysostom on Religious Awe and the Christian Mysteries”

Stephen Black, University of San Francisco:

“*De sacerdotio* as Job Résumé”

Session 24

Deification

Location: Columbus GH

Chair: J. Warren Smith, Duke Divinity School

Jared Ortiz, Hope College:

“Deification in Latin Patristic Thought”

Matthew Drever, University of Tulsa:

“And You Will Be like Gods’: Deification in Augustine”

Donna Hawk-Reinhard, Lindenwood University:

“Becoming Images of the Heavenly One: The Role of the Holy Spirit in Irenaeus of Lyons and Cyril of Jerusalem’s Sacramental Theosis”

Session 25

Eusebius of Caesarea

Location: Michigan B

Chair: Gregory A. Robbins, University of Denver

Kellen Plaxco, Marquette University:

“The Dynamics of Participation and the Limits of Eusebian Christology”

Kelley Spoerl, Saint Anselm College:

“The Use of *ousia* in the Anti-Marcellan Works of Eusebius”

Jennifer Otto, McGill University:

“Eusebius’s Jewish and Christian Philosophers”

Session 26

Factors in the Development of Early Christianity

Organizer: Gavril Andreicut, Elmhurst College

Location: Columbus IJ

Chair: Gavril Andreicut

Tina Shepardson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville:

“Inscribing Chalcedonian Orthodoxy on the Monks of Palestine”

Jeffrey Trumbower, St. Michael’s College:

“Jewish Sectarian Logic and the Development of Christianity”

Jennifer Collins-Elliott, Florida State University:

“Blameless Wounds: Augustine on Bodies and Orthodoxy”

Daniel Strand, University of Chicago:

“Sacral Kingship and Patristic Reservations”

Session 27

The Intellectual Culture and Context of Second- and Third-Century

Patristic Authors I

Organizer: Kristina Meinking, Elon University

Location: Columbus KL

Chair: Kristina Meinking

Ryan Fowler, Franklin and Marshall College:

“The Christian Language of Apuleius (and ‘Average Men’) in the *De Platone et eius dogmate*”

Kevin Uhalde, Ohio University:

“Tertullian’s Heartless Cruelty: A Reconsideration”

Andreas Merkt, University of Regensburg:

“The (Re-)Vision of Saturus: Modernizing the *Passio Perpetuae*”

Nathaniel Kidd, Marquette University:

“Assessing Cyprian’s Moral Psychology in Context”

Session 28

Introducing Syriaca.org: New Online Tools for the Study of Syriac Christianity

Organizer: David A. Michelson, Vanderbilt University

Location: Michigan C

Chair: Joel Kalvesmaki, Dumbarton Oaks

David A. Michelson, Vanderbilt University:

“Syriaca.org as a Model for Collaborative Research on Late Antiquity”

Daniel L. Schwartz, Texas A&M University:

“Networks beyond Borders: The Potential of a Syriac Prosopography”

Jeanne-Nicole Saint-Laurent, Marquette University:

“Digital Gateway to the Syriac Saints”

Maria Doerfler, Duke Divinity School:

Response

Session 29

Shenoute of Atripe

Location: Grand EF

Chair: David Brakke, Ohio State University

Andrew Crislip, Virginia Commonwealth University:

“Emotional Regime and Emotional Community in Shenoute’s
Monastic Federation”

Dana Robinson, Catholic University of America:

“Food and Lay Piety in Shenoute’s *Discourses*”

Kevin Wilkinson, University of Toronto:

“Shenoute, Triphis, and Religious Change in Late Antique Egypt”

Rebecca Krawiec, Canisius College:

“Reading Abraham in the White Monastery”

Session 30
Augustine and Philosophy
Location: Michigan A
Chair: Benjamin Dunning, Fordham University

Joshua Gonnerman, Catholic University of America:
“The Platonic Structure of Augustinian Grace”

Sean Hannan, University of Chicago:
“Does Augustine Solve the Question of Time in *Confessions* XI?”

Aron Reppmann, Trinity Christian College:
“Augustine’s Platonism as a Rhetorical-Cultural Project”

John Kenney, St. Michael’s College:
“Augustine’s Early Ontology”

Session 31
Cappadocians I
Location: Roosevelt
Chair: Brian Daley, University of Notre Dame

Ilaria Ramelli, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart & Angelicum, Milan:
“Gregory Nyssen Did Not Criticize Origen’s Protology”

Anders Tune, Wittenberg University:
“The Notion of ‘Relation’ in Gregory Nazianzen’s Theology”

Dmitry Biriukov, University of Padua:
“The Arian Controversy as a Debate over the Universals”

Joshua Robinson, University of Notre Dame:
“The Creative Deployment of Gregory Nazianzus and Pseudo-Dionysius in Nicholas of Methone’s Critique of Proclus’s *Elements of Theology*”

10:40am–11:00am, Coffee Break

Session 32 - 11:00am–12:00pm

NAPS Presidential Address

Location: Grand EF

Chair: Stephen A. Cooper, Franklin and Marshall College

“Compiling Narratives: The Visual Strategies of Early Christian Art”

Robin Jensen

**Luce Chancellor’s Professor of the History of Christian Art
and Worship at Vanderbilt University**

12:00pm–1:30pm: Lunch (On Your Own)

Tables for conversing will be set up in the Grand Ballroom Foyer

Sessions 33–42: 1:30pm–3:10pm

Session 33

**The Intellectual Culture and Context of Second- and Third-Century
Patristic Authors II**

Organizer: Kristina Meinking

Location: Michigan B

Chair: Kevin Uhalde, Ohio University

Robert Edwards, Wycliffe College:

“Platonic and Biblical ‘Likeness to God’ in Clement of Alexandria”

Yifat Monnickendam, Hebrew University of Jerusalem:

“How Much Greek in Ephrem’s Syriac? Ephrem’s Genesis Commentary”

Adam Rasmussen, Brescia University:

“Origen on Creatio ex nihilo”

Micah Saxton, University of Denver:

“‘Being in the True’: Origen’s Authority as an Exegete”

Session 34

Receptions and Editions

Location: Michigan C

Chair: Jeffrey Wickes, Saint Louis University

George Kiraz, Beth Mardutho (The Syriac Institute):
“The Antioch Bible: A Syriac-English Bilingual Edition”

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University:
“A Newly-Discovered Long Recension of Adrian’s *Introduction*”

Joseph T. Lienhard, S.J., Fordham University:
“‘Faith of our Fathers’: The Fathers of the Church and Vatican II”

Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University:
“The ‘Eschatological Turn’ and the Reconfiguration of Early Christianity:
Roman Catholic Modernism, Protestant Liberalism, and the Disillusionments
of Biblical Criticism”

Session 35

Spaces and Places

Location: Grand EF

Chair: Arthur Urbano, Providence College

Martina Hartl, Universität Regensburg:
“Metropolis-Necropolis: Relics and Urban Development”

Virginia Burrus, Syracuse University:
“‘Happy Places’: Affect and Ecology in the Lives of Saints”

Nathaniel Morehouse, Lakeland Community College:
“Subversion and Unification in Early Christian Pilgrimage”

Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame:
“Pilgrim Graffiti”

Session 36

Cappadocians II

Location: Columbus CD

Chair: Morwenna Ludlow, Exeter University

Joel Kalvesmaki, Dumbarton Oaks:

“Basil of Caesarea and the Dark Matter of Science: Natural Theory Critiqued and Coopted in *Hexaemeron* 1”

Jacob Van Sickle, Saint Louis University:

“Basil of Caesarea on the Right Use of Scripture”

Brian Matz, Carroll College:

“Some Observations on Gregory Nazianzen’s Biblical Exegesis”

Nathan D. Howard, University of Tennessee, Martin:

“Trans-Historical Fellowship in Late Antique Cappadocia”

Session 37

Bodies and Health

Location: Columbus EF

Chair: Nancy Heisey, Eastern Mennonite University

Jonathan Koscheski, Drew University:

“Dissolving Bodies: Disability and Health in Athanasius’s *On the Incarnation of the Word*”

Marianne Djuth, Canisius College:

“The Body, Sensation, and the Art of Medicine in Augustine”

Christopher Sweeney, University of Wyoming:

“Miraculous Cures: Spaces and Limits of Holy Men’s Healing”

Session 38

Augustine's *Romanitas*

Location: Columbus GH

Chair: Éric Fournier, West Chester University of Pennsylvania

Melanie Webb, Princeton Theological Seminary:
“Latin Declamation and Augustine on Rape”

Robert McFadden, University of Notre Dame:
“Ciceronian Christians: Friendship in the *Contra academicos*”

Erika Kidd, University of St. Thomas:
“The Meaning of Virgil’s Words in Augustine’s *De magistro*”

William Harmless, Creighton University:
“The Sound of Water: Augustine’s *De ordine*”

Session 39

Clement of Alexandria

Location: Columbus IJ

Chair: Michael Slusser, Duquesne University

Joona Salminen, University of Helsinki:
“Clement of Alexandria on Sports”

Taylor Petrey, Kalamazoo College:
“Licentious Sects in Clement of Alexandria”

H. Clifton Ward, Durham University:
“Clement of Alexandria’s Reading Practices: A Test Case from *Stromateis* II–III”

Jason Sturdevant, North Carolina State University:
“Clement of Alexandria and the Fourth Gospel”

Session 40

Emperors

Location: Columbus KL

Chair: James Francis, University of Kentucky

Elizabeth Digeser, University of California Santa Barbara:
“Constantine as Heavenly King”

Rick Brumback, Baylor University:
“Gregory of Elvira’s Response to Ariminum (359)”

Sr. Maria Kiely, Catholic University of America:
“The Apotheosis of Valentinian II in the Funeral Oration of Ambrose”

Jacob Latham, University of Tennessee, Knoxville:
“Rolling out the Red Carpet, Roman-Style: *adventus*, *occursus* and the Christianization of Rome”

Session 41

Epiphanius of Cyprus: Controversies and Contexts II

Organizers: Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College, and
Young Kim, Calvin College

Location: Michigan A

Chair: Young Kim

Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College:
“Improvisational Discipline: Epiphanius of Cyprus and the Style of Early Christian Authority”

Todd Berzon, Iliff School of Theology:
“Ethnography in the *Panarion*: Heretical Customs and Habits”

Richard Flower, University of Exeter:
“‘The game is afoot’: Epiphanius as Consulting Heresiologist”

Session 42
Evagrius and His Reception
Location: Roosevelt
Chair: Willemien Otten, University of Chicago

Jonathan Zecher, University of Houston:
“Evagriana in the *Apophthegmata*”

Kathleen Gibbons, Wilfrid Laurier University:
“Images of Controversy: Images and Origenism in the Desert”

Ian Gerdon, University of Notre Dame:
“Divine Abandonment in Evagrius and Maximus”

Thomas Cattoi, Santa Clara University:
“Conformed to Christ: Evagrian and Chalcedonian Themes in Theodore the Studite’s *Parva catechesis*”

3:10pm–3:30pm, Coffee Break

Sessions 43–52: 3:30pm–5:10pm

Session 43
Martyrs and Martyrdom
Location: Michigan B
Chair: David L. Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University

Heather Barkman, University of Ottawa:
“Reconsidering Female Leadership in Commemorative Martyr Feasts”

Diane Fruchtman, Indiana University:
“Martyrdom without Death in Augustine’s Sermons”

Mariam Irshad, University of Toronto:
“Daniel 3: ‘Reception of Memory’ in Early Syriac Christianity”

Session 44

Medicalizing the Early Christian Body and Soul

Organizers: Kristi Upson-Saia, Occidental College, and
Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba

Location: Michigan C

Chair: Maria Doerfler, Duke Divinity School

Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba:

“Porphyry and Galen on the Ensoulment of Embryos: Religion, Medicine, and Philosophy in Late Antiquity”

Wendy Mayer, Australian Catholic University:

“Chrysostom’s Last Word on Treating the Soul”

Jessica Wright, Princeton University:

“Mental and Affective Disorders in Fourth-Century Medicine and Theology”

Liza Anderson, Yale University:

“Mysticism and Medicine in John of Apamea”

Session 45

Metaphors of Economy in Patristic Thought II

Organizer: Devin Singh, Yale University

Location: Grand EF

Chair: Norman Underwood, University of California at Berkeley

Matthew Lootens, Fordham University:

“Sunbathing in God’s Blessings: Discourse on Spiritual Wealth”

Seth Cherney, Franciscan University of Steubenville:

“Administration and Dispensation in the Pneumatology of Gregory of Nyssa”

Karen Carducci, Catholic University of America:

“A Theology of Money in the *Homilies* of Caesarius of Arles”

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Session 46

Late Antique Ecclesiastical Historiography in Context I

Organizers: Anna Lankina, University of Florida, and
Joseph Reidy, Saint Louis University

Location: Columbus CD

Chair: Joseph Reidy

Philip Amidon, Creighton University:

“Rufinus of Aquileia and Eusebius of Caesarea’s *History*”

Robert McEachnie, University of North Carolina Charlotte:

“Additional Information: What Interpolations in the *Ecclesiastical History* Reveal about History Writing”

Anna Lankina, University of Florida:

“Writing the History of the Christian Empire: Post-Eusebian Historiography as Competitive Exchange”

Session 47

Augustine’s Exegesis

Location: Columbus EF

Chair: Michael Cameron, University of Portland

Tarmo Toom, Catholic University of America:

“Augustine’s Arguments for the Multiplicity of Meanings”

Douglas Finn, Boston College:

“Spirit and Church in Augustine’s *De catechizandis rudibus*”

Christopher Beeley, Yale Divinity School:

“Analyzing Augustine: Exegesis, Theology, and Selfhood”

Edmon Gallagher, Heritage Christian University:

“Augustine on the Hebrew Bible”

Session 48

Early Christian Poetry

Session Organizer: Albertus Horsting, Harvard University

Location: Columbus GH

Chair: Tyler Flatt, Harvard University

Brian Dunkle, S.J., University of Notre Dame:

“Prudentius’s Private Reception of Ambrose’s Public Hymns”

Dawn Teresa Lavalle, Princeton University:

“Thecla’s Hymn in Methodius of Olympus’s *Symposium*”

Hildegund Müller, University of Notre Dame:

“Poetry in Exegesis, Exegesis in Poetry: Some Case Studies”

Albertus Horsting, Harvard University:

“The Spiritual Sense of *De civitate dei* according to Prosper of Aquitaine”

Session 49

Origen and His Legacy

Location: Columbus IJ

Chair: Lois Farag, Luther Seminary

Richard Smith, Independent Scholar:

“Eating the Flesh and Drinking the Blood of the Word of God: The Eucharistic Fulfillment of Preaching in Origen”

Stephen Waers, Marquette University:

“Origen’s Early Christology and the Monarchian Controversy”

Thomas McGlothlin, Duke University:

“Methodius’s Misunderstanding of Origen Revisited”

Lee Sytsma, Marquette University:

“Origen’s Two-Stage View of the *initium fidei*?”

Session 50

Hell and Suffering as a Mask of God

Organizer: J. Patout Burns, Vanderbilt University

Location: Columbus KL

Chair: Lewis Ayres, Durham University

J. Patout Burns, Vanderbilt University:

“Christ and the Suffering Christian in the Theology of Irenaeus”

Joseph W. Trigg, Independent Scholar:

“Our God is a Consuming Fire”

Michael J. Hollerich, University of St. Thomas:

“God Wills All to Be Saved?: Eusebius of Caesarea and the Universal Pedagogy of the Logos”

Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America:

“The Rich Man in Hell: Evagrius of Pontus and the Contemplation of Eternal Punishment”

Session 51

Irenaeus of Lyons: God in the World

Organizer: Susan L. Graham, Saint Peter’s University

Location: Michigan A

Chair: D. Jeffrey Bingham, Wheaton College

Stephen O. Presley, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary:

“Repealing Divine Prohibition? Examining Irenaeus’s Intertextual Readings of Gen 2:16-17 in *Haer.* 5.23.1-2”

Bogdan G. Bucur, Duquesne University:

“Exegesis of Theophanies: Irenaeus vs. Justin?”

Susan L. Graham, Saint Peter’s University:

“The Covenant of the Gospel and Irenaeus’s Christology”

John J. O’Keefe, Creighton University:

“Irenaeus and the Pro-Cosmic Economy”

Session 52

Augustine the Polemicist

Location: Roosevelt

Chair: Erika Hermanowicz, University of Georgia

Jesse Hoover, Baylor University:

“‘The Harvest is the Time of Donatus’: Donatism as Apocalyptic Harbinger in Augustine’s Polemic”

Bradley Daugherty, Vanderbilt University:

“African Clerical Continence and the Donatist Controversy”

David Riggs, Indiana Wesleyan University:

“Anti-Pagan Aggression or a Herculean Compromise: The Occasion and Purpose of Augustine’s *Sermones* 24 and 279”

Andrew Chronister, Saint Louis University:

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Instrumenta Studiorum

Location: Grand B

Chair: Robin Jensen, Vanderbilt University

Session 54 - 5:30pm–6:30pm

NAPS Business Meeting

Location: Grand B

Chair: Robin Jensen, Vanderbilt University

7:30pm–9:30pm, Banquet Buffet

Location: Grand A

After Dinner Presentation:

“*Intentio* and *memoria*: Looking Ahead and Looking Back”

Philip Rousseau, Andrew W. Mellon Distinguished Professor, Catholic University of America

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Sessions 55–64: 9:00am–10:40am

Session 55

The Apocryphal Apostles in Early Christianity

Organizers: David L. Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University
and Mark Glen Bilby, University of San Diego

Location: Michigan B

Chair: Mark Glen Bilby

David L. Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University:

“Ignatius, Pseudo-Ignatius, and the Art of Pauline Reception”

Philip Fackler, University of Pennsylvania

“‘Killers of the Apostles’? Jews from Ignatius to Pseudo-Ignatius”

Patricia Duncan, University of Chicago

“The *Epistula Petri* and the Right Reading of Scripture”

Ryan Woods, Emory University

“Rivalry and Repentance: Peter and Simon Magus after Acts”

Session 56

War, Narrative, and Religion I

Organizers: Kristina Sessa, Ohio State University,
and Kyle Smith, University of Toronto

Location: Grand EF

Chair: Kristina Sessa

George Demacopoulos, Fordham University:

“Eusebius, Violence, and the Cross”

Kyle Smith, University of Toronto:

“The Christian Captives of Roman Mesopotamia”

Stephen Shoemaker, University of Oregon:

“A War to End All Wars: The Triumph of the Last Roman Emperor”

Session 57

Early Augustine

Location: Randolph

Chair: Alexander Huggard, Marquette University

Maureen Tilley, Fordham University:
“Augustine as Pastoral Mediator”

Jane Ellingwood, University of Exeter:
“Ambrose’s Hymn ‘*Deus, creator omnium*’ and Augustine’s Early Theological Ideas”

J. Warren Smith, Duke Divinity School:
“Reading the New through the Old: Augustine’s *uti-frui* Distinctions in *De vera religione*”

Session 58

Bishops and Authority II

Location: Roosevelt

Chair: Tina Shepardson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

M. Tyler Gillett, Independent Scholar:
“The Path Not Taken: Early Christian Rejection of Apostolic Succession”

A. Edward Sicienski, Richard Stockton College:
“Patristic Exegesis of Peter’s Denial of Jesus”

Erika Hermanowicz, University of Georgia:
“Land Ownership by Church and Bishop”

Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University:
“Rome in the Wake of the Material Turn”

Session 59

Latin Pneumatology: God as S/spirit from Tertullian to Augustine

Session Organizer: Andrew M. Selby, Baylor University

Location: Columbus IJ

Chair: Stephen A. Cooper, Franklin and Marshall College

David E. Wilhite, Baylor University:

“Tertullian’s Slippage between *spiritus* and/as *substantia*”

Mark Weedman, Johnson University:

“Hilary on the Spirit”

Andrew M. Selby, Baylor University:

“Is the Holy Spirit Greater than Christ? Ambrose and the Divine Spirit”

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Thomas L. Humphries, Jr., St. Leo University:

“The God Who Is Spirit”: Augustine’s Use of John 4:24”

Session 60

Exegesis and Theology in the Second Century

Session Organizer: Lewis Ayres, Durham University

Location: Columbus EF

Chair: Adam Ployd, Eden Theological Seminary

Matthew Crawford, Durham University

“The Origin of Your Nonsense is the Grammarians’: History and *grammatikē* in Tatian’s *Oratio ad Graecos* and the *Diatessaron*”

Lewis Ayres, Durham University:

“On Narrating the Development of Christian Allegory”

Anthony Briggman, Emory University:

“*Dissimile et inconueniens*: Irenaeus’s Measure of Allegory”

Michel René Barnes, Marquette University:

“From the Beginning with Wisdom: Understanding Early Christology as Wisdom Christology”

Session 61

Perspectives on Macrina

Organizer: Sandy Haney, Temple University

Location: Columbus GH

Chair: Diane Fruchtman, Indiana University

Julie Kelto-Lillis, Duke University:

“Gazing at Macrina through Thecla (and Thecla through Macrina)”

Sandy Haney, Temple University:

“Macrina the Celibate Matron”

Amy Brown Hughes, Wheaton College:

“Macrina and Materiality: Living into the Resurrection”

Morwenna Ludlow, University of Exeter:

Response

Session 62

Politics

Location: Michigan C

Chair: Christopher Beeley, Yale University

Eric Wickman, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor:

“The Political Theology of Hilary of Poitiers”

Paul Smith, Wycliffe College:

“Arendt and Authority in the *Apostolic Constitutions*”

Benjamin D. de Lee, State University of New York Cortland:

“Arguing the Trinity to the Infidel: Niketas Byzantios’s Use of Gregory of Nyssa

Kyle Schenkewitz, Saint Louis University:

“The Soul’s Abode: A Gazan Monastic Metaphor”

Session 63

Tertullian

Location: Columbus KL

Chair: William Tabbernee, Philips Theological Seminary

Alexander Perkins, Fordham University:

“Exemplifying Resistance: Tertullian’s Use of North African History in the *Apologeticum* and *Ad Martyras*”

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M Tong, Fordham University:

“Manning the Barricades: Gendered Ecclesiology in Tertullian”

Gerardo Rodríguez-Galarza, Saint Louis University:

“To Err Is Human, to Forgive Is Unmanly”: Tertullian’s Rhetoric on Forgiveness in *De pudicitia*”

Jackson Lashier, Southwestern College:

“Latin Two-Stage Logos Theology in Tertullian’s *Adversus Praxean*”

Session 64

Augustine and Justification

Location: Michigan A

Chair: Ronald Burris, American Baptist Seminary of the West

Allan Fitzgerald, Villanova University:

“Humility: The Foundation for Justice in Ambrose and Augustine”

Ty Monroe, Boston College:

“From Knowledge to Love by Way of Humility: Augustine on Salvation as Divine Pedagogy”

Jonathan Bailes, Boston College:

“Paul’s Doctrine and David’s Script: Augustine on the Meaning and Performance of Justification”

Thomas Clemmons, University of Notre Dame:

“The Context of Augustine’s *De sermone domini in monte*”

Session 65- 11:00am–12:00pm

Plenary Lecture

Location: Grand EF

Chair: Ellen Muehlberger, University of Michigan

**“The *Gospel of Judas*: The Beginning and End
of Sethian Gnosticism”**

David Brakke,

**Joe R. Engle, Chair in the History of Christianity
and Professor of History Ohio State University**

12:00pm-1:30pm, Lunch (on your own)

Tables for conversing will be set up in the Grand Ballroom Foyer

Sessions 66–75: 1:30pm–3:10pm

Session 66

**Christianity and Sophistic Culture in the Second
and Third Centuries II**

Organizer: Jared Secord, University of Chicago

Location: Michigan B

Chair: Gerardo Rodríguez-Galarza, St. Louis University

Janelle Peters, Lake Superior State University:

“1 Clement, Canon, and the Second Sophistic”

Stuart Thomson, Oxford University:

“The Logos in Disorder: Pagan and Christian Miscellany”

Andrew Langford and Matthijs den Dulk, University of Chicago:

“Sophists and Christians in Smyrna: Polemo and the Martyrdom of Polycarp”

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John Aldrup-MacDonald, Duke University:

“Class and Classicism in Gregory of Nazianzus’s 51st *Letter*”

Session 67

Contextualizing Augustine: Interdisciplinary Cross-Sections

Organizer: Matthew W. Knotts, KU Leuven

Location: Roosevelt

Chair: David Hunter, University of Kentucky

Anthony Dupont, KU Leuven:
“The North African Theological Context”

Matthew W. Knotts, KU Leuven:
“The Pride of the Philosophers”

Bart Van Egmond, Theologische Universiteit Kampen:
“How to Cope with the Fear of Death?”

Willemien Otten, University of Chicago:
“Creation in Context: Augustine’s *De Genesi ad litteram* and the Hexaemeron Tradition”

Session 68

Creating Texts

Location: Randolph

Chair: Vasilije Vranic, St. Sava School of Theology

Christopher Johnson, University of North Dakota:
“Fr. Nikon of Karoulia: Inspiration for the English *Philocalia*”

Andrew Blaski, University of Edinburgh:
“The *Philocalia* of Origen: A Crude or Creative Composition?”

James Goehring, University of Mary Washington:
“The Monastery of Apollo at Bala’izah and Its Literary Texts”

Caroline T. Schroeder, University of the Pacific:
“Tagging Shenoute”

Session 69

War, Narrative, and Religion II

Location: Grand EF

Chair: Kyle Smith, University of Toronto

Joel Dowling Soka, Ohio State University:

“Militarized Sanctity: The Development of Military Saints”

Doug Lee, University of Nottingham:

“Human and Divine Agency in War in the *Chronicle* of Pseudo-Joshua the Stylite”

Kristina Sessa, Ohio State University:

“The *Regula S. Benedicti* and the Gothic War”

Susanna Elm, University of California at Berkeley:

Response

Session 70

The Process of Exegesis II

Location: Columbus CD

Chair: Kellen Plaxco, Marquette University

Michael Cameron, University of Portland:

“What’s Going on in Augustine’s Preaching? A Proposed Template for Reading”

Hauna Ondrey, University of St. Andrews:

“‘Moses Spoke of Me’ (John 5:46): Christological Prophecy and the Unity of Scripture in Theodore of Mopsuestia”

David Griffin, University of Virginia:

“Two Testaments, Two Natures: How Theodore of Mopsuestia’s Christology Informs His Exegesis”

Session 71

Soteriological Themes

Location: Columbus EF

Chair: Kathleen McVey, Princeton Theological Seminary

Khaled Anatolios, Boston College:

“Irenaeus on Christ’s Redemptive Suffering”

Amy Skillicorn, Mount de Sales Academy:

“The Body after Death in Paul and Tertullian”

Marvin Lindsay, Union Presbyterian Seminary:

“‘Make Every Effort in the Practice of Religion’: Grace and Free Will in the *Vita Columbani*”

Session 72

Augustine and the Church

Location: Columbus GH

Chair: Jane Merdinger, Independent Scholar

Gregory Lee, Wheaton College:

“Suffering the Two Cities: Sin and Sectarianism in Augustine”

Kimberly Baker, Saint Meinrad School of Theology:

“Christ Spread throughout the World: Augustine’s Sacramental Theology of Church”

Edward Naumann, Catholic University of America:

“*Audientia episcopalis*: A Blessing or a Curse?”

Session 73

Evaluating Physical Deformities, Illness, Suffering, and Death

Organizers: Kristi Upson-Saia, Occidental College,
and Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba

Location: Columbus IJ

Chair: Scott Johnson, Dumbarton Oaks and Georgetown University

Kayla Reish, Wheaton College:

“‘The Lame Run into the Church’: Cyprian and Disabilities”

Peter Anthony Mena, Drew University:

“Suffering Saintliness: The Ailing Body and the Desert Community”

Ellen Muehlberger, University of Michigan:

“Learning to Die: Jacob of Sarug on the Experience of Death”

Session 74:

Motivating Others: Emotion and Impact in Late Ancient Leadership

Location: Columbus KL

Chair: Susan L. Graham, St. Peter’s University

Samantha Miller, Marquette University:

“Entering the Arena: Fear and Courage in Chrysostom’s
Baptismal Instructions”

Pauline Allen, Australian Catholic University and University of Pretoria:

“Impact, Influence, and Identity in the Sermons of Maximus of Turin and Peter Chrysologus”

Christine McCann, Norwich University:

“The Sunny Side: Jerome’s Use of Fear and Encouragement
as a Spiritual Mentor”

Session 75:

Late Antique Ecclesiastical Historiography in Context II

Organizers: Anna Lankina, University of Florida,
and Joseph Reidy, Saint Louis University

Location: Michigan A

Chair: Anna Lankina

Moysés Marcos, University of California Riverside:
“Reflections on the Last Words of the Emperor Julian”

Joseph Reidy, Saint Louis University:
“St. Artemius and the Divergent Historiographical Traditions”

Ashoor Yousif, University of Toronto:
“*The Martyrdom of Cyrus of Harran*: Conversion, Martyrdom, and Christian
Community in the Early ‘Abbasid Period”

History of the North American Patristics Society

The North American Patristic Society was founded on December 29, 1970 at a convention of the American Philological Association in New York City. When the first meeting was held, 75 persons attended and heard a program of three papers. The idea for a Society had begun with a conversation between Michael P. McHugh and Robert D. Sider at a meeting of classicists in April 1969. The founders believed that “more effective teaching and research could be carried out in patristics by bringing into one forum scholars in such varied fields as classical philology, theology, church history and ancient history, and philosophy” (McHugh, 1971). In the year following the first meeting, Louis J. Swift drafted a constitution, which was approved by the members at the next meeting of the APA in 1971 at Cincinnati. The first president, Bruce M. Metzger, was elected for the year 1972. In 1973 the Society was incorporated in the state of Kentucky as a non-profit organization.

Through 1980 the Society met each year in late December in conjunction with the APA. In those same years the Society often held joint sessions with the Medieval Institute in Kalamazoo and with the American Society of Church History in order to expand its presence and seek a suitable home. The beginnings were small. Often only ten or twelve people attended a session. Louis Swift wrote of the early years, “Nobody knew whether we would even survive, let alone flourish.”

William R. Schoedel and Louis Swift, in consultation with Joseph F. Kelly, planned the First Independent Conference for Chicago in May 1981. The initial idea was to meet every two years, and the meetings that took place in 1983 and 1985 were called the Biennial Meeting. The first printed program was produced in 1985 by Robert L. Wilken. J. Patout Burns served as the local coordinator at Loyola University Chicago for these meetings, except in Oxford years. In 2002 the Society officially changed its name to The North American Patristics Society, Inc. The meeting in May 2012 is the twenty-third independent meeting.

The Society’s first publication was the newsletter *Patristics*, first edited by Louis Swift and then successively by Frederick W. Norris, Thomas M. Finn, John J. O’Keefe, and Clayton N. Jefford. Beginning ca. 1980 the newsletter came to include book reviews with Joseph Kelly and then Michael Slusser serving as book review editors.

In 1986 the Society took over the *Patristic Monograph Series*. Twelve volumes in the series had been published by the Philadelphia Patristic Foundation in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Mercer University Press was engaged as publisher

and brought out four volumes between 1988 and 1997. In 1999 The Catholic University of America Press became the publisher of the series. The first editor was Frederick Norris, who was succeeded by Joseph T. Lienhard in 1993 and thereafter by Philip Rousseau in 2002. From 2008 to 2011 David Hunter was interim editor. In 2011 Christopher Beeley was appointed editor of the series.

In 1993 the Society began the publication of a journal entitled *The Journal of Early Christian Studies*, edited by Everett Ferguson and Elizabeth Clark. From 1981 to 1992, Ferguson had edited nine volumes of an independent journal called *The Second Century: A Journal of Early Christian Studies*, which became the foundation of the new JECS. The book review functions of the *Patristics* newsletter were incorporated into the journal and were first edited by Michael Slusser and L. Michael White. Subsequently, Louis Swift of the University of Kentucky edited book reviews, and in 2008 this task was assumed by Richard Layton of the University of Illinois. Ultimately, Patout Burns replaced Ferguson as co-editor of JECS. Burns himself was succeeded in 2004 by David Brakke, who became sole editor in 2005. The JECS currently has a circulation of around 1500.

In 1997 John O'Keefe created a web page for the organization, which may now be found at www.patristics.org. In 2006 NAPS moved the site of its annual meeting from Loyola University in Chicago to the Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza. In the same year the society instituted its Distinguished Service Award," which was first presented to Elizabeth A. Clark and subsequently in 2008 to Everett Ferguson.

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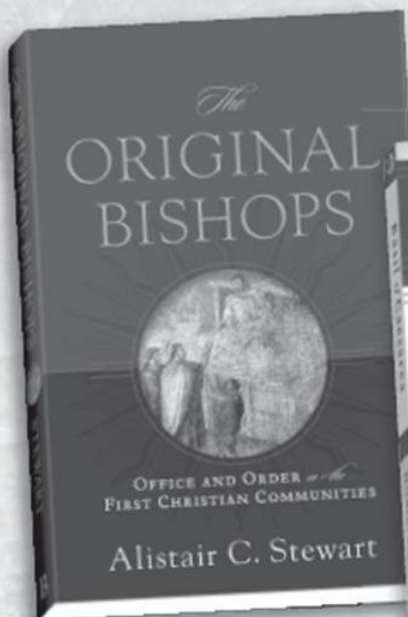
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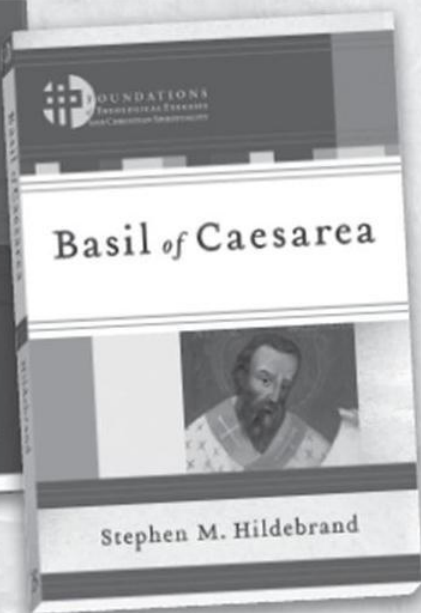
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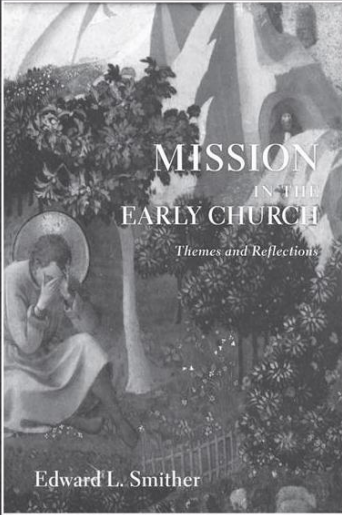
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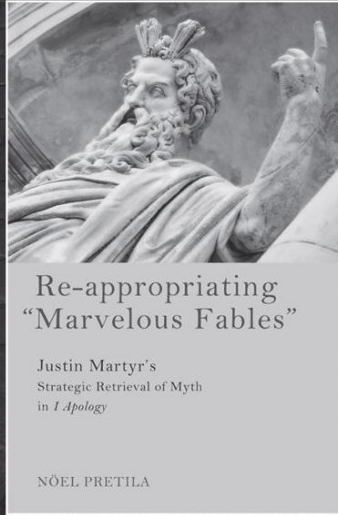
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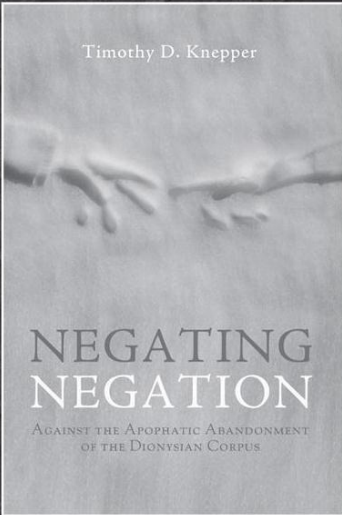
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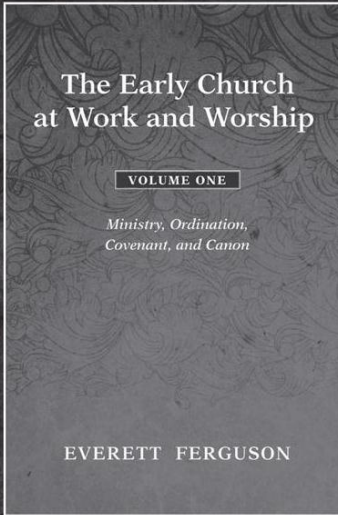
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