

LTRGY 813: Eucharist

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Thursdays 6:30-9:30 pm Chicago time/Fridays 9:30 am South Korean time

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Course Purpose and Objectives

This course will explore the historical development of Eucharistic liturgies, Eastern and Western, Catholic and Protestant, up to the present time, and simultaneously trace the historical development of various theologies of the Eucharist for their impact on Eucharistic rites and communion practices from the first century to the present time. We will attend to issues of liturgical methodology in the study of liturgy and become acquainted with essential primary sources in the history of Christian liturgy.

Course Methodology

This course will be conducted as a seminar in which the participation of everyone is expected in terms of class presentations and discussion. The professor's role is to preside over the class, make assignments, guide the discussion and each student's research, and fill in the gaps as necessary in class presentations to achieve a holistic understanding of the Eucharistic tradition.

Assignments

1. *Readings.* Complete reading assignments prior to the class for which they are assigned. Some of the reading assignments will be texts to be discussed in class.
2. *Presentations.* Each student will be responsible for preparing and presenting nine papers at class session from the options specified during the course. One will be a report on the communion practices of your own denomination/congregation in the next to last class session. Each oral presentation will be accompanied by a written paper with references and a bibliography of the resources consulted. The seminar paper should be distributed electronically to the participants before the oral presentation. Papers should be limited to 5-6 pages.
3. *Reviews.* Each student will write a critical review of one book on the bibliography of books to be reviewed. The review should be 750-1000 words in length. It is due on the last class session, May 11, with copies to everyone in the class. One way to think of these papers is as book reviews for an academic journal. Guidance for these reviews can be found at the following website: [Writing Book Reviews](#). Note especially the section under "Writing the Review" as it provides a template for these reviews. A .pdf version of this document is also available on Moodle.

4. There will be ten class presentations with written report, each counting 10% of the course grade. By the second session students should be prepared to choose which topic in each option they will present. Negotiations may be necessary.
5. This syllabus will be revised according to the number of students in the course.

Bibliography

Texts to be read by all

- Paul Bradshaw and Maxwell Johnson, *The Eucharistic Liturgies: Their Evolution and Interpretation* (Collegeville: Pueblo / Liturgical Press, 2012) ISBN 9780814662403. \$39.95
- R.C.D. Jasper and G.J. Cuming, *Prayers of the Eucharist: Early and Reformed*, 3rd ed. (Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 1992) ISBN 0814660851. \$24.95
- Henri de Lubac, *Corpus Mysticum: The Church and the Eucharist in the Middle Ages* (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame, 2006) 9780268025939. \$35.00
- Luther's Works*, American Edition, Vol. 36. Word and Sacrament II. Ed. Abdel Ross Wentz. Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1959. ISBN 0-8006-0334-2. \$24.75
- Frank C. Senn, *Christian Liturgy: Catholic and Evangelical* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1997) ISBN 0-8086-2726-1. \$42.98. (See class schedule for pp. to be read)

Helpful additional reading for research on class topics

- Baldovin, John F., SJ. *Worship: City, Church, and Renewal*. Washington, DC: Pastoral Press, 1991. ISBN: 0-9124054-78-3
- Bradshaw, Paul F. *The Search for the Origins of Christian Worship: Sources and Methods for the Study of Early Liturgy*, Second Edition. Oxford and New York: oxford University Press, 2002. ISBN: 0-19-521732-2
- Bradshaw, Paul F., Maxwell E. Johnson, L. Edward Phillips. *The Apostolic Tradition: A Commentary*. Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 2002.
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- Chan, Simon. *Liturgical Theology: The Church as Worshiping Community*. Downers Grove, IL: IVP Academic, 2006.
- Dix, Gregory. *The Shape of the Liturgy*, new ed. Minneapolis: Seabury Press, 1983). If you've never read this classic, this is your chance.
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- Kilmartin, Edward J., SJ. *The Eucharist in the West: History and Theology*. Ed. by Robert J. Daly, SJ. Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 1998. ISBN 0-8146-6172-6
- Lathrop, Gordon. *Holy People: A Liturgical Ecclesiology*. Minneapolis: Fortress, 1999.
- Lim, Swee Hong and Lester Ruth. *Lovin' On Jesus: A Concise History of Contemporary Worship*. Nashville: Abingdon, 2017. ISBN: 978-1-4267-9513-8.
- McGowan, Andrew. "Is There a Liturgical Text in this Gospel?: The Institution Narratives and Their Early Interpretive Communities," *Journal of Biblical Literature*, 118.1 (Spring 1999) 73-87.
- Mitchell, Nathan, OSB. *Cult and Controversy: The Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass*. New York: Pueblo Publishing Company, 1982. ISBN 0-916134-50-4
- Niederwimmer, Kurt. *The Didache: A Commentary*. Translated by Linda M. Maloney. Minneapolis: Fortress 1998.
- Old, Hughes Oliphant. *Worship Reformed according to Scripture*. Louisville: Westminster/John Knox, 2002.
- Palazzo, Eric. *A History of Liturgical Books: From the Beginning to the Thirteenth Century*. Translated by Madeleine Beaumont. Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, A Pueblo Book, 1998.
- Rattenbury, J. Ernst. *The Eucharistic Hymns of John and Charles Wesley*. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2014.
- Serra, Dominic, "The Roman Canon: The Theological Significance of its Structure and Syntax" in Thomas J. Fisch, ed., *Primary Readings on the Eucharist* (Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 2004) 129-156.
- Senn, Frank C. Editor. *New Eucharistic Prayers: An Ecumenical Study of their Development and Structure*. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2006. ISBN: 9781597525664
- _____. *The Witness of the Worshiping Community: Liturgy and the Practice of Evangelism*. New York/Mahwah: Paulist Press, 1993. ISBN: 0-8091-3368-7
- _____. Editor. *Protestant Spiritual Traditions*, Vol. 1. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2020. Essays on Lutheran, Reformed, Anabaptist, Anglican, Puritan, Pietist, Methodist Spirituality. ISBN: 978-1-7252-5484-8
- _____. Editor, *Protestant Spiritual Traditions*, Volume 2. Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2020. Essays on Baptist, Quaker, Evangelical, Pentecostal, East Asian, Body Spirituality.
- Spinks, Bryan, "Evaluating Liturgical Continuity and Change at the Reformation," in *Continuity and Change in Christian Worship* (Woodbridge, England: 1999): 151-171.
- _____, "The origins of the antipathy of set liturgical forms in the English-speaking Reformed Tradition" in Lukas Vischer, ed., 66-82. *Christian Worship in Reformed Churches Past and Present*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2003.
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- Thurian, Max and Geoffrey Wainwright, eds., *Baptism and Eucharist: Ecumenical Convergence in Celebration*. Geneva: World Council of Churches, 1983.
- Tillard, J.-M.-R. *Flesh of the Church, Flesh of Christ: At the Source of the Ecclesiology of Communion*. Translated by Madeleine Beaumont. Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, A Pueblo Book, 2001. ISBN; 0-8146-6181-5

- Webber, Robert E. *Ancient-Future Worship: Proclaiming and Enacting God's Narrative*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2008.
- White, James F. *Protestant Worship: Traditions in Transition*. Louisville: Westminster/John Knox, 1989.

Options for Book Review

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- William T. Cavanaugh. *Torture and Eucharist: Theology, Politics, and the Body of Christ*. Madden, MA: Blackwell, 2000.
- Xavier Leon-Dufour, SJ. *Sharing the Eucharistic Bread: The Witness of the New Testament*. Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 1987. ISBN 0809128659.
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- David Power. *The Eucharistic Mystery: Revitalizing the Tradition*. New York: Crossroad, 1992.
- Miri Rubin. *Corpus Christi. The Eucharist in Late Medieval Culture*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 1991. ISBN 0-521-43805-5.
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- Bryan D. Spinks. *Do This in Remembrance of Me: The Eucharist from the Early Church to the Present Day*. London: SCM Press, 2013. Really expensive, even on Kindle.
- Alexander Schmemmann. *The Eucharist: Sacrament of the Kingdom*. Translated by Paul Kachur. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1987. ISBN 0-88141-018-7. An exemplary exercise in liturgical theology.
- Lee Palmer Wandel. *The Eucharist in the Reformation: Incarnation and Liturgy*. New York: Cambridge, 2006. 9780521673129.

Class Sessions and Agendas

First Class Session February 4/5: Scriptural Traditions

Sacrifices
 Symposium Banquets
 Phenomenology of the Eucharistic Elements

Readings:

Bradshaw and Johnson, chap.1-2
 Jasper and Cuming, chaps. 1-4
 Senn, chap. 1, 3 (pp. 53—61)

These should be read before the first class session.

Please bring a Bible to class

Second Class Session February 11/12: Ancient Church Orders, Catecheses

Readings:

Bradshaw and Johnson, chaps. 3-4
 Jasper and Cuming, chaps. 5-7, 13, 11, 17-19

McGowan, "Is there a liturgical text"
Senn, chaps. 3 (pp. 61—108), 4 (pp. 109—114)

Paper Options 1:

Didache: Origin and Contents
The Apostolic Tradition: Origin and Contents
Mystagogic Catecheses: What Are They? What is their value to liturgical order and sacramental theology?

Third Class Session February 18/19: Jerusalem Liturgy; Occasions for Communion

Egeria's Diary
Eucharist as Goal of Initiation
Pilgrimage Rites
Public Penance
Refrigeria

Readings:

Senn, pp. 146—178.

Fourth Class Session February 25/26: Eastern Families of Rites

Readings:

Bradshaw and Johnson, chap. 5
Jasper and Cuming, chaps. 6-10, 12, 14-16
Senn, pp. 115—136.

Paper Options 2:

East Syrian Anaphoras
West Syrian Anaphoras
Egyptian Anaphoras

Fifth Class Session March 4/5: Western Families of Rites

Readings:

Bradshaw and Johnson, chap. 6
Jasper and Cuming, chaps. 19-24
Senn, pp. 136—146, chap. 5

Paper Options 3:

The Gallican-Mozarabic Rites
Roman Sacramentaries: Mass Prayers and the Roman Canon
Ordines Romani: Communion in Ordo I

Sixth Class Session March 11/12: Medieval Western Eucharistic Faith and Practice

Brilioth, *Eucharistic Faith and Practice*
The Dogma of Transubstantiation
Communion Outside of the Mass
Corpus Christi Festival
Votive Masses
Discussion of Lubac *Corpus Mysticum*

Readings:

De Lubac
Senn, chap. 6-7
Serra, "The Roman Canon"

Seventh Class Session March 18/19: Luther's Reformation

Luther, *The Babylonian Captivity of the Church*
Luther's Latin and German Masses
Lutheran Church Orders

Readings:

Bradshaw and Johnson, chap. 7
Jasper and Cumings, chap. 26
Senn, chap. 8

Eighth Class Session March 25/26: Reformed Traditions: Zwingli, Bucer, Calvin

Readings:

Jasper and Cuming, chaps. 25, 28, 29
Old, *Worship: Reformed according to Scripture*, chap. 7.
Senn, chaps. 9, 11

Paper Topics 4:

Zwingli's Eucharistic liturgy and theology
Eucharistic liturgy and communion practices in Strassburg under Bucer
Calvin's communion services in Strasbourg and Geneva

NO CLASS APRIL 1/2. Spring Break (Holy Week)

Ninth Class Session April 8/9: Anglican, Presbyterian, Methodist Traditions

Readings:

Buchanan, *What Did Cranmer Think He Was Doing?*
Jasper and Cuming, chaps. 30-36, 38, 40, 42
Rattenbury, *The Eucharistic Hymns of John and Charles Wesley*.
Senn, chaps. 14-15
Thompson, *Liturgies of the Western Church*, chaps. XI, XIII

Paper Options 5:

Compare and contrast the Eucharistic prayers in the First and Second Books of
Common Prayer
Presbyterian Eucharist from Knox Through the Westminster Directory
Describe John and Charles Wesley's Eucharistic liturgy and hymns

Tenth Class Session April 15/16: Liturgical Renewal, Ecumenical Convergence

Readings:

Bradshaw and Johnson, chap. 8
Senn, chaps. 16-18

Paper Options 6:

Describe the background of modern liturgical movements in the 19th Century
Restorations
Describe the Liturgical Movement of the 20th centuries

Describe the ecumenical liturgical consensus that emerged after the Second Vatican Council (Order, Calendar, Lectionary, Roles in the Assembly)

Eleventh Class Session April 22/23: Eucharist in Evangelical/Pentecostal/Contemporary Worship Settings

Readings:

See essays by Nettleton (Baptist), Johnson and Gosselin (Evangelical), and Au (Pentecostal) in Senn, *Protestant Spiritual Traditions*, Vol. 2
Chan, *Liturgical Theology*, Eucharist passim (check index)
Lim and Ruth, *Lovin' on Jesus*, chap. 8
Webber, *Ancient-Future Worship*, chap. 7

Paper Options 7:

Describe Eucharistic faith and practice in Evangelical churches?
Describe Eucharistic faith and practice among Pentecostals
What role does Holy Communion play in contemporary worship?

Twelfth Class Session April 29/30: Eucharist and Ministry/Mission

Readings:

Baldovin, *City, Church and Renewal*, "Eucharist and Ministry"
Lathrop, *Holy People*, chap. 8
Senn, *Eucharistic Body*, chap. 8.
On the "Open Table" debate see
<http://www.anglicantheologicalreview.org/conversations/the-open-table/>
On the "Virtual Communion" debate see
See articles by Senn, Johnson, Williamson, Hinlicky in <http://mcsletstalk.org/>

Paper Options 8:

Issues of Eucharistic Presidency: Who Presides? What are the ecumenical ramifications? Ordination of Women
Issues revolving around inclusion/exclusion from the Table: Eucharist as part of Christian initiation
Ways in which Communion has been offered during the COVID-19 pandemic with critique

Twelfth Class Session May 6/7: Current Practices in Your Churches

Paper 9. Student will present a report on current Eucharistic practices in their denomination/congregation with critical assessment in the light of Eucharistic history and theology.

May 13/14: Book Reviews due. To be circulated to class members.