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Letter from SCE President, Cathleen Kaveny....

Welcome to Chicago! The annual meeting of the SCE always provides an opportunity for catching up with old friends and for making new ones, for pursuing questions of longstanding importance and opening discussions about new and urgent topics. This year will be no exception.

A special welcome to new and recent members! The SCE has always been a place where ethicists at all stages of their careers and who work in a wide variety of institutional settings can meet and talk together informally. Don't hesitate to introduce yourselves to one another! I would like to ask every seasoned member of the SCE to reach out to at least one or two new members and help make them welcome. The SCE should take pride in being a place to make friends and colleagues across our confessional, institutional, and geographical differences.

The thematic emphasis this year is "Law and Christian Ethics." The program committee has successfully performed the difficult task of selecting from a large number of excellent proposals in order to put together a very engaging program. Our plenary speakers and their respondents will help us consider two very important and timely matters: the Hon. Martin O'Malley will address the challenges of political leadership in our own religiously pluralistic society, while Professor Mary Ellen O'Connell will consider whether there can be humanitarian justifications for violating the international law of war. The papers in the concurrent sessions not only consider other important contemporary issues at the intersection of law, religion, and ethics, but also delve deeply into historical sources and questions. And of course, the papers selected from outside the thematic emphasis and the papers offered by the program of SJE and SSME will surely prompt other interesting conversations.

Thank you for coming! I hope the 2015 conference is stimulating and enjoyable for all SCE members and their guests.

All the best,

Cathleen Kaveny
SCE President
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Letter from SJE President, Jonathan K. Crane....

Dear SJE Members and Friends,

I am thrilled to welcome you to the 2015 meeting of the Society of Jewish Ethics. Our program kicks off with a bioethics program with Dr. Erin Bakanas, chair of the St. Louis University Hospital Ethics Committee, who will discuss medical business ethics. The rest of our conference includes in-depth presentations on reproductive ethics, ethics consultation, bioethical research protocols, human rights and human dignity, and a panel on recent advancements in Jewish food ethics. Leading into Shabbat lunch, a joint SJE-SCE panel will investigate the possibilities of re-imagining covenantal conceptions of law in Jewish and Christian thought. Other SJE sessions explore fin de siècle moralizing representations of intermarriage, the violence of Meir Kahane, Jewish labor ethics, and the ethics of wealth and poverty. Such presentations are sure to stimulate challenging and insightful conversations.

Starting at this 2015 conference, an attending graduate student will be the recipient of the Adrienne Asch Memorial Fellowship. This fellowship honors Adrienne’s passion for ensuring that ethical conversations are open to all who are interested.

We will celebrate Shabbat together through informal optional services both Friday evening and Saturday morning, and at Shabbat dinner and lunch. Please come to these, as much socializing, networking, and singing happens at them.

Perhaps most exciting is the launch of the Journal of Jewish Ethics. All SJE participants will receive the first edition at this conference. The only non-denominational scholarly journal devoted to the field, the Journal of Jewish Ethics publishes outstanding scholarship in Jewish ethics, broadly conceived. Published biannually, it serves as a location for the exchange of ideas among those interested in understanding, articulating, and promoting descriptive and normative Jewish ethics.

Please also join us Sunday morning for the SJE business meeting. We will discuss the operations of this organization, brainstorm future directions, and welcome ideas for the 2016 conference that will be in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Welcome and I look forward to speaking with you.

Sincerely,

Jonathan K. Crane
SJE President
6th Annual Meeting of

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Dear SSME Members and Friends,

I am delighted to welcome you to the sixth annual meeting of the SSME. We are fortunate to have the chance to come together in a committed, intimate scholarly community to discuss our work in the study of religious ethics. Our small size gives us the advantage of sustained connection and conversation over the course of the weekend both during and outside of formal sessions.

Our sessions this year offer compelling presentations, from the textual to the lived, from the classical to the modern, from India and Arabia to America. We host a comparative panel and one tackling crucial issues of pedagogy. I hope you will join us for lively conversations at these panels as well as our informal SSME dinner on Saturday night. I also hope you will attend my Sunday talk on "Studying Islam, Studying Ethics" – my hope is that my remarks will be followed by a vigorous and vibrant discussion of the work we are all engaged in, and how we can best move forward as a scholarly community.

Sincerely,

Kecia Ali
SSME President
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January 7-10, 2016
Fairmont Royal York
Toronto, Canada

2017
January 5-8, 2017
Marriott
New Orleans, Louisiana

2018
January 4-7, 2018
Doubletree
Portland, Oregon

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The Society of Christian Ethics, the Society of Jewish Ethics, and the Society for the Study of Muslim Ethics are meeting concurrently. Sessions offered by SJE and SSME are listed at the end of each concurrent session.
The Lifetime Achievement Award of the Society of Christian Ethics is given to recognize one member, typically once a year, for creative and lasting contributions to the field of Christian ethics. The award recognizes outstanding, sustained, and substantive contributions of the recipient that have advanced the field of Christian ethics, taking into consideration the following factors: the quality and quantity of the recipient's publications, scholarship that defines the issues Christian ethicists must address, influence within the field of Christian ethics as manifested in the work of the recipient's students, and influence of the recipient's scholarship in promoting the importance and relevance of Christian ethics for audiences beyond the discipline itself and beyond the academy.

The Society of Christian Ethics is happy to announce Peter J. Paris, who served as the 1991 President of the Society, as this year's recipient of the award. Peter Paris is a world renowned scholar, honored most recently by a Festschrift, Ethics That Matters: African, Caribbean, and African American Sources. Indeed, he is known for his teaching and research in "ethics that matters" and for his exemplary leadership across several professional bodies, including the American Theological Society, the Society for the Study of Black Religion, and the American Academy of Religion. Paris has authored/edited six books and numerous articles that explore such key themes in Christian ethics as ethical formation; preaching and social justice; globalization; public theology; Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy; and the interaction of race, gender, and religion. For his many contributions to the field of ethics, the Society is proud to present him with The Lifetime Achievement Award.
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    Ethnographically-Informed Jewish Ethics"
  • Deborah (Galaski) Barer: "The Case Is Not Its Outcome: Moral Reasoning, Institutional Memory
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  • Alyssa Henning: "Toward a Jewish Research Ethic: Job and Compensation for Injured Research Subjects"
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7:30-9:30pm  Wesleyan/Methodist Ethicists
"Online Communion: Theological and Ecclesial Considerations"
Presenters:  Jim Caccamo, Saint Joseph's University
            Brent Laytham, St. Mary's Seminary and University
            Within this presentation, we will hear an update about the Commission on Faith and Order of the UMC, which has convened a task group focused on this issue at the request of the Council of Bishops. One goal of our conversation might be to map out the theoethical issues involved in considering online communion, for the purpose of guiding denominational decision-making bodies.

8:00-9:30pm  SCE Preconference: "Introducing Christian Ethics: Is There a Canon?"  State - 4th
Panelists:  M.T. Davila, Andover Newton Theological School
           Lisa Fullam, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley
           Eric Gregory, Princeton University
           Melanie Harris, Texas Christian University
           William Mattison III, Catholic University of America
           This panel is a presidential initiative following up on the report issued by the Committee on 2020--Future of Christian Ethics. It means to foster a conversation on the diverse ways in which the field of "Christian ethics" understands itself, as represented in a diverse set of "introduction to Christian ethics" courses. Selected syllabi for introductory courses will be shared before the conference on line. The panelists--from diverse institutional affiliations, denominational affiliations, methodological and theological approaches, and institutions of graduate training--will reflect on what insights about divergent conceptions of the field can be learned in this way, in the hope of coming to greater clarity about differing visions of what the field of Christian ethics is, and what it should be.
            Convener:  Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia

8:00-10:00pm  Presbyterian Ethicists  Offsite
Friday

7:00am-6:00pm  Conference Desk Open  
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7:45am-8:45am  Exploratory Breakfast Meeting to Discuss the Possible Formation of an Animal Ethics Interest Group
All are welcome (SCE/SJE/SSME). Meet at the Corner Bakery (35 E. Monroe) in the private conference room. For more information, contact Grace Kao (gkao@cst.edu) or Charles Camosy (camosy@fordham.edu)

8:00am-7:15pm  Exhibits Open  
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Marshfield - 3rd

9:00am-10:30am  SCE Plenary  
Grand Ballroom - 4th
Martin O'Malley, Governor of Maryland
"The Challenges of Political Leadership in a Religiously Pluralistic Society"
Respondents:  Jonathan K. Crane, Emory University
Sohail Hashmi, Mount Holyoke College
Sondra Wheeler, Wesley Theological Seminary
Convener:  William Werpehowski, Georgetown University

10:30am-11:00am  Break  
Exhibit Hall - 4th

11am-12:30pm  Concurrent Session I
Ilsoo Ahn, North Park University  
Salon 5/8 - 3rd
"Proclaiming the Jubilee Year for Undocumented Migrants: Anti-Immigration Biopolitics and a Christian Theological Resistance"
The purpose of this paper presentation is to respond to this unfortunate political and legal devolvement to militarize our borders as well as to criminalize undocumented migrants with a new theological appropriation of the concept of "jubilee." The concept of jubilee enables us to recognize a key theological insight that no humans should be kept under permanent indebted, enslaved, or illegal status. Based on this theological awareness, I am arguing in the paper that the Christian church should participate more proactively in the political process not only to decriminalize undocumented migrants, but also to offer a political forgiveness to many undocumented workers who have stayed in the U.S. for a long time.
Convener:  Hoon Choi, Bellarmine University

Barbara Hilkert Andolsen, Fordham University  
Salon 4/9 - 3rd
"Backtracking on Dignitatis Humanae? Religious Freedom, Conscience and Church-State Relations in Catholic Bishops' Response to the Contraceptive Mandate"
There are implicit inconsistencies between the U.S. Catholic bishops' position towards the federal contraception mandate and the theological anthropology from the documents of Vatican II, particularly Dignitatis Humanae. Gone is an acknowledgement that the church can learn moral wisdom from society. Ignored is the Vatican II theological anthropology which holds conscience in high regard. Instead there is a vision of lay Catholics learning unshakable moral Truth from the bishops and, in light of this Truth, avoiding even a remote complicity with contraceptive use.
This paper concentrates on religious freedom as a concept in Catholic ethics, not religious freedom as a constitutional law concept.
Convener:  Jan Jans, Tilburg University
A Violation of Conscience? Religious Liberty, Freedom of Conscience, and the Affordable Care Act

Freedom of conscience and religious liberty are central in debates over the Affordable Care Act's contraception mandate. Theologians and legal experts have observed problems with appeals to religious liberty in this matter, but few have suggested what is problematic about conscience. Equating freedom of conscience with religious liberty stunts the moral labor and formation of conscience. I distinguish freedom of conscience from religious liberty, argue that freedom of conscience is not owned by one side of the debate, suggest that appeals to conscience should not be reduced to justification for non-interference, and question whether one can violate another's conscience.

Convener: David Craig, Indiana University

The Return of Neo-Scholasticism?: Recent Criticisms of Henri de Lubac on Nature and Grace and their Significance for Moral Theology, Politics, and Law

Henri de Lubac's treatment of the relationship between nature and grace helped the Catholic Church to move beyond the antagonisms that had defined its relationship with the modern nation-state. In critiquing de Lubac, some recent scholarship has presented an ahistorical reading of Aquinas that is remarkably similar to the problems associated with the Neo-Scholastic method. These approaches overlook theological reasons for recognizing the legitimate autonomy of political and legal authorities. Dr. Bushlack proposes an alternative correction to de Lubac that both maintains a distinction between nature and grace and upholds the human goods sought by late modern political and legal institutions.

Convener: David M. Lantigua, The Catholic University of America

Scandal: Should We Call Olivia Pope or Pope Francis?

Political corruption, sexual infidelity, and hidden crimes abound as Scandal's Olivia Pope "fixes" public outrage. Alternatively, Pope Francis calls poverty, human trafficking, and homelessness scandal. What does it mean to call something scandal? This paper will include three elements. It examines the use of scandal and public outrage in contemporary culture. Second, it will offer a theological recovery of scandal as a category to examine how social injustice and sin impedes our relationship with God and neighbor. Finally, it suggests instead of managing scandal, we need to focus and foster this public outrage into sustained action to dismantle social sin.

Convener: Stephen Pope, Boston College

Granite Countertops or Good Schools? Poverty, Luxury, and the Ethics of Affordable Housing

While the costs of food and clothing have dropped over time, housing costs remain high, presenting difficulties for poor and middle-class households alike. Affordable housing is a moral problem itself, and also sheds light on broader questions of Christian economic ethics: it demands analysis of the relationships between technical economics and moral judgment, personal choices and social structures, and cultural standards and the Gospel. A solution requires two critical elements: a critique of luxury and an ability to develop local coalitions where economic actors are able to work together. Christian churches are well-equipped to provide both elements.

Convener: Howard Pickett, Washington and Lee University

Just War and the Impermissibility of Torture

Against Darrell Cole’s defense of torture on just war grounds, I argue that just war theory prohibits torture due to its status as assaulting those who, as no longer attacking, are themselves no longer subject to attack. I further show how torture differs from even gruesome just war killing, analyze its wrongness in terms of its context, object, and proximate end, and address "ticking time bomb" objections. Concluding, I suggest that Cole's argument resembles the way "presumption against violence" just warriors understand and justify killing. Such connections raise questions about the consequences of those versions of just war theory.

Convener: Mara Kelly-Zukowski, Felician College
Paul J. Scherz, Catholic University of America

"The Legal Suppression of Scientific Data and the Christian Virtue of Parrhesia"

Powerful interest groups have responded to evidence of environmental or health risks by manufacturing doubt through attacks on scientists. The current legal standard for the admissibility of scientific evidence in court helps to enable such responses. Scientists need the courage to speak the truth despite risk, which Michel Foucault investigated as the ancient virtue of parrhesia. Parrhesia is also a Christian virtue shown in the willingness to witness to truth in the face of risk because of confidence in God. I argue that Christianity can form individuals in parrhesia in a way that supports dedication to scientific truth.

Convener: Wyndy Corbin Reuschling, Ashland Theological Seminary

Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University Divinity School

"Pretty [Invisible] Women: Black Women’s Labor Exploitation in the Black Church"

Sexism in the Black Church can no longer be ignored. Black women are too often barred from primary leadership roles in the church based on a superficial presumption of their moral inferiority. Yet Black women’s labor disproportionately produces the church’s capital and its goods. This paper will debunk the myth that caricatures black women as the “backbone” of the Black Church. It will construct a womanist critique of black women’s labor and sacred economy that contends that sexism in the black church is an abusive exercise that contributes to the moral and economic impoverishment of black women and the afro-ecclesia.

Convener: Kate Ward, Boston College

Christian Ethics In Historical Context Interest Group

"Back to Barth and Beyond: The Problems and Prospects of Postliberalism in Contemporary Jewish and Christian Thought"

Panelists: Randi Rashkover (SJE), George Mason University
Jonathan Tran (SCE), Baylor University
Derek Woodard-Lehman (SCE & SJE), Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

This panel takes up recent philosophical reassessments of German Idealism in conversation with concurrent theological reassessments of Karl Barth. Drawing on both, it assesses the problems and prospects of contemporary Postliberalism. The first paper focuses on the "Barthian jam" Jewish Postliberals inherit, suggesting Kantian and Hegelian resources for its relief. The second focuses on Christian Postliberalism, identifying overlooked Kantian and Hegelian resources in Barth himself. The third employs these resources, presenting a revised rendition of theological speech mindful of its roots in the ordinary language of Jews and Christians. Together, they commend a renewed Postliberalism that locates objective normativity in the intersubjective relationships at work in human reception of, and reflection on, revelation.

Conveners: Jesse Couenhoven, Villanova University
Jim Swan-Tuite, Oberlin College

Ethics and Political Economy Interest Group

"Encouraging Asset-Building in Poor Communities: The Role of Law, Non-Profits, and Religious Organizations"

Presenters: James P. Bailey, Duquesne University
Keri Day, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University

This interest group meeting will explore the claim that a robust, effective and morally adequate response to poverty must go beyond traditional income enhancement strategies to include complementary efforts aimed at enabling savings and asset building. We will examine the role that assets play in helping to move persons out of poverty while also looking at the role public policies, nonprofits, and religious organizations can play in helping those with low incomes to save and accumulate assets.

Convener: Julie Hanlon Rubio, St. Louis University
SJE:  
Michal Raucher, University of Cincinnati  
"Reproductive Ethics among Haredi Women in Jerusalem: Steps towards Ethnographically-Informed Jewish Ethics"

This paper suggests that ethnography contributes something lacking in Jewish ethics. An ethnographically informed ethical discourse appreciates that individuals do not apply ethical norms or religious doctrine in a strict fashion but rather that morals, ethics and the embodied process of self-formation dynamically contribute to ethics. Drawing on two years of ethnographic data I collected with Haredi (ultra-Orthodox) women in Jerusalem, I argue that theirs is a reproductive ethic built on autonomy—in particular the autonomy that comes from rejecting rabbinic incursion into their pregnancies. Building on the work of Flyvberg (2001), Scharen and Vigen (2011) and Kleinman (1995), this paper demonstrates how ethnography can be among the methods of Jewish moral discourse.

Deborah (Galaski) Barer, University of Virginia  
"The Case Is Not Its Outcome: Moral Reasoning, Institutional Memory and the Role of the Ethics Consult Service"

While the role of the Ethics Consult Service (ECS) varies somewhat between institutions, its primary purpose is to help medical practitioners navigate ethical issues raised by a specific case. This paper explores how the ECS at the University of Virginia facilitates moral reasoning by preserving not only the outcome of past cases, but also by remembering the process of reasoning that surrounded them. Through a structural comparison of the case-based reasoning used by the ECS to that of Talmudic argumentation, this paper highlights the institutional role of the ECS as a living repository of moral and medical knowledge.

Convener: Aana Vigen, Loyola University Chicago

SSME:  
Danielle Widman Abraham, James Madison University  
"The Ethics of Culture: Muslim Social Development in India"

Justine Howe, Case Western Reserve University  
"Islam is more than Halal and Haram: Fiqh as Lived Religion among American Muslims"

This paper explores transformations of fiqh in the everyday lives of American Muslims. I argue that despite the conventional definition of fiqh as Islamic jurisprudence, some American Muslims understand the term to encompass a flexible ethical framework essential for daily, individual ethical negotiations. Focusing on everyday efforts to delineate the boundaries of haram and halal practices, I explore how this group of parents deploys a dual understanding of pluralism (as an ideal rooted in American religious difference and a core value of pre-modern Islamic scholarship) to deploy fiqh as a malleable set of guidelines that enables them to live out their vision of American Islam in their daily lives.

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University  
"Against the Law: A Theology of Malcolm X"

This paper articulates a theology of protest based upon a theological figuration of Malcolm X. Prophethood figures as one of the central concerns of classical Islamic theology. In the interest of enriching the modern Muslim theological discourse, the notions of “prophetic experience” and tajdid (“renewal”) are reexamined within the Muslim American context. The paper argues that Malcolm X's protest against the failed/failing rule of law can serve as an ethical compass for modern Muslim theology. The theology that is developed is built upon Malcolm X's speeches, writings, and autobiography as well as the figurations of him imagined by other scholars.

Convener: Brannon Ingram, Northwestern University

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Brett McCarty, Duke University Divinity School |
| 12:45-2pm    | **Junior Faculty Caucus** (Pre-registration needed for lunch.) | Cresthill - 3rd | Elise Edwards, Baylor University  
Eli McCarthy, Georgetown University |
| 12:45-2pm    | **Contingent Faculty Caucus**               |                | Moved to Saturday, same time                                               |
| 2:00-3:30pm  | **Concurrent Session II**                  |                |                                                                            |

**Joe Blosser, High Point University**  
"More than Free Markets: Adam Smith and the Virtue of Responsibility"

In recent years scholars have increasingly emphasized the reliance of Adam Smith's moral theory on the virtues. This paper argues that Smith's account of the virtues differs from most virtue theories because his must be read through the construct of his impartial spectator. Smith's spectator bears a Levinasian "trace" of the transcendent and employs what Amartya Sen calls an "open impartiality," which is not bound to any social group. As the paper explores how Smith deploys the virtues, it shows that his deeper concern is not with the virtues but with how people respond to the market, their neighbors, and structure of the world.

Convener: Gloria Albrecht, University of Detroit Mercy

**William P. George, Dominican University**  
"Neither Apology nor Utopia: A Lonerganian Approach to International Law"

In From Apology to Utopia, Martti Koskenniemi exposed the manner in which international lawyers are doomed to vacillate between state interest-driven politics and utopian visions of a universally binding law. While Christian writers such as Maritain, Reinhold Niebuhr, and Gutiérrez have provided ways to address this problem, here I turn to Bernard Lonergan in search of a more adequate response. Key insights from Lonergan regarding intentionality, emergent probability, and religious/interreligious consciousness (exemplified especially in the work of C.G. Weeramantry, former Vice-President of the World Court) show that religiously-grounded ethical discourse can help meet the challenges of international law today.

Convener: Judith Merkle, Niagara University

**David P. Gushee, Mercer University**  
"Reconciling Evangelical Christianity with Our Sexual Minorities: Reframing the Biblical Discussion"

Most evangelical Christians have understood their faith, rooted in a high view of scripture, to be irreconcilable with "homosexuality." While many sectors of the church have reconsidered this issue in recent decades, evangelicals have resisted. However, a number of important new books, popular and scholarly, have been written by evangelicals, both LGBTQ and straight, that are transforming the landscape. This paper assesses the current literature, outlines my own normative proposal, and then offers reflections on lessons to be learned for Christian ethics from the way historic change is happening, and being resisted, in this part of the Christian community.

Convener: Peng Yin, Harvard University

**Joan Henriksen Hellyer, Mayo Clinic**  
"Conflicts of Conscience and Moral Distress in Healthcare: Law, Policy and Lived Experience"

Policies that dictate institutional responses to healthcare provider claims of conscientious objection do best to strike a balance between the interests of the individual employee and the institution. Using original empirical data, this study argues for a reconsideration of conflicts of conscience as not only act-related and rational, but also including moral distress--the relational, emotional, spiritual and physical experiences of one's integrity being threatened or compromised. The paper will suggest ways that institutions may strengthen conflicts of conscience policies and build structures of support that work to balance the integrity of institutions and individuals, all while keeping patient needs central.

Convener: Raymond Ward, Barry University
Conor M. Kelly, Boston College
"Citizens United in Collective Egotism: A Theological Critique of Campaign Finance Law"

The 2010 Supreme Court decision in *Citizens United v. FEC* transformed political campaigns in the United States, ultimately making it easier for wealthy individuals and groups to influence elections through collective expenditures. This paper critiques the court's decision to remove all practical limits on corporate political spending, using Reinhold Niebuhr's notion of collective egotism to highlight the inherent dangers of unchecked group power. As a response, the paper proposes theological and legal justifications for the creation of structural counterweights to corporate political influence in order to restore a balance of power.

Convener: Andrew Forsyth, Yale University

Sarah A. Neeley, University of Denver/Iliff School of Theology
"Which Law? Ethics When International and Civic Laws Conflict"

The relationship between ethics and law becomes unclear when there is a need to analyze multiple, conflicting laws. The current crisis of civic criminalization of homelessness is an example of conflicting laws. A liberative ethical approach provides the necessary resources to analyze conflicting laws and provide alternative policies which liberate individuals and communities. Liberative policies come about by hearing and taking seriously the perspectives of those who are homeless, as well as, the perspectives of those who implement these laws. By comparing these stories, the paper will examine the value of religious ethics in proposing alternative policies.

Convener: Bharat Ranganathan, University of Notre Dame

Matthew R. Petrusek, Loyola Marymount University
"The (In)vulnerable Soul: The Promise and Challenge of Grounding Human Dignity in Thomistic Natural Law"

Natural law has played an important role in the development of the definition of human rights. However, it remains an underutilized resource for determining the definition of human dignity, which exists conceptually prior to the definition of rights (i.e., humans have rights because they have dignity). This paper will seek to address this lacuna by demonstrating how Thomistic natural law remains a valuable, yet flawed, resource for formulating a contemporary account of, and justification for, the equal worth of every human being.

Convener: John Fitzgerald, St. John's University, NY

Brian Stiltner, Sacred Heart University
"How Community Can Erode and Promote Social Virtue"

Reinhold Niebuhr diagnosed community’s threats to character. Although persons might be morally decent as individuals, the impersonal workings of society can cause massive injustice. Taking this cue, virtue ethicists delineate five ways that community can erode character: constraining action, constraining flourishing, encouraging unbalanced pursuit of goals, sowing discouragement, and burdening the virtues of oppressed groups. Fortunately, virtue ethicists also describe how community can form people in character, shape their moral agency, and habituate virtues that sustain community. A case study from Katherine Boo's *Behind the Beautiful Forevers* will illustrate and connect both sides of the dynamic.

Convener: Mark Douglas, Columbia Theological Seminary

Theresa W. Tobin, Marquette University
"The Moral Damage of Spiritual Violence: Spiritual Violation and Virtue Development"

Clergy sexual abuse presents one glaring example of spiritual violence. The use of religious authority, sacred symbols, and holy spaces in perpetrating sexual abuse caused extensive sexual and emotional harm, but many victims also name spiritual harm as one of many devastating consequences. 'Spiritual violence' names this spiritually harmful dimension of the abuse. In this paper, I argue that spiritual violence undermines prospects for flourishing by putting victims at risk of either failing to develop important virtues associated with both spiritual and moral excellence, or of developing certain vices. I discuss the virtues of compassion to illustrate my analysis.

Convener: Emily Reimer-Barry, University of San Diego
Darlene Fozard Weaver, Duquesne University
"Apologies, Excuses, and Explanations: Making Sense of Wrongdoing and its Import for Moral Identity"

Apologies can be perfunctory or heartfelt, obsequious or aggressive, defensive or self-abasing. They serve morally important functions and indicate assumptions regarding power, social roles, and attitudes toward retribution and mercy. Nevertheless, little work in ethics considers apologies. This paper grants that some apologies are themselves morally wrong but argues that a range of apologies can be morally acceptable. Apologies not only compensatorily acknowledge a victim's injury, they undertake a complex task of integrating wrongdoing into the offender's identity and negotiating the moral ecology of their relationship. The latter insight can be crucial to prospects for moral repair.

Convener: Andrea Vicini SJ, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry

"Religious Foundations for Energy Ethics: Interfaith and Interdisciplinary Discussion of What Powers Us"
Panelists: Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University
Erin Lothes Biviano, College of St. Elizabeth
James Martin-Schramm, Luther College

Robust analyses of the energy/climate/ethics nexus are emerging within Christian, Jewish, and Muslim communities and scholars. This panel of three SCE, SJE and SSME scholars, along with a concluding respondent, aims to advance interreligious and interdisciplinary ethical analysis of energy systems and climate change. We will critically apply religious methods of ethical reasoning and sources of values to develop diverse criteria for energy ethics; assess ethical guidelines for energy choices and investment in light of scientific realities; and identify questions for further research. Through these papers we will also seek points of shared and overlapping consensus while also identifying unique contributions from each tradition.

Convener: Christiana Peppard, Fordham University

SJE:

Sarah Zager, University of Chicago
"It is Not in Their Hands': Alienating Dignity in Human Rights and Jewish Law"

Human dignity has become a central pillar of the human rights discourse, even as it has received harsh treatment for being a flimsy philosophical concept that serves as a proxy for other political, ethical, and religious agendas. Halakhic sources provide a novel set of terms for understanding how and whether dignity might be "alienated" in the service of the broader interests of those involved. These sources not only provide insight into Jewish liturgical practice, they also may help us rethink key theoretical questions surrounding human rights guaranteed by human dignity.

Alyssa Henning, Northwestern University
"Toward a Jewish Research Ethic: Job and Compensation for Injured Research Subjects"

This paper is part of a larger project to develop a Jewish approach to the ethics of medical research with human subjects. In this paper, I engage questions about the ethical obligations that emerge when research subjects are injured during experiments. Reading Job as the subject of an experiment designed and implemented by God and Satan and interpreting Job's ultimate rewards as compensation for his injuries, I argue that the U.S. must implement policies to compensate injured research subjects. Moreover, we must wrestle with the truth that even the most creative forms of compensation cannot make injured subjects whole again.

Convener: Rebecca Levi, University of Virginia

2:00-3:30pm GUP and Editors Meeting

3:30-4:00pm Break
Laura E. Alexander, University of Virginia
"The Law of Nations and the Least of These: Contemporary Political Authority and the Responsibility to Protect"
Responsibility to Protect is an influential global norm, yet its application remains highly debated. Failures to meaningfully address egregious rights violations usually arise out of disagreements over the nature and purpose of authority in contemporary international society. Drawing upon the work of theologians Jean Porter and Oliver O'Donovan and political scientist Laura Sjoberg, I argue that a Christian understanding of the "law of nations" illuminates debates over contemporary political authority. In our time, however, a "law of nations" framework must be accompanied by collaboration between powerful authorities and those who are oppressed, to uphold moral norms and protect human dignity.
Convener: Judith Kay, University of Puget Sound

Elise M. Edwards, Baylor University
"When the Law does not Secure Justice or Peace: Requiem and Aesthetic Response"
My paper addresses the perception that the law failed to honor the personhood of three particular African-American males and discusses how aesthetic responses counter the devaluing of their lives. Marilyn Nelson's *Fortune's Bones: The Manumission Requiem* questions the law's failure to protect an 18th century slave. I examine *Fortune's Bones* and articulate a need for public Christian responses to commemorate the lives of Trayvon Martin and Jordan Davis after the trials and verdicts surrounding the teens' killings. Appropriating Charles Mathewes' articulation of hopeful citizenship, I assess the possibilities for poetic and liturgical compositions to become Christian practices of civic engagement.
Convener: AnneMarie Mingo, Penn State University

Karen V. Guth, St. Catherine University
"The Law of Love and Restorative Justice: Assessing the Complex Legacy of John Howard Yoder"
John Howard Yoder is one of the most important Christian ethicists of the 20th century. But his legacy is compromised by sexual offenses he committed against numerous women. Renewed attention to Yoder's behavior provides needed opportunities to grapple with the complex questions raised by such cases, including the ethical considerations that ought to attend the use of influential theologies whose authors have grievously wronged others. This paper argues that restorative justice models might shed light on how best to relate to Yoder's legacy and enable much-needed dialogue between "witness" and "feminist" ethicists in the process.
Convener: Andrew Wright, Fuller Theological Seminary

James E. Helmer, Xavier University
"Beyond Nature? Moral Realism and Moral Constructivism in Contemporary Natural Law"
This paper defends the possibility of a renewed realist account of natural law in a postmodern globalized context through a critical engagement with the natural law theories of Martin Rhonheimer and Jean Porter. Although both Rhonheimer and Porter are emphatically critical of Kantian ethical accounts, and in particular, of the attempt to ground moral principles and norms within the operations of practical reason alone in isolation from moral consideration of the intelligibilities of nature, it is unclear whether their respective theories move far enough beyond the Kantian constructivist paradigm that they each critique so as to adequately differentiate them from it. Nevertheless, I argue that the constructivist elements of Porter's account render it much better suited than those of Rhonheimer's account to accommodate and to address the realities of ethical, religious, and cultural plurality that obtain.
Convener: Romanus Cessario OP, St. John's Seminary, MA
Michael P. Jaycox, Seattle University
"The Civic Virtues of Social Anger: A Critically Reconstructed Normative Ethic for Public Life"
Social anger can easily be observed in contemporary grassroots movements organized to resist systemic injustice and galvanize institutional reform. However, the field of Catholic ethics lacks an adequate normative framework for evaluating this public expression of anger. Drawing upon the common good tradition and the preferential option for the poor, the author proposes that social anger is a "cognitive interruption" of the ideological justifications for oppression and privilege. To the extent that this cognitive interruption is integrated with the civic virtues of justice, solidarity, and prudence, it can empower social groups to resist human rights violations and demand equitable institutional participation.
Convener: Nichole M. Flores, Saint Anselm College

Lynn B. E. Jencks, Northwestern University
"Morally Responsible Ethnography in Theology and Ethics"
How can privileged scholars utilize ethnography to bring the voices of under-represented communities to academic liberation theologies and ethics? Based on my ethnography of Latino immigrant charismatic Catholics, I argue that a scholar representing a community of which she is not a member must relinquish personal agendas; that to achieve sufficient academic rigor while avoiding a colonizing or patronizing move, the scholar must use critiques arising from the community; and that in order to avoid exploitation, the scholar must engage in dialogue with community members to identify ways to give back that are meaningful to the community.
Convener: Alyson Isaksson, Loyola University Chicago

Cynthia D. Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University
"Climate Debt as Race Debt and Climate Colonialism: Forging a Just Future"
Climate change may be the most far reaching manifestation of white privilege and class privilege yet to face humankind. Caused overwhelmingly by high-consuming people, climate change is wreaking death and destruction foremost on impoverished people who also are disproportionately people of color. The paper first posits climate change as a compelling moral matter of "race-based climate debt" and "Global North climate-debt." Secondly, the paper draws upon Christian ethics as critical discourse in dialogue with structural violence theory and reparations theory to propose the parameters of a moral response. Finally, drawing upon international environmental law, the paper illustrates implications for climate-related policy.
Convener: Christine Darr, University of Dubuque

David Mark VanDrunen, Westminster Seminary California
"The Protectionist Purpose of Law: A Moral Case from the Biblical Covenant with Noah"
Is the purpose of law merely protectionist or also perfectionist? This paper draws especially from the covenant with Noah (Genesis 9) to develop a biblical and natural law foundation for a protectionist view. Through its grounding in a universal divine covenant, this proposal embeds protectionism in a larger moral vision and thereby overcomes the reductionism characteristic of many protectionist theories. This proposal also serves to strengthen Wolterstorff's recent case for protectionism from Romans 13:1-5 and to account for Kaveny's recent critique of protectionist theories marked by subjectivist accounts of value and individualism at the expense of the common good.
Convener: Abbylynn Helgevold, University of Northern Iowa

Sameer Yadav, Indiana Wesleyan University
"Gregory of Nyssa and the Autonomy of Ethics"
Recent work in theological ethics (e.g., by Mark Murphy and Robert Audi) attempts to show how it is possible to give an ontology of moral properties and moral obligation which can equally well accommodate a distinctively religious approach to moral knowledge as it can a secular autonomy of moral knowledge from religious perspectives. My aims in this paper are, first, to show that the moral ontology and epistemology of Gregory of Nyssa (4th c.) can accommodate both secular and religious ethics and, second, to clarify some theological constraints on ethical theories aimed at securing the autonomy of ethics.
Convener: Kara Slade, Duke University
"At the Intersection of Philosophy, Ethics, and Law: Emerging Approaches to the Use of Philosophy in Christian Ethics"

Panelists: Dana Dillon, Providence College  
Ramón Luzárraga, Benedictine University at Mesa  
Elías Ortega, Drew University

The panel presents three distinct and innovative approaches to philosophy and ethics. Dillon draws from philosophers in the secular human rights conversation noting the promise and challenges of religious engagement with secular thinkers. Luzárraga explores how *convivencia*, the term describing Christian, Jewish and Muslim relations in medieval Spain, might be critically retrieved to challenge contemporary understandings of pluralism, offering a paradigm that allows groups their respective beliefs, enabling individuals and groups to form authentic relationships. Ortega addresses current understanding of the workings of the brain as equated with the human, and the "scientification" of moral experience, puts to the test in the case of criminal justice.

Convener: M. Teresa Davila, Andover Newton Theological School

Comparative Religious Ethics

"Religious Ethics in a Time of Globalism: Shaping a Third Wave of Comparative Analysis"

Panelists: Simeon Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University  
Rosemary B. Kellison, University of West Georgia  
Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia  
Aaron Stalnaker, University of Indiana  
Sumner B. Twiss, Florida State University

How has globalization affected the study of religious, comparative, and theological ethics? How does the scholar of religious ethics integrate textual study with ethnography in a way that does justice to people’s lived moral experience, while also using the tools of ethical analysis and argumentation? How should theological ethicist relate their work to other moral and religious traditions? How should ethicists cope with problems of ethnocentric, gender, social location, and disciplinary biases? Should comparative religious ethics aspire to be a discipline? What responsibilities do scholars of ethics bear when their critical and constructive work recommends changes in the moral communities they study?

Convener: Jung Lee, Northeastern University

SJE:

"Contemporary Jewish Food Ethics in a Pluralistic World"

Panelists: Jonathan K. Crane, Emory University  
Aaron Gross, University of San Diego  
Elliot Ratzman, Temple University

Respondent: Rachel Muers, University of Leeds

Drawing together three contributors from the ethics section of a forthcoming edited volume, *Food and Jewish Traditions*, this panel considers three “dimensions” of Jewish food ethics: the dimension of mussar (discipline), sove’a (satiety), and tza’ar ba’alei chayim (animal suffering). Each paper seeks to simultaneously respond to the more-than-Jewish context of eating in contemporary America while also hewing closely and critically to Jewish texts and traditions.

Convener: Laura Hartman, Augustana College
Mairaj U. Syed, University of California, Davis
"Reflective Equilibrium Reasoning in Classical Islamic Law"

Scholars describe reasoning in Islamic law as consisting predominantly of scriptural interpretation. My study of classical positive law texts complicates this picture. I show that casuistry was as dominant a mode of reasoning within Islamic law as scriptural interpretation, through a study of classical fiqh texts on the issue of coercion and responsibility. I conclude with a comparison of medieval Islamic reasoning on this issue with what modern Western coercion theorists say. This shows cross-cultural investigation of ethical thought successfully reveals competing values that structure an ethical problem, not rooted in the contingent circumstances of an author’s context.

Syed Rizwan Zamir, Davidson College
"Surely in Their Stories is a Lesson for People of Deep Intellect': The Case for Islamic Narrative Ethics"

While Muslim engagement with pressing ethical issues and questions of contemporary times continues to grow, it has not sufficiently attended to the question of forms-media in which ethical ideas are expressed. In particular, the presentation highlights the form-medium of narrative, its neglect and absence from contemporary Muslim ethical discourse, implications of this absence, and reasons why Islamic narrative ethics must be revived. The presentation will also address the unavoidable issue of "why narrative?", i.e., features that are unique to narrative modes of thinking, whence comes their effectiveness, and how narrative facilitates ethical reflection.

Convener:

4:18pm  Shabbat Candle Lighting  
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5:45-6:00pm  Lifetime Achievement Award  
Recipient: Peter Paris  
Presenter: Simeon Ilesanmi  
Grand Ballroom - 4th

6:00-6:45pm  SCE Presidential Address  
President: M. Cathleen Kaveny  
Grand Ballroom - 4th

6:45-7:45pm  SCE Presidential Reception  
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7:00-7:45pm  Kabbalat Shabbat Services  
Followed by Kiddush and Hamotzi  
(Please bring your own siddur.)  
Service is in Hebrew; all are welcome.

7:45-9:15pm  Shabbat Dinner  
SJE Presidential Greetings: Jonathan K. Crane, Emory University  
(Pre-registration required for dinner. Meal is kosher vegetarian.)  
Price - 5th
**Working Groups I**

**African/African American**

"The New Jim Crow in African American Theological Perspective"

Panelists: Christophe Ringer, Vanderbilt University
James Logan, Earlham College
Charlene Sinclaire, Union Seminary, NYC

Although African Americans make up roughly 13% of the U.S. population, they comprise near 40% of U.S. prison populations. Latinos make up 16% of the U.S. population and 15% of prisons. The U.S. prison system incarceraates a greater portion of its population than any other country on earth, about 1 out of every 100 adults. This panel draws from the wisdom and expertise of three scholars working at the intersection of religion and incarceration - James Logan, Christophe Ringer and Charlene Sinclair - to improve our understanding of this novel situation and inform our thinking and responses.

Conveners: Eboni Marshall-Turman, Duke Divinity School
Asante Todd, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Reggie Williams, McCormick Theological Seminary

**Interest Groups I**

**Asian and Asian-American**

Latino Ethics
Jeremy Cruz, Fordham University

"Unequal Freedom: Labor Law and the Racial Economy of U.S. Agriculture"

The political economy of the United States is racially constructed via labor law as well as immigration law. Agricultural production is one important sector through which U.S. society distributes benefits and burdens, both material and social, unequally and along racial lines. This is accomplished through an array of federal and state laws that deny basic rights to workers, through immigration laws that construct political status, and through law enforcement disparities in relation to these laws. This paper analyzes and evaluates the racialized class structure of U.S. agriculture, drawing upon Catholic social thought's emergent emphasis on social equality and philosopher-economist Amartya Sen's notion of "freedom as capability."

Santiago Pinon, Texas Christian University

"Agency, Status, and Identity of Citizenship: Overcoming Notions of Hegemony"

A brief consideration of the legal status of citizenship demonstrates that, while an individual may possess this legal capacity, she may be unable to exercise her full rights as citizen. Thus, the conundrum of citizenship under current thought: a desire for citizenship juxtaposed with the legal limits of the facade of being a citizen. In this paper I employ the legal framework of Peter J. Spiro, who argues that norms of anti-discrimination are held up against exclusionary forms of citizenship. I also appeal to Boaventura Sousa Santos who maintains that the "paradigm of a prudent knowledge for a decent life," can become the model for social movements in the North i.e., U.S.

Respondent: Nichole Flores, St. Anselm University
Convener: Ramon Luzarraga, Benedictine University, Mesa
Christian Ethics in Historical Context
Moral Theory and Christian Ethics
"Contextualizing, Evaluating, and Developing Protestant Perspectives on the Natural Law"
Panelists: Neil Arner, University of Notre Dame
John Bowlin, Princeton Theological Seminary
Stanley Hauerwas, Duke University
David Henreckson, Princeton University

Though often regarded as an exclusively Roman Catholic concern, the natural moral law is currently receiving increased attention from Protestant theologians. Presenters on our panel will contextualize, evaluate, and develop distinctively Protestant perspectives on the natural law. Arner will identify historical precedents of Protestant affirmations of the natural law; Henreckson will evaluate some recent Protestant retrievals of the natural law; Hauerwas will revisit his former criticisms of the natural law tradition; and Bowlin will provide notes for a constructive, Reformed account of the natural law.

Convener: Jesse Couenhoven, Villanova University

Environmental Ethics and Theology
"Guardians of God's Great Lakes: Conservation Science and Stewardship at Shedd Aquarium"
Panelists: Reid Bogert, Coordinator of Great Lakes and Sustainability, John G. Shedd Aquarium
Philip Willink, Senior Research Biologist, John G. Shedd Aquarium
Moderator: Dawn M. Nothwehr OSF, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago

Chicago is located on Lake Michigan, one of the five Great Lakes of North America. Today numerous threats to this wonder of the world require the attention of religious ethicists. Since 1930 Chicago’s John G. Shedd Aquarium has played a major role in care for the Great Lakes. Two of the Aquarium’s Conservation and Research and Great Lakes staff will provide some history of Great Lakes conservation – the development of critical ecological problems, and discuss what the aquarium is doing to support a healthier future for the Great Lakes ecosystem through conservation science and stewardship – and what people of faith can do to help. Discussion will follow the presentations.

Convener: Dawn M. Nothwehr OSF, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago
Andy Smith, Penn State Great Valley

Ethics and Law
"Regulation and Health Care: Reflections on the Affordable Care Act"
Panelists: Ron Hamel, Senior Ethicist, Catholic Health Association of the United States (CHA)
Tom Nairn OFM, Senior Director, Ethics, CHA
Pat Talone RSM, Vice President, Mission Services, CHA

In 2015, the Ethics and Law Interest Group will address issues in health care ethics. Three senior members of the Catholic Health Association (CHA) will discuss CHA’s commitment to the poor and underserved, ethical issues in the Affordable Care Act, and dialogue between the CHA, the Church, and wider groups. The goal of the session is to stimulate constructive conversation about ongoing challenges within health care ethics.

Convener: Cathleen Kaveny, Boston College
Jonathan Rothchild, Loyola Marymount University
Ethics and Sexualities  
"HIV/AIDS, Gender and Theo/Ethical Responsibility"
Panelists: Melissa Browning, Loyola University  
Nontando Margaret Hadebe, St. Augustine College, South Africa/Emmanuel College  
Traci West, Drew University

While it has been more than ten years since Kofi Annan first said "AIDS has a woman's face," many challenges remain. This session will bring together a panel of experts to discuss the theo/ethical implications of the HIV/AIDS pandemic - with particular attention to women of African descent on both sides of the Atlantic - and to model cross-cultural feminist and womanist discourse.

Conveners: Teresa Delgado, Iona College  
Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School, Ohio

Evangelical Ethics  
"Evangelicalism, Feminism, and the Theological Academy"
Presenter: Christine Pohl, Asbury Theological Seminary

In 2005, Nicola Hoggard Creegan and Christine D. Pohl published their study, *Living on the Boundaries: Evangelical Women, Feminism and the Theological Academy* (IVP). Hoggard Creegan and Pohl describe the complex interrelations between evangelicalism and feminism, their assumed mutual exclusivity, and the ambivalences these may cause in the church, academy, and the world at large. In this session, Christine Pohl will discuss how evangelicalism has shaped her self-understanding as a scholar in ethics and suggest ways in which the interaction among evangelicalism, feminism, and the Wesleyan tradition has been formative and fruitful.

Conveners: Theo Boer, Protestant Theological University  
Mary Veeneman, North Park University

Future Scholars  
"Future Scholars on Law and Christian Ethics"
Presenters: Justin Ashworth, Duke University Divinity School  
"Choosing Life: Race, Election, and the Politics of Migration Restriction"
Elisabeth Kincaid, University of Notre Dame  
"The Goodness of the First Amendment?: John Courtney Murray and the Development of the Free Exercise Clause"
Gustavo Maya, Princeton University  
"Unconscionability, Justice, and the Common Good"

Respondent: Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia

The Future Scholars Interest Group seeks to provide a space for doctoral students to present their research to the SCE and receive feedback from accomplished scholars in their professional guild. To that end, we have selected student scholars to present on interesting intersections within the topic of law and Christian ethics, with a response to their work by Dr. Charles Mathewes, Carolyn M. Barbour Professor of Religious Studies at the University of Virginia.

Conveners: Agnes Chiu, Fuller Theological Seminary  
Brett McCarty, Duke University Divinity School

Interrupting White Privilege  
LGBT and Queer Studies in Ethics
"Racism, Violence, Vulnerability and Power: Ethics in Response to Ferguson — and other Emergencies"
  
*Moved from Saturday night. See pg. 45 for description.*
Health Care Ethics
"Synthetic Biology"
Panelists: Jeffrey Bishop, St. Louis University
          Celia Deane-Drummond, University of Notre Dame
          Daniel Sulmasy, University of Chicago Medical Center

Synthetic biology, a combination of genetics and engineering, is progressing at an astonishing pace. The entire gene sequence for living organisms can now be synthesized and inserted into cells emptied of their original genetic material. Soon it may be possible to synthesize life entirely from scratch. Such developments invite further reflection from the perspective of Christian ethics. Our discussion will be aided by three eminent scholars who all have published important works that bear on the topic of synthetic biology.

Conveners: Joseph Kotva Jr, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary
           Gerald Winslow, Loma Linda University

Monetary Policy
"Monetary Policy: The Missing Piece of the Economic Justice Puzzle"

This session will begin with remarks by Norman Faramelli on the above topic. The presentation and discussion following will stress ways—such as "bail-ins," municipal bankruptcies, and "free trade" agreements—in which powerful financial institutions unjustly manipulate our money system to their advantage without regard for human and environmental welfare, and will also emphasize the growing movement for reform through democratically controlled public banking. Participants are encouraged to come prepared to describe their own research, writing, teaching, and action in this area, recognizing that the key ethical issue of control over the power to create money out of nothing is at stake.

Conveners: George H. Crowell, University of Windsor
           Norman J. Faramelli, Boston University School of Theology

Restorative Justice
"From Revisiting to Revisioning: A Shared Conversation"

Speakers: Amy Levad, University of St. Thomas
          Anna Floerke Scheid, Duquesne University

Restorative justice practices are processes, ranging from truth commissions to alternative sentencing, where all stakeholders affected by an injustice have an opportunity to discuss what should be done to repair the harm. After short presentations about current issues in restorative criminal and transitional justice, participants will be invited to contribute their own perspectives and concerns in religious ethics and restorative justice practice.

Conveners: Elizabeth M. Bounds, Emory University
           William Danaher, University of Western Ontario

SSME:
"Grant Writing for the Study of Muslim Ethics"

Panelists: Sohail Hashmi, Mount Holyoke College
          Irene Oh, George Washington University

This roundtable discussion is a preview of the 2015 NEH Summer Institute, "American Muslims: From the Margins to the Mainstream," hosted by The George Washington University. The institute considers the impact that American society has had upon American Muslim identities. It also asks what impact American Muslims have had upon the religious, cultural, and political life of the United States. The institute aims to spur research and teaching on Islam in America by providing faculty with ideas and tools for new or existing courses; and by developing a multimedia website that will be available to educators in the United States and abroad.

Convener: Nahed Artoul Zehr, Western Kentucky University

9:30pm Q and A about SCE for Nonmembers and New Members

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Facilitator: Justin Ashworth, Duke University Divinity School

*On Saturday and Sunday mornings – check your ticket for which day.*  
Facilitator: Mark Douglas, Columbia Theological Seminary

Bretzke, James T., *Handbook of Roman Catholic Moral Terms* (Georgetown University Press, 2013)  
Facilitator: John Fitzgerald, St. John’s University, NY

Cessario, Romanus, *Introduction to Moral Theology (Revised Edition)* (Catholic University of America, 2013)  
Facilitator: Andrew Forsyth, Yale University

Facilitator: Ramon Luzarraga, Benedictine University, Mesa

*On Saturday and Sunday mornings – check your ticket for which day.*  
Facilitator: Sarah A. Neeley, University of Denver/Illiff School of Theology

Deane-Drummond, Celia Evangeline, Rebecca Artinian-Kaiser and David Clough, *Animals as Religious Subjects: Transdisciplinary Perspectives* (Continuum/T & T Clark, 2013)  
Facilitator: Alyson Isaksson, Loyola University Chicago

Finn, Daniel K., *Christian Economic Ethics: History and Implications* (Fortress Press, 2013)  
*On Saturday and Sunday mornings – check your ticket for which day.*  
Facilitator: William Murphy, Pontifical College Josephinum

Facilitator: Mary Doyle Roche, College of the Holy Cross

Facilitator: Brett McCarty, Duke University Divinity School

Facilitator: Santiago Pinon Jr., Texas Christian University

Facilitator: Bernard Wong, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Marshall Turman, Eboni, *Toward a Womanist Ethic of Incarnation: Black Bodies, the Black Church, and the Council of Chalcedon* (Palgrave MacMillan, 2013)  
Facilitator: Angela Sims, Saint Paul School of Theology
Saturday 7:15-11am

Miller, Douglas James, *Jesus Goes to Washington: His Progressive Politics for a Sustainable Future* (Wipf and Stock, 2013)
  Facilitator: Bharat Ranganathan, University of Notre Dame

  Facilitator: Grégoire Catta SJ, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry

  Facilitator: Scott Paeth, DePaul University

  Facilitator: Andrea Vicini SJ, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry

  Facilitator: Brian D. Berry, Notre Dame of Maryland University

7:30-9:00am  SSME Board Meeting  Marshfield – 3rd

8:15am-6pm  Exhibits Open  Exhibit Hall - 4th

8:15am-6pm  Conference Desk Open  4th Floor

9:00-10:30am  SCE Plenary  Grand Ballroom - 4th
  Mary Ellen O'Connell, University of Notre Dame
  "The Just War Tradition v. The International Law Against War"
  Respondent: Nigel Biggar, Christ Church, Oxford University
  Convener: William George, Dominican University

10:30-11:00am  Break  Exhibit Hall - 4th

11:00-12:30  SCE Annual Business Meeting  Grand Ballroom - 4th
11am-1:30pm  **SJE:**  
"Common Law and Common Ground: Reconceiving Covenantal Ethics in Contemporary Jewish and Christian Thought"

Panelists:  
- Anthony Bateza, Princeton Theological Seminary  
- Shira Billet, Princeton University  
- Elias Sacks, University of Colorado Boulder  
- Derek Woodard-Lehman, Princeton Theological Seminary

Luther's distinction between "law" and "gospel" divides Christian ethics from Jewish ethics. Worse, it divides Christians from Jews. This joint SJE-SCE panel takes up these problems by reconsidering the so-called third use of the law. They argue that what is needed is not only a "third use" of the law, but rather a "third way" of conceiving the law itself that does not divide it from grace and freedom. Drawing on the juridical resources of common law, the philosophical resources of pragmatism, and the theological resources of postliberalism, they outline an alternative covenantal conception of law.

Convener: Derek Woodard-Lehman, Princeton Theological Seminary

*This session continues into Shabbat Lunch.*

12:30-2:00pm  **Lunch**

12:30-2:00pm  **Women's Caucus**

(Pre-registration needed for lunch.)

The women's caucus meeting is a time of meeting and connecting with colleagues, as well as discussing issues for women in the academy.

Conveners:  
- Keri Day, Brite Divinity School/TCU  
- Kate Ott, Drew University Theological School

12:45-2pm  **Contingent Faculty Caucus**

Speakers:  
- James Keenan, Boston College  
- Daniel Maguire, Marquette University  
- Karen Peterson-Iyer, Santa Clara University

Conveners:  
- Debra Erickson, Siena College  
- Lincoln Rice, Marquette University

2:00-3:30pm  **Concurrent Session IV**

James F. Caccamo, Saint Joseph's University

"From Gaming the System to Giving What Is Due: Restoring Justice and Fairness to Copyright and Patent Law"

The U.S.A. has long been known as a "land of opportunity" where anyone with a great idea can strike it rich. While perhaps idealistic, this view is supported by the Constitution, which authorizes Congress to grant authors and inventors control over their intellectual property (IP). However, current U.S. IP law is unbalanced, privileging IP-owners—from book and music copyright holders to drug and technology patent holders—so strongly that it harms society. At the same time, the "free culture" movement’s proposal to eliminate IP fails to offer a reasonable solution. Christian thought on ownership offers a framework for just reform.

Convener: Scott Paeth, DePaul University
Essien Daniel Essien, University of Uyo, Nigeria
"Overcoming the Conflict between Religious and Cultural Freedom and Women's Rights in Africa: Its Ethical Implications"

Scholarship is generally divided between those who view female circumcision as a religious ritual to be observed, and those who consider the practice as cruel and human right abuse. This lends credence to the ethical question: what should be done when the exercise of the rituals of female circumcision, which is central to African Traditional Religion, entails transgression of fundamental rights? Relying on John Rawls' model and rights based approach. This study examines African religious landscape characterized with this disagreement. With an insight provided into understanding this conflict, a criterion on what should constitute an appropriate interaction is thus supplied.

Convener: Michelle Wolff, Duke University

Hille Haker, Loyola University Chicago
"The New Culture of Security and Surveillance – Ethical Challenges"

After short phase of broadening the concept at the turn of the Millennium, 'security' is by now primarily seen in light of criminal activities. The paper inquires what this change means ethically, especially with respect to the 'culture of fear', but also with respect to citizens' rights to freedom and privacy. I will particularly explore security and surveillance technologies in two different application fields: the first example concerns surveillance in the public sphere; and the second is surveillance devices for individuals or groups (e.g. elderly). I argue that a new 'social contract' is needed that not only readjusts the political control of individuals but also critically examines the role of companies promoting security and surveillance technologies.

Convener: Alexandre A. Martins, Marquette University

Joshua Hordern, University of Oxford, Harris Manchester College
"Loyalty and Law in Islamic and Christian Political Thought: Reappraising a Civic Virtue in Liberal Democracies"

Serious challenges for civic participation in liberal democracies have recently been explored by Eric Gregory and Andrew March. This paper examines how loyalty, construed in light of pre-modern forms of Christian and Islamic political thought, relates to citizens' civic participation and lawful obligations. Analysis of political thinkers including William of Ockham and Ibn Khaldun indicates ways in which loyalty, interrelated with such aspects of law as contract and property, is a psychologically subtle but ambivalent and fragile virtue. Loyalties of various sorts calibrate prudent if sometimes unsettling political reasoning and affect how citizens assess and perform their lawful obligations.

Convener: Scott Bader-Saye, Seminary of the Southwest

Megan K. McCabe, Boston College
"Rape Culture as Structural Sin: The Limits of Legality for Addressing Campus Sexual Violence"

Legal standards of consent alone are inadequate to transform college sexual culture. This paper provides moral analysis of the structural sin of campus rape culture. Women's narration of their experiences indicates limits to an approach to sexual violence and power that too closely aligns morally permissible sexual activity with legal standards of consent. Encounters that do not meet the conditions of rape are not necessarily good, moral, or just. Violence and abuse are normalized as a typical part of hetero-relationship, victimizing women and limiting possibilities for full sexuality for all. Policy cannot address participation in these sinful social norms.

Convener: Patricia Beattie Jung, Saint Paul School of Theology

Eli S. McCarthy, Georgetown University
" Summoning the Church: Let Go of 'Just War' and Turn to 'Justpeace'

Lawful or unlawful, war continues to largely enflame. This paper argues for letting go of the concept of "just war" and turning to "justpeace" as a better approach to ethical analysis and transformation of hostile conflict. I briefly describe key elements of Glen Stassen's ecumenical just peacemaking theory. Next, I offer a critical analysis of how the paradigm has developed more recently, incorporating Catholic Social Teaching and scholars such as Maryann Cusimano Love to further address key limits of "just war" approaches. Finally, I offer some recommendations to advance the shift away from "just war" and to a "justpeace" approach.

Convener: Darren Henson, Marquette University
Saturday 2-3:30pm

AnneMarie Mingo, Penn State University  Salon 4/9 - 3rd
"The Making is in the Breaking: Unjust Laws, Just Laws, and Moral Responsibility during the Civil Rights Movement"

Relying on their faith in a God of justice, leaders of the Civil Rights Movement shaped the moral fortitude of many activists by encouraging the breaking of unjust laws and making America live up to its promises. Civil rights activists believed in a legal responsibility to obey just laws and a moral responsibility to disobey unjust laws. Today, many new civil and human rights struggles continue to directly challenge unjust laws that shred the fabric of democracy America espouses. This paper identifies three ethical strategies for social activism, and argues that a breaking of unjust laws and practices must take place before the making of a just society.

Convener: Darryl Trimiew

Kate Ott, Drew Theological School  Salon 3 - 3rd
"Open Source Social Media and Feminist Values: Aligned or Maligned?"

In the last two decades, scholars in media and religious studies shifted from a technology-as-medium focus to considering how humans are mediated and created in relationship to technology. While there are everyday examples of technologies (re)shaping human behavior, few have as dramatic an impact as new forms of social media built on open source platforms. Using the case study of #twitterfeminism, this paper explores how feminist ethics can engage the values and opportunities of such systems, and thus how the technologies reinforce, disrupt, and transform communities and individuals interacting with them.

Convener: Karen Ross, Loyola University Chicago

John Perry, University of St. Andrews  Chicago - 5th
"How Intuitions Think: Jesus and Hume among the Neuroscientists"

What if morality is explainable by the neurosciences and behavioral psychology? Many scientists believe this threatens Christian ethics; some even intend it that way. It needn't. It's neither surprising nor particularly troubling if morality is analogous to the sense of taste or MRIs suggest intuition plays a greater role than conscious reasoning. Christian moral sense theorists said the same centuries ago. While 'empirical ethicists' like Haidt and Greene deserve criticism at points, they may prompt us to reconsider moral sense theory (and even Hume). We can also learn from their use of narrative analogies (like the trolley problem), which can play a positive persuasive role, like Jesus's parables.

Convener: Ed Zukowski, College of Mount St Vincent

Howard Y. Pickett, Washington and Lee University  Wilson - 3rd
"As You Would': Subjunctive Reciprocity and Welfare Work Requirements"

What does a closer look at welfare work requirements reveal about the right role of reciprocity in a good society? Workfare's supporters underestimate the importance of non-reciprocal love, while opponents underestimate the importance of just reciprocity. I argue a more promising approach – to reciprocity and to poverty – would subordinate workfare's indicative reciprocity ("doing to others as they already have done to us") to an ethically prior subjunctive reciprocity ("doing to others as we would have them do to us"). As I conclude, subjunctive reciprocity, unlike its market-gripped indicative counterpart, promises to reconcile the (sometimes) competing claims of justice and love.

Convener: Matthew Puffer, University of Virginia

Asian American Working Group  Salon 2 - 3rd
"The Impact of the Civil Rights Act on Asian Americans"

Panelists: Sharon Mei Tan, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Hak Joon Lee, Fuller Seminary

The Asian American Working Group will be holding a panel and discussion on the impact of the Civil Rights Act of the U.S. in 1964 on Asian Americans. Asian Americans were not the initial or primary beneficiaries of the 1964 Civil Rights Act; nevertheless, its impact has profoundly affected their lives and opportunities, most notably in the areas of immigration and protection of human rights, and continues to do so. This panel will explore the meaning, significance, and impact (both the positive and negative) of the Act on Asian Americans, paying a close attention to the diversity in Asian American community (namely, how the Civil Rights Act has affected diverse Asian American ethnic groups differently).

Convener: Ilsup Ahn, North Park University
SJE:  
Jessica Kirzane, Columbia University  
"The Ethics of Intermarriage in American Jewess, 1895-1899"  
Respondent:  Annalise Glauz-Todrank, Wake Forest University  
The journal *American Jewess*, founded in 1895 and edited by Rosa Sonnenschein, contained a wide range of advice and information on current events, science, literature, and women’s issues. Among the most frequently thematized topics in the magazine’s fiction was the question of intermarriage. This paper examines the journal’s representation of intermarriage from an ethical perspective, arguing that in these works of fiction intermarriage figures as an obstacle in the path toward righteous Jewish living. These works of fiction moralize against intermarriage using the language of race purity and submit that intermarriage is a potential failure in the domestic mission of Jewish womanhood.

Convener: Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University Bloomington

SSME:  
Ayman Shabana, Georgetown University, Qatar  
"Limits to Personal Autonomy in Islamic Bioethics"  
This presentation/paper investigates the limits to personal autonomy within conceptualizations of Islamic bioethics in modern Islamic bioethical discourses. It will also explore the extent to which personal autonomy can be defended on Islamic grounds. Using some illustrative examples from Islamic bioethical discourses, it argues that respect for personal autonomy has to be balanced with other collective considerations within the Islamic ethical framework as gleaned from the Islamic foundational sources.

Vardit Rispler-Chaim, University of Haifa  
"Between Islamic Medical Ethics and Islamic Law: The Importance of Procreation (injab) in Marital Life"  
Although medieval fiqh literature dealt in great detail with the issues of sexual mal-performance, sexual disabilities and diseases of the sexual organs, we find in contemporary fatwas reassurance that procreation is still very central to the "successful family life". However, reading carefully the medieval Islamic sources, one notices that there is a huge gap between the dictations of the law and the social expectations vis-a-vis procreation in all generations.

My aim in my presentation is to show, through the fiqh literature, fatwas and contemporary research, that the importance of procreation in marriage and society has remained unshaken along Islamic legal history. However, due to the advancement of medical technology on the one hand, and the human rights awareness on the other, some issues that were central in the past have become marginalized, while others were pushed to the forefront.

Sara Tili, University of Florida  
"Muslims, Animals, and Modernity: Triangle of an Unhappy Love"  
While travel literature from the last few centuries suggests that Muslims' compassion to nonhuman animals was almost proverbial, a survey of the current situation reveals a different scenario. This change is part of a worldwide trend that many link to modernity. In the case of Muslims, modernity's impact is discernible not only in the way it restructured their societies to make them less animal-friendly, but also in the way it reshaped religious discourse. This paper compares past and present Muslims attitudes toward animals and examines the impact of modernity on the animal-related religious discourse.

Convener: Mohammad Khalil, Michigan State University

3:30-4:00pm  Break  

3-5:30pm  
Exhibit Hall - 4th
4:00-5:30pm Concurrent Session V

Robert W. Heimburger, University of Oxford
"Amnesty in U.S. Immigration Law and Sabbath Release in Deuteronomy 15"

Is amnesty for an illegal act the best way to name the process that might regularize those men, women, and children who are unlawfully present in the United States? So discussion about legal reform has framed adjustment of status for immigrants in the 1980's and in the 2010's. But in light of a reading of Deuteronomy 15, this paper proposes another way of conceptualizing this process, as a Sabbath release for the informally indentured servants of U.S. citizens, residents, and businesses.

Convener: Christine Fletcher, Benedictine University

Laurie A. Jungling
"You' Are My Law: The Neighbor as the Law in Bonhoeffer's Ethics"

In Bonhoeffer’s ethics, the Law is not a set of rules governing behavior. Instead, the Law is a concrete person -- "You." For Bonhoeffer, the Gospel is also a concrete and living person, Christ. Christ lives for me thus calling me to live out the concrete claim "You" have on me for responsible action on your behalf. Worldly laws may try to represent "You," accusing me and forcing me into compliance, but they are not the Law; "You" are. This understanding of Law has ramifications for constructing a tradition that uses formation, not laws, to inspire responsible action on behalf of others.

Convener: Dallas J. Gingles, Southern Methodist University

Maria Russell Kenney, Asbury Theological Seminary
"A Humble Embrace of Limits: Temperance as Critique of Transhumanism"

Transhumanism is a movement whose star is on the rise. This paper will address some of the moral and theological concerns surrounding the aims of transhumanism through the virtue of temperance, specifically its components of humility, limit, and measure. Although traditionally understood as self-control with respect to the physical appetites, temperance has also been connected with the larger issues of self-aggrandizement, immortality, and hubris. These aspects of temperance often appear in the "thin places" in the relationship between the gods and humanity (i.e. their interactions within Greek mythology) and in the technologies promoted by transhumanism which narrow the divide between humanity and divinity.

Convener: Kirk J. Nolan, Presbyterian College

James Mumford, University of Virginia
"A Picture Held Us Captive: Procreation as 'Reproduction'"

'A picture held us captive'. Wittgenstein said. What picture of the world holds us captive when we describe procreation as 'reproduction'? This paper will draw upon the Frankfurt School and Critical Theory to answer that question. It will explore the critique of contemporary reproductive medicine elicited by the Left's powerful indictment of The Technological Society. Adorno and Horkheimer's famous study of 1947, Dialectic of Enlightenment, stretched to an examination of "the culture industry". But what would they say about today's "baby business"? What does Critical Theory suggest about how medical professionals, ethicists prospective and expecting parents have come to think about having children?

Convener: Brett McCarty, Duke University Divinity School

Jesse Perillo, DePaul University
"The Prophetic Without Power and Disruption Without Direction: the Witness of Holy Fools"

As the church engages the modern world, it would prove useful to reevaluate the relevancy of the tradition of holy fools because that tradition offers a corrective to what can be the dangerous elements of prophetic words and deeds. In this paper I will offer an analysis of how the holy fool displays interruptive and reformatory abilities similar to the prophetic but often with different yet valuable notions of engagement and understandings of power. And, given the difficulty of following the holy fool's example and the fool's relative marginalization in contemporary traditions, I will provide two modern approximations and applications of the fool's behavior.

Convener: Andrea Snavely, Global University

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Karen Peterson-Iyer, Santa Clara University  
"From Rescue to Solidarity: A Feminist Christian Response to Human Sex Trafficking"  
In the 21st century, human sex trafficking has captured the hearts of enormous numbers of Christians. Christian response to sex trafficking has often taken the form of an appeal to rescue its victims. Yet these frameworks tend to perpetuate a top-down and dichotomous understanding of the relationship between "victims" who are trafficked and those who wish to "free" them. Seeking to promote an understanding of women as subjects of their own liberation rather than as objects of others' actions, a more helpful response to human sex trafficking may be found in the Christian moral norms of mutuality and solidarity.  
Convener: Sandra Sullivan-Dunbar, Loyola University Chicago

Joe S. Pettit, Morgan State University  
"The Ongoing Legal Establishment of White Supremacy in U.S. Law and Policy"  
White supremacy is legally established when two conditions exist: 1) persistent racial inequality negatively affecting non-white groups; and 2) the failure of citizens, and through them their governments, to affirm political responsibility for eliminating racial inequality and to act accordingly. White supremacy is positively established when governments create laws and policies that exacerbate and entrench racial inequality and negatively established when citizens and governments fail to accept political responsibility for eliminating racial inequality. Citizens and governments have a political duty grounded in the divinely established worth of all individuals to eliminate racial inequality and so to disestablish white supremacy.  
Convener: James Tubbs, University of Detroit Mercy

John Edward Senior, Wake Forest University School of Divinity  
"Law's Other Virtue: Irony as a Moral and Civic Virtue"  
The North Carolina Voter Information Verification Act makes a direct appeal to the formation of a confident and capable citizenry. It endeavors to be a "teacher of virtue" (Cathleen Kaveny), though it falls short of the virtues of autonomy and solidarity, as Kaveny understands them. Using the Voter Information Verification Act as a case study, this paper considers, from a theological point of view, that any law should foster irony as a primary moral and civic virtue. Irony is the capacity to see a "hidden relation" in the midst of "incongruity" (Reinhold Niebuhr).  
Convener: Bradley Burroughs, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary

Joshua R. Snyder, Boston College  
"Re-establishing the Rule of Law in a Divided Society: Guatemala's Testimonio Initiative and Political Reconciliation"  
This paper will argue for the essential role of narrative truth in reestablishing the rule of law in a post-conflict society. By focusing on the Office of Human Rights of the Archdiocese of Guatemala's Recovery of Historical Memory Project (REMHI) and its testimonio initiative, this presentation will demonstrate how survivor testimonies are an integral first step in combating impunity and promoting political reconciliation. Recovering the historical memories of human rights violations functioned at a popular level to challenge Guatemala's prevailing culture of silence and enabled prosecutions of the intellectual authors of political violence. This marked a breach in Guatemala's ethos of impunity and served to reestablish the rule of law.  
Convener: Marcus Mescher, Xavier University

Joseph Wiinikka-Lydon, Emory University  
"Mapping Moral Injury: How Violence and Social Change Damages One's Subjectivity"  
Moral injury is a term created to capture the moral dimension of a soldier's experience. Yet, it also has the potential to articulate experiences of violence more broadly, including non-wartime contexts. To that end, I locate moral injury within a typology that includes a broader understanding of violence, such as structural violence. This allows us to theorize not only the moral harm done in wartime but also the effects of everyday violence, and resistance to such violence, on moral subjectivity. This richer framework broadens moral injury's applicability and better articulates the way violence, in various contexts, alters subjectivity.  
Convener: Matthew T. Bersagel Braley, Viterbo University
"The Burglary: When Legality and Justice Clash"
Presenter: John Raines, Temple University
Respondent: Daniel C. Maguire, Marquette University

In 1971 eight peacemakers judged that it was necessary to break into the Media Pennsylvania Office of the FBI and remove documents that exposed an illegal program that was subverting the civil rights of peace-making protesters of the Vietnam War, resulting in new official oversight of intelligence gatherers and an expansion of the Freedom of Information process. Issues for ethical scrutiny: Legality and morality are not synonymous and therefore there is a difference between breaking a law and being in moral terms a criminal. May there be circumstances when breaking the law is morally obligatory? What resources in Christian Ethics can guide whistle blowers in corporate and governmental agencies?

Convener: Gloria Albrecht, Detroit Mercy University

SJE:
Shaul Magid, Indiana University
"Meir Kahane, the Ethics of Violence"
Respondent: Martin Kavka, Florida State University

Meir Kahane is perhaps most well-known in America as founder of the Jewish Defense League in 1968. His advocacy of Jewish militarism became the bane of the liberal American Jewish Establishment, creating an alternative response to the threat of Anti-Semitism and putting the liberal establishment on the defensive. This essay will explore the "ethics" of Kahane's theory of violence using the anti-colonialist ideology of Frantz Fanon, Hannah Arendt, and Slavoj Zizek. I argue that Kahane indeed has an "ethics" of violence by viewing the Jews as a perpetually "colonized" people who are justified in responding violently to their colonized status.

Convener: Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology

SSME: "Teaching Islamic/Abrahamic Ethics"
Jacqueline Brinton, University of Kansas
"The Interactive Ethics Classroom"

By integrating new teaching techniques into my ethics classes, I hope to demonstrate the crucial importance of the humanities classroom in a university increasingly focused on the STEM disciplines. Teaching ethics presents a perfect opportunity to integrate more interaction into the college classroom, not only because ethics can be presented as cases, but also because students can explore different but specific answers to ethical dilemmas. In this presentation I will discuss my experiences teaching an interactive comparative ethics class. I will share techniques and discuss which ethical issues I chose to include in my syllabus and why.

Robert Tappan, Towson University
"Teaching Islamic Ethics in the Core Curriculum of a Large Public University"

How might one approach teaching a specialized course like Islamic Ethics to a sizable and diverse student population at a large public university? How can this upper division religious studies course be taught in a way that addresses the needs of departmental majors while also serving as a class in the ethics core of the university-wide core curriculum, open to all majors and academic levels? This presentation will address these and related issues based on my teaching of two sections of this class at Towson University (TU) in fall 2014.

Syed Rizwan Zamir, Davidson College
"Teaching Islamic Ethics: Modes or Texts?"

Having taught two different versions of Islamic Ethics class, one that focuses on the various modes of Islamic ethical thought and embodied life, and the other that concentrates on the seminal texts of Islamic ethics, this presentation will discuss the logic behind these two approaches and will reflect on the successful and challenging aspects of each. The presentation will also highlight the various teaching strategies and assignments that helped a deeper appreciation of ethical modes and ethical texts. Finally, it will comment on ways in which the two approaches can be combined for a meaningful class experience and conversations.

Convener: Jamie Schillinger, St. Olaf College
Saturday 4:00-5:30pm  Meeting of Working Group Conveners  Kimball – 3rd

5:26pm  Havdallah  On your own

5:45-7pm  Catholic Eucharist  Honore – Lobby

7:00pm  SSME Dinner  Off-site

7:00-8:00pm  "Policing and Protesting in Ferguson, St. Louis, and..."  Adams - 6th
Panelists:  M.T. Davila, Andover Newton Theological School
          Bryan Massingale, Marquette University
          Tobias Winright, Saint Louis University

The killing of Michael Brown by police officer Darren Wilson on August 8, 2014 in Ferguson, Missouri, the grand jury's decision not to indict Wilson on November 24, and the protests that were held in response to each of these have raised questions about policing, race, poverty, and other related matters in Ferguson, St Louis, and elsewhere in the U.S. The panelists during this session will briefly highlight theological and ethical considerations to serve as a springboard for discussion by attending members of the Society of Christian Ethics.

Convener:  M. Cathleen Kaveny, Boston College

7:45pm  SJE Board  Marshfield - 3rd

8:00-9:30pm  Working Groups II

African/African American  Salon 12 - 3rd
"In Honor of Dr. Katie Cannon"
Speaker:  Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary

In the mid-1980s Katie Cannon gave birth to Black Womanist Ethics. In doing so, she brought the demands and perspectives of African American women to bear on dominant discourses, and compelled the theological academy to expand its discourse and praxis beyond the assumptions of a white supremacist and patriarchal culture. Since then, many have drawn from the wells of black women's wisdom to interrogate and criticize the subordination of women of African descent. This panel honors Dr. Cannon for her invaluable contributions to the academy, the church, and the larger society.

Conveners:  Eboni Marshall-Turman, Duke Divinity School
          Asante Todd, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
          Reggie Williams, McCormick Theological Seminary

Asian/Asian American  Salon 2 - 3rd
"Breaking the Bamboo Ceiling and Negotiating Social Space"

The Asian/Asian American Working Group this year will hold a forum for Asian American religious scholars to discuss various challenges and opportunities Asian Americans experience at different academic and institutional settings. Senior and junior Asian American faculty and graduate students will meet and collectively reflect on the issues surrounding research agendas, mentoring and personal care, career development and advancement, networking, and handling institutional power dynamics.

Conveners:  Hak Joon Lee, Fuller Seminary
          Sharon Tan, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Saturday 8-9:30pm

**Latino Ethics**

"Citizenship, Authorized Residency and the Structures of Law: Trails of Hope and Terror, a film by Miguel De La Torre and Vincent De La Torre"

This film chronicles the dangers and struggles faced by undocumented Latin American migrants when they trek their way to the U.S.-Mexico border and (for those who survive the journey) after they cross the border. The story is told through the eyes of the migrants themselves and those who minister to them on both sides of the border.

A business meeting will follow the showing of the film.

Convener: Ramon Luzarraga, Benedictine University at Mesa

**8:00-9:30pm Interest Groups II**

**Anglican Theological Ethics**

Stanley Hauerwas, Duke University

"Why Anglicanism? A Discussion with Stanley Hauerwas"

This year we will have a presentation by Stanley Hauerwas on why he finds himself worshipping at an Episcopal Church. In the course of his presentation, he will cover a range of topics within Anglican ecclesiology, theology and ethics. Discussions and questions to follow.

Convener: William Danaher, Huron University College

Jeff Greenman, Regent College

**Families and the Social Order**

"The 2014 Vatican Synod on Marriage & Family: Preliminary Ethical Assessments"

Panelists: Kecia Ali, Boston University

Jason King, Saint Vincent's College

Julie Hanlon Rubio, Saint Louis University

We will examine some of the initial findings from the Vatican’s Synod on Marriage and Family (scheduled to take place in October 2014) from a variety of faith perspectives asking the question, "What do the conclusions of the synod mean for the field of family ethics?"

Convener: Kari-Shane Davis Zimmerman, College of Saint Benedict/Saint John's University

Mary M. Doyle Roche, College of the Holy Cross

**Interrupting White Privilege**

"Racism, Violence, Vulnerability and Power: Ethics in Response to Ferguson — and other Emergencies"

The police shooting of Michael Brown in August, and the subsequent weeks of protest in Ferguson, Missouri, concentrated attention on the racism and violence experienced by men and boys of color in the United States. Recent months have also seen a growing awareness of what has been called a "state of emergency" for transgender women of color, who are disproportionately the targets of violence and hate-crimes, including murder. How do these realities of racism, violence and vulnerability shape our work as ethicists? How do we respond in the classroom, on campus, and in our communities? We invite you to join us for a discussion about responding to Ferguson, and the moral, ethical, pedagogical and strategic questions that this moment raises for us as ethicists. Please come ready to share your own experiences, questions, and reflections.

Convener: Letitia M. Campbell, Emory University

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Iliff School of Theology

Nikki Young, Bucknell University
Jean Porter contends that British writer Marghanita Laski (pseudonym: Sarah Russell) is “one of the best novelists you probably never heard of.” The discussion will focus on Laski’s novel To Bed with Grand Music (published in 1946; released by Persephone, with a new introduction, in 2009). Jean will examine this subtle, convincing depiction of a woman’s moral degeneration (while on her own in wartime London) in light of Aquinas’ account of a kind of sin, the sin of settled malice, which involves a settled commitment to what the agent knows, in some ways at least, to be a distorted good.

Convener: Diane Yeager, Georgetown University

Jennifer Herdt, Yale Divinity School

Rebekah Eklund, Loyola University Maryland

Lex orandi lex credendi lex vivendi powerfully re-centers the theological enterprise in the liturgy. Jennifer Herdt, drawing on her Afterword in The Blackwell Companion to Christian Ethics, proposes three temptations as potential pitfalls in this ethical turn: regarding with suspicion all secular sites of ethical formation, taking the liturgy as shortcut through the patient work of casuistry, and forgetting that the liturgy cannot itself adjudicate among competing liturgies, which as human responses to God’s gifts can get worship wrong. Rebekah Eklund engages Herdt's third point by addressing the example in her Afterword: the different ways Scripture is placed in liturgy.

Conveners: Brent Laytham, St. Mary's Seminary and University
Therese Lysaught, Loyola University Chicago

Ronald M. Green, Dartmouth College
Elena Namli, Uppsala University, Sweden

Is human dignity a meaningful and necessary concept? There is plenty of reference to the concept of human dignity in legal, philosophical, medical, and theological literature, but its meaning, source, and justification have been hotly debated among contemporary thinkers. What does human dignity consist in? What are the grounds for believing that human dignity exists or does not exist? What is the relationship between dignity and autonomy? This panel brings together Ronald M. Green (Dartmouth) and Elena Namli (Uppsala) to probe a wide range of philosophical and theological issues concerning this concept.

Conveners: Kevin Jung, Wake Forest University
Per Sundman, Uppsala University

Karl Clifton-Söderstrom, North Park University
Peter Jones, Loyola University Chicago, Institute of Pastoral Studies

With the emergence of the NSA scandal in 2013, many people became aware of what technologists already knew: you are being watched. Governments and internet service providers, software developers and corporations, political organizations and advertisers—indeed, anyone who can pay for data—can access your digital footprints. With that information, they can use complex modeling algorithms to predict and even influence your next move, often before you’ve even thought about it. Drawing on experience in theology, philosophy, and the digital marketing, the speakers will explore the ethics of the digital data gathering, analysis, and decision-making that shapes our lives today.

Conveners: James F. Caccamo, Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia
Patrick Flanagan, St. John's University, New York
Saturday 8-9:30pm

War and Peace
"The Possibilities for Peacekeeping in Africa: From UN Peacekeeping to Nonviolent Civilian Initiatives"

Presenters: Mel Duncan, Nonviolent Peaceforce
            John Kiess, Loyola University Maryland

In order to uphold humanitarian law and human rights in armed conflict, recent advancements have occurred in peacekeeping, including unarmed civilian-led efforts. Yet, the UN continues to primarily use armed "peacekeepers," and occasionally military trained observers. John Kiess of Loyola University will discuss these experiences in Congo and how various theological traditions/ethics are confirmed or challenged. Mel Duncan of the Nonviolent Peaceforce will discuss unarmed civilian protection (UCP), particularly in S. Sudan. What are the ethical implications and legal challenges for UCP? What are some developments or actions needed to advance this practice in our religious communities and broader world?

Conveners: Laurie Johnston, Emmanuel College
            Eli McCarthy, Georgetown University

9:30pm University of Chicago Reception

Salon 1 - 3rd

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Facilitator: Charles Camosy, Fordham University

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Rashkover, Randi and Martin Kavka (eds.), *Judaism, Liberalism, and Political Theology* (Indiana University Press, 2014)
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8:30-11:15am  Exhibit Hall - 4th

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9:00-10:30am  Grand Ballroom - 4th

Kecia Ali, Boston University
"Studying Islam, Studying Ethics"

What is the state of the field for the study of Muslim ethics? What are the pressing questions, most compelling methods, and most productive avenues of investigation? Where does the study of ethics fit within the contemporary study of Islam? Where does the study of Muslims fit within the contemporary study of ethics? What does it mean to study Muslim ethics and what does it mean to do Muslim ethics? As SSME enters its second five years, the time is ripe for assessing where it fits in the scholarly landscape and where to direct its future energies.
Convener: John Kelsay, Florida State University

10:30-11am  Break  
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11am-12:30pm  Concurrent Session VI

Celia E. Deane-Drummond, University of Notre Dame  
"Natural Law Revisited: Wild Justice and Human Obligations for Other Animals"

The relationship between "nature" and "reason" in natural law is an edgy one. This paper probes the way natural law is grounded in creaturely existence in critical engagement with reports of wild justice and other political alliances in social species. I argue against viewing other animal societies as some sort of template for human justice making. I propose an emergent inter-morality, where complex cooperative species meet in new and interesting ways. I comment briefly on the implications of the above for the legal treatment of other animals, including animal biotechnology.
Convener: Kiara Jorgenson, Luther Seminary

Erin Dufault-Hunter, Fuller Theological Seminary  
"Just Married! -- So Now What? Same Sex Unions and the Future of Christian Witness"

As more states affirm same-sex marriage, Christians on both right and left can now pursue overlapping concerns regarding our unions, particularly how marriage can be a faithful and provocative witness in a society too often shaped by consumeristic approaches to sex and procreation. Christian ethicists must also move into a broader dialogue regarding how or whether sexed difference remains significant for our community life. Finally, we must also offer substantive guidance for those whose commitments remain primarily ordered by the love of Christ, particularly by honestly addressing challenges to fidelity in our culture.
Convener: Debra Dean Murphy, West Virginia Wesleyan College
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"The Domination of Drones"  
Salon 1 - 3rd  

Death toll aggregators show that since 2004, in Pakistan's FATA alone, the United States has killed at least 2,347 people by remote control. Far less obvious but no less disturbing are the psychological effects of living under drones. How should U.S. citizens evaluate these effects, which seem to follow with near and intrinsic certainty from constant surveillance and persistent threat? I argue that drones tend toward domination. The argument advances several critical corrections to Phillip Pettit's account of domination through conversation with Adriana Cavarero’s Horrorism and Robert Adams's Finite and Infinite Goods.

Convener: Peng Yin, Harvard University

Ellen Ott Marshall, Candler School of Theology, Emory University  
"Grounding Practices of Conflict Transformation: Are Theologies of Reconciliation Sufficient?"  
Crystal - 3rd  

This paper's hypothesis is that theologies of reconciliation provide a theological foundation for conflict transformation, but also obscure some elements of conflict transformation theory and practice. The paper explores two of these elements: (1) an open-ended notion of transformation that does not include or culminate in reconciliation and (2) sociological descriptions of non-linear conflict dynamics, in contrast with linear narratives of reconciliation. These two points of tension surface as one focuses on nonviolent social change, which constitutes one thread of conflict transformation work, along with mediation and restorative justice. Are theologies of reconciliation sufficient to ground the varied practices of conflict transformation?

Convener: Peter Gathje, Memphis Theological Seminary

Neil Messer, University of Winchester, UK  
"Neuroscience, Moral Reasoning and the Theological Suspicion of Ethics"  
Chicago - 5th  

This paper explores some theological implications of neuroscientific research into moral reasoning. Experiments suggest that utilitarian responses to the moral dilemmas known as 'trolley problems' involve more activity in brain areas associated with reason, and less in areas associated with emotion, than non-utilitarian responses. According to Singer and others, this supports utilitarianism against some well-known critiques; it might therefore also seem to challenge non-utilitarian theological ethics. However, drawing on Barth and Bonhoeffer I argue instead that it offers a valuable hermeneutic of suspicion concerning the human project of ethics. Christians can welcome this critical function without accepting Singer's utilitarian inference.

Convener: Maria Kenney, Asbury Theological Seminary

Jeffrey Morgan, University of Notre Dame  
"Self-Knowledge in the Verdict of God: Conscience and Moral Law in Kant's Moral Philosophy"  
Salon 12 - 3rd  

In this paper I develop a qualified defense of Immanuel Kant's theory of conscience. I argue that for Kant conscience is where we judge our actions in order to approximate God's judgment of our character before the moral law. I therefore challenge the claim that Kant valorizes the autonomous individual who knows herself as accountable to a law she creates for herself. I note that for Kant we know ourselves in relation to God not for the sake of that relation itself, but I show in conclusion how we might revise this shortcoming without rejecting Kant's theory of conscience.

Convener: John Crowley-Buck, Loyola University Chicago

Rebecca Todd Peters, Elon University  
"Abortion in Real Life: Examining Women's Abortion Narratives as Background for Public Policy"  
Salon 3 - 3rd  

Recent public policy measures restricting women's access to abortion reflect paternalistic assumptions about the circumstances and moral and intellectual capacity of women who seek to terminate pregnancies. In this paper, I examine the narratives of women who had abortions to see how they narrate their social and moral circumstances. I conclude with suggestions for more effective social policies that address the root causes of abortion rather than policies that penalize individual women in situations where abortion appears to be their best option.

Convener: James Martin-Schramm, Luther College
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"The Ethics of Citizenship: Patriotism vs. Populism"
This paper considers the current discourses and rhetoric concerning citizenship by examining civic republicanisms model of patriotism in terms of respect for political and national symbols, commitment to a political community, and active participation in the common good. These character traits function as identity markers of the good citizen as patriotic. Patriotism makes use of a rhetoric that includes concepts such as commitment, loyalty, and sacrifice, which are juxtaposed to civic republicanisms discourse resulting in a hegemonic identity. In this paper I lift Laclau's populism as a form of radical democracy to consider a non-hegemonic notion of citizenship.
Convener: David S. Cunningham, Hope College

Sandra Sullivan-Dunbar, Loyola University Chicago
"The Christian, Economic Family"
With a few exceptions, most discussions in Christian economic ethics presuppose that "economics" encompasses market transactions and waged labor, rather than the home and domestic labor. I draw upon feminist economics to retrieve an understanding of economics as provisioning, to include market activity, wage labor, and domestic care work. Acknowledging the economic nature of care relations in the domestic sphere highlights the intrinsic mixture of self- and other-regard in economic relations, addressing some central preoccupations of Christian economic ethics. Furthermore, if economics is about provisioning, not just self-interested exchange, then economic valuation of care does not destroy its nature as care.
Convener: Sara Wilhelm Garbers, Loyola University Chicago

Ethics and Catholic Theology
"Law and Virtue: New Directions"
Panelists: John Berkman, Regis College, University of Toronto
William C. Mattison III, Catholic University of America
Jean Porter, University of Notre Dame
The last generation has seen a shift from 'law' to 'virtue' as the dominant paradigm for Christian ethics. Although shortly after virtue re-emerged as an important topic in Christian ethics in the 1980s scholars confirmed that virtue should complement (rather than replace) the role of law in Christian ethics, we believe inadequate attention has been given by our discipline to the continuing significance of law. Therefore, Jean Porter, Bill Mattison, and John Berkman will each comment on "new directions" – which they observe and/or propose – for scholarship on law in relation to virtue in moral theology.
Convener: Michael J. Baxter, DePaul University

"Lutheran Interpretations of Contemporary Legal Issues"
Panelists: James M. Childs Jr, Trinity Lutheran Seminary
"Military Chaplains and the Law"
Ronald W. Duty, ELCA, Chicago
"Law, Grace, and Water Rights in the American Southwest"
Victor Thasiah, California Lutheran University
"The Right to Freedom of Association: Organizing in Rwanda after Genocide"
Recently, legal scholars have probed the influence of religious perspectives upon dimensions of secular law and interpretations of legal issues. Religious ethical traditions and law may influence each other, share common concerns, and sometimes conflict. This panel offers three examples of Lutheran engagement with diverse legal issues; the legal structure of military chaplaincy as given in the "Establishment" and "Free Exercise" clauses of the First Amendment; community organizing in relation to the right to freedom of association in Rwanda after genocide; and recent cases on water rights in the American Southwest in light of Lutheran theological ethics and climate change.
Convener: Mary Gaebler, Gustavus Adolphus College
**SJE:**
Susan Roth Breitzer, National Coalition of Independent Scholars
"Organizing the Afflicted and Bargaining with the Comfortable: Jewish Ethics and Labor"

Jewish ethics as applied to labor relations goes all the way back to the Tanakh. Legislation regarding labor was further codified in the Talmud. Yet over the centuries following the destruction of the Temple, labor ceased to be a central focus of Jewish ethics, as communal survival became the primary focus of religious leaders. The current rabbinic emphases on Jewish ethics in the world of work, therefore, have been a relatively recent phenomenon. This paper will examine the history of the Jewish ethics and labor among American Jews, and the ideas behind the creation of Jewish religious-based worker justice movements.

Geoffrey Claussen, Elon University
"The Legacy of the Kelm School of Musar and the Ethics of Wealth and Poverty"

This paper explores how a variety of contemporary Jews have drawn on the ideas of the virtue-focused Kelm school of the Musar movement in formulating visions of how the Jewish tradition should best respond to poverty. The paper considers Israeli ultra-Orthodox rabbis who emphasize a path of voluntary poverty and a disdain for commerce, an American rabbi and business consultant who has harnessed the ideas and practices of the Musar movement in offering a path to personal prosperity, and the development organization American Jewish World Service’s efforts to use models from Kelm in its human-rights-focused anti-poverty work in India.

Convener: Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University

**SSME:**
Faisal Al-Alamy, University of British Columbia
"They See Me Rollin', They Hatin': Deconstructing and Examining the Saudi Arabian Fatwa on Women Drivers through the Scope of Hanbali Jurisprudence"

Unraveling the Saudi fatwa on women driving reveals inconsistencies whereby a self-serving motivation becomes apparent. The flaw of the fatwa lies in the procedural and substantive process utilized by the Grand-Mufti. As a procedural matter, the Grand-Mufti’s determination that the Sharia prohibits woman drivers fails to abide by prescribed Hanbali guidelines that even the highest ulama are required to follow. As a substantive matter the fatwa utilizes selective Quranic verses and hadith, proving its origin in the Islamic tradition, only then to divert course by adding unrelated layers of law in favor of reinforcing the legitimacy of the legislature.

Zahra Ayubi, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
"Gender Relations between Law and Ethics: Shedding Light on the Relationship between Akhlaq and Fiqh in Classical Islamic Discourses"

This paper explores the question of what is the relationship between fiqh (jurisprudence) and akhlaq (philosophical ethics) in classical Islamic thought through discussion of the themes of divorce and parenting. I compare scholarship on the legal tradition with my close readings of akhlaq treatises, the Kimiya-i Sa’adat by Abu Hamid Muhammad al-Ghazali (d. 1111) and Akhlaq-i Nasiri by Nasir-ad Din Tusi (d. 1274). A general rule that emerges is that the akhlaq genre expands on codes of conduct and moral responsibilities set both within and outside of legal procedures set in fiqh discussions on family life.

Sam Houston, Florida State University
"The Tradition of 'Commanding Right and Forbidding Wrong' in the Islamist Discourse of 'Salafi Sufi' ʿAbd al-Salam Yassine"

By exploring the "commanding right and forbidding wrong" discourse in the thought of Moroccan Islamist ʿAbd al-Salam Yassine (1928-2012), I demonstrate the inadequacy of conceptual frameworks which describe Islamist groups primarily as products of modernity or as political ideologies. This is accomplished by attending to the ways Sufi thought and practice shaped Yassine's Islamic activism, especially in the role played by spiritual and ethical formation (turbiya) in his vision of a successful socio-political vanguard (tali’ah). Such an analysis reveals that Yassine's use of this discourse stands in a relation of both discontinuity and continuity with historic Islam.

Convener: Aaron Conley, Regis University

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