Third Biennial Symposium on Religion and Politics

The Henry Institute
Calvin College

April 27-29, 2006

Program Schedule

All events take place at the Prince Conference Center
Thursday, April 27

Thursday, April 27, 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Welcome and Light Buffet
Blue Spruce and Elm Rooms

Thursday, April 27, 6:45 – 8:00 p.m.
Panel A1: Religion and Civic Responsibility
Location: White Pine
Chair: Neil Carlson, Calvin College

“Religion and Civic Responsibility”
Corwin Smidt, Calvin College, smid@calvin.edu

“Religion and the Obligations of Citizenship”
Kevin denDulk, Grand Valley State University, dendulkk@gvsu.edu

Discussant: Neil Carlson, Calvin College, nec4@calvin.edu

Panel B1: Religion and Politics in Comparative Perspective
Location: Board Room
Chair: Amy Patterson, Calvin College

“Religion and Democracy in Latin America: Status Questions”
Jose Alejandro Amoros, LaVos/The Community Voice, amoros@amorosresearch.com

“Dynamic Churches in Dynamic States: An Analysis of Contemporary Church-State Relations in Sub-Saharan Africa”
Steven L. Lichty, Baylor University, stevelichty@gmail.com

Discussant: Amy Patterson, Calvin College, apatters@calvin.edu
Panel C1: Religion and Public Reasoning
Location: Maple
Chair: Bryan McGraw, University of Notre Dame

“Rawls on Religion: Can Religion Be a Foundation for a Person’s Political Beliefs and Practices?”
  Allen Gehring, Indiana University, Bloomington, asgehrin@indiana.edu

  Jonanthan Fuqua, Baylor University, Jonathan_Fuqua@baylor.edu

Discussant: Bryan McGraw, University of Notre Dame, bmcgraw@nd.edu

Thursday, April 27, 8:15 – 9:30 p.m. – Reception
  Fireside Room

Friday, April 28

Friday, April 28, 8:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Panel A2: Religion and Political Cohesion
Location: Board Room
Chair: Jamal Donaldson Briggs, Duke University

“A Theoretical Basis for American Civil Religion”
  Darrin Hanson, University of Texas, dhanson@gov.utexas.edu

“Faith and the Presidency”
  Walter Nelson and Zbigniew Broniszewski, West Virginia University,
  hwnelson@gmail.com

“The Religion Gap and Presidential Approval”
  Laura R. Olson and Adam L. Warber, Clemson University,
  laurao@clemson.edu and awarber@clemson.edu

Discussant: Jamal Donaldson Briggs, Duke University, jamal.briggs@duke.edu
Location: Willow East
Chair: Rachel Vanderhill, Calvin College

“Orthodoxy, Islam, and Religious Intolerance in Post-Atheist Russia”
Vyacheslav Karpov and Elena Lisovskaya, Western Michigan University,
v.karpov@wmich.edu

“Religion and the Ukrainian Parliamentary Election of 2006”
Andrij Yurash, Ivan Franko Lviv National University,
a_yurash@yahoo.com
(Note: unable to attend; paper to be distributed at session)

“Struggling for the “Soul” of Europe: Romanian Orthodox Church and European Integration”
Mihnea Vasilescu, University of Pittsburgh, mvasilescu@gmail.com

Discussant: Rachel Vanderhill, Calvin College, rjv27@calvin.edu

Panel C2: Theology and Political Thought
Location: Willow West
Chair: Steven Millies, University of South Carolina Aiken

“Justification and Justice: How the Reformation Shaped Karl Barth’s Political Theology”
Todd Vincent Cioffi, Princeton Theological Seminary, todd.cioffi@ptsem.edu

“Christ and Politics: Augustine and Barth on the Political”
Kristen Deede Johnson, Hope College, johnsonk@hope.edu

“The Value of Kierkegaard to Contemporary Religion and Political Thought”
Beverly Ann Gaddy, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg, bag13@pitt.edu

Discussant: James K. Smith, Calvin College, jks4@calvin.edu

Friday, April 28, 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. – Refreshment Break
Fireside Room
Friday, April 28, 11:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Panel A3: Judicial Interpretations of Church-State Boundaries
Location: Willow East
Chair: Stephen Monsma, Calvin College

“Two Concepts of Liberalism in Establishment Clause Jurisprudence”
Kevin Pybas, Missouri State University, kevinpybas@missouristate.edu

“Failing the Test for Establishment? The Use of the Lemon Test and the Endorsement Test in McCrery and Van Orden”
Rebecca McCumbers, University of Notre Dame, mccumbe@nd.edu

“The Continuing Viability of Pervasively Sectarian Doctrine”
Michael Rodriguez, Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, Michael.Rodriguez@stockton.edu

Discussant: Stephen Monsma, Calvin College, sm24@calvin.edu

Panel B3: Religion and Politics in European Settings
Location: Board Room
Chair: Scott Thomas, Calvin College and the University of Bath

“Some Economic, Demographic, and Political Aspects of the Disruption of the Church of Scotland: A Rational Response to Regulation”
Scot Peterson, University of Oxford, scot.peterson@politics.ox.ac.uk

“Protestantism and Euroscepticism in the Netherlands”
Hans Vollaard, Leiden University, vollaard@fsw.leidenuniv.nl

Discussant: Scott Thomas, Calvin College, smt3@calvin.edu
Panel C3: Religion and Political Power
Location: Willow West
Chair: Darren Walhof, Grand Valley State University

“The Right to Govern and the Power to Govern: The Reduction of Political Authority”
David Koyzis, Redeemer University College, dkoyzis@redeemer.on.ca

“Whose City? Which Freedom? Augustinian Reflections on Empire, the Market, and American Foreign Policy”
James K. Smith, Calvin College, jks4@calvin.edu

“Thomas and Just War: Some Prudential Considerations”
Brian Dijkema, Institute for Christian Studies, bdijkema@gmail.com

Discussant: Darren Walhof, Grand Valley State University, walhofd@gvsu.edu

Friday, April 28, 12:45 – 1:45 p.m. – Lunch
White Pine and Maple Rooms

Friday, April 28, 2:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Panel A4: Religion and American Mass Politics
Location: Willow East
Chair: Laura Olson, Clemson University

“Religious Conservatives and the Requirements of Citizenship”
Bryan McGraw, University of Notre Dame, bmcgraw@nd.edu
and Kimberly H. Conger, Iowa State University, conger@iastate.edu

Jared A. Farley, Miami University of Ohio, farleyja@muohio.edu

“The Content and Electoral Purpose of Moral Values”
Erin McAdams and Anand Sokhey, Ohio State University,
mcadams.19@osu.edu and sokhey.2@polisci.osu.edu

Discussant: Laura Olson, Clemson University, laurao@clemson.edu
Panel B4: Religion and Politics in Canada
Location: Willow West
Chair: David Koyzis, Redeemer University College

“A Review of the Relationship between the Anglican Church, the Canadian Government, and the Canadian Residential Schools in the late 19th Century”
Cheryl Gaver, University of Ottawa, cgave103@uottawa.ca

“Nationalism, Religion, and Social Identity: The Case of Quebec”
John Evans, University of Wisconsin, jcevans@wisc.edu

“Evangelicals and the 2006 Canadian General Election”
Jonathan Malloy, Carleton University, jonathan_malloy@carleton.ca

Discussant: David Koyzis, Redeemer University College, dkoyzis@redeemer.on.ca

Panel C4: Religion and Liberal Political Thought
Location: Blue Spruce
Chair: William Stevenson, Calvin College

“Locke’s Legal Theology and Politics”
Joanne Tetlow, Catholic University of America, joannetetlow@yahoo.com

“Protestants and the Natural Law: Thoughts from the Public Square on its Neglect and its Necessity”
J. Daryl Charles, Union University, dcharles@uu.edu

Murray Jardine, Auburn University, jardimu@auburn.edu

Discussant: William Stevenson, Calvin College, stew@calvin.edu

Panel D4: Religion and Civic Engagement
Location: Board Room
Chair: Jose Alejandro Amoros, LaVos/The Community Voice

“Developing Civic Skills: Does Religion Matter?”
James Penning, Calvin College, penn@calvin.edu

Religion and Philanthropic Behavior: Building Blocks of Civic Responsibility”
Stephen Monsma, Calvin College, sm24@calvin.edu

Discussant: Jose Alejandro Amoros, amoros@amorosresearch.com
Friday, April 28, 3:45 – 4:15 p.m. – Refreshment Break  
Fireside Room

Friday, April 28, 4:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**Panel A5: Religion and Politics within the African-American Context**  
**Location:** Board Room  
**Chair:** James Penning, Calvin College

“Explaining New ‘Conservative’ Politics within the Black Church Tradition”  
Sharon Gramby-Sobukwe, Eastern University, sgrambys@eastern.edu

Jamal Donaldson Briggs, Duke University, jamal.briggs@duke.edu

“Cheap Grace: Church Responses to the Black Manifesto and its Lesson for Reparations Initiatives Today”  
Amy Kedron, University of Buffalo, amykedron@yahoo.com  
(Note: unable to attend; paper to be distributed at session)

Discussant: James Penning, Calvin College, penn@calvin.edu

**Panel B5: Religion and American Politics in Historical Perspective**  
**Location:** Willow East  
**Chair:** Jared Farley, Miami University of Ohio

“The Success of Political Parties and Religious Organizations during the Second Party System”  
Charles Dahan, University of California, San Diego, cdahan@gmail.com

“Religion and Politics on the Left: Reinhold Niebuhr and the Formation of the New Deal Consensus”  
George Breckenridge, McMaster University, breckeng@univmail.cis.mcmaster.ca

“Moral Victories: Foreign Policy Principles of the Ford Administration”  
Jason Marcus Waak, University of Illinois at Chicago, unionfan@uic.edu

Discussant: Jared A. Farley, Miami University of Ohio, farleyja@muohio.edu
Panel C5: Religion and Democratic Citizenship
Location: Willow West
Chair: Kevin denDulk, Grand Valley State University

“Morality and the Constitution: Tocqueville and Publius on the Status of Morals in Public Life”
Rebecca McCumbers, University of Notre Dame, mccumbe@nd.edu

“Theocentric Moralism and Telling the Truth in Politics and Civic Engagement”
Jim Slack, University of Alabama at Birmingham, jslack@uab.edu

“Monasticism and Citizenship: Politics and the Resources of Contemplation”
Steven Millies and Thomas Burrus, University of South Carolina Aiken,
stevenm@usca.edu and tbburrus@yahoo.com

Discussant: Kevin denDulk, Grand Valley State University, dendulkk@gvsu.edu

Friday, April 28, 6:15 – 7:45 p.m. – Dinner
White Pine and Maple Rooms

Friday, April 28, 8:00 p.m. – Lecture
Oak Room

“Religion and the Rule of Law in the People’s Republic of China”
Liu Peng, Senior Research Fellow, Institute of American Studies,
Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
Saturday, April 29

Saturday, April 29, 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Panel A6: The Conceptualization and Measurement of Religion
Location: Board Room
Chair: Doug Koopman, Hope College

“Theorizing Religion in Political Science: Conceptualizing and Operationalizing a Variable”
Erika Seeler, Duke University, eseeler@hotmail.com

“Religious Tradition and Religious Traditionalism as Concepts and Measures in American Political Life”
Lyman Kellstedt, Wheaton College emeritus, charandbudk@juno.com

Discussant: Doug Koopman, Hope College, koopman@hope.edu

Panel B6: Religion and Politics in China
Location: Willow East
Chair: Daniel Bays, Calvin College

“Religion’s Role in the Progress of Modernization in Reformed China: 1978-2004”
Zeng Chuanhui, Religious Studies Institute, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, China, chzeng@cass.org.cn

“Toward a Free State and a Free Church – a Case Study on the Relationship between Church and State in China”
Yinghua Liu, Graduate Theological Union, yhl9@hotmail.com

Discussant: Daniel Bays, Calvin College, dbays@calvin.edu
Panel C6:  Religion and the Public Square
Location:  Willow West
Chair:  David Ryden, Hope College

“Robert Audi and the Priority of Civic Harmony: De-tuning the Political Sphere”
Ken Dam, Institute for Christian Studies, kdam@icscanada.edu

“An Undue Accommodation: Responding to Liberal and Centrist Inclinations Regarding Religion and the Public Square”
Gordon Babst, Chapman College, gbabst@chapman.edu

Discussant: David Ryden, Hope College, ryden@hope.edu

Saturday, April 29,  10:00 – 10:30 a.m. – Refreshment Break
Fireside Room

Saturday, April 29,  10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Panel A7:  Religious Response to the State of Israel
Location:  Board Room
Chair:  James Guth, Furman University

“Revelations and Congressional Votes: Christian Zionism and the Case of the Christian’s Israel Public Action Campaign (CIPAC)”
Kyle M. Smith, Bowling Green University, ksmith52@hotmail.com
(Note: unable to attend; paper to be distributed at session)

“The Divestiture Movement: Some Perspectives on the Presbyterian Vote and the Jewish Response”
Ron Stockton, University of Michigan-Dearborn, rstock@umich.edu

Discussant: James Guth, Furman University, jim.guth@furman.edu
Panel B7: Catholic Social Thought
Location: Willow East
Chair: John Evans, University of Wisconsin

“Finding Moral Consensus: A Voegelinian Analysis of Aquinas’ Natural Law and Its Place in Contemporary Discourse”
Jeremiah H. Russell, Baylor University, jeremiah_russell@baylor.edu

“Lessons of the Holocaust Not Learned”
Frank LeVeness, St. John’s University, levenesf@stjohns.edu

“At the Crossroads of Liberal and Catholic Social Thought”
Lan T. Chu, Diplomacy and World Affairs, Occidental College
lchu@oxy.edu
(Note: unable to attend; paper to be distributed at session)

Discussant: John Evans, University of Wisconsin, jcevans@wisc.edu

Panel C7: Religion and Political Tolerance
Location: Willow West
Chair: Mark Caleb Smith, Cedarville University

“The Role of Religion in Fostering Political Tolerance”
Doug Koopman, Hope College, dkoopman@calvin.edu

“Race, Religion, and Political Tolerance: A Closer Look at African Americans’ Attitudes Toward Homosexuals”
Richard Ledet, University of Notre Dame, rledet@nd.edu

Discussant: Mark Smith, Cedarville University, mcsmith@cedarville.edu

Saturday, April 29, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. – Lunch
White Pine and Maple Rooms
Panel A8: Religion and Judicial Interpretation
Location: Board Room
Chair: Scot Peterson, University of Oxford

“Religious Freedom Unbound: Comparing Prosecution (or Lack Thereof) for Religious Motivated Child Medical Neglect in Ten States”
Scott M. Brown, Indiana University Southeast, scmbrown@ius.edu

“The Role of Worldview in Judicial Decision-Making”
James A. Davids, Regent University, jameda2@regent.edu

Discussant: Scot Peterson, University of Oxford, scot.peterson@politics.ox.ac.uk

Panel B8: Religion and Contemporary American Politics
Location: Willow East
Chair: Kim Conger, Iowa State University

“Religious Diversity and Partisan Competition in the American States”
Mark Caleb Smith, Gerson Moreno-Riano, and Thomas Mach, Cedarville University, mcsmith@cedarville.edu

“Religion and Public Attitudes toward International Affairs”
James Guth, Furman University, jim.guth@furman.edu

Discussant: Kim Conger, Iowa State University, conger@iastate.edu

Panel C8: Religion, Political Philosophy, and American Politics
Location: Willow West
Chair: Matt Roberts, Calvin College

“A Comparative Glimpse of the Political Theology of Luther and Calvin with Consideration of the American Political Context”
John Rush, Wheaton College, johnrush@wheaton.edu

“The Religion and Politics of Edmund Pellegrino, Chair of President’s Council on Bioethics”
Jack Hanford, Ferris State University, jhan1722@tucker-usa.com

Discussant: Matt Roberts, Calvin College, mmm3@calvin.edu

Saturday, April 29, 2:30 – 3:00 p.m. – Closing Refreshment Break
Fireside Room
Copies of papers presented at the Symposium are available in the Library of the Prince Conference Center during the Symposium.