Sixth Biennial Symposium on Religion and Politics

The Henry Institute
Calvin College

April 28-30, 2011

Program Schedule

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Thursday, April 28

Thursday, April 28 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Reception
Location: Fireside Room

Friday, April 29

Friday, April 29 8:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Panel 1A: Religion in Early Political Thought
Location: Board Room
Chair: Carl Dibble, University of Michigan-Dearborn

“Justice and Mercy in Seventeenth Century Theology and Political Thought”
Alex Tuckness, Iowa State University, tuckness@iastate.edu
John Parrish, Loyola Marymount University

“Recovering a Pluralist Politics: The Politics of Rights in Early Modern Political Theory”
Paul Brink, Gordon College
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“Jewish Joachimism: A Study of History, Politics, Apocalypticism and Isaac Abarbanel”
Benzion N. Chinn, Ohio State University
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Discussant: Carl Dibble, University of Michigan-Dearborn
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Panel 1B: Religion and American Foreign Policy
Location: Hickory Room
Chair: David J. Meyer, Regent University

Nilay Saiya, University of Notre Dame
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“Beyond Belonging: The Influence of Providential Religious Beliefs on Foreign Policy Attitudes”
Rebecca Glazier, University of Arkansas-Little Rock
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Discussant: David J. Meyer, Regent University
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Friday, April 29
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Refreshment Break
Location: Fireside Room

Friday, April 29
11:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Panel 2A: Religion and Public Life
Location: Blue Spruce Room
Chair: Joseph Hartman, Georgetown University

“Augustinian Thomism and Agonistic Democracy”
Daniel Edward Young, Northwestern College
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“The Word Made Flesh and the City Built with Human Hands: An Analysis of the Early Church’s Approach to Political Life”
Adam Nicholson, The Catholic University of America
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Discussant: Joseph Hartman, Georgetown University
JoeHman@comcast.net
Panel 2B: Religion in International Relations
Location: Hickory Room
Chair: Steve Lichty, University of Florida

“Law and Loyalty: How Differences in Dominant Cultural Paradigms Impact US-Russian Relations”
Andrey Shirin, John Leland Center for Theological Studies
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“Political Imagination: The Sacred and the Profane in the Rise and Fall of Great Powers”
Joshua Su-Ya Wu, Ohio State University
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Discussant: Steve Lichty, University of Florida
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Panel 2C: Religion and Public Opinion
Location: Elm Room
Chair: Rebecca Glazier, University of Arkansas Little Rock

“Citizen Perceptions of Barack Obama’s Religious Affiliation”
John Clark, Western Michigan University
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“Religiosity and Public Opinion toward Cultural Issues in the 21st Century”
Kenneth Mulligan, Southern Illinois University, kmulliga@siu.edu
Tobin Grant, Southern Illinois University
Dennis Bennett, Southern Illinois University

“Religiosity as a Determinant of Political Knowledge”
Jacob Lupfer, Georgetown University
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Discussant: Rebecca Glazier, University of Arkansas Little Rock
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Friday, April 29
Lunch
Location: Great Hall West
Friday, April 29

Panel 3A:  Religion and Political Philosophy
Location:  Board Room
Chair:  Alex Tuckness, Iowa State University

“How to Ground the Duty to Obey the Law”
Jonathan Fuqua, Baylor University & University of Missouri St. Louis
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“How Max Weber and the Dynamic of Authority and Power”
David Koyzis, Redeemer University College
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“How Jonathan Edwards, A Philosophical Defense of the Fall, and Lessons for Modern Political Life”
Jim Schelberg, Washington College, jschelberg2@washcoll.edu
Joseph Prud’homme, Washington College, jprudhomme2@washcoll.edu

Discussant: Alex Tuckness, Iowa State University
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Panel 3B:  Religion, Institutional Structures, and Moral Values
Location:  President’s Dining Room
Chair:  Douglas Koopman, Calvin College

“How Contesting Values and Searching for “Rules” in the Anglican Crisis”
John Anderson, University of St. Andrews
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“How Crisis at the White House: The Declining Moral Authority of the American Presidency”
Frank Kessler, Benedictine College, fkessler@benedictine.edu
Monica McCambridge, Benedictine College

“How An American Marriage: Mormons, Polygamy, and Federalism”
Lee Trepanier, Saginaw Valley State University, ldtrepan@svsu.edu
Lynita Newswander, University of South Dakota

Discussant: Douglas Koopman, Calvin College
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Panel 3C:  Religion, Civic Life, and Politics  
Location:  Hickory Room  
Chair:  Stephen Monsma, Calvin College  

“In Word and Deed: How U.S. Evangelical Transnational NGOs Frame Their Missions”  
Chan Woong Shin, Syracuse University  
cshin@maxwell.syr.edu  

“Church Nonprofits Confront Government Regulations: John Mason and Early Efforts to Work with the Welfare State to Construct Housing for the Elderly”  
Leslie Weber, Jr., ELCA Church in Society (retired)  
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“God Is….: Young Evangelicals Search for Meaning in a Secular World”  
Adriane Bilous, Fordham University  
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Discussant:  Stephen Monsma, Calvin College  
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Friday, April 29 3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.  
Refreshment Break  
Location: Fireside Room

Friday, April 29 4:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
American Grace: How Religion Divides and Unites Us  
David Campbell  
University of Notre Dame  
dave_campbell@nd.edu  
Location: Great Hall East

Friday, April 29 6:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.  
Dinner  
Location: Great Hall West
Saturday, April 30

Panel 4A: Religion and Modern Political Thought
Location: Hickory Room
Chair: William Stevenson, Calvin College

“The Impasse in American Theology and How We Can Begin to Get Beyond It: Gary Dorrien, Stanley Hauerwas, Rowan Williams, and Sovereignty”
David Horstkoetter, Marquette University
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“Gnosticism, Millenarianism, and the Nature of Modernity: A Reassessment of Eric Voegelin’s Political Theory”
Murray Jardine, Auburn University
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“Skinner’s Age of Reformation and the Medieval Legacy in ‘Modern’ Political Thought”
Joshua Bowman, The Catholic University of America
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Discussant: William Stevenson, Calvin College
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Panel 4B: Religion and Politics in Comparative Perspective
Location: White Pine Room
Chair: Corwin Smidt, Calvin College

“Between Pulpit and Pew: Religious Influence on Political Belief and Behavior in Kenya”
Steve Lichty, University of Florida
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“The Comparative Study of Evangelicals and Politics in Anglo-American Countries”
Jonathan Malloy, Carleton University
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“Quantitative Analysis of the Religious Elements and their Influences on Electoral Preferences: A Case Study of Romania”
Bogdan Ileanu, Romanian Academy of Economic Studies, ileanub@yahoo.com
Claudiu Herteliu, Romanian Academy of Economic Studies
Tudorel Andrei, Romanian Academy of Economic Studies
Alexandru Isaic-Maniu, Romanian Academy of Economic Studies

Discussant: Corwin Smidt, Calvin College
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Panel 4C: Religion and Politics in the United States
Location: Maple Room
Chair: Kevin denDulk, Grand Valley State University

“The Influence of Religious Leaders on the Political Behavior of Latino Churchgoers: Evidence from the Chicago Latino Congregations Study”
Jessica Hamar Martinez, University of Arizona, jhamar@email.arizona.edu
Edwin I. Hernandez, University of Notre Dame, eherman5@nd.edu

“Useful Cues: The Effect of Candidate Religiosity on Vote Choice”
Jeremiah J. Castle, University of Notre Dame
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“The Palin Effect: Examining Evangelical Christians’ Support for Women Candidates”
Gayle Alberda, Wayne State University, ap0490@wayne.edu
Jennie Sweet-Cushman, Wayne State University, ec7077@wayne.edu

Discussant: Kevin denDulk, Grand Valley State University
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Saturday, April 25
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Refreshment Break
Location: Fireside Room

Saturday, April 30
10:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Panel 5A: Religion, Institutional Structures, and Politics
Location: Presidents Dining Room
Chair: Leslie Weber, Jr., ELCA Church in Society (retired)

“Can Institutions Save Us? Alexis de Tocqueville, Reinhold Niebuhr and the Problem of Anxiety”
Joseph Hartman, Georgetown University
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“The Teaching of Religion in Russian Schools”
David Meyer, Regent University, djmeyer@regent.edu
Brett Lonadier, Regent University

Discussant: Leslie Weber, Jr., ELCA Church in Society (retired)
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Panel 5B: Religion and Politics in South Africa
Location: Board Room
Chair: Steve Lichty, University of Florida

“Faith and Politics in South Africa: Should Christians Participate in Politics?”
Leepo Modise, University of South Africa
modislj@unisa.ac.za

“The Christian Politician? An Investigation into the Theological Grounding for Christians’ Participation in Politics”
B.B. Tumi Senokoane, University of South Africa, senokbb@unisa.ac.za
Rothney Tshaka, University of South Africa, tshakrs@unisa.ac.za

“Diminished or Diverse? An Examination of the Political Voice of Churches in Democratic South Africa”
Tracy Kuperus, Calvin College
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Discussant: Steve Lichty, University of Florida
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Panel 5C: Religion and Civic Life
Location: Hickory Room
Chair: Jennie Sweet Cushman, Wayne State University

Brandon Vaidynathan, University of Notre Dame, brynathan@gmail.com
Jonathan P. Hill, Calvin College, jonhill@calvin.edu

“The Role of Religion in Fostering and Sustaining Civic Engagement”
Corwin Smidt, Calvin College, smid@calvin.edu

“The Role of Religion in Fostering Political Tolerance”
Kevin denDulk, Grand Valley State University, dendulkk@gvsu.edu

Discussant: Jennie Sweet Cushman, Wayne State University
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Saturday, April 30
12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Concluding Lunch
Location: Great Hall East
Copies of papers presented at the Symposium are available in the Library of the Prince Conference Center (located behind the Registration and Breakfast Area) throughout the Symposium.