



THE PRODIGAL LOVE OF GOD

REENCOUNTERING DORT AT 400 AND BEYOND

DETAILED CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

7:00 PM **Why Protestantism Still Matters:**
Marilynne Robinson in conversation
with James K.A. Smith

8:15 PM **Art Gallery Reception**
Commemorating the Synod of Dort:
A Collection of Historical Artifacts &
Facsimiles of Communication Design

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

8:00 AM **Paper Presentations A**
The Next Generation Responds:
Honors Students Engaging the Works
of Tisby and Warren

A Virtual Tour of the Synod of Dordt
(1618-1619)

Always Reforming

Vocation, Education, and Public Theology

10:00 AM **The Dogma is the Drama**
Tish Harrison Warren

11:00 PM **Paper Presentations B**
Great Books of the Great Tradition

Identity, Desire, and (Re)formation

The Legacy of the Canons

2:00 PM **Discussion: The Missional Implications of
the Canons**
Richard Mouw (moderator), Bill DeJong,
Sean Michael Lucas

4:00 PM **The Scandal of Sheer Grace:
When Mercy Offends**
James K. A. Smith

7:00 PM **Panel Discussion with Plenary Speakers**

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

8:00 AM **Paper Presentations C**
Historical Continuities Learning from Other
Voices

Sexual Violence and the Challenge of
Interpretation

Charis, Caritas, and Christian Education

10:00 AM **Election, Mystery, and Theodicy: A
Theological Exegesis of the Canons of Dort**
Paul C.H. Lim

11:00 AM **Paper Presentations D**
Hypothetical Universalisms and
Particular Redemptions

Reformational Resources for Cultural
Engagement

Virtue and the Imitation of Christ

2:00 PM **Re-Presenting Election: The Church for the
World in the Canons and Beyond**
Suzanne McDonald

4:00 PM **Of Synods and Slavery: The Canons of
Dordt and the Black Freedom Struggle**
Jemar Tisby

7:00 PM **An English Separatist at the Synod of Dordt**
Timothy George

PLENARY SPEAKERS & MAIN EVENTS

A CONVERSATION BETWEEN MARILYNNE ROBINSON AND JAMES K.A. SMITH

B.J. Haan Auditorium
Thursday, April 4, 2019
7:00 P.M.

COMMEMORATING THE SYNOD OF DORT

A collection of historical artifacts &
facsimiles of communication design
Campus Center, Eckhardt Lounge
Thursday, April 4, 2019
8:15 P.M.

THE DOGMA IS THE DRAMA

Tish Harrison Warren
Science Building 1606
Friday, April 5, 2019
10:00 AM

DISCUSSION: THE MISSIONAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE CANONS

Richard Mouw (moderator)
Bill DeJong & Sean Michael Lucas
Friday, April 5, 2019
2:00 P.M.

THE SCANDAL OF SHEER GRACE: WHEN MERCY OFFENDS

James K.A. Smith
Friday, April 5, 2019
4:00 P.M.

PANEL DISCUSSION WITH PLENARY SPEAKERS

Friday, April 5, 2019
7:00 P.M.

ELECTION, MYSTERY, AND THEODICY: A THEOLOGICAL EXEGESIS OF THE CANONS OF DORT

Paul C.H. Lim
Saturday, April 6, 2019
10:00 A.M.

RE-PRESENTING ELECTION: THE CHURCH FOR THE WORLD IN THE CANONS AND BEYOND

Suzanne McDonald
Saturday, April 6, 2019
2:00 P.M.

OF SYNODS AND SLAVERY: THE CANONS OF DORDT AND THE BLACK FREEDOM STRUGGLE

Jemar Tisby
Saturday, April 6, 2019
4:00 P.M.

AN ENGLISH SEPARATIST AT THE SYNOD OF DORDT

Timothy George
Saturday, April 6, 2019
7:00 P.M.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5
8-9:30 A.M.
PAPER PRESENTATIONS A

SESSION:
Always Reforming

The Canons of Dort as a Missional Document

Lyle D. Bierma
Professor of the History of Christianity, Calvin Theological Seminary

Catholic Universities and Reform of the Church

Peter Huff
Professor of Theology & Chief Mission Officer, Benedictine University

To Be Untroubled In Our Seeking: Protestantism, Beauty, and Piety

Jake Meador
Vice President of the Davenant Institute

A Virtual Tour of the Synod of Dordt (1618-1619)

Donald Sinnema
Professor of Theology Emeritus, Trinity Christian College

SESSION:
The Next Generation Responds: Honors Students Engaging the Works of Tisby and Warren

Engaging The Color of Compromise

Dr. Trisha Posey, Matt Branum, Chandler Coleman, Grace Dunn, & Nesha White
John Brown University

Engaging Liturgy of the Ordinary

Dr. Jessica Hooten Wilson, Claire Johnson, Caroline White, & Nate Wertjes
John Brown University

SESSION:
Vocation, Education, and Public Theology

Public Education: Reformed Perspectives on Education and Public theology of Nicholas Wolterstorff

Jeff Porter
PhD Student, Catholic University of America

Who's Responsible? Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Vocation of the Liberal Arts

David E. Timmer
Jacob and Gela Schnucker Sessler Professor of Religion, Central College

FRIDAY, APRIL 5
11-12:30 P.M.
PAPER PRESENTATIONS B

SESSION:
Great Books of the Great Tradition

Marilynne Robinson and Change in the Novel of Consciousness

Mike Vander Weele
Professor of English, Trinity Christian College

Images of Grace in Book 1 of Spenser's Faerie Queene

Bob De Smith
Professor of English, Dordt College

Memory in Education and Liturgy; Reflections on Book X of St. Augustine's Confessions

Terence Kleven
Professor of Religion, Central College

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SESSION:
Identity, Desire, and (Re)formation

Identity and Intimacy: The Problem with Our Upside Down Lives, and the Classical Reformed Answer

Jeremy Wynne
Assistant Professor of Theology, Director of Graduate Studies in Theology, Whitworth University

Transcending Integration—Spiritual Practices for Classroom Discipleship in Humanities

Toby Coley
Assistant Professor of English, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor

From Dort to Desire

Mark Olivero
Masters of Divinity, www.theologydelish.com

SESSION:
The Legacy of the Canons

"O Dort! Would God that I had never seen thee!": The Dynamic Relationship of the Canons of Dort

Brian Lund
Pastor, Zion Evangelical & Reformed Church

The Canons of Dort in America

David Komline
Assistant Professor of Church History, Western Theological Seminary

Empty Chairs at Empty Tables: Dort in French Protestantism

Matthew Harmon
Pastor, Christ Presbyterian Church

SATURDAY, APRIL 6
8-9:30 A.M.
PAPER PRESENTATIONS C

SESSION:
Historical Continuities

This School of the Prophets: Missions, Mission, and the Reformed Tradition at Dartmouth College from Its Founding to the Present

Charlie Clark
Editor, *Fare Forward*

"For the Early Church Already Condemned this Doctrine Long Ago in the Pelagians": Exploring Continuities Between the Synod of Dort's (1618–19) Third and Fourth Points of Doctrine and the Second Council of Orange (529)

Daniel R. Hyde
Pastor, Oceanside United Reformed Church;
PhD Candidate, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

The Canons of Dort, Berkouwer, and Divine Election

Eduardo Echeverria
Professor of Philosophy and Theology, Sacred Heart

SESSION:
Learning from Other Voices

Different Accents in the Story: An Autobiographical Exploration

Susan VanZanten
Dean and Professor of Humanities and Literature, Valparaiso University

The Public Importance of Theological Disagreement: Of Mountains and Molehills

Michael DeMoor
Associate Professor of Social Philosophy in Politics, History, and Economics, The King's University

SESSION:
Sexual Violence and the Challenge of Interpretation

"This Rape Business": False Accusation Fantasies in Worldview Thinking

Daniel Silliman

Lilly Postdoctoral Fellow in Humanities and the Arts, Valparaiso University

Women, Violence, and Power: Reformed Readings of the Rape of Dinah

Ashleigh Elser

Lilly Postdoctoral Fellow in Humanities and the Arts, Valparaiso University

Sexual Violence as Sideplot?: Reading Protestant Narratives in Of One Blood

Christine Hedlin

Lilly Postdoctoral Fellow in Humanities and the Arts, Valparaiso University

SESSION:
Charis, Caritas, and Christian Education

Reforming Christian Higher Education: Why Christian Colleges and Universities Need Reformation Theology

Javier Garcia

Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, George Fox University

For All of Life: Five Theses on Christian Education

Donald Williams

R.A. Forrest Scholar & Professor of English, Toccoa Falls College

Prodigal Love and a Hermeneutic of Charity: How Grace Changes Learning

Alex Sosler

Assistant Professor of Bible and Ministry, Montreat College

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SATURDAY, APRIL 6

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PAPER PRESENTATIONS D

SESSION:
Hypothetical Universalisms and Particular Redemptions

The Hypothetical Universalisms of Kimedoncius and Amyraut

Phil Kim

PhD Candidate, Calvin Theological Seminary

Davenant Contra Arminius

Jonathan Roberts

MA in Philosophy

Christ's Death and Human Redemption as an Expression of God's Prodigal Love: The Background, History, and Modern Significance of Limited Atonement

Michael Lynch

PhD Candidate, Calvin Theological Seminary

SESSION:
Reformational Resources for Cultural Engagement

Canons, Consoles and the Cultural Mandate: A Bavinckian Analysis of Video Game Culture

Brad Hickey

PhD Candidate, Theology and Culture, Fuller Theological Seminary

Reformed, Reforming, and Reformational: Creeds and Confessions as Ongoing Tools in the Neo-Calvinist Toolbox

Tyler Helpers

Campus Minister, Iowa State University

American Prodigal: White Church, Black Church, and the Feast of Social Justice

Melissa Rovig Vanden Bout

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Trinity Christian College

SESSION:
Virtue and the Imitation of Christ

The Canons of Dordt and Contemporary Retrievals of Virtue in Reformed Ethics

David Hunsicker

Adjunct Professor of Theology, Azusa Pacific University

Jesus, Judgment, and the People of God: Learning from Jesus and the Reformed Tradition about the Works Required for Salvation

Josh Leim

Assistant Professor Theology Department, Whitworth University

What has Bavinck to do with Yoder? Learning from Anabaptism on the Imitation of Christ

Jessica Joustra

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Theologische Universiteit Kampen