

NAPS DRAFT PROGRAM

Thursday, May 23

Pre-conference workshop	9am – 12pm
Exhibits Open	10am – 5pm
Lunch (on own)	12pm – 1:30pm

SESSION 1 1.30 – 3.10

SESSION 1A

Themes in the Historians

Chair: Ellen Muehlberger

Archives of Providence: Translation and Temporality in the Church Historians
Philostorgios, Sokrates, and Sozomenos

- David Maldonado Rivera

From the Mouth of Emperors: Constantine's Speech in Anonymous Cyzicenus and the
Church of the Holy Fathers

- Sean Tandy

A Phrygian Temper: An Ethnography of Schism in Socrates of Constantinople's
Ecclesiastical History
Rebecca Falcasantos

New Evidence on the Composition of Eusebius' Ecclesiastical History
David DeVore

SESSION 1B

Augustine and Exegesis

Chair: Thomas Clemmons

Exegesis and Eloquence: Augustine and the Persuasive Art of Scriptural Interpretation
Gregory Cruess

"The Weight of Authority": Augustine's Response to Problems in the New Testament
Michael Dinsmore

Philippians 2 in the Anti-Homoian Polemic of Sts. Hilary and Augustine

Christopher Howard

Probing the Rhetoric of Scripture Quotation in Augustine's Confessions
Michael Cameron

SESSION 1C

Early Christianity and Greek Philosophical Traditions

Chair: Karl Shuve

Exegetical Footings for Aristotelian Categories in Theodore of Raithu
Nicholas Proksch

Individuation's Role in Philoponus' *De aeternitate mundi contra proclum*
Philip Quinn

Universals in Cyril of Alexandria's *First Dialogue on the Trinity*
John Kegley

Porphyry Transformed: The Fifth Century Appeal of a Platonist's Corpus
Aaron Johnson

SESSION 1D

Philosophy and Early Christianity

Chair: Gregory Lee

Trying to Die for Philosophy: Lucian, Athenagoras, and the Acts of the Martyrs
Alex Istok

Flirting Rhetorically with Fate and Fortune: A Parenthesis in Early Christian Reflection
on the Character of Divine Providence
Paul Blowers

Ancient and Christian Philosophy in Cassian's *Collationes*
Marianne Djuth

Tatian's Attack on Astrology (*Oratio ad Graecos* 9.2)
Bert Harrill

SESSION 1E

Fourth Century Trinitarian Controversies

Chair: Anthony Briggman

Liberius's *Studens paci* and the Athanasius Affaire

- Emanuel Fiano & Glen L. Thompson

Athanasius' Theological Memory of Displacement by Violence in *de Fuga* and *ad Constantium*

Jonatán Simons

Who Were the *Digamoi* Of Canon 8 of the Council Of Nicaea?

David Hunter

Exousia in Eusebius of Caesarea's Trinitarian Theology

Grant Sutherland

SESSION 1F

The Liturgical and the Musical

Chair: Scott Moringiello

"One is Holy, One is Lord": Meletius of Antioch and the Origins of the Byzantine Communion Acclamation

- Nathan Porter

Behold! Montanus the Lyre: Musical Analogy within the Montanist Logia and its Broader Christian Context

- Jonelle Weier

Celebratio and *Commemoratio*: Augustine and The Liturgical Memory of the Church in Time

Joseph Grone

Music in Clementine Research: State of the Question

Daniel Webster

SESSION 1G

Themes in Apocryphal Texts

Chair: Clayton Jefford

The Fate of a Hebrew Flute-girl: Conceptions of Ethnicity and Peoplehood in Bardaisan and the *Acts of Thomas*

- Mikail Berg

A Prayer to the dead in the *Acts of Paul*?

- Vasili Antoniadis

Mandaeans and Christians in Late Antiquity: Points of Contact and Possibilities for Study

- Blake Hartung

Prostitutes and Pipes: The Hebrew Flute Player in the *Acts of Thomas*

- Christy Cobb

SESSION 1H

Beyond 'Liturgics'

Chair: Maria Doerfler

A Compelling Motive for Mixing

- Michelle Freeman

Affective Labor in Ritual Formularies

- Rikki Liu

Martyria and Early Christian Ways of Seeing Ritual Dying
Michael Motia

The Liturgical Creation of Christian Scripture:
David Brakke

SESSION 1I

Early Christian Creativity and Cultural Production

Chair: Jeremiah Coogan

The Scandal of a New Story: The Narrative about Jesus Christ as a New Mythical Paradigm and its Reception among Non-Christians
Teresa Morgan

Envy: *Phthonos* in Four Objects
Laura Nasrallah

Speaking Unnoticeably, Revealing Hiddenly, and Showing Silently: Clement of Alexandria and the Limits of Literary Production
Cody Glen Barnhart

Un-Christian Creativity? Magic and Warfare in Julius Africanus's Cesti
Jared Secord

Respondent: Mark DelCogliano

SESSION 1I

Miscellanea

Contextualizing the homiletic commentary

- Hildegund Muller

Homilist As Hierophant: Ekphrasis As Formation Of The Spiritual Senses In Andrew Of Crete

- Lucas Christensen

John Chrysostom [and his Listeners] on the Lord's Prayer
Blake Leyerle

Afternoon Break

3:10pm – 3:30pm

SESSION 2 3.30-5.10

SESSION 2A

Gregory of Nyssa

Chair: David Brakke

Dignity and Humility in Gregory of Nyssa
Thomas Breedlove

Genre Blending: Reading Virtue in the Life of Moses
Logan Prettyman

Gregory of Nyssa and the Spiritual Senses Reconsidered
Warren Smith

Contest, Wit, and Manhood in the Letters of Gregory of Nyssa
• Nathan Howard

SESSION 2B

Prudentius

Chair: Rick Brumback

Meteorological Morality: Prudentius's Reading of Sunlight in *Cathemerinon* 2
Kathleen Kirsch

Prudentius and Bishop Valerian: The Christianization of Calagurris' Urban Space through the Hymns of the *Peristephanon*

- Marina Murillo

Christianorum Maro et Statius: The Classical Poetic Tradition in Prudentius
Luke Maschue

SESSION 2C

Themes in Syriac Christianity

Chair: Emmanuel Fiano

Under the Influence: Severus, Syrian Orthodoxy, and the Greek Miaphysites of Gaza
Tina Shepardson

Limits of Language, Limits of Humanity: Philological and Theological Reflections on Translation in Sixth-Century Syriac Sources

- Philip Forness

Poverty and wealth in Jacob of Saroug's *Hymns on Fasting*

- Rodrigue Constantin

The Epistemology of Childbirth Metaphors in Ephrem the Syrian's *Hymns on the Nativity*

- Mariamni Plested

SESSION 2D

Maximus the Confessor

Chair: Blake Hartung

The "Thickness" of the Flesh in Gregory of Nazianzus and Maximus the Confessor

Brendan Harris

Creating a Christological Diptych: Maximus the Confessor's Symphonic Exegesis of Dionysius and Gregory Nazianzen
Andrew Summerson

We've Been Getting Maximus (Almost All) Wrong on Sexual Difference
Luis Sales

SESSION 2E

Liturgical Studies

Chair: Eric Vanden Eykel

Breath and Fire: The Holy Spirit in Late Ancient Liturgical Poetry
Jillian Marcantonio

Romanos' Reveling Irony Prompts Paschal Joy: Rhetorical Strategies and Liturgical Formation in the Melodist's *Kontakion on the Resurrection 1*
Andrij Hlabse

Religious Literacy in the Late Ancient Near East: Liturgical Catechesis and Not-So-Simple Believers of Roman Arabia
Stephen Shoemaker

Ritual Dying: The Performative Function of the Panegyric in the Late Ancient Cult of the Martyrs
Paige Spencer

SESSION 2F

Agency and the Non-Human

Chair: Ethan Laster

Revisiting Relic Mixtures in Late Ancient Syriac Sources
• Sunil Persad

Symbolic Object or Living Being? Images of the Cross in Late Antique Egypt
• Eric Yingling

The Natural World as a Teacher of the Soul: Resonance of Clement's διδάσκαλος in Maximus' Natural Contemplation
Sarah Griffin

SESSION 2G

Religion, Power, and Rulership in Late Antiquity

Chair: Carl Rice

The Imperial Enforcement of the Scythian Theological Formula, namely, “One of the Holy Trinity suffered in flesh (ένα τῆς ἁγίας Τριάδος πεπονθέναί σαρκί),” through the Imperial Edicts of Justinian (CJ I,1,5-8) and his Theological Writings.

- Teodor Tăbuș

Princes and Prophecy: Subversive Biblical Allusion in Jordanes' *Histories*
Ryan Wilkinson

The Church of Late Antique Iran and the Roman Emperors: History or Forged Memory?

- Annunziata Di Rienzo

Tyrant, Sinner, King: Herod in Late Antique Literature
Erin Galgay Walsh

SESSION 2H

Shifting Discourses of (Non)Authority in Late Antique Patristics

‘Fill the Earth and Subdue it:’ Epiphanius, Genesis, and the Development of Nicene Christian Cultural Authority
Jordan Swanson

“Using Origen to Reinterpret Nag Hammadi Cosmogonies”
Daniel Zimmerman,

“Christian Amulet-Makers? Authority and Ritual in Late Ancient Oxyrhynchus”
• Evan Andersson

SESSION 2I

Legends of Diocletian and Constantine

Chair: Mike Chin

Who Subdued the Roman Dragon? The Dueling Legends of Constantine and Sylvester
Elizabeth DiPalma Digeser

The Legend of Constantine in the History of Law
Jeremy Schott

How Must a Powerful Man Die? Late Antique Stories of Diocletian
• Mike Chin

Dinner Break (on own) 5:10pm – 7:30pm

Graduate Student Reception 5:30pm – 6:30pm

SESSION 3 (Presidential Address) 7:30pm – 8:30pm

Chair: Lewis Ayres

Andrew Jacobs Ex-Jews, Christians, and Conversion in Late Antiquity

Dessert Reception 8:30pm – 10:30pm

FRIDAY May 24th

Continental Breakfast 7:30am – 9am

Exhibits Open 8am – 5pm

Graduate Student Caucus 8am – 8:45am

SESSION 4 9-10.40

SESSION 4A (NVC)

Reading Slavery into the Sources

Chair: Brittany Joyce

Gregory of Nyssa's Homily Against Slavery
Clifton Huffmaster

Slaves as Virgins: When, Why, and How
Julie Kelto Lillis

“There is nothing that is so much a matter of willingness as *religio*”: Slavery, Human Rights, and Religious Liberty in Lactantius’ *Divine Institutes*
Daniel Kimmel

SESSION 4B

Agency and the Non-Human

Chair: Blake Leyerle

The Talking World in Syriac Poetry

- Jeff Wickes

Did Angels Create Heretics? Joseph Hazzaya, Angelic Servants, and the Messalian Crisis in the Church of the East
Ethan Laster

Strategies for Empowering Scriptures
Peter Martens

Vibrant Alphabet: Pachomian Letters, Angelic Encounters, and the Agency of Letter Forms

- Lydia Bremer-McCollum

SESSION 4C

Teaching the ReMedHe *Sourcebook*

- Chair: Susan R. Holman

Co-Presenters:

Kendra Eshleman
Molly Jones-Lewis
Brenda Llewellyn Ihssen
Heidi Marx
Tara Mulder
Catherine van Reenen

SESSION 4D

Dionysius’s Analogous Participation in God

Chair: Dominic V. Cassella

Hierarchical Participation from Paul to Dionysius
Dominic V. Cassella

Dionysian Analogy: Bridging the Abyss between God and Creation
Pavlos Panagiotis

“Monsieur saint Denis” in 16th-century France: Guillaume Briçonnet’s Reception of
Ps.-Dionysius in his Correspondence with Marguerite of Alençon

- Maria Fallica

Immaterial Theurgy and Liturgical Validity in Proclus and Pseudo-Dionysius
Bruce McCuskey

SESSION 4E

Origen and Clement

Chair: Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe

Cosmology and Exegesis: Using Telos and Apokatastasis to Understand Origen’s
Exegetical Method
Christopher Albert

Human Nature and Cosmic Hierarchy in Methodius’s Critique of Origen
Austin Foley Holmes

Love and Philosophy in Clement of Alexandria
Scott Moringiello

Vulgar Blockheads and Pious Fools: The Rhetorical Construction of Simple Believers
in Origen of Alexandria’s *Contra Celsum*

- Alex Lopez

Origen and the Religious Interest of Julia Mamaea
Robert Williams

SESSION 4F

Fourth Century Trinitarian Controversies

Chair: Rebecca Stephens Falcasantos

Always Son: A Point of Consensus in the Fourth-Century Alexandrian Crisis
Jean-Paul Juge

Arian and Nicene Christologies in Phoebadius of Agen's *Contra Arrianos*
Mark DelCogliano

Through "Arian" Eyes: Later Homoian Perspectives on Church History
Mattias Gassman

"The Father is Greater than I": Conflicting Traditions of Pro-Nicene Exegesis at the Council of Constantinople (381)

- Nathan Porter

SESSION 4G

Transforming Gospel Traditions in Coptic Literature

Chairs: Francis Watson and Kimberly Fowler

Roots of Galaktotrophusa Iconography in Coptic Literature and Scripture

- Benjamin Zachary

Politicized Piety: Apocryphal Censure in Episcopal and Monastic Egypt
Jonah Bissell

The Gospel of Philip and its Apostolic Namesake

- Kimberly Fowler

Divine Word as Divine Speech? *The Gospel of Truth* and the Johannine Prologue in Dialogue

- Francis Watson

SESSION 4H

Religion, Power, and Rulership in Late Antiquity

Chair: Carl Rice

Pulcheria, the Virgin Empress Who Gave Birth to God: A History of Political Power and Religious Influence in Late Antiquity

- Dina Gillham

The King's Evil Twin: Church-State Succession Crises and the Deaths of Arius and Constantine
Samuel Allen

“Scripture accuses you”: Lucifer of Cagliari’s Invective against Constantius II and the Limits of Imperial Authority

- Johnathan Stutz

Divine Providence and Rulership in Eusebius’ *de Laude Constantini* and the *Oratio Constantini*

- Marc Bergermann

SESSION 4I

Themes in Augustine

Chair: Michael Cameron

Rethinking the Structure of Augustine’s *Confessions*

Mark Weedman

The Lady Reappears: Reconsidering Monica in Augustine’s Early Works

Tom Holsteen

Augustine and Epictetus on Will and Choice

Jonathan Milad

Augustine from 388-392

Thomas Clemmons

SESSION 4J (NVC)

Historical Theology: Its Enduring Value and Place Today

Chairs: Ellen Scully and Anthony Briggman

Matt Crawford

Brian Dunkle, SJ

Susan Harvey, Brown

Andy Radde-Gallwitz

Gabrielle Thomas

Coffee Break

10:40am – 11am

During Coffee Break: Lightning Talks

Cyril of Alexandria on the Spirit's Unifying and Empowering Work in the Incarnate Christ

Donnie DeBord

Recycling Saint Job from the dung heap of historical criticism – translating LXX commentaries on the book of Job by Didymus the Blind and Olympiodorus of Alexandria

Peter Steiger

Confluences of Color, Blood, Power, and Light

Austin Andrews

SESSION 5 (Plenary Lecture)

11am – 12pm

Chair: Lewis Ayres

Morwenna Ludlow

Holy Speech? Parrhesia, Power and Wonder

Lunch (on own)

12pm – 1:30pm

SESSION 6 (Plenary Lecture)

1:30pm – 2:30pm

Chair: Lee Jefferson

- Robin Jensen

The New Jerusalem in the Old Rome

SESSION 7 3pm-5.10pm

SESSION 7A (NVC)

Philosophical and Theological Arguments

Chair: Andrew Summerson

Trinitarian Analogy and Dionysius the Areopagite's Ninefold Hierarchies

Michael Wiitala

The *Divine Names* and Principles of Analogical Predication?

- Jack Boczar

Divine Participation and Ontological Hierarchy: Dionysius and African Philosophy in Comparative Perspective

Daniel Lowry

Approaching the Eschatology of Evagrius of Pontus through Philosophical Debates about Change
Nathan Tilley

Animal Souls and Intelligence among Christian Authors: An Overview of the Evidence
• Jonathan Young

SESSION 7B

Themes in Second and Third Century Theology

Chair: Brian Dunkle, SJ

Seeing Succession: The Visible Church as Cultural Memory in Irenaeus
• Philip Abbott

Christology Through Anthropology in Theophilus' *Ad Autolyicum*
Richard Brumback III

Preliminary Remarks on the Seeds of a Theological Aesthetics in the Apostolic Fathers
Daniel Hanna

Rebuilding Community: Cyprian's Use of Biblical Models in *De lapsis* and *De unitate*
Edwina Murphy

Transformation and Accommodation: Proto-Orthodox Christianity as an Adaptive Reform of Gnosticism
Jonathan Cahana-Blum

SESSION 7C

Gregory of Nyssa

Chair: Warren Smith

Speaking of God: A Reevaluation of Gregory of Nyssa's *Ad Ablabium*
Zakarias Gram

Theology by Guesswork: Gregory of Nyssa and Stochastic Reasoning
John Reilly

Figural Exegesis in Gregory of Nyssa's Homily on the Ascension of Christ
Milanna Fritz

SESSION 7D

Asceticism and Monasticism

Chair: Tina Shepardson

The Transformation of Pride in the Capital Vice Tradition: John Cassian, Augustine, and Gregory the Great
Carl Vennerstrom

Circling the Wagons: John Cassian's Rhetorical Establishment of Monastic Authority

- Joshua Schachterle

"Take Away the Fruit of My Sin Which I Have Borne": Maternal Regret in Early Female Asceticism

- Candace Buckner

Evagrius' Ascetic Corpus: Bodies and Beings in the Foundations and Eulogios

- SN Yeager

SESSION 7E

Miscellanea

Chair: Matthew Crawford

Justification by Icons: John Damascene's Appropriation of Patristic Readings of Paul
Jackson Shepard

The Reception of Evagrius in Armenian Monastic Schools

- Jesse Arlen

The Anathemas against Origen of 553 Re-examined
Joel Kalvesmaki

The Incarnation in Fifth-Century Christian Apologetic Literature
Austin Steen

SESSION 7F

Fathers and Fatherhood in Early Christianity

Chair: Marcin Wysocki

The Concept of Father and Fatherhood in Bollandist Publications

Constantin Oprea

Οἱ πατέρες καταφρονοῦσι τῶν νόθων παίδων: Chrysostom and Theodoret on
Fatherhood in the Letter to the Hebrews
Benjamin Aiche

“I remember my father” (Aug. ep. 7, 1): Father and Fatherhood in the Letters of St.
Augustine
Marcin Wysocki

Father and Fatherhood in the letters between Isidore of Pelusium and Cyril of
Alexandria

- Prelipcean Alexandru

In Absence of Fathers: Legal and Ecclesiastical Interventions to Protect the Vulnerable
in the Late Antique Roman Empire
Stacie Beach

SESSION 7G (NVC)

Early Christian Exegesis

Chair: Jennifer Ebbeler

Text and History: Revisiting Patristic Nonliteral Hermeneutics
Corine Milad

Eucherius' Enigmatic Formulas of Spiritual Knowledge

- Tarmo Toom

Somewhere between Earth and Heaven: The Death of Moses in the Synoptic
Transfiguration Narratives and their Reception

- Eric Vanden Eykel

SESSION 7H

Themes in Augustine's Theology

Chair: Gregory Cruess

The Body of Death and the Christ of Life: Augustine on Bodily Health and Eternal Life
in the Tractates on the Gospel of John
Alex Fogleman

Augustine's Doctrine of Consoling Grace: The Pastoral Function of Predestination in Augustine's *In Iohannis Euangelium Tractatus*
Adam Estes

Words and the Word in Augustine's *Homilies on the Gospel of John*
Adam Ployd

Paternal Relationship in Augustine: The Role of Physical Fatherhood in Augustinian Theology and Thought
Kevin Franke

SESSION 7I

Roads not Taken: *Ressourcement sans nostalgie*

Chair: Paul Blowers

Augustine: Christian Sacraments Effective *ex opere operantis Christi totius*
J. Patout Burns

Engagement without Coercion: Origen the Philosopher
Joseph Trigg

At a Loss in the Cosmos
Robin Darling Young

Eusebius of Caesarea, Origenist *Manqué?*
Michael Hollerich

SESSION 7J

Book Panel on Michal Bar-Asher Siegal, *Jewish-Christian Dialogues on Scripture in Late Antiquity: Heretic Narratives of the Babylonian Talmud* (2019)

Chair: Paula Fredriksen

Panellists:

Michal Bar-Asher Siegal
Maria Doerfler
Naomi Koltun-Fromm
Sophie Lunn-Rockliffe

JECS Business Meeting

5:15pm – 6:30pm

CLA Business Meeting

5:15pm – 6:30pm

SESSION 8 (*Instrumenta Studiorum*) 6:30pm – 6:45pm

SESSION 9 (NAPS Business Meeting) 6:45pm – 7:30pm

Dinner Reception 7:30pm – 9:30pm

After Dinner Speaker: Prof Robin Darling Young

SATURDAY May 25th

Continental Breakfast 7:30am – 9am

Exhibits Open 8am – 1pm

SESSION 10 9-10.40

SESSION 10A

Religion, Power, and Rulership in Late Antiquity

Chair: Carl Rice

Who's to Say? Thinking Back on the Authority of Imperial Decisions with Theodoret of Cyrrhus

Ellen Muehlberger

Patristic Supersessionism, the Nation-Angels, and the Origenian Tradition

- Samuel Pomeroy

Leading by Example: Community Influence and Visibility in the Sermons of Augustine and John Chrysostom

- Caspian Goggin

Rule by Kindness and Discipline: Gregory the Great's Approach to Divine, Civil and Spiritual Power

Benjamin Vanderhyde

SESSION 10B

Themes in Early Christian Theology

Chair: Brendan Harris

The Origin of Human Mortality According to Theodoret of Cyrhus
Vasilije Vranic

The Rise of the Creationist Ensoulment Model and its Detrimental Effect on Corporate Conceptions of Humanity, Original Sin, and Soteriology
Ellen Scully

“Two natures have been united after the union”: The Metaphysics of Cyril of Alexandria’s Christology and his Use of *mia physis*
Shawn Wilhite

Toward a Symbolic Theology
Jordan Parro

SESSION 10C

Gregory of Nyssa

Chair: Morwenna Ludlow

The Spirituality of Labour and Caring in Gregory of Nyssa: The Ascetic Path of Imitating Divine Perfection

- Ibuki Yamane

Word and Work: The Plotinian Natural Philosophy of Gregory of Nyssa
Timm Heinbokel

On Becoming Diabolic in Gregory of Nyssa’s *On the Beatitudes* and *On the Lord’s Prayer*

Gabrielle Thomas

The Origin of Evil and the Virtuous Life: Gregory of Nyssa’s Second Homily on Ecclesiastes

Alyssa Elliott

SESSION 10D

Themes in Augustine

Chair: Adam Ployd

Bishop Lazarus Goes to Hippo
Jennifer Ebbeler

Monica's Friendship: The Holy Spirit and the Church in St. Augustine's Confessions
Br Robert McFadden CSC

"Be a spectacle yourself": Imitation for Moral Formation in Augustine's *en. Ps. 39*
Zach Howard

SESSION 10E

Asceticism and Monasticism

Chair: TBA

Self-Abnegation as Key to Traversing Categories of Being: An Analysis of Simeon the Stylite's Transition from Human to Animal in His Many Lives
Natalie Reynoso

Remembering Death: St John Climacus and Eugene Vodolazkin's *Laurus*
Lance Green

The Canonization of Shenoute: Literacy, Memory, and the Body in an Egyptian Monastery
Rebecca Krawiec

Monastic Worlds: *Conversio*, *Conversatio*, and the Ontological Turn
Matthew Baker

SESSION 10F

Explorations in Sainthood

Chair: TBA

Polycarp and Perpetua in the Emir's Court: Recasting Martyrologies in Response to Early Islam
Anthony Baldwin

Bourdieu and the Cult of the Saints as Cultural Theology
• David Eastman

Thecla Triumphatrix (or, What did Thecla do to Alexander in that street in Antioch?)
Margaret Mitchell

SESSION 10G

Themes in Syriac Christianity

Chair: Joel Kalvesmaki

Confessional Boundary Crossing in the Manuscript Transmission of Isaac's *Memre on Faith*

- Andrew Tucker

The Voice and the Word in Early Syriac Theology

- David Kiger

Ephrem and Basil in the *Encomium in Basiliam*: An Examination
Daniel Edwards

War and Persecution: Aphrahat and the Historiography of Early Syriac Christianity
James Walters

SESSION 10H

The Development of Sacramental Theology in the North African Church

Chair: J Patout Burns

The Sacramentology of Tyconius
Alden Bass

The Right to Baptize, Supreme and Otherwise:
Reading Paul in Tertullian of Carthage's *De Baptismo*
J. Columcille Dever

E contrario latere tractatus huius: De rebaptismate and the Dialectics of History
Geoffrey D Dunn

SESSION 10I

Dionysius and Maximus

"He Thirsts to be Thirsted for": Maximus the Confessor's Dionysian Exegesis of
Gregory Nazianzen
Andrew Summerson

Bearing Theandry: Dionysius and Maximus in *Ambiguum* 5
David Shaw

St. Maximus' Christological transformation of Platonic cosmic analogy

Carson Shaw

SESSION 10J

Christianity and the Medical

Chair: Brian Matz

The Emergence and Development of Healing and Health Care in the Second and Third Centuries

Naoki Kamimura

Crafting a Sexual Villain: The Sex Worker as Source of Disease and Danger in Early Christian Thought

Alexander Perkins

Pandemics Then and Now: The Plague of Cyprian and Christian Ascendancy

- Lee Jefferson

Coffee Break

10:40am – 11am

SESSION 11 (plenary lecture)

11am – 12pm

Chair: Lewis Ayres

Christoph Marksches

Time in Antiquity – Ancient Times: What We Can Learn about Early Christianity from the Synchronizing of Time in Antiquity

Lunch (on own)

SESSION 12 1.30-3.10

SESSION 12A

Themes in Augustine

Chair: Zachary Howard

Getting to “Ought” from “Is”: Augustine on the Gradation of Being
John Copas

The Development of Augustine’s Thought on the Beauty of Eternal Punishment

Trevor Rickenbrode

The Sabbath Rest and the Poetics of Time in Augustine's *Enarrationes in Psalmos*

- Marie-Ange Rakotoniaina

The Myth of Augustine's Political Ambivalence

Gregory Lee

SESSION 12B

Gregory Nazianzen

Chair: Michael Magree SJ

The Structure and Purpose of Gregory's "First Theological Oration"

Brayden Hirsch

Disability Theologies in Gregory of Nazianzus

Brian Matz

Sin as Chosen Disease in Gregory of Nazianzus

Caleb Little

Gregory of Nazianzus's *Περὶ τῆς ἀνθρωπίνης φύσεως* (1.2.14) in its Poetic Context

Milanna Fritz

SESSION 12C

Fourth Century Theology

Chair: Peter Martens

Marius Victorinus' Sacramental Theology

Christopher McLaughlin

Is the Father *Principium* or *Praeprincipium*? An Anomaly in Marius Victorinus's Trinitarian Treatises

Stephen Cooper

Ressourcement Ambrose

Robert Grant

De Decretis 1224: Nicaea's First Orthodoxy

Miche René Barnes

SESSION 12D

Early Christian Exegesis

Chair: Alex Fogleman

Chewing the Cud with Barnabas and Origen: A Comparison of Allegorical Interpretations on Dietary Law

Br. John Baptist Santa Ana

Origen, Isidore and Junilla: New Data in the Reception History of Rom 16:7

- Bridget Jeffries

The Vine and the Branches: Patristic Interpretations of John 15

- Charles Schulz

The Twelve Apostles in Late Antique Art and Text

- Deborah Deliyannis

SESSION 12E

Origen and His Reception in Cappadocia

Chairs: Ky Heinze & John Solheid

The *Philocalia* of Origen: *Status Quaestionis*

- John Solheid

Basil of Caesarea's Use of the *Philocalia*

- Adam Rasmussen

Sin and Free Will in Origen and the Cappadocians

Jerome Falk

Πρόνοια and Free Will in the *Philocalia*

Ky Heinze

SESSION 12F

Un/problematic Masculinities

Chair: Erin Galgay Walsh

Monastic Tales of Abduction: Animacy, Alterity, and the Spatialized Construction of Sexuality in Late Antiquity

- Camille Angelo

Reading the Song, Re-Writing Plato: Origen's Commentary on the *Song of Songs*

- Karl Shuve

'Spectatorship as Drag': Male Audiences and Gender Play in Early Christian Hagiography

Katie Kleinkopf

To Be Man, To Be Divine: Masculinity in the Pseudo-Clementine Homilies

Joshua King

SESSION 12G

Fourth Century Christianity

Chair: Jared Secord

The Role of Cyprian in Lactantius' *Divine Institutes*

Peter Fraser-Morris

Saint Spyridon, Saint of Social Justice

Young Kim

Picturing the Poor in the Pages of Scripture: A Sample from John Chrysostom's Homilies on Matthew

Becky Walker

Chrysostom's "Ἀπάθεια of the Angels": the Form of Salvation

Samantha Miller

SESSION 12H

Texts and Composition

Chair: Heidi Marx

Excessively Clementine? Revisiting the Stylometry of Letter to Theodore

- Michael Zeddies

Julian the Apostate and the (Re)compositional Contexts of Christian Texts

- Brad Boswell

Constantine and the Codification of Christian Culture

Matthew Bertels

Identification Documents: Sacrificial Libelli and Christian Textual Practices in the Third and Fourth Centuries

- Jeremiah Coogan

Keeping the Conversation Going or, How Scholia Made Early Christian Writings Traditional

- Jonathan Zecher

SESSION 12I

Dionysius's Analogous Participation in God

Chair: Dominic Cassella

The κατά δύναμιν in St Dionysius the Areopagite and Plato

- Jonathan Gardner

The Dionysian-Thomistic Doctrine of the Imparticipability of the Divine Essence

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The Good & the Beautiful: Moral Exemplarism in Dionysius

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