

Program of the Expert Meeting

Ritual Techniques: New Openings in Ritual and Liturgical Studies



20 January, 15.00-18.00 CET, Online

Chair: Dr. Samuel Goyvaerts

- 15.00 Welcome and introduction by prof. dr. Marcel Barnard, academic director of the Institute for Ritual and Liturgical Studies (IRiLiS)
- 15.10 Dr. Katie Bugyis
Participating in the Past: An Ethnographic Approach to Medieval Liturgical Practices
- 15.20 Prof. dr. Teresa Berger
Searching for the Ritual Techniques behind the Horarium of the “Testament of Adam”
- 15.30 Discussion
- 15.50 Short break
- 16.00 Dr. Anne Vandenhoeck
Rituals are Lenient and Therefore Initiate Openness and Evoke Identity
- 16.10 Prof. dr. Thomas Quartier
Ritual Techniques of Remembrance and Hope: Explorations of Symbols and Memory in Catholic Funerals
- 16.20 Discussion
- 16.40 Short break
- 16.50 Dr. Kim Belcher
Beyond 'Healing' and 'Reconciliation': Rites of Affliction and Christian Ritual Techniques
- 17.00 Prof. dr. Lizette Larson-Miller
The Juxtaposition of Ritual Worlds: Maintaining Relationships in Anglican Indigenous Christian Funerals
- 17.10 Discussion
- 17.30 Wrap-up
- 17.40 Closing
- 18.00 End

Biographies:

Katie Ann-Marie Bugyis is an Assistant Professor in the Program of Liberal Studies at the University of Notre Dame. She is a historian of Christian theology, liturgical practice, and material culture, who is particularly interested in reconstructing the lived experiences of religious women in the Middle Ages through their documents of practice and other material remains. She is the author of *The Care of Nuns: Benedictine Women's Ministries in England during the Central Middle Ages* (Oxford University Press, 2019), and the co-editor of *Women Intellectuals and Leaders in the Middle Ages* (D.S. Brewer, 2020) and *Medieval Cantors and Their Craft: Music, Liturgy, and the Shaping of History* (York Medieval Press, 2017). She is currently working on a book project tentatively titled *The Matter of Liturgy in Benedictine Women's Communities in Medieval England*.

Teresa Berger is Professor of Liturgical Studies at the Yale Institute of Sacred Music and Yale Divinity School, where she also holds an appointment as the Thomas E. Golden Jr. Professor of Catholic Theology. Her most recent publications include an edited volume, *Full of Your Glory: Liturgy, Cosmos, Creation* (2019), and a monograph titled *@ Worship: Liturgical Practices in Digital Worlds* (Routledge, 2018). Previous publications include *Gender Differences and the Making of Liturgical History* (2011); and *Fragments of Real Presence* (2005).

Anne Vandenhoeck is a professor of pastoral care and spiritual care at the KU Leuven in Belgium. She is the chair of the Academic Centre for Practical Theology and director of the European Research Institute for HealthCare Chaplains. She has experience with rituals as a hospital chaplain and a volunteer chaplain in the University Parish.

Prof. dr. **Thomas Quartier** OSB (1972) is a full professor for Liturgical Studies at Radboud University Nijmegen and for Liturgical Spirituality at KU Leuven. He is director of the Benedictine Centre for Liturgical Studies, researcher at Titus Brandsma Institute and guest professor at the Benedictine University Sant Anselmo in Rome. In his research, he uses empirical methods and concepts from Ritual Studies to explore and reflect on ritual-liturgical practices inside and outside ecclesial contexts.

Kimberly Hope Belcher is Associate Professor of Theology at the University of Notre Dame, where she teaches sacramental theology and ritual studies. Her work in ritual studies explores the importance of embodied experience, repetition, and the role of hermeneutics within ritual systems. Her current research explores the role of ritual responses to personal, social, and ecological crisis in pluralistic, post-modern societies. Recent articles include "Sacramental exchange: Eschatological economy and consumption ritual," *Religions* 11:11 (2020) 586; "Ritual Systems: Prostration, Self, and Community in the Rule of Benedict" (*Ecclesia Orans*, 2020); and "Ritual Systems, Ritualized Bodies, and the Laws of Liturgical Development," *Studia Liturgica* 49, no. 1 (2019): 89–110.

The Rev. Canon **Lizette Larson-Miller**, PhD, is the canon precentor for the Anglican Diocese of Huron and has been professor of liturgical studies at Huron University College (part of the University of Western Ontario) for 6 years. Her PhD in liturgical history and sacramental theology is from the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California and those two academic areas continue to be important in her teaching and publishing. She is the author of four books, including *Sacramentality Renewed* (2016), and is currently working on a new book in sacramental theology as well as two book chapters for different collections on late antique/early medieval liturgical history. She is the past president of both Societas Liturgica and IALC (International Anglican Liturgical Consultation) and serves as editor and board member for several different theological groups.