



Society of Biblical Literature Pacific Coast

Regional Meeting

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2019 Program Highlights (all included with registration fee)

- *All-day refreshment room to network and connect
- *Catered, plated luncheon with presidential address by Sandra Richter
- *Post-meeting reception at Fullerton Marriott (co-sponsored by Fuller Seminary)

8:00-8:30 am On-site Registration Open Location: Room 102

-Refreshment room open to network and connect Location: Room 204

Block 1: Concurrent Sessions 8:30-10:15am

1a) Hebrew Bible I

Location: Room 200

Presiding: Jeremy Smoak, UCLA

"Is Old Testament Translation a Paratext?"

Bill Yarchin, Azusa Pacific University

"Why Is the Torah Divided into Five Books?"

Elaine Goodfriend, CSU Northridge

"Let There Be Cain: A Speech-Act Discussion of Genesis 4:1-26"

Steven T. Mann, Azusa Pacific University

"The Roles and Importance of Mothers in the Hebrew Bible"

Charles Smith, Independent Scholar

1b) Bible and the Ancient Near East I

Location: Room 203

Presiding: Tammi Schneider, Claremont Graduate University

"Elisha and the Ritualized Birth Oracle"

Marilyn Love, UCLA

"The Impact of Sargon and Enheduanna on Land Rights in Deuteronomy"

Don Benjamin, Arizona State University

"Abel Beth Maacah: A City and a Mother in Israel"

Robert Mullins, Azusa Pacific University

"The Tabernacle Structurally Akin to Noah's Ark: Considering Cult, Cosmic Mountain, and Diluvian Arks in Light of the Gilgamesh Epic and the Hebrew Bible"

Joseph Triolo, Arizona Christian University

1c) New Testament: Gospels and Acts I

Location: Room 205

Presiding: Thomas Phillips, Claremont School of Theology

"The Semantic Thought World of John's Gospel and Its Impact"

Mark Kim, Claremont School of Theology

"Imitations of the Iphigenia among the Taurians of Euripides in the Acts of the Apostles"
Mark Bilby, CSU Fullerton

"Rebellion, Coronation, and the Call: The Use of Psalm 2 in Acts 14"
Renee Dutter Miller, Fuller Theological Seminary

10:15-10:25am BREAK

-Refreshment room open to network and connect Location: Room 204

Block 2: Concurrent Sessions 10:30am-12:15pm

2a) Emerging Critical Theory and Perspectives I Location: Room 200
Presiding: Kay Higuera Smith, Azusa Pacific University

"Anat and Judges 5 in Cognitive Linguistic Analysis: Deborah and Jael as a 'Complex Heroic Blend' of the Ugaritic Warrior Goddess 'Anat'"
Jenelle D'Allesandro, Fuller Theological Seminary

"Monarchy Goes Viral: The Diseased Body and the Diseased Social Body in Biblical Conceptions of the Census"
Jason Ryan Price, UCLA

"The Role of Gender and Socioeconomic Status in Child Loss in the Hebrew Bible"
Stephanie Matthews, Point Loma Nazarene University

2b) New Testament: Epistles and Apocalypse I Location: Room 205
Presiding: Kenneth L. Waters, Azusa Pacific University

"Temptation, Sinlessness, and Impeccability: Some Comments on Leftow"
Stephen Munzer, UCLA

"Revisiting Paul and the Agon Motif"
Larry McCutcheon, Fuller Theological Seminary

"Saved through Childbirth? Insights from Adam and Eve as Paradigms of the Fall and Redemption (1 Timothy 2:8-15 and Romans 5:12-21)"
Carl Toney, Hope International University

"In the Shadow of the Spoken Word: A Reevaluation of Oral and Visual Culture in Studies of New Testament Letters and Revelation"
Philip Erwin, Graduate Theological Union

2c) Judaism in the Greco-Roman Era

Location: Room 203

Presiding: Randall D. Chestnutt, Pepperdine University

“Who Are the Διαβόλου and Αὐτόν in Wisdom of Solomon 2:24?”
William Horst, Fuller Theological Seminary

“Will You Satisfy the Appetite of Dragons?': Animals in God's First Speech (LXX- Job 38:39—39:30)”
James Wykes, Marquette University

“The Glory and the Diversity of Adam in Early Jewish and Rabbinic Traditions”
Joseph Lee, University of Aberdeen

“The Terror of Time: Early Jewish Responses to Foreign Holidays”
Catherine Bonesho, UCLA

12:30-2:00pm Luncheon and Presidential Address

Location: University Cafeteria

*Catered, plated luncheon included in registration fee

2019 SBLPCR Presidential Address

Dr. Sandra Richter

The Robert H. Gundry Chair of Biblical Studies at Westmont College

Title: *“What's Money Got to Do with It? Economics and Provenance in Deuteronomy”*



Dr. Sandra Richter is the Robert H. Gundry Chair of Biblical Studies at Westmont College. She is a graduate of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary and the Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations Department of Harvard University. Her professional background includes nine years at Asbury Theological Seminary, four at Wesley Seminary in Jackson MS, and four at Wheaton College in Wheaton, IL. Dr. Richter's publishing endeavors alternate between pieces written for the Academy and those written for the Church. She is best known in the Academy for her work on the “name theology” of Deuteronomy (*The Deuteronomistic History and the Name Theology: lešakken šemo šam in the Bible and the ANE* [BZAW 318] and “The Place of the Name in Deuteronomy,” *VT* 57 [2007]), and in lay circles for *The Epic of Eden: A Christian Entry into the Old Testament* (IVPAcademic 2008). Her recent work has involved the provenance of Deuteronomy viewed through an economic lens (*JSOT* 42.1 [2017] and *BZAR* 22 [2019]); she is releasing a book on environmentalism this coming summer. A commentary on Deuteronomy (Eerdmans) and a more popular piece on Isaiah (*The Fifth Gospel: A Christian Entry into the Book of Isaiah* [IVPAcademic]) are due out in the next several years.

2:00-2:10pm BREAK

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Block 3: Concurrent Sessions 2:15-4:00pm

3a) Hebrew Bible II

Location: Room 200

Presiding: Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University

“Fair Pay or Paying a Fare? A New Understanding of נִיתָן שְׂכָרָהּ in Jonah 1:3”
Christian Wilder, Grand Canyon University

“The First ‘Servant Song’ (Isaiah 42:1-9) in Light of Ritual and Temple Imagery”
Kevin Tolley, Claremont School of Theology

“The Earth Wants the Temple Rebuilt Too! An Ecological Reading of Haggai”
Scott Bayer, Claremont School of Theology

“The Fear of the LORD—That Is Wisdom: Objects of Fear in the Book of Job”
Nathanael Bradshaw, Biola University

3b) New Testament: Gospels and Acts II

Location: Room 205

Presiding: Thomas Phillips, Claremont School of Theology

“Violence Inherent in the System: Mark’s Kingdom of God in Political Context”
Margaret Froelich, Claremont School of Theology

“A Time to Tear Down: Mark 11 and the Season for Figs”
Jordan Monge, Fuller Theological Seminary

“Behind the Veil: Kenotic Spatiality and the Intercalated Body of God(’s Son) in Mark 15:38-39”
James Pendleton, Azusa Pacific University

4:00-4:10pm BREAK

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Block 4: Concurrent Sessions 4:15-6:00pm

4a) The Bible and the Ancient Near East II

Location: Room 200

Presiding: Tammi Schneider, Claremont Graduate University

"Mount Zaphon: In Reality and Ugaritic Mythology"

Amy Pahlen, Fuller Theological Seminary

"The Return of the Year': Calendar, Climate, and Conquest"

Gary Arbino, Gateway Seminary

"On the Ecological Roots of YHWH and Buildings Deemed Religious"

Edward Surman, Claremont Graduate University

"The Solar Course of Jonah"

Craig Anderson, Independent Scholar

4b) New Testament: Epistles and Apocalypse II

Location: Room 205

Presiding: Kenneth L. Waters, Azusa Pacific University

"Death' as Moral Corruption in Romans 5-8"

William Horst, Fuller Theological Seminary

"For Second Temple Jewish Texts, Reading Paul's erga nomou as 'Works of the Law' Does Not Work: A New Proposal"

Mark Nanos, University of Kansas

"Justification through 'Faith in Christ' or 'Christ's Faithfulness'? Updating the Πίστις Χριστοῦ Debate in Light of Paul's Use of Scripture"

B. J. Oropeza, Azusa Pacific University

"The Revelation of Jesus': Kerygmatic Apocalypticism in John's Apocalypse"

Justin Mark Staller, Graduate Theological Union

4c) Emerging Critical Theory and Perspectives II

Location: Room 203

Presiding: Kay Higuera Smith, Azusa Pacific University

"Environment, AI, and Gender: John Muir's Wild Wool and Jesus's Wildflowers"

Janelle Peters, University of Chicago

"Gender, Surrender, and War in the Gospel of Luke"

Caryn Reeder, Westmont College

“Empirical Hermeneutics to the Reading of Romans: How Chinese Grassroots Readers Challenge Our Understanding”

Patrick Yi-Sang Chan, Fuller Theological Seminary

6:00-8:00pm Post-Meeting Reception

(Sponsored by Fuller Theological Seminary)

Location: Fullerton Marriott (2701 Nutwood Ave)

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