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AAR: Philosophy of Religion I Marietta
Theme: Prospects and Implications of Contemporary Theories of the Body for Philosophy of Religion
Stephen Dawson, Lynchburg College, presiding

Wesley N. Barker, Mercer University
Race, Dis-identification, and the Philosophy of Religion: Rethinking the Subject in Kalpana Shesadri-Crooks’
Desiring Whiteness: A Lacanian Analysis of Race

Nathan Eric Dickman, Young Harris College
Feminism and the Challenges to “Traditional” Philosophy of Religion

Jason E. Graham, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
A Dynamic Systems Approach to Embodiment in Religious Studies

Kevin Schilbrack, Appalachian State University
Religious Realism and Embodied Perception

Business Meeting

AAR: Religion, Culture & the Arts I Savannah
Theme: Religion and Public Relations
Meredith Ross, Florida State University, presiding

Hyemin J. Na, Emory University
“Eat Mor Chikin”: Chik-fil-A’s Bovine Mascots and Their Atlantan Habitat

Timothy Burnside, Florida State University
Come to Papa: Prosperity, Puffery, and Belief in Papa John’s Pizza

Lauren Morris, Middle Tennessee State University
Prejudice and Media: The Evolution of Public Perceptions of Serpent-Handling Churches

Adam Sweatman, Florida State University
Reddit Wills It: “Deus Vult” and the History of the Alt-Right

AAR: Religions in America I Oglethorpe
Theme: Material Belief and Performing American Religion
Andy McKee, Florida State University, presiding

Michael Nilon, University of Virginia
St Vincent in the Halls of Medicine

Hyemin Na, Emory University
Easter at the Foot of a Confederate Monument: Reflections on Heritage, Landscape, Space and Place in a Southern Town

AAR: Teaching & Learning Religion I Buckhead A
Theme: Teaching Digital Tools in the Graduate Classroom
Jodie L. Lyon, University of Georgia, presiding

Michael J. Altman, University of Alabama
Nathan B. Loewen, University of Alabama
Sierra L. Lawson, University of Alabama
Sarah Griswold, University of Alabama
Emma Gibson, University of Alabama

AAR: Women, Gender & Religion I Dahlonega
Theme: Embodiment in Politics, Film, and Practice
Zannah Kimbrel, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, presiding

William Philip Boyce, University of Virginia
“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”: Gay Christianity after the Nashville Statement

Jakob Zalman Breunig, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
It Is That Kind of a Kiss: Schindler’s List and the Erotic in American Holocaust Cinema

Carole Barnsley, Transylvania University
Women Run Madrasas in Mombasa: A Clash of Feminisms

Cristina Carter, Florida State University
Santa Muerte: The Voice of The Oppressed Mexican Indigenous Population

SBL: Hebrew Bible/Old Testament I Chastain A
Theme: Open Session
David B. Schreiner, Wesley Biblical Seminary, presiding

Joshua Joel Spoelstra, Southern Wesleyan University
The Flood as Sabbatical Rest: Explorations in the Yearlong Reprieve

Tyler Kelley, University of Georgia
Imagining the Priestly Bureaucracy

Drew S. Holland, Asbury Theological Seminary
Chronographic Genres in 1-2 Kings

Jim Wilson, Asbury Theological Seminary
“No I Will Not Makeout with You!”: Why nšq in Gen 41:40 Does Not Mean “Kiss” or “Command”
Julianne Burnett, University of Manchester  
*Words of Power: Another look at the writing and destroying of the tablets in Exodus 31:18 and 32:15-20 in light of ancient Egyptian magic*

SBL: New Testament I  
**Chastain B**  
Theme: *Open Session*  
Kathy Barrett Dawson, East Carolina University, presiding

Julie Newberry, Duke University  

Christopher T. Holmes, McAfee School of Theology  
*Fear of Death in the Epistle to the Hebrews*

Thomas Dixon, Campbell University  
*Our Mother and Father Saint Paul: A Brief Extension of Gaventa’s Procreative Metaphor in Romans 7*

Christy Cobb, Wingate University  
*The Truth of the Philippian Slave-Girl: A Bakhtinian Feminist Reading of Acts 16*

SECSOR: Undergraduate Student Research I  
**Suwannee**  
Jordan Long, Transylvania University; Carole Barnsley, advisor  
*Let’s Get Digital: A New Perspective on the Relationship Between Offline and Online Religion*

Julia Burkley, Davidson College; Anne Wills, advisor  
*Walking With Hagar into the Wilderness: Analyzing Slavery and Power in Genesis 16 and 21*

Austin Kistner, Davidson College; H. Gregory Snyder, advisor  
*The First Southern Kristians: An Analysis of the Ku Klux Klan’s Use of the New Testament*

Joel Green, Elon University; Ariela Marcus-Sells, advisor  
*The Development of Malcolm X’s Understanding of Race*

9:30–11:00 PM  
Conference Reception  
**Buckhead Foyer**

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 3

7:30–8:45 AM  
Women’s Caucus Religious Studies Breakfast  
**Winning Edge**

8:00 AM–6:00 PM  
Registration  
Book Exhibits  
**Buckhead Foyer**  
**Buckhead B**

8:00 AM—10:00 AM  
Coffee in Foyer

9:00–10:45 AM  
SESSION II

AAR: Black Cultures in the Study of Religion I  
**Marietta**  
Theme: *Black Religion, the Law, and the Truth*  
Timothy Rainey, Emory University, presiding

Thomas Dixon, Campbell University  
*Dr. King and Martin Luther on Law: Politics, Theology, and Captivity*

Megan Leverage, Florida State University  
*Ted Patrick, Criminal Acts of Deprogramming, and Brainwashing in African American History*

Shontea Smith, Duke University  
*Discerning Truths through Trap-ological Musings and Thoughts in Hopes of Remembering Ante-Blackness*

AAR: Ethics, Religion & Society I and Islam II  
**(Joint Session)**  
**Augusta**  
Theme: *Ethics, Islam, and American Culture*  
Sally Holt, Belmont University, presiding

Joshua Carpenter, Florida State University  
*The Risk of Hospitality: Derrida and American Immigration Policy*

Ross Moret, Florida State University  
*Incidental Terror: The Dar-al Farooq Islamic Center, Bloomington*

Syeda Beena Butool, Florida State University  
*Stars, Moons, and the Horizon: Muslim Moonsighting in North America and the Problem of Categories in Science and Religion*
Khadija Fouad, Appalachian State University
*Interpretations of the Quran in the context of ideas on biological evolution*

**AAR: History of Christianity I** Rome
Theme: *Martin Luther: Past and Present*
Andrew Gardner, Florida State University, presiding

Nathan Moats, Florida State University
*Desist or Resist? Critique of Martin Luther’s Understanding of Political Resistance*

William Peeler, McAfee School of Divinity
*Reclaiming the Bible: Luther and LGBTQ Inclusion*

**AAR: Judaism I** Buckhead A
Theme: *Second Temple Judaism*
Giancarlo P. Angulo, Florida State University, presiding

Tyler Dunstan, Duke University
*Moses and Exodus in Artapanus: Present Exemplar and Eschatological Hope*

Thomas Scott Cason, Florida State College of Jacksonville
*Rise of the Planet of the Sheep in Enoch 85–90*

Kenneth A. Vandergriff, Florida State University
*Priest, Angel, Messiah, King: Locating Melchizedek in the Hebrew Bible and 1IQMelchizedek*

Sean Daly, Florida State University
*Masoretic Myopia: Revisiting the Greek Minor Prophets Material from Nahal Hever*

**AAR: Method & Theory in the Study of Religion I** Dahlonega
Theme: *Book Review Panel*
Nicolas Meylan, University of Lausanne, University of Geneva, *Mana: A History of a Western Category* (Brill, 2017)
Michael Altman, University of Alabama, presiding

Kristina Buhrman, Florida State University
Joanne Robinson, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

**AAR: Philosophy of Religion II** Athens
Theme: *Refiguring the Sacred and Profane*
Wesley N. Barker, Mercer University, presiding

Tal-Hi Bitton, The George Washington University
*Discerning the Christian Historical Preconditions to the Secular “Truthe” of Nation, Race, State, and Capital*

Ian Curran, Georgia Gwinnett College
*The Making of Gods: Deification and the Cultivation of Intuition in Bergson’s Philosophy*

Stephen Dawson, Lynchburg College
*Beyond Critics and Caretakers: Religious Studies as a Humanistic Practice*

Neeth Patil, University of Virginia
*The Politic of the Fanatic*

**AAR: Religions in America II** Oglethorpe
Theme: *American Religions and the Making of Place and Space*
Andy McKee, Florida State University, presiding

Isaiah Ellis, University of North Carolina
*The Urban Dream of Form and Function: Louis Sullivan’s Transcendentalist Architecture*

Haley Illif, Florida State University
*“Gatherings of the West”: The Imagined Space of the American Empire in the Ladies’ Repository*

Samuel Avery-Quinn, Appalachian State University
*Reimagining Philadelphia by the Sea: community and critique of the urban in the Wesleyan holiness movement at Ocean Grove, New Jersey, 1869–1885*

Tucker Adkins, Florida State University
*Robert Keayne’s Town House: Puritanism and Space in Early New England*

**AAR: Religions of Asia I** Savannah
Theme: *Indian Religions: Critical Perspectives on Gender, Colonialism, and Modernity*
Jay Valentine, Troy University, presiding

Sarah Griswold, University of Alabama
*“The Subtle Pleasures of Personal Superiority”: The Constructed Purity of White Womanhood in Cinematic Representations of Colonial India*

Akshay Gupta, Duke University
*Hinduism and the Vaishnava Tradition: Still Relevant Today?*

Venu Mehta, University of Florida
*Religious Place-making, Space-sharing, and Sectarian Negotiations in the Jain Religious Diaspora in the USA*

Roland Mullins, Florida State University
*Sanskrit Vidyādhārī Literature and the Personification of Kindness-As-Feminine*
ASOR: Archaeology & the Ancient World I
Ponce de Leon

Theme: Open Session
Byron McCane, Wilkes Honor College at Florida Atlantic University, presiding
Alain W. Todd, Coastal Carolina University
Manufacturing Judaism in Roman Palestine

Gayatri Nandwani, Howard Cyr, and Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Natural Change and Anthropogenic Impact: Sedimentology and Microartifact Analysis at ‘Ayn Gharandal, Jordan

Louis A. Ruprecht, Jr., Georgia State University
The Blessing and Curse of the Aegina Marbles: Sixteen Greek Statues’ Long March to Munich

SBL: Hebrew Bible/Old Testament II Chastain A
Theme: Open Session
Clinton Moyer, Wake Forest University School of Divinity, presiding

Arthur G. Quinn, St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary
The Eyes of a Matriarch

John W. Herbst, Independent Scholar
Helping David Exceed Samson: The Account of Merab in 1 Samuel 18

William Briggs, Baylor University
“When the Levee Breaks, Mama You Got to Move”: The Interplay of Water and Gender in Nahum

Abbie F. Mantor, Asbury Theological Seminary
Did Job Misquote God on Purpose? The Use of Allusion in Job 42:1–6

Robin Gallaher Branch, Christian Brothers University
Judith’s Adventuresome Three Prayers: Private Supplication, Immediate Action, Public Jubilation in Song

SBL: New Testament II Chastain B
Theme: Book Review of J. R. Daniel Kirk’s A Man Attested by God: The Human Jesus of the Synoptic Gospels (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2016)

Ira Brent Driggers, Lutheran Southern Seminary of Lenoir-Rhyne University, presiding

Eric Thurman, University of the South
Tim Wardle, Furman University
Mark Proctor, Lee University
Response from the Author—J. R. Daniel Kirk

Business Meeting

SECSOR: Undergraduate Student Research II Suwannee

Katira Dobbins, Elon University; Amy L. Allocco, advisor
Catholicism and Possession in South India

Caitlyn Bell, University of Alabama; Steven Ramey, advisor
Exhibiting Asia: When Asia Meets America in Contemporary Museums

Any Fredsell, Elon University; Amy L. Allocco, advisor
Pujas and Poses: Religion and Modern Transnational Yoga

Daniela Ceron, Elon University; Amy L. Allocco, advisor
Possession of Power: How Social Justice is Disseminated in South Asian Hindu and Islamic Traditions

11:00 AM–12:00 PM Plenary Session Buckhead A
Phillip Michael Sherman, Maryville College, presiding

Jacob Wright, Emory University
What Truths does Biblical Scholarship Seek to Discern?

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 3

12:00–1:00 PM Underrepresented Minorities Luncheon Winning Edge

12:15–1:15 PM ASOR: Archaeology & the Ancient World II Ponce de Leon
Gregory Linton, Johnson University, presiding
Theme: ASOR Presidential Address

Tom McCollough, Centre College
Jewish Resistance or Christian Appropriation? The Late Antique Synagogue at Khirbet Qana (Cana of Galilee)

Business Meeting

1:15–1:45 PM AAR/SE Business Meeting Buckhead A
All members of the society are invited

1:45–2:15 PM SBL/SE Business Meeting Chastain A
All members of the society are invited
2:30–4:15 PM  SESSION III

AAR: Constructive Theologies I  Athens
Theme:  Discerning Truths – Theological Perspectives
Mark Ellingsen, Interdenominational Theological Center
Bucking the Theological Establishment on Truth: A Barthian, Pragmatic, Neurobiological Alternative

J. Burton Fulmer, Christian Brothers University
Talking Black: Can a White Theologian Do Black Theology?

Business Session

AAR: Ethics, Religion & Society II  Marietta
Theme: Ethics and Politics in America
Sally Holt, Belmont University, presiding

Mike Stoltzfus, Georgia Gwinnett College
Zora Neale Hurston: Paradox, Politics, and Self-Expression

Cara Curtis, Emory University
Returning from the Looking Glass: A Paradoxical Model for White Women’s Moral Agency

E. Harold Breitenberg, Randolph-Macon College
The Morals of Jesus, the Morals of Jefferson

Steven Lane, Florida State University
Obama as Niebuhrian: A Reevaluation

Business Meeting

AAR: Islam III  Buckhead A
Theme: Open Session
Roshan Iqbal, Agnes Scott College, presiding

Joseph Hellweg, East Carolina University
“I Put My Hand in the Qur’an”: Islam, Hunting, and Apostasy in Dozo Hunting Songs from Northwestern Côte d’Ivoire

James Riggan, Florida State University
Qur’anic Exorcism: Healing Bodies Making Space

Keely Sutton, Birmingham-Southern College
Jihad and the Avoidance of Moral Injury on the Malabar Coast

Jesse Miller, Florida State University
Capitalist Ethics and the Growth of Islam in Burkina Faso

AAR: Judaism II  Augusta
Theme: Judaism in Late Antiquity
Michael Fuller, Lee University, presiding

J. Andrew Cowan, Independent Scholar
A Tale of Two Antiquities: Josephus’ Implicit Engagement with the Argument of Dionysius of Halicarnassus

Kris Lindbeck, Florida Atlantic University
The Purpose and Weight of Abraham’s Trials in Genesis Rabbah

David R. Edwards, Florida State University
The Contours of the “Border Lines” of Justin Martyr’s Christianity in Dialogue 47

Natalie C. Polzer, University of Louisville
Miscarriage in Rabbinic Halakhah and Aggadah

Carson Bay, Florida State University
Reading the Bible Backwards: Hebrew Bible and Anti-Jewish Polemic in Fourth-Century Latin Christian Historiography

AAR: Method & Theory in the Study of Religion II  Dahlonega
Theme: Approaches to Identity, Law, and Cyber
Nathan Loewen, University of Alabama, presiding

Andie Alexander, Emory University
Passing as American: On Immigration, Whiteness, and Identity Construction in Late 19th Century United States

Charles McCrary, Florida State University
Believing Religiously: Courts, Scholars, and Their Ultimate Concerns

Nathan Schradle, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
The Revolution Will Be Digitized: Stafford Beer, Cybernetics, and the Study of Religion
AAR: Religions in America III Oglethorpe
Theme: Making Religion American
Andy McKee, Florida State University, presiding

Joshua Matson, Florida State University
Building a Biblical Utopia with the Dead Sea Scrolls in America: The Brotherhood of Christ Church Essene Community

Caitlin Joy Montgomery, Columbia Theological Seminary
“Hamming it Up”: The Popularization of American Evangelical Hermeneutics

Michael McLaughlin, Florida State University
Respectable Exoticism and Exoticization of the Respectable: the Racial Politics of Reconstructionist Religions in the United States

Kevin Burton, Florida State University
Making Better (White) People: Conservative Christian Promotion of Eugenics

AAR: Religions of Asia II Savannah
Theme: Teaching Religions of Asia in the American South: Strategies and Methodological Approaches
Rachel Pang, Davidson College, presiding

Lisa Battaglia, Samford University
A Cup of Tea, Beginner’s Mind, and the Phenomenological Approach: Teaching Asian Religions in the American South

Brett J. Esaki, Georgia State University
Reaching Southern African Americans’ Interest in Asian Religions

Natasha L. Mikles, Texas State University
The Buddhas at Night, are Big and Bright: Teaching Asian Religions in Central Texas

Jay Valentine, Troy University, respondent

Business Meeting

AAR: Secularism, Religious Freedom & Global Politics Group Brookhaven
Theme: Secularism and American Public Life
Charles McCrary, Florida State University, presiding
Respondent: Finbarr Curtis, Georgia Southern University

Joshua Patterson, University of Georgia
Funding Faith: Controversial Donations and Struggling for a Secular Study of Religion in the US and UK

Jesse Lee, Florida State University
Tax Exempt Temples: A Study on the Influence of the IRS on American Buddhist Temple Communities

ASOR: Archaeology & the Ancient World III Ponce de Leon
Theme: Excavation Reports
Tom McCollough, Centre College, presiding

Ralph K. Hawkins, Averett University
A Report on the First Season of Excavation at Khirbet el-Mastarah

James R. Strange, Samford University
A Kiln Dedicated to Lamp Production? The 2017 Season of the Shikhin Excavation Project

SBL: Hebrew Bible/Old Testament III Chastain A
Theme: Review of Brent Strawn, The Old Testament is Dying (Baker, 2017)
David B. Schreiner, Wesley Biblical Seminary, presiding

Kimberly Bracken Long, Editor of Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching & the Arts
Derek Hicks, Wake Forest University School of Divinity
Clinton J. Moyer, Wake Forest University School of Divinity
Murray Vasser, Asbury Theological Seminary

SBL: New Testament III Chastain B
Mark Proctor, Lee University, presiding

Donghyun Jeong, Emory University
“Let the Reader Understand”: War-Prophecy, Discernment, and the Construction of Markan Historiography

Ira Brent Driggers, Lutheran Southern Seminary of Lenoir-Rhyne University
Jesus and the Kingdom of Shalom: Revisiting the Allison-Borg Debate on Jesus’ Eschatological Vision

Eric Moore, Emory University

David W. Priddy, Campbell University
We Know the Spirit of Truth and the Spirit of Error: Discerning the Truth in the Epistle of First John
SECSOR: Undergraduate Student Research III

Sarah Fink, Davidson College; Rachel H. Pang, advisor
*Tibetan Takeover: Growing Han Chinese Interest in Tibetan Buddhism and Governmental Interference*

Morgan Mercer, Davidson College; Rachel H. Pang, advisor
*“Green Tibetans” or “Sustainable Communists”? An Analysis of Environmental Rhetoric on the Tibetan Plateau*

Kim Byrne, Elon University; Amy L. Allocco, advisor
*Ethnic Influences in Death Practices of Thai Spirit Cults*

Kelly Kimble, East Carolina University; Joseph Hellweg, advisor
*Cosmologies of Cocoa Slavery: The Ethics of Political Economy in Contemporary Côte d’Ivoire*

AAR: History of Christianity II

*Theme: The Early Church*

Andrew Gardner, Florida State University, presiding

David Hester, Faulkner University
*Asklepios, the Asklepios Cult, and Possible New Testament Connections*

Youngbom Lee, University of Bristol
*Law in Romans, Particular or Universal? An Asian Protestant Perspective*

Luke Drake, UNC Chapel Hill
*Christian Identity, Scribal Practice, and the Construction of Judaism*

AAR: Religions in America IV


Moderator: Charles McCrary, Florida State University

Kate Rosenblatt, Emory University

Andy McKee, Florida State University

Kati Curts, Sewanee: The University of the South

Respondent: Shari Rabin, College of Charleston

AAR: Religions of Asia III and Religion & Ecology (Joint Session)

*Theme: Varieties of Eco-praxis in Asian Religions*

Jarrod W. Brown, Berea College
*Hòa Hảo Ecology: Vietnamese Buddhist Environmental and Agricultural Ethics*

Brett Patterson, Clemson University
*Mystic Activism and the Environment: Religion and Eco-praxis*

Mark D. Wood, Virginia Commonwealth University, respondent

4:30–6:00 PM  SESSION IV

AAR: Black Cultures in the Study of Religion II


Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University Divinity School, presiding

Jocelyn Boulware, Vanderbilt University Divinity School
*Is It Truth You Seek?: Liberative Performance as Existential Reckoning*

Rebecca Wilcox, Vanderbilt University Divinity School
*These is Bloody Shoes: Toward a Womanist Ethic of Embodied Dissonance*

Shatavia Wynn, Vanderbilt University
*We Got The Body: A Womanist Hermeneutic of the Law*

AAR: Constructive Theologies II and Philosophy of Religion III (Joint Session)

*Theme: Author Meets Critics: J. Aaron Simmons and Bruce Ellis Benson’s The New Phenomenology: A Philosophical Introduction*

Elizabeth O’Donnell Gandolfo, Wake Forest School of Divinity, presiding

Nathan Eric Dickman, Young Harris College
*Apologetics in/and/or Phenomenology: A Response to Simmons’s and Benson’s The New Phenomenology*

Bradley B. Onishi, Skidmore College
*From Mash-Up to Braided Philosophy*
AAR: Women, Gender & Religion    Dahlonega
Theme: Ploys and Promises of Gender and Disability in the Bible
Dr. Vicki Phillips, West Virginia Wesleyan College, presiding

Joshua Joel Spoelstra, Southern Wesleyan University
Wine, Women, and the Witless King: The Female Embodiment of Power

LaToya M. Leary, Florida State University
Masculinity and Disability in the Hebrew Bible and Early Judaism

Jonathan C. Groce, Emory University
Is Paul Obligated to Demonstrate Epistolary Masculinity?

ASOR and SBL: Hebrew Bible/Old Testament IV (Joint Session)    Ponce de Leon
Theme: Uses and Abuses of Archaeology in the Study of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament
Ralph Hawkins, Averett University, presiding

Tony W. Cartledge, Campbell University Divinity School
The Use and Abuse of Archaeology in the Media

Frederick L. Downing, Valdosta State University
Near Eastern Archaeology in the Post-Truth Age: The Use and Abuse of the Bible in the Study of the Monarchy

David B. Schreiner, Wesley Biblical Seminary
The “Elisha” Ostracon and Methodological Musings

Jeffrey P. Hudon, Institute of Archaeology, Andrews University
Judah in Central Jordan? An Incised Concentric Circle Royal Jar Handle from Tall Jalul

SBL: New Testament IV / AAR: Teaching & Learning Religion II (Joint Session)    Buckhead A

Wongi Park, Belmont University
Teaching Jesus, Race, and Racial Difference

Alexander P. Thompson, Emory University
The Redactional Tendencies of Kids Bop: A Strategy for Teaching Undergraduates NT Redaction Criticism

Robin Gallaher Branch, Christian Brothers University
Phoebe Talks to the Romans: Delivering Paul’s Letter and His Personal Greetings to Beloved Friends at a House Church in Rome

6:00–7:00 PM
Graduate Student Roundtable and Reception
Winning Edge

SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 4

7:15–8:45 AM
Section Chairs Breakfast
Ponce de Leon

8:00–11:00 AM
Registration
Book Exhibits
Buckhead Foyer
Buckhead B

8:00 AM—10:00 AM
Coffee in foyer

9:00–11:00 AM
SESSION V

AAR: Judaism III    Buckhead A
Theme: Contemporary Judaism
Caron Bay, Florida State University, presiding

Shari Rabin, College of Charleston
Rest and Refuge: Religion and Space at a Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews

Jakob Zalman Breunig, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Lügenpresse: The Anti-Semitism Communicated Through Donald Trump’s Attacks on the Media

H.D. Uriel Smith, University of Kentucky
Stages of Response to a Menacing Community

AAR: Teaching & Learning Religion III    Marietta
Theme: Open Session
Carole Barnsley, Transylvania University, presiding

Ingie Hovland, University of Georgia
Bringing Critical Reading into the Classroom: Reading and Thinking With Students About Christianity and Colonialism

T.K. Waters, Western Kentucky University
Saul vs. David: The Presidential Debate of the Hebrew Bible

Tyler Kelley, University of Georgia
Thinking Sideways: Historical Imagination and Textual Pedagogy
Annsley Banks, College of Charleston; Lee Irwin, advisor
*The UFO Phenomenon: An Experience of Religious “Feeling”*

Emily Liske, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Erin Darby, advisor
*The Holy Brick of Birth Giving: A Reassessment of Ancient Near East Birth Bricks and Their Medical Role in Delivery*

Evangeline Giaconia, Appalachian State University; Laura Ammon, advisor
*Beyond Gaia: Increasing Connectivity Between Humanity and the Other in the Worlds of Octavia Butler, Ursula K. LeGuin, and Diane Duane*

Alexandra McCorkle, Elon University; Lynn Huber, advisor
*In WOD We Trust: Christianity, Crossfit, and Conversion*