

SSCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE
POWER AND THE LIMITS OF POWER
4-6th September 2015, Westcott House, University of Cambridge

PROGRAMME

Friday, 4th September

2:00 – 4:00 pm	Registration	Common Room
1:00 – 3:00 pm	Postgraduate Seminar <i>“Power and Authority in Christian Ethics”</i> <i>Martin Kettle, “Criminal Justice and Policing the Margins.”</i> <i>Elizabeth Henry, “Justice Issues in Minority Concerns”</i>	Knight Room
3:30 pm	Cream Tea	Terrace / Marquee
4:00 pm	Welcome by SSCE President David Clough Plenary Address: 1 Cunningham Room <i>William Schweiker, “The Ethical Limits of Power: On the Perichoresis of Power.”</i>	
5:30 pm	Evening Prayer	Chapel
6:30 pm	Dinner	Dining Hall
8:00 pm	Plenary Address: 2 <i>Chris Insole, “Kant on Christianity, Religion, and Politics: Three Hopes, Three Limits”</i>	Cunningham Room
9:30 pm	<i>Bar open</i>	House Bar

Saturday, 5th September

7:30 am	Breakfast <i>Note: Breakfast is served until 8:45 am.</i>	Dining Hall
8:15 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
9:00 – 11:00 am	Short Papers: Group Session 1	<i>Various locations</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Track 1: <i>Power in Early Christian Reflection</i> Cunningham Room Emma C J Brown, “Φιλάλληλόν τε καὶ συμπαθῆς προσκαλεῖται” (Called to mutual love and sympathy): A Critique of the State in Light of Gregory of Nyssa’s Sermon on Mercy” David Torrance, “Who are my mother and my brothers? The Christian Household and the Reimagining of Kinship” Ryan Murphy, “The Limits of Politics and Virtue: The State in Theological Perspective”Track 2: <i>Power, Authority, and Sovereignty</i> Knight Room Andrew Errington, “The concept of authority in the work of Oliver O’Donovan” Emilio Di Somma, “The Kingdom and the Government; an inquiry on secular power and its religious roots” Stewart Clem, “Human Words and the Word of God: Theological Contours of Free Speech”Track 3: <i>Biopolitics</i> Chapel Manitza Kotze, “The nature of sin as abuse of power in relation to GMO food” Alistair Young, “Christian environmental activism in democratic politics: strengths and limitations” David Elliot, “The Limits of Lethal Power in the Nation-State: Assisted Dying as a Test Case”	
11:00 am	Coffee	Terrace / Marquee
11:30 am	Special Panel Session, “ <i>Christian Ethics and Political Participation</i> ” Anna Rowlands Baroness Maeve Sherlock Canon Angus Ritchie Tim Livesey Rev Al Barrett	Cunningham Room
1:00 – 2:00 pm	Lunch	Dining Hall
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Free time for exploring CambridgeSSCE Committee Meeting, 2:00 – 3:30 pm (Lambert Room)	
3:30 pm	Afternoon Tea & Cake	Terrace / Marquee
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Annual General Meeting	Cunningham Room
5:00 pm	Evening Prayer	Chapel

5:30 pm	Plenary Address 4 <i>Robert Beckford, "Get Your Praise On:" Inscribing a postcolonial ethic in contemporary gospel music</i>	Cunningham Room
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7:30 pm	Drinks	Terrace / Marquee
8:00 pm	Conference Dinner <i>Note: dress for the dinner is "smart casual"</i>	Dining Hall
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9:30 pm	<i>Bar open</i>	Westcott House Bar

Sunday, 6th September

7:45 am	Breakfast <i>Note: Breakfast is served until 9:00 am.</i>	Dining Hall
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8:30 am	Eucharist	Chapel
8:15 am	Mass <i>Those attending mass can meet at 7:55am in front of Westcott</i>	Blackfriars Priory
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9:00 – 11:00 am	Short Papers: Group Session 2	<i>Various locations</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Track 1: <i>Power, Speech and Law</i> Cunningham Room Virginia Landgraf, "Rule of Law vs. Rule by Law, Regimes of Truth vs. Regimes of Defamation: Perspectives from Christian Dialectical Theology and Theravada Buddhism" John Berkman, "In the Power of the Holy Spirit: Aquinas' Ethics after Thomistic Virtue Ethics" • Track 2: <i>Power and Human Identity</i> Knight Room Cory May, "A Theology of Dehumanization: Exploring the Fallacy of Human Superiority Through the Theology of Reinhold Niebuhr and Martin Luther King, Jr." Guido de Graaff, "Human Equality as Family Membership: A Response to Jeremy Waldron's 2015 Gifford Lectures" Jennifer Beste, "Masculinity, Sexual Violence, and Bystander Intervention: Following Christ's Way of Being in the World" • Track 3: <i>20th Century Politics and Reflections on Power</i> Common Room David Robinson, 'Is Christ Divided?' Racial Lines in Bonhoeffer's Work with Hegel & Du Bois Claire Hein Blanton, "The Dangerous Power of Silence: Reimagining Political Theology in the Aftermath of the Stuttgart Confession" David Lilley, "The Covenantal Lord of the Sabbath and a Fungible Workforce" • Track 4: <i>Political Theology</i> Parlour Room James Orr, "Diffusing Power: Legal Pluralism and Ecclesial Agency" Stephen Plant, "The temptation of politics: Christ's Temptation and ours in Milton's 'Paradise Regained'" Christopher Brittain, "The Limits of Political Theology: beyond a zero-sum conception of power" 	
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11:00 - 11:30 am	Coffee	Terrace / Marquee

11:30 am Plenary Address: 5 Cunningham Room
David McLroy, "How is the Rule of Law a limit on Power?"

1:00 pm Lunch (departure after lunch) Dining Hall