

Women and Ordination in the Christian Churches: International Perspectives

Draft Conference Programme

Wednesday 12 July

From 1pm	Arrival and Registration (please make own arrangements for lunch)
15.00	Welcome
15.15	Plenary Lecture 1: Dr Adair Lummis (Hartford Institute of Religious Research, USA): 'Forever Pruning? the ECUSA Path To Ordained Women's Full Participation?'
16.45	Tea/Coffee
17.15	Group Discussions 1
18.30	Dinner
19.45	Parallel Sessions of Short Papers 1 [A: Historical Perspectives] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julia Pitman (Charles Sturt University, Australia): The Prophetic Role of Ordained Women in the Congregational Church of Australia since 1927 • Ann Peart (Unitarian College, Manchester/Partnership for Theological Education, UK): Women and Ministry within the Unitarian Movement • Kirsty Thorpe (United Reformed Church, UK): Women's Ministry in the Congregational Churches in the early 20th Century [B: A Priesthood of all Believers?] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bolaji Bateye (Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria): Neither Male nor Female! Female Religious Leaders of New Generation Churches in Southwestern Nigeria speak on Women and Ordination • Paul Oestreicher (Sussex, UK): The Ordination of Women in Anglican and Quaker Perspective • Val Abbott (Anglican Diocese of Bristol, UK): Cutting the Gordian Knot: Marriage and Women's Ministry in the Anglican and House Church Movements
21.30	Free Time

Thursday 13 July

08.00	Breakfast
09.00	Plenary Lecture 2: Bishop Christina Odenberg (Bishop of Lund, Church of Sweden): 'The process in the Church of Sweden towards ordination of Women Priests and Consecration of Women Bishops'
10.30	Tea/Coffee
11.00	Parallel Sessions of Short Papers 2 [A: Women and Senior Leadership] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rosie Ward (Church Pastoral Aid Society, UK): Doing Leadership Differently? Women and Senior Leadership in the Church of England

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helen Cameron (Oxford Brookes University, UK) and Gillian Jackson (William Booth College, UK): One Ministry, Separate Spheres: Ordained Women in Senior Leadership in the Salvation Army • Christine Mayr-Lumetzberger (Austria): Women's Ordination in the Roman Catholic Church: Forcing an Open Door <p>[B: Gender Differences]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandy Robbins (University of Wales Bangor, UK): Clergymen and Clergywomen: the Same Gospel? • Sarah Page (University of Nottingham, UK): The Construction of Masculinities and Femininities in the Church of England • Theresa Harvey (Anglican Diocese of Perth, Australia): At the Invitation of Men: Patriarchal Power Structure and Women's Ways of Knowing <p>[C: Ministry and Work]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miranda Threlfall-Holmes (University of Durham and Anglican Diocese of Durham, UK): Ordination and the Theology of Work: Perspectives from young ordained women in the Church of England • Deanna Langle (Brite Divinity School, USA): Women and Men as 'Colleagues' in Ministry: Is it Possible? • Gwendoline Malogne-Fer (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (Paris), France): The Feminisation and Professionalisation of the Pastorate in the Evangelical Church of French Polynesia
12.45	Lunch
13.30	Group Discussions 2
14.30	Tea/Coffee
15.00	<p>Parallel Sessions of Short Papers 3</p> <p>[A: Opposition and Response]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evelyn Hunt, Diana Wear and Regina Bannan (Women's Ordination Conference, USA): Walking with Women Called [to be read by Victoria Rue] • Angela Webb and Christine Simes (Anglican Diocese of Perth, Australia): Theological vs structural factors in the stained glass ceiling faced by women clergy in the Anglican Church in Australia • Kevin Donlon (Cardiff University, UK): The Anglican Mission of America and the Ordination of Women to the Priesthood <p>[B: Legal Issues]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jessica Pacey (University of Nottingham, UK): The Legal Framework surrounding the ordination of women in the Church of England • Rachel Wood (University of Edinburgh, UK): Should the Language and Legislation of Human/Women's Rights be implemented in the arguments for consecrating women as bishops in the Church of England?

	<p>[C: Education]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ellen Blue (Phillips Theological Seminary, USA): Should Theological Education be Different for Clergywomen? • Ruth Muthei (Kenya): Education for Women's Ordained Ministry in Kenya [tbc]
16.45	Plenary Lecture 3: Revd Professor Frances Young (University of Birmingham, UK): 'Hermeneutical questions: the ordination of women in the light of biblical and patristic typology'
18.15	Free
18.45	Pre-Dinner Reception
19.30	Conference Dinner

Friday 14 July

08.00	Breakfast
09.00	<p><i>Parallel Sessions of Short Papers 4</i></p> <p>[A: Women's Ordination and Reception]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kay Goldsworthy (Anglican Diocese of Perth, Australia): The Almost Fully Ordained Meat Pie, General Synod and the Doctrine of Reception • Angela Berlis (University of Utrecht): Women's Ordination in the Old Catholic Churches of the Union of Utrecht • Kodjo Holonou (Conseil Chrétien du Togo): Women's Ordained Ministry and Traditional Beliefs in Togo <p>[B: Cultural and Linguistic Minorities]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Carol Gallagher (Asst Bp of Newark, Episcopal Church of the USA): Indigenous Women in the Anglican Church: A Leadership of Relationship and Healing • Fei Taule'ale'ausumai: Women and Ordination in the Pacific Island Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand [to be read in her absence] <p>[C: Cultures of Compromise]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victoria Rue (San Jose State University, USA): Borderlands: Women's Priestly Ministry in the Roman Catholic Church • Eglantine Jamet-Moreau (University Paris X, France): Ordaining women in a Broad Church: Culture of Compromise and the Issue of Women Priests in the Church of England
10.30	Plenary Lecture 4: Dr Esther Mombo (St.Paul's United Theological Seminary, Limuru, Kenya): 'We see them and hear them...but has it made any difference?': the Ordination of Women in Africa'
12.00	<i>Final Plenary Discussion with tea/coffee</i>
13.00	Lunch and Depart