

THEO5225 Christ, Church, and Spirit

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Location: ELB 206 (Mon 19:00~21:30)

1. Course Overview:

This course aims at introducing the basic theological concepts of Christology, ecclesiology and pneumatology. The theological discussions, debate and implications among those three concepts would be discussed through historical-theological approach. Furthermore, as a theological discipline, students are expected to learn how to integrate these three Christian doctrines with other elements within the Christian faith.

2. Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs):

	On completion of this course, students should be able to:
CILO 1	Understand the complicated Christian concepts of Christology, pneumatology and ecclesiology, and their historical interconnection with the intellectual backgrounds.
CILO 2	Apply the concepts and ideas to evaluate the relevance of their numerous implications.
CILO 3	Reflect on their own beliefs and value towards Christian ideas.

3. Teaching and Learning Activities (TLAs):

CILO 1	<p>Students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approach and describe various key ideas and historical events in approaching these three concepts in the development of the Christian thought through discussion, written exercise and group project. • Evaluate the comments given by different theories and concepts towards the relationship between Christianity and her contexts.
CILO 2	<p>Students will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and examine different aspects of the relationship between these three doctrines and other related concepts by participating class discussions and reading.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate the religious import of the different aspects of these three doctrines.
CILO 3	<p>Students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct their own judgements to evaluate their views towards some controversial issues through debate and class discussion. Apply the knowledge and techniques they learn from the course to complete the project.

4. List of Topics

	Topic	Key Concepts
1	NT Christology Debate	Incarnation, high / low-Christology
2	Two-natures Christology	Divine-human nature, Chalcedon Christology
3	Historical Jesus and Christ of Faith	Quest of the historical Jesus, modern bible criticism, liberal theology
4	Christology in Modern / Contemporary Settings (I): Religious Pluralism	John Cobb, Symbol of Christ, religious pluralism
5	Christology in Modern / Contemporary Settings (II): Feminist & Liberation Approach	Feminist / liberation Christology
6	Christology in Modern / Contemporary Settings (III): Process Perspective	Process philosophy / theology
7	Ecclesiology: Church as Communion	John D. Zizioulas, Orthodox Church
8	Ecclesiology: Church as Resident Alien	Hauerwas, Radical Church
9	Political Ecclesiology	Political participation
10	Pneumatology: Patristic perspective and <i>Filioque</i>	Divinity of the Holy Spirit, filioque, Trinity
11	Pneumatology: Reformation Tradition	Word and Spirit, Bible, Revelation

12	Pneumatology: Spirit, Christ and Trinity	Pneumatological Trinity
13	Pneumatology: Pentecostal / Charismatic Traditions	Pentecostal movement, Charismatic traditions

5. Assessment:

1. Group Presentation: (30%)

Students (3-5) are formed into different groups to present the reading materials in the tutorials. Basic summary and critical discussions are required. High mark would be given to those groups which can address the advanced theological scholarships. The time is around 30-45 mins.

2. Reading Report: (20%)

- For MACS students, you are required to finish a book review on the following book:

Kathryn Tanner, *Jesus, Humanity and the Trinity*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2001. (The Chinese translation was published. 《耶穌、人性與三一——淺談系統神學》) Chapter 1-3.

- For B.D., M.Div. and MATS students and above, you are required to finish the above book **and** one of the followings:

John McIntyre, *The Shape of Christology*. Edinburgh: T&T Clark, 1998. Chapter 4-6;

John McIntyre, *The Shape of Pneumatology*. Edinburgh: T&T Clark, 1997. Chapter 4-6;

- ##### 3. Research paper: (50%)
- Each student is required to submit a research paper on a given topic. The thesis should include clear thesis, arguments and related scholarship. The word count is not less than 3000 (MACS) and 4000 (B.D., M.Div. and MATS students and above)

6. Course Schedule

	Topic	
September 16	Introduction of the course NT Christology Debate	No tutorial
September 23	Two-Nature Model of Christology_	

	<p><u>Tutorial Readings</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, Christology: A Global Introduction (基督論：全球導覽), pp.41-72</i> 2. Paul Tillich <i>Systematic Theology Vol. II, , pp. 138-150</i> 	
September 30	<p>Historical Jesus and Christ of Faith</p> <p><u>Tutorial Readings</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>The historical Jesus : a comprehensive guide</i>, Gerd Theissen and Annette Merz, pp.1-15. 2. <i>Christology: A Guide for the Perplexed</i>, Alan J. Spence, pp.90-127 	
October 14	<p>Christology in Modern / Contemporary Settings (I): Religious Pluralism</p> <p><u>Tutorial Readings</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>The Myth of God Incarnate</i>, edited by John Hick, ch.9 2. John Hick, “An Inspiration Christology”, <i>Disputed Questions in Theology and the Philosophy of Religion</i> 	
October 21	<p>Christology in Modern / Contemporary Settings (II): Feminist & Liberation Approach</p> <p><u>Tutorial Readings</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Towards a feminist Christology : Jesus of Nazareth, European women, and the christological crisis</i>, Julie M. Hopkins BT202 .H635 1995, pp.8-21; 34-97. 2. <i>Jesus Christ liberator : a critical Christology for our times</i>, Leonardo Boff BT202.B5313, pp.63-79. 	
October 28	<p>Christology in Modern / Contemporary Settings (III): Process Perspective</p> <p><u>Tutorial Readings</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Christ in a pluralistic age</i>, John B. Cobb, Jr BT202.C62, ch. 3-4 	

November 4	Ecclesiology: Church as Communion <u>Tutorial Readings</u> 1. <i>Being as communion : studies in personhood and the church</i> / John D. Zizioulas, pp. 15-65.	
November 11	Ecclesiology: Church as Resident Alien <u>Tutorial Readings</u> 1. <i>The ecclesiology of Stanley Hauerwas : a Christian theology of liberation</i> / John B. Thomson BV600.3 .T46 2003. Part V	
November 18	Political Ecclesiology <u>Tutorial Readings</u> 1. <i>Rooted in Jesus Christ. Towards a Radical Ecclesiology</i> , Daniel Izuzquiza, pp.87-132	
November 25	Pneumatology: Patristic perspective and <i>Filioque</i> <u>Tutorial Readings</u> 1. <i>Holy Spirit and salvation</i> , Ed. Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, pp. 3-117	
Make-up	Pneumatology: Reformation Tradition <u>Tutorial Readings</u> 1. <i>Holy Spirit and salvation</i> , Ed. Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, pp. 152-274	
Make-up	Pneumatology: Spirit, Christ and Trinity <u>Tutorial Readings</u> Moltmann, <i>Spirit of Life</i> , Part Three	

7. Basic Reference:

1. Christology : a biblical, historical, and systematic study of Jesus / Gerald O'Collins. [BT203 .O25 2009](#)
2. Christology : a guide for the perplexed / Alan J. Spence. [BT203 .S66 2008](#)
3. Christology : a global introduction / Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen. [BT203 .K37 2003](#) 基督論 : 全球導覽 [BT203 .K3712 2012](#)
4. Christology / Hans Schwarz. [BT202 .S378 1998](#)
5. 系統神學 : 基督論 = Systematic theology : Christology / 李日堂著. [BT203 .L527 2010](#)

6. Introduction to ecclesiology : ecumenical, historical & global perspectives / Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen BV600.3 .K37 2002 教會論 : 全球導覽 BV600.3 .K3712 2010
7. The Christian church : an introduction to the major traditions / edited by Paul Avis BV593 .C45 2002
8. Pneumatology : the Holy Spirit in ecumenical, international, and contextual perspective / Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen BT121.3 .K37 2002 聖靈論 : 全球導覽 BT121.3 .K3712 2009
9. The Holy Spirit / F. LeRon Shults & Andrea Hollingsworth BT121.3 .S58 2008
10. The Holy Spirit / Alasdair I.C. Heron BT119.H47

Other References:

1. Christology : key readings in Christian thought / edited by Jeff Astley, David Brown, and Ann Loades [BT203 .C475 2009](#)
2. Exploring kenotic Christology : the self-emptying of God / edited by C. Stephen Evans. [BT203 .E97 2006](#)
3. The many faces of Christology / Tyron L. Inbody [BT203 .I53 2002](#)
4. Christology revisited / John Macquarrie [BT202 .M3135 1998](#)
5. The shape of Christology : studies in the doctrine of the person of Christ / John McIntyre [BT202 .M3 1998](#)
6. Christology in dialogue / edited by Robert F. Berkey and Sarah A. Edwards. [BT198 .C455 1993](#)
7. Yesterday and today : a study of continuities in Christology / Colin E. Gunton. [BT202.G86](#)
8. Lectures on Christology / Dietrich Bonhoeffer [BT202 .B5813 1978](#)
9. Who is Jesus? : an introduction to Christology / Thomas P. Rausch [BT203 .R38 2003](#)
10. Is Jesus unique? : a study of recent christology / Scott Cowdell [BT198 .C62 1996](#)
11. Communion ecclesiology : vision and versions / Dennis M. Doyle BV601.3 .D68 2000
12. 教會論 = Ecclesiology / 李日堂著. BV600.3 .L527 2012
13. Bound to be free : evangelical Catholic engagements in ecclesiology, ethics, and ecumenism / Reinhard Hütter BV600.3 .H88 2004
14. Toward a pneumatological theology : Pentecostal and ecumenical perspectives on ecclesiology, soteriology, and theology of mission / Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen ; edited by Amos Young BT121.3 .K39 2002
15. The Church in the power of the Spirit : a contribution to messianic ecclesiology / Jürgen Moltmann BV600.2.M6413 1991
16. The open church : invitation to a messianic lifestyle / Jürgen Moltmann BR85.M53613
17. Ascension and ecclesia : on the significance of the doctrine of the Ascension for ecclesiology and Christian cosmology / Douglas Farrow BT500 .F37 1999

18. Being as communion : studies in personhood and the church / John D. Zizioulas BX323 .Z59
1993
19. Bible, church, tradition: an Eastern Orthodox view / Georges Florovsky BT90.F57
20. The church / by Wolfhart Pannenberg BV600.2.P34513
21. The communion of saints / a dogmatic inquiry into the sociology of the church Bonhoeffer,
Dietrich BT972.B613
22. The ecclesiology of Stanley Hauerwas : a Christian theology of liberation / John B. Thomson
BV600.3 .T46 2003
23. Foundational theology : Jesus and the church / Francis Schussler Fiorenza BT75.2.F56 基礎
神學 : 耶穌與教會 BT75.2 .F5612 2003
24. Introducing feminist ecclesiology / Natalie K. Watson BV639.W7 W37 2002
25. Models of the church / Avery Dulles BV600.2.D78 1988
26. On being the church : essays on the Christian community / edited by Colin E. Gunton and
Daniel W. Hardy BV600.5.O5
27. The origins of sectarian Protestantism; a study of the Anabaptist view of the church / Littell,
Franklin Hamlin. BX4931.L5 1964
28. Women-church : theology and practice of feminist liturgical communities / Rosemary
Radford Ruether BV4527.R83
29. 現代更正教神學中的教會論類型學 / 李駿康 BX4817 .L525 2010 (Ph.D thesis)
30. Communion ecclesiology : vision and versions / Dennis M. Doyle BV601.3 .D68 2000
31. The shape of pneumatology : studies in the doctrine of the Holy Spirit / John McIntyre
BT119 .M35 1997
32. The work of the Spirit : pneumatology and Pentecostalism / edited by Michael Welker
BT121.3 .W67 2006
33. Advents of the spirit : an introduction to the current study of pneumatology / edited by
Bradford E. Hinze & D. Lyle Dabney BT121.3 .A38 2001
34. Holy Spirit and salvation : the sources of Christian theology / edited by Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen
BT121.3 .H64 2010
35. The Spirit in the world : emerging Pentecostal theologies in global contexts / edited by
Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen BX8762.Z5 S65 2009
36. Beyond the impasse : toward a pneumatological theology of religions / Amos Yong
BT83.85 .Y663 2003
37. The Spirit of life : a universal affirmation / Jürgen Moltmann BT121.2.M613 1992
38. The source of life : the Holy Spirit and the theology of life / Jürgen Moltmann
BT121.2 .M6213 1997

39. Light of truth and fire of love : a theology of the Holy Spirit / Gary D. Badcock BT121.2 .B23 1997
40. Toward a pneumatological theology : Pentecostal and ecumenical perspectives on ecclesiology, soteriology, and theology of mission / Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen BT121.3 .K39 2002
41. The Holy Spirit : medieval Roman Catholic and Reformation traditions (sixth-sixteenth centuries) / Stanley M. Burgess BT119 B873 1997
42. The Holy Spirit : Eastern Christian traditions / Stanley M. Burgess BT119 .B88 1989
43. The Holy Spirit : ancient Christian traditions / Stanley M. Burgess BT119 .B89 1984
44. I believe in the Holy Spirit / Yves M.J. Congar BT121.2.C59713 Vol.1-3
45. Conflicts about the Holy Spirit / edited by Hans Küng and Jürgen Moltmann BT121.2.C595
46. The spirit of God transforming life : the reformation and theology of the Holy Spirit / Paul S. Chung BT121.3 .C57 2009
47. 聖靈的洗：路加與五旬宗的聖靈神學 葉先秦著 BT123 .Y425 2008
48. 聖靈：華人宗教及文化處境下的反思 BT122 .S525 2002
49. Contours of christology in the New Testament / edited by Richard N. Longenecker BT198 .C6126 2005
50. Christology in the making : a New Testament inquiry into the origins of the doctrine of the Incarnation / James D.G. Dunn. BT220 .D84 1996
51. Studies in early christology / Martin Hengel. BT198 .H463 1995
52. Jesus and the God of Israel : God Crucified and other studies on the New Testament's christology of divine identity / Richard Bauckham BT216.3 .B38 2009
53. Jesus of Nazareth : Lord and Christ : essays on the historical Jesus and New Testament christology / edited by Joel B. Green and Max Turner BT303.2.J456 1994
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55. The Son of God : the origin of Christology and the history of Jewish-Hellenistic religion / Hengel, Martin. BT198.H4613

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