

2023R1-THEO5242 History, Practice, and Theology of Christian Worship, Fall, 2023
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Course Description:

The course is designed to provide students with an in depth study of Christian Worship from Biblical, historical, liturgical, theological and contextual perspectives. After laying the foundation for liturgical and theological discussions from Biblical and historical angles, much emphasis will be placed on the development of worship forms from Vatican II to the recent ecumenical and post denominational liturgical revivals that reflect dynamic contemporary cultural and theological dialogues in the modern era.

Course Requirement

1. Assigned reading and class attendance and participation. Students are required to finish reading all the assigned reading marked with *and make notes listed in the course outline beside occasional articles given by the instructor submitted on **November 22**. (20%)
2. Book review no more than 4000 words on any three chapters of Guardini's Spirit of the Liturgy submitted on **October 25**. (30%)
3. A term paper less than 7,000 words on any topic covered in the course. The paper is expected to be an integration and assimilation of the assigned readings in dialogue with the context we find ourselves rather than a research paper. Topics and tentative outline with key bibliography should be submitted for approval on **November 8**; final paper submitted on **December 13**. (50%). Grade will be deducted for late submission.

Texts:

- 1 White, James F. Introduction to Christian Liturgy Revise edition. Nashville, TN: Abingdon Press, 1980. (中譯) 詹姆斯·懷特，禮亦師譯。《基督教崇拜導論》。香港：香港文藝出版社，2015。
- 2 Guardini, Romano. Trans. Ada Lane with introduction by Joanne M. Pierce. The Spirit of the Liturgy. New York: The Crossroad Publishing Company, 1998.

Course Outline:

Session I September 6

What Do We Mean by Christian Worship?

Reading: *White, *Introduction*, Chapter One; 何崇謙，〈後現代文化對教會崇拜的衝擊與挑戰〉；*伍渭文，〈失樂園的逆轉〉；*〈崇拜禮儀的屬靈操練〉；譚靜芝主編：《崇拜神學》，6-59。

Session II September 13

Biblical Basis of Christian Worship: Worship in Truth and Spirit (John 4: 19-24);
Worship As Dialogue (Isaiah 6: 1-8); Design and Discharge of Worship (1 Corinthians 14).

Reading: *Martin, *Worship in Early Church*, 9-65 ; *伍渭文，〈崇拜與聖經〉；*譚靜芝主編：《崇拜神學》，60-86；*譚靜芝主編：《聖經與崇拜》，15-34, 96-130。

Session III September 20

The Language of Time: Church Calendar and Lectionary of the Christian Year.

Reading: *White, *Introduction*, Chapter Two; White, *Documents*, 17-38; Pfatteicher, *Liturgical Spirituality*, 105-141; *譚靜芝主編：《崇拜神學》，91-114, 146-176；譚靜芝主編：《聖經與崇拜》，132-164。

Session IV September 27

The Language of Space: The Function of Liturgical Space; History of Liturgical Architecture; Liturgical Art

Reading: *White, *Introduction*, Chapter Three; White, *Documents of Christian Worship*, 41-74; Pfatteicher, 142-173.

Session V October 4

Daily Office; Composition of Corporate Prayers.

Reading: White, *Introduction*, Chapter Four.

Session VI October 11

Symbols and Rituals in Christian Worship.

Reading: *Searle, “Rituals”; Browning and Reed, 3-25.

Session VII October 18

The Liturgy of the Primitive Church vis-à-vis Gnosticism and Paganism

Reading: *White, *Introduction*, Chapter Five. Jungmann, 109-173; *伍渭文，*初期教會信徒皆祭司的觀念(上)(下)*；*伍渭文，〈以基督為中心的崇拜牧養〉；譚靜芝主編：《崇拜神學》，208-231。

Session VIII October 25

The Sacraments and Christian Initiation

Reading: *White, *Introduction*, Chapter Seven; Browning and Reed, 138-167。

Session IX November 1

The Eucharist: The Shape and Theology of the West and the East Rites.

Reading: *White, *Introduction*, Chapter Eight; *Schmemmann; Dix, Chapter IX: “The Meaning of the Eucharist”, *Shape of the Liturgy*, 238-267; *譚靜芝主編：《崇拜神學》，201-231。

Session X November 8

Worship as Pastoral Care; Funeral and Burial Services.

Reading: Willimon, William H. *Worship as Pastoral Care*, 31-52.

Session XI November 15

Reformation and Liturgical Reforms: The Normative Principle and Regulative Principle; The Anglican, Lutheran and Reformed Traditions; The Non-conformists: Quakers, Free Church, and Charismatic.

Reading: Carson, 147-157; 178-188.

Session XII November 22

Liturgical Renewal of Vatican II and Ecumenical Movement

Reading: **Sacrosanctum Concilium* (禮儀憲章), 中譯, 141-194; Ditchingham Report, Department of Faith and Order, WCC, August 1994; Sailiers, 171-190.

Session XIII November 29

Sacred Music and Worship

Reading: 王神蔭, 《聖詩典考》總論: 1-33; Luo, I-To (骆维道)。*“從音樂立場看「敬拜讚美」”, 《神學與教會》, 第二十三卷, 第一期 (1977年): 1-14; Routley, *Hymns and Human Life*, 1-10; 譚靜芝。聖樂與崇拜文薈 I。

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