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## This Week in Chapel...

### Wednesday

**Preacher:**

**Alan Bennett**

**Celebrant:**

**The Rt. Rev.**

**George Bruce  
(Ontario)**

### Thursday

**Preacher:**

**Glen Taylor**

The last seven  
words of Christ...

*"Today you will be  
with me in  
paradise."*

## One Lord, One Faith ... But Not One Eucharist: Some Thoughts on Intercommunion - Joseph Mangina

In a few weeks I will travel to a retreat centre outside Ottawa to attend a meeting of the Anglican-Roman Catholic Dialogue for Canada. We meet twice yearly to talk, theologize, and respond to issues of mutual concern in our churches (the Windsor Report and its aftermath has been a major topic in recent years). We also come together to pray. What we cannot do, however, is commune together. True, there is an Anglican Eucharist and a Roman Catholic Mass, but while we attend each other's celebrations we do not receive. As you might well imagine, this is a bittersweet experience. There is gladness that we can come together at all, and sadness that we cannot share in the fullest expression of joy in the Lord.

Such bittersweetness seems to be a given of our situation. On the one hand, progress in ecumenical dialogue has reached the point where differences over the Eucharist *per se* are no longer an

obstacle to unity between Catholics and Anglicans. Both churches have robust understandings of Christ's real presence in the sacrament, even if Catholics have defined that presence more precisely than Anglicans are inclined to do. To this "top down" argument we can add one that proceeds from the "bottom up," namely that in a post-denominational age many ordinary believers fail to see what all the fuss is about. If we all acknowledge the same Lord, why not come together at his table?

On the other hand, the mere fact of theological convergence hasn't persuaded the Roman Catholic Church to lift its rules against intercommunion, except under extraordinary circumstances (i.e. imminent death!). If sacramental theology doesn't divide us, many other things do, from the Marian dogmas to Papal infallibility. Until such matters are resolved, Catholics argue,

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## This Week's Wednesday Event...

### The Debate

**Resolved: "God changes and suffers by  
virtue of his relationship to the world."**

**Affirmative: Katie Silcox**

**Negative: Jeffrey Hooper**

## Editorial (cont.)

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intercommunion would represent a kind of lie, a way of crying “peace, peace” where there is no peace. Following this line of argument the experience of being unable to receive together *should* be painful. Such pain is much better than a bland assurance that everything is “O.K.”; it might even goad us to work harder for that genuine unity all of us hunger and thirst for.

From the Anglican and/or evangelical side all this may seem rather frustrating. It would be easy to argue that *we* didn’t create this problem. We have traditionally welcomed any among the baptized to the Lord’s Table. We tend to see eucharistic sharing as a means for furthering Christian unity rather than as its last, perfect fruit. As a matter of pure theological judgment this is how I tend to see the matter. Still, I would suggest that there is a double danger in this position. The first is the obvious (yet insidious) danger of self-righteousness—the sort of us-versus-them

thinking that is quick to see the mote in one’s neighbor’s eye and slow to see the log in one’s own. The second danger is closely related to the first. Let us say for the sake of argument that the Catholic position seems legalistic; might it not be possible that ours is antinomian? When we say “All are welcome” are we really proclaiming the gospel of God’s free grace in Jesus Christ, or are we simply placing our wares on the great marketplace of consumer desire? Do we treat it as the Lord’s table, in other words, or as our own, to do with what we please?

It is possible to turn this argument around, of course. Advocates of so-called Open Communion (communing the non-baptized) have argued that precisely because it is Christ’s table we have no right to turn anyone away: “Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden,” etc. The reader can probably guess where I would come down in this particular debate. The point is that

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### TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS, 2007-2008

Applications are now available for teaching assistantships for next academic year. The number of teaching assistantships varies from year to year according to faculty sabbaticals and appointments, course offerings, and course enrolments, but we’d usually expect to have three in Bible, one in theology, one in history one in Greek, and one or two in pastoral subjects. Generally we choose from doctoral students who have completed their program (course) stage, but sometimes we also choose doctoral students who have completed at least one year of studies. Applications are due on March 31st, and appointments will likely be made in April. (Sometimes additional appointments are made later, for courses with extra-large enrolments.) Applications are available at [www.wycliffe.college.ca/documents/TAApplication.pdf](http://www.wycliffe.college.ca/documents/TAApplication.pdf). Please submit them in hard copy to Professor Joseph Mangina.

Alan L. Hayes

## From the Principal...

Greetings in Christ the light to the Nations. We have a number of interesting and engaging Wednesday Events planned this term.

*Mar. 7*—Bishop Tony Burton of Saskatchewan will lead a reflection on the charge to ordinands in the Book of Common Prayer in answer to the question “what is the call to ordained

ministry?”

*Mar. 14*—Quiet Day, organized by the Student Council.

*Mar. 21*—Bishop Claude Miller will offer a bishop’s perspective on parish Ministry.

*Apr. 11*—The daughters of Eric (“Chariots of Fire”) and Florence (From Toronto)

Liddell will talk about their parents’ missionary work in China. We will show “Chariots of Fire” the night before!

I hope you will plan to attend as many as you can. As usual, events will begin at 3:00 p.m. in the Lodge.

Peace, George

## Editorial (cont)

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the discussion can never be simply a matter of pluralist good manners or niceness. The Eucharist is about Jesus Christ, and if about Jesus Christ then about God. All debates about the sacraments are, in the end, debates about the gracious God who employs them to draw us into fellowship with himself.

Some of you will have heard Dr. Ephraim Radner’s lectures a few weeks back. In his book *The End of the Church*, Radner argues that in a divided church the Eucharist cannot help but taste bitter, like “vinegar and gall.” Tasting that bitterness is hard, but it may also goad us to repentance, that utterly hopeful act in which we turn to God and ask for his mercy (we often associate Advent with the theme of hope, but one could make a strong case for Lent as well). We should

also recognize that even in the midst of bitterness there are also tantalizing experiences of sweetness. If the Eucharist is an eschatological feast, as theologians so often tell us, then it can be an occasion for “remembering the future,” grasping the time when our divisions will be no more and we can gather as one around the Table.

None of this solves the very real practical dilemmas raised by the prospect of intercommunion. To put it crudely, should we “do” it? I can only venture a very personal answer to this question. On the one hand, I’ve suggested that the disciplinary rules of other communions are to be taken very seriously, whether Roman Catholic, Orthodox, or free church Protestant. On the other hand, there may be times when the Spirit moves us to extraordinary acts of

discernment, making divinely possible what is humanly impossible. If I offered a general rule about this I would be guilty of the antinomianism I spoke of earlier. If I didn’t acknowledge any such possibility I’d be guilty of binding the Spirit in advance. Local situation, individual conscience, and above all prayer will have much to say about whether such a possibility is genuinely being offered.

*Postscript:* One practical way of demonstrating our concern for Christian unity would be to attend the TST World Day of Prayer service, to be held at Trinity College on March 7. This is not a communion service, but “only” a liturgy of prayer and song put together by the church women of Paraguay. There will be participants from all seven TST colleges.

## Monday, April 16th Special Visitor

*The Rt. Hon. & Most Rev. Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury* will pray and visit with Wycliffe College students, faculty and staff on Monday, April 16th, 2007. The Archbishop will join the students for Morning Prayer in Founders' Chapel at 9:00 a.m. and will have tea and answer questions from both Wycliffe and Trinity students, faculty and staff at 1:30 p.m. in Sheraton Hall.

These two events will be open only to students, faculty and staff.

At 3:00 p.m. there will be a Public Lecture at MacMillan Hall—both Wycliffe and Trinity will present the Archbishop with honorary doctorates at the beginning of this event.

Please watch the Morning Star, your e-mail and Wycliffe mailbox for more information.

### Public Lecture

**Dr. Jenny Plane Te Paa**, Principal of Te Rau Kahikatea College of St. John the Evangelist, Auckland, New Zealand

"How 'diverse' is contemporary theological education?" Identity Politics and Theological Education

March 1, 2007 7:30 pm  
Toronto School of Theology  
47 Queens Park Crescent East, Toronto

Dr. Plane Te Paa, a Maori from New Zealand, is a popular, sought-after guest speaker, facilitator, media commentator, and panelist both in New Zealand and internationally.

### Convocation 2007

Will be held on Sunday, May 13th @ 7:30 p.m. in Convocation Hall. Graduates should watch their mailboxes for details. If you are not graduating and would like to help please let Karen know at x 3521.

**REFRESH! 2007**—have you got your brochure yet? Better yet, have you registered? Talk to Sarah Peake if you have questions x2500.

### *Sustaining Ministry: Strengthening Pastoral Leadership Through Self-Awareness*

An evening with  
the **Very Rev. Dr. Jim Kowalski**,  
Dean of the Cathedral of St. John  
the Divine, New York City

Tuesday, March 6th @ 6:00 p.m.  
Reginald Soward Reading Room  
Wycliffe College

*Pick up your dinner and bring it  
to the Reading Room.  
(This Event will be completed in time  
to attend the Lenten Tea at 7:30 p.m.)*

Details are posted outside Karen's  
office—Room 104.

## ATTENTION GRADUATING STUDENTS!

Graduate Information Forms have been distributed to students who are potentially eligible to graduate at the May 2007 Convocation. If you come in to the College, please check your mailbox. If you do not come to the College regularly, I have sent the form to your home address.



Please return it to me by **Friday, February 23rd** at the latest.

If you hope to graduate this spring and have NOT received a Graduate Information

Form, please come see me immediately.

Thank you!  
Marie Soderlund

Due to concerns about lost dishes and for health reasons, please do not remove Refectory dishes from the Refectory unless you are 1) participating in a College-sponsored event taking place on the main floor; or 2) staff (e.g. Front Desk) needing to pick up a meal and continue working. In either case, please return dishes promptly. Thank you!

### A Different Kind of Career in Ministry! “Vital Church Planting” February 27 – March 1, 2007

Do you care about the future of the church in Canada? Of course, or why would you be here? Although it might seem counter-intuitive in the present culture, in fact one of the ways to grow the church is to plant new churches!

Wycliffe College students are invited to take part in a strategic conference on Anglican Church Planting, co-hosted by Bishop Colin Johnson and Dr. John Bowen. It will take place at St. Paul's Bloor Street, from February 27<sup>th</sup> till March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Speakers are international leaders in Anglican church planting—George Lings from the UK and Victoria Heard from the Diocese of Dallas. There are also top-notch workshop leaders.

The full rate for the conference is \$195 BUT for students that rate is the cost of food only—that is, a mere \$30! Pick up a registration form at the front desk, or speak to John Bowen. You can also register online at [www.toronto.anglican.ca](http://www.toronto.anglican.ca).

(NB. This event is not only for students in the ordination stream. Lay people are often the most effective church planters!)

## Isaiah Seminar 2007

Copies of these articles will be in the Isaiah file in the reception area at Wycliffe College (on the mantle of the fire place). For further information email or call Marion Taylor (416-944-2546). We will meet in the Cody library at 1:10-2:30.

### February 28

**Read:** Brevard Childs, [\*The Struggle to Understand Isaiah as Christian Scripture\*](#), "The Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries". pp. 265-87

**Read** Walter Brueggemann, *An Introduction to the Old*

*Testament: the Canon and Christian Imagination*, Louisville; Westminster John Knox 2003, "The Book of Isaiah," 159-75. Brueggemann summarizes a critical approach to the book and then pushes a bit further. You could also look at any Isaiah commentary you have in your library that reflects a modern approach to the book.

### March 14

**Read:** Brevard Childs, [\*The Struggle to Understand Isaiah as Christian Scripture\*](#), "chapters 17 and 18," "Postmodern

**Interpretations" and "The Hermeneutical Implications" pp. 291-323.**

**Read** Brueggeman, *Isaiah 1-39*, Word Biblical Commentary. Vol 1. Louisville, KY: Westminster/John Knox Press, 1998, on chapter 6, 57-60.

You could also look at Childs' *Isaiah*. Old Testament Library. Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 2001, on Isaiah chapter 6. 49-60

### *From the Principal...*

Greetings in Christ! There is a tradition in the Church that ordinands write to their bishops on Ember Days, one group of which occur in this the first week of Lent. Your Ember Days letter should address not only your practical and academic state of affairs, but the emotional and spiritual as well. We sometimes complain that bishops are too rarely spiritual counselors and guides—could this be that we do not treat them so? Also, we live in a era where concepts like wellness and accountability are in the air. The Ember Days letter is a traditional form for addressing these very issues.

Peace, The Rev. Canon Dr. George Sumner, Principal

Please check the bulletin board outside Karen's office (Room 104) for details on an upcoming conference taking place at St. Paul's Bloor Street. The title of the conference is "Preaching God's Word".

# Senior Student Election Info

Hello All,

Wow, has the year sped by. It is already that time to start thinking about next year's student council. Our elections are divided into two sections: the election of a new Senior Student followed by the election of all remaining Council positions.

If you have prayerfully discerned that one of your colleagues would be a good person to fulfill the position of Senior Student, please nominate him or her by **Friday, March 9 at 5 pm**. Nomination forms can be found at the front desk. Please put the completed form in the Student Council Mail Box.

I will contact all those who are nominated and, and if they accept, they will be asked to write a platform speech. These speeches will be published in the Morning Star on **Monday, March 12**, and nomination speeches will be on Wednesday, March 14, during the lunch hour in the refectory. Please plan on attending. Elections will take place during the lunch hour and supper hour the

week of **March 12 - 16**.

*Please make the time to come out to the college and vote.* If you are *unavailable* at those times, please contact me and we will arrange a different time for you to vote.

## **The description of the Role of Senior Student is as follows:**

The Senior Student shall act as President of the Student Council and preside over its meetings as well as General Meetings of the students. The Senior Student shall act as chief election officer and act as liaison between faculty/administration, students, residents and the Student Council. In addition to these responsibilities, the Senior Student may provide pastoral care, may support and direct student events and programs, and facilitate the ministry and leadership the Council seeks to provide. The Senior Student may be a Wycliffe resident or day student. The Senior Student must have been a member of the student body for 4 semesters.

More information will be provided later about the other positions on student council. The call for nominations for these positions will be March 12-23, with nominations ending at 5 pm on March 23. Elections will occur during the lunch hour and supper hour March 26-30.

Blessings,

Colleen Sanderson  
Senior Student 2006-07

## **Important Dates!**

### **Senior Student**

1. Call for nominations - 2 weeks - February 26 - March 9 - nominations end at 5pm on March 9.
2. Election week - March 12 - 16 - Lunch hour and supper hour

### **Members of Student Council**

1. Call for nominations - 2 weeks - March 12-23 - nominations end at 5pm on March 23
2. Election week - March 26-30

# Student Council Elections coming soon!

<b>This Week's Chapel Schedule</b>	<b>Monday</b> 8:30—M.P.  5:30—E.P.	<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30—WBB 8:30 - M.P.  5:30—E.P.	<b>Wednesday</b> 8:30—M.P.  <i>4:45—H.E.</i>	<b>Thursday</b> 8:30—M.P.  5:30—E.P.	<b>Friday</b> 8:30—M.P.  5:30—E.P.
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# Chapel News and Notes

Day	Morning Prayer/WBB	Evening Prayer/Eucharist
<b>Monday</b>	MP - Jeff Hooper	EP - Liz Sipos
<b>Tuesday</b>	WBB - Cheryl D'Angelo MP - John Anderson	EP - Christine Curley
<b>Wednesday</b>	MP - Anglican Liturgics Class	Sub-Deacon - Nick Trussell Server - Liz Sipos Intercessions - Dick Black Cantor - Sheila Van Zandwyk OT Reader - Jeff Hooper NT Reader - Rich Clark Greeter - Chris Roth Co-Sacristans - Laura Goodwin & Joan Locke Warden - The Rev. Canon Dr. Linda Nicholls
<b>Thursday</b>	MP—Rich Clark Preacher—Glen Taylor	EP - Alexandra Meek-Sharman
<b>Friday</b>	MP—Colleen Sanderson	EP - Tom Dean

### TST Bursaries...

There is information about the following TST Bursaries posted on both the AD Bulletin Board (outside the AD Lounge) and on the Bulletin Board outside the Registrar's Office.

- John McGonegal 2007 Bursary
- Saint Lazarus 2007 Bursary
- John M. Kelly 2007 Award
- C. Douglas J 2007 Scholarship
- Margaret Fleck 2007 Scholarship
- Donald Cameron Memorial 2007 Award
- Marjory Watson Powles 2007 Award

Deadlines are fast approaching.

### Scripture Union Canada Scholarship

“Scripture Union has had a program of Children’s Evangelism for more than 100 years in Canada and is active in 130 countries around the world. There is, however, a real shortage of adequately trained children’s workers. The Purpose of the scholarship is to encourage the brightest and best Canadian students to seriously consider a career as children’s evangelist/worker...”

If you are interested and feel you qualify for this scholarship, please pick up an application form from Karen in Room 104.

# FEBRUARY/MARCH 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26 <i>An Inconvenient Truth Theology Event</i>	27 <i>Church Planting</i>	28 WE Debate Katie Silcox & Jeff Hooper →	1 →	2	3 OPEN HOUSE
4	5	6 Lenten Tea  Jim Kowalski Reading Room 6:00 p.m.	7 WE Bishop Anthony Burton	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 WE Quiet Day	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 WE Bishop Claude Miller	22	23	24

*Wycliffe College is accredited with the Association of Theological Schools. A copy of the ATS handbook is available in the Principal's Office. Any concern about compliance with ATS standards may be addressed to David Quayle, a member of Wycliffe's Board of Trustees, at david.quayle@sympatico.ca*

### *Income Tax—T2202A Reminder*

The 2006 Tuition & Education Amount Certificate, T2202A, is now available on the Student Web Service (ROSI). Forms are not mailed—please view the form online and print if you wish.



# Wycliffe Children's Ministry



When: Wednesday March 7, 14, 21, 28 & April 4

Time: 4:45

Where: West Lecture Room

Aka: Bethany, Capernaum,  
Jerusalem, Samaria, Galilee

# First Year Lenten Tea

*"Care for a spot of Tea?"*

COME HAVE A GOOD TIME ALL FIRST YEAR STUDENTS & OTHER STUDENTS  
OF  
WYCLIFFE COLLEGE



ENJOY AN EVENING OF  
different varieties of Teas, Poetry, Music, Meditation Periods  
&  
Cultural experiences  
and so much more...

Date:

*Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> 2007*

In:

*Sheraton Hall, Wycliffe College*

At:

*A half past six in the evening*

Please R.S.V.P your seat(s) by calling 416 – 946 – 3535 (2224) before February 28<sup>th</sup>

*\*Seats are limited*