

# 2019 SCJ CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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April 5-6, 2019  
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## Acts and Paul: Another Look

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# 2019 SCJ SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

## FRIDAY, APRIL 5

8:00-8:50	Check-in, Registration, Coffee Plus
8:50-9:10	Welcome Tommy Smith + William Baker
9:10-10:10	PLENARY SESSION 1 David Fiensy
10:20-12:00	Undergraduate Student Paper Finalists
10:20-12:00	STUDY GROUP A
	Acts and the Early Church
	Race and Religion: 2019 Special Session
	Peace and Social Justice
	Thinking of a Ph.D.? A Panel of Predecessors
10:20-11:05	Parallel Session 1
11:15-12:00	Parallel Session 2
12:00-1:30	Lunch
	SCJ Editors Lunch
1:30-1:40	2019 Lifetime Achievement Award
1:40-2:40	PLENARY SESSION 2 Craig Keener
2:50-3:35	Parallel Session 3
3:35-4:20	Refreshment Break
4:20-6:00	Graduate Paper Finalists
4:20-6:00	STUDY GROUP B
	Second Temple Judaism
	Ecclesiology and Social Ethics
	Old Testament in Near Eastern Context

Philosophy  
History and Theology of the Stone-Campbell  
Movement  
Synoptic Gospels  
Life, Letters, and Legacy of Paul

6:15-7:45 Dinner (Ticket required)

## SATURDAY, APRIL 6

8:00-8:15	Devotions
8:15-9:15	PLENARY SESSION 3 Jerry Sumney
9:15-9:45	Refreshment Break (Pick up purchased books)
9:50-11:30	STUDY GROUP C
	Christian Education
	Biblical Teaching on Women
	Jewish Scripture as Christian Scripture
	Theological Reflection
9:50-10:35	Parallel Session 4
10:45-11:30	Parallel Session 5
11:40-11:50	Presentation of Student Competition Awards
11:50-12:50	PLENARY SESSION 4 Craig Keener
12:50-1:00	Introduce 2020 and Dismis

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## FRIDAY, APRIL 5

**8:00-8:50 Check In, Registration, and Coffee Plus** PW/Marble

**8:50-9:10 Welcome** PW/AUD

**Tommy Smith** *President, Johnson University*

**William Baker** *President, Stone-Campbell International  
Professor of New Testament, Hope International University*

**9:10-10:10 PLENARY SESSION 1** PW/AUD  
(Johnson students dismissed at 9:50)

**David Fiensy** *Professor of Biblical Studies, Kentucky Christian University*  
**Interpreting Acts: The Value of Archaeology**

**10:20-12:00 Study Group A, Undergrad Student Papers, Parallel Sessions 1 and 2**

**Undergraduate Student Paper Finalists** PW213

**President: Les Hardin** *Johnson University Florida*

- **Keagan Franey** *Central Christian College of the Bible*  
**Sponsor: Rocky Christensen**  
**The Morality of War: A Glance at War and Violence in the Christian Life**

- **Kalman Mate** *Great Lakes Christian College*

**Sponsor: John Nugent**

**Begetting a Man: Eve's Response in Gen 4:1 to the Power Move Made by Adam after the Fall**

- **Daryl Struempf** *Central Christian College of the Bible*

**Sponsor: Rocky Christensen**

**How Can Speaking In Tongues Be Reconciled Among The Church Today?**

**ACTS AND EARLY CHURCH** PW/RPC 155

**Presiders: Judith Odor** *Asbury Theological Seminary*

**Rob O'Lynn** *Kentucky Christian University*

- **Erich Pracht** *Emory University*

**Pastoral Visits and Ecclesiastical Authority in Acts 14:21-23**

- **Benjamin Snyder** *Asbury Theological Seminary*

**Which of the Prophets Did Your Ancestors Not Persecute?**

- **Thomas Millay** *Baylor University*

**The Revolution of the Intimate: Reading Acts with Willie Jennings**

**RACE AND RELIGION: 2019 SPECIAL SESSION** PW AUD

**President: James L. Gorman** *Johnson University Tennessee*

**Book Review: Richard T. Hughes, *Myths America Lives By: White Supremacy and the Stories that Give Us Meaning***

**Panel:**

**William Lofton Turner** *Lipscomb University*

**April Conley Kilinski** *Johnson University Tennessee*

**Gary Selby** *Milligan College*

**Richard Goode** *Lipscomb University*

**Richard T. Hughes** *Lipscomb University*

## **PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE RH 164**

**Presiders:** **Paul Axton** *Forging Ploughshares, Moberly, MO*

**Aaron R. Woods** *Asbury Theological Seminary*

- **Shaun Brown** *Wycliffe College, University of Toronto*  
**Zionism in Christian Perspective**
- **Eric A. Seibert** *Messiah College* **Helping the Church Look More Like Jesus: Living Nonviolently in a Violent World**
- **Aaron R. Woods** *Asbury Theological Seminary*  
**Israel-Palestine and the Pursuit of Peace: Stories, History, and Reflections on a Year Lived in Jerusalem**

## **THINKING OF A PH.D.? A PANEL OF PREDECESSORS GC/PDR 3**

**President:** **Nick Zola** *Pepperdine University*

**Panel:**

**David Mahfood** *Ph.D. in Religious Studies (Systematic Theology), Southern Methodist University; Assistant Professor of Theology, Johnson University Florida*

**Adam Bean** *Ph.D. Candidate in Near Eastern Studies (Hebrew Bible and Northwest Semitics), Johns Hopkins University; Instructor of Old Testament,*

*Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan*

**Jennifer Matheny** *Ph.D. in Theology and Religious Studies (OT), University of Kent (UK); Associate Professor of Theology, Manhattan Christian College*

**Amy Smith Carman** *Ph.D. Student in Religion (NT), Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University*

**Jon-Michael Carman** *Ph.D. Candidate in Religion (NT), Baylor University*

## **10:20-11:05 Parallel Session 1**

- **Zach Breitenbach** *Lincoln Christian University RH 127*

**A New Argument That Collective Hallucinations Do Not Adequately Account for the Group Appearances of Jesus**

- **Daniel Mueller** *Marquette University RH 245*

**A Tale of Two Wisdoms: Reading 1 Corinthians 1-4 in light of Sophocles' Antigone**

- **Peter Battaglia** *Marquette University RPC 68*

**"Gazing Toward Heaven" in Clement of Rome: The Function of Vision in Clement's Christology**

- **Tommy Moehlman** *Duke University PW/HC*

**The Point of View of the Quintessential "Other" in Joshua 2**

- **Joshua Ward Jeffery** *The Orme School of Arizona GC/PDR 2*

**A Wall of Separation?: Analyzing Evangelical Attempts to Bring Bible Classes Back to Public Education**

## **11:15-12:00 Parallel Session 2**

- **Justin Dewell** *Ozark Christian College RH 127*

**Known as Servants: Social-Identity Theory and Mark 10:35-45**



- **Matthew Miller** *Faulkner University* **RPC 68**  
And God Saw that It Was Beautiful: Aesthetics, Form, and Beauty in Genesis 1:1-2:4
- **Garrett Haddock** *Harvard Divinity School* **PW/HC**  
Ephraim and Manasseh: Genesis 48 and the Joseph Narrative
- **Kolby Pinkston** *Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan* **GC/PDR 2**  
Jonah: A Textual and Rhetorical Analysis
- **Shawn Grant** *Valencia College* **RH 245**  
The Holocaust, Martin Luther and the “Judensau”: How Germany Presents its Past

**12:00-1:30 Lunch** Gally Commons  
SCJ Editors Lunch **GC/PDR 1**

**1:30-1:40 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award**  
**PW/AUD**

**1:40-2:40 PLENARY SESSION 2** **PW/AUD**  
**Craig Keener** *F.M. and Ada Thompson Professor of Biblical Studies*  
*Asbury Theological Seminary*  
**Interpreting Acts: The Value of Cultural Background**

**2:50-3:35 Parallel Session 3**  
• **Joel Childers** *Isaac Errett Award Winner, Abilene Christian University, Graduate School of Theology* **PW 213**  
**Female Participation in the Kerrville, Texas Bible Training Work**

- **David Matson** *Hope International University* **RH 255**  
“Put Your Sword Back into Its Place” (Matt 26:52): The Rationale Behind Jesus’s Sword Directive (and It Isn’t Pacifism)
- **David Stark** *Faulkner University* **PW/RPC 153**  
Recent Research on Baptism for the Dead (1 Cor 15:29): Problems and Prospects
- **Jason Bembry** *Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan* **RH 217**  
Lifting the Prophetic Voice in the Age of Trump
- **Kevin Larsen** *Mid-Atlantic Christian University* **RH 127**  
The Seleucid and Hasmonean Coins at Shiloh: What They Do and Do Not Tell Us about the Occupation of 2nd Century BCE Shiloh
- **Jennifer Craft** *Point University* **RH 245**  
Practicing a Theology of Place: A Discussion of Placemaking and the Arts
- **John Young** *University of Alabama* **PW/HC**  
“And See How Lofty Are the Highest Stars”: The Most Famous Member of Churches of Christ, 1919-2019
- **J. Blair Wilgus** *Hope International University* **EAC 416**  
Engaging the Nature of Scripture through the Violence of God

**3:35-4:20 Refreshment Break** **PW/Marble/RPC**

**4:20-6:00 Graduate Finalists and Study Group B**

## GRADUATE PAPER COMPETITION PW 213

President: **Les Hardin** *Johnson University Florida*

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- **Andrew Nichols** *Lincoln Christian University*  
Sponsor: **Bob Rea**  
Divine Medicine: Trials According to John Cassian
- **Eli Randolph** *Harding School of Theology*  
Sponsor: **John Mark Hicks**  
Classical Theism and Barton W. Stone's Rejection of the Trinity
- **Nate Reiser** *Abilene Christian University*  
Sponsor: **Wes Crawford**  
The Journey from Pacifistic Outsider to Accepted Patriot

## SECOND TEMPLE JUDAISM PW 229

Presidents: **Jon-Michael Carman** *Baylor University*  
**Amy Smith Carman** *Brite Divinity School*

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- **Jon-Michael Carman** *Baylor University*  
Angelic Jealousy in Second Temple Judaism
- **Carl Toney** *Hope International University*  
Minimizing and Multiplying Messiahs in the Manual of Discipline
- **Ben Snyder** *Asbury Theological Seminary*  
Was John's *Baptisma Metanoias* Unique?

## ECCLESIOLOGY AND SOCIAL ETHICS PW 227

Presidents: **Shaun Brown** *Wycliffe College, University of Toronto*  
**Kate Blakely** *Great Lakes Christian College*

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Panel Discussion of John Nugent's *Endangered Gospel: How Fixing the World is Killing the Church*

Panel:

**Phil Kenneson** *Milligan College*  
**Jordan Kellicut** *Oakland Dr. Christian Church, Portage, MI*  
**Paul Kissling** *Lincoln Christian University*  
**John Nugent** *Great Lakes Christian College*

## OLD TESTAMENT IN NEAR EASTERN CONTEXT PW/HC

Presidents: **Jason Bembry** *Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan*  
**Adam Bean** *Johns Hopkins University*

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- **Aaron R. Woods** *Asbury Theological Seminary*  
The Legal Tradition(ing) of Deuteronomy 15 and Leviticus 25:  
Reassessing the Relationship Between the *Šemittah* and the *Yôbel*
- **Patrick Lewis Harvey** *University of Wisconsin-Madison*  
The Septuagint Translation of *shq*: A Descriptive Translation Theory Study
- **Nathaniel E. Greene** *University of Wisconsin-Madison*  
In the End, the Beginning: Job's Birth and YHWH's Whirlwind Speech  
as Call and Response

## PHILOSOPHY RH 216

Presiders: **James Sennett** *Brenau University*  
**Paul Axton** *Forging Ploughshares, Moberly, MO*

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**Hypernorms, Primary Goods, and Christian Ethics: What Global Moral Theory Can Teach Missiology**
- **Tom Millay** *Baylor University*  
**Disciples and Practical Reason: The (Potential) Importance of Immanuel Kant to the Spirituality of the Christian Church**
- **John C. Poirier** *Germantown, OH*  
**Does Wittgenstein Support Lindbeck's Cultural-Linguistic Model?**

## HISTORY AND THEOLOGY OF THE STONE-CAMPBELL MOVEMENT PW 231

Presider: **James L. Gorman** *Johnson University Tennessee*

Theme: Conversion Narratives in Acts: SCM Hermeneutics

- **Heather M. Gorman** *Johnson University Tennessee*  
**Stone-Campbell Interpretations of the Ethiopian Eunuch (Acts 8:26-40): Observations on the Last 50 Years**
- **Carisse Mickey Berryhill** *Abilene Christian University Library*  
**Alexander Campbell Reads Acts**
- **Jefferson R. Caruthers Jr.** *Carver Road Church of Christ, Kearley Graduate School of Theology*  
**African American Preachers in Churches of Christ and Conversion Teachings from the Book of Acts**

## SYNOPTIC GOSPELS RH 218

Presiders: **Barry Blackburn** *Point University, Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan*  
**Danny Yencich** *University of Denver*

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**Ap' Arti: The Basis for a Non-Parousia Reading of Matthew 26:64?**
- **Stewart Penwell** *Cincinnati Christian University*  
**Samaritans in Luke and the Sins of Evangelical Commentaries**
- **Danny Yencich** *University of Denver*  
**Courtroom Fatigue: How the Synoptic Tradition Makes Sense of Luke's Pilate Sequence (23:13-25)**

## LIFE, LETTERS, AND LEGACY OF PAUL RH 245

Presiders: **Jordan C. Stanley** *Asbury Theological Seminary*  
**Gary D. Collier** *Institute for the Art of Biblical Conversation*

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**Breathless: Paul's Long Sentence in 1 Thessalonians 1:2-10**
- **Rafael Rodriguez** *Johnson University Tennessee*  
**Remembering Abraham: Paul among Second-Temple Jewish Memories**

## 6:15-7:45 Dinner GC/PDR 3

Advanced ticket required. Tickets on sale Friday until 1:00 p.m.

# SATURDAY, APRIL 6

## 8:00 Devotions PW/AUD

**Steven Cone** *Lincoln Christian University*

## 8:15-9:15 PLENARY SESSION 3 PW/AUD

**Jerry L. Sumney** *Professor of Biblical Studies*

*Lexington Theological Seminary*

**Interpreting First Corinthians: The Value of Tradition**

## 9:15-9:45 Refreshment Break PS/Marble/RPC

*(Pick up purchased books)*

## 9:50-11:30 Study Group C

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PW 229

Presiders: **James Estep** *Lincoln Christian University*

**Tim Westbrook** *Harding University*

- **Benjamin Snyder** *Asbury Theological Seminary*  
**Applying Principles of Cognitive Science to Curriculum Design and Instruction**
- **Jerry Bowling** *Harding University*  
**Andragogy: Challenges, Contexts, Practices—A Guiding Framework**

### BIBLICAL TEACHING ON WOMEN PW 213

Presiders: **Jeff Miller** *Milligan College*

**Dawn Gentry** *Nebraska Christian College*

**Theme: Panel Discussion with Women in Higher Education**

**Panel:**

**Heather Gorman, Ph.D.** *Johnson University Tennessee*

**Holly Carey, Ph.D.** *Point University*

**Kate Blakely, Th.M.** *Great Lakes Christian College*

### JEWISH SCRIPTURE AS CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE PW 231

Presiders: **J. David Stark** *Faulkner University*

**Paul Kissling** *Lincoln Christian University*

- **Chris Jones** *Faulkner University*  
**The Lord's Supper as a Covenant Renewal Meal**
- **Walt Zorn** *Johnson University Tennessee*  
**The Faithfulness of Jesus the Messiah**
- **Scott Cautley** *Kentucky Christian University*  
**Apostleship and Prophetic Function in the New Testament: The Apostles as Prophetic Scripture Interpreters**

### THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION PW/RPC 155

Presiders: **Joseph Gordon** *Johnson University Florida*

**Stephen Lawson** *Saint Louis University*

**Panel Discussion - What is Theology?**



**Panel:**

**Paul Blowers** *Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan*

**Raymond Carr** *Pepperdine University*

**Steven Cone** *Lincoln Christian University*

**Jennifer Craft** *Point University*

**Lauren Smelser White** *Lipscomb University*

**9:50-10:35 Parallel Session 4**

- **David Fletcher** *Kingwood Church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN* PW 228  
**Kingdom Theodicy in Acts of Apostles (Acts 27 and 28):**  
Seeing God's Handiwork in Situations of Life (Storms, Shipwrecks, Snakes, and Sicknesses)
- **Virgil Warren** *Vermillion Christian Church, Vermillion, IN* PW/RPC 152  
**Gamaliel's Argument for the Resurrection of Jesus**
- **Colin Hoover** *Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan* PW/HC  
**American Nationalism and Israel's Exceptionalism:**  
A Prophetic Critique
- **Chase Dilworth** *Lincoln Christian University* PW/RPC 153  
**Resurrection as Metaphor: Paul's Intertextual Use of Isaiah 26:11 in Romans 11:15 and Hope for the Restoration of Israel**

**10:45-11:30 Parallel Session 5**

- **Benjamin Lantzer** *Bethlehem College & Seminary* PW 228  
**"As many as were Appointed to Eternal Life": (Pre-)Determining Translation, Exegesis, and Theology in Acts 13:48**

- **Steve Gardner** *Wake Forest University* PW 227  
**Exploring Effective Advocacy Points for Removing Barriers for Women in Churches of Christ, With a Focus on Chapels of Churches of Christ Colleges**
- **Jonathan Dansby** *Duke Divinity School* PW/RPC 152  
**The *Shir* Love of *Torah*: Figuring *Torah* through the *Eros* of Song of Songs**
- **Sychellus Wabomba** *Piedmont International University* PW/HC  
**The Growth of Biblical Hermeneutics in Africa: Its History and Development**

**11:40-11:50 Presentation of Student Competition Awards** PW/AUD

**11:50-12:50 PLENARY SESSION 4** PW/AUD

**Craig Keener**

**Interpreting Romans: The Mind of the Spirit**

**12:50-1:00 Introduce 2020 and Dismiss** PW/AUD

**PW:** Phillips-Welshimer Building

**PW/AUD:** Phillips-Welshimer/Auditorium

**PW/RPC:** Phillips-Welshimer/Russell

**Preaching Center**

**RH:** Restoration Hall

**EAC:** Eubanks Activity Center

**GC/PDR:** Gally Commons/Private Dining Room

**PW/HC:** Phillips-Welshimer/History Center

**PW/MARBLE:** Phillips-Welshimer/  
Marble Hallway

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## POLITICS AND THE STONE-CAMPBELL MOVEMENT NINETEENTH ANNUAL SCJ CONFERENCE

**March 27-28, 2020**

Hosted by: Johnson University Tennessee

### **SHAUN CASEY**

*Director of the Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and Public Affairs*

*Professor of the practice in Georgetown University's Walsh School of Foreign Service*

**The Impact of Stone-Campbell Ideals: My Life in Political Work and Public Service**

**The Office of Religion and Global Affairs Under Barack Obama: My Perspective**

### **JESS HALE**

*Attorney with the Tennessee General Assembly, Staff to a Tennessee Governor and a US Senator*

**Disciples at Public Tables: A Public Servant's View of SCM Engagement with Public Policy**

### **RICHARD CHEROK**

*Professor of History, Ozark Christian College*

**Citizen Campbell: Alexander Campbell and Early American Politics**

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| ARC Construction Site     |    | Old Gym/Pool                             | 14 |
| Baseball Field            |    | Old Main                                 | 15 |
| Morgan Soccer Field       |    | Phillips-Welshimer Building              | 16 |
| Tennis Court              |    | Plant Services                           | 17 |
| Walking Track             | 3  | Richardson Hall                          | 18 |
| Bell Hall                 | 4  | River View                               | 19 |
| Brown Hall                | 5  | Russell Preaching Center                 | 20 |
| Clark Hall                | 6  | University Counseling Center/Myrtle Hall | 21 |
| Coleman Pavilion          | 7  | White House                              | 22 |
| Eubanks Activities Center |    |  |    |
| Fitness Center            |    |  |    |
| River Grill               |    |  |    |
| Coffee Shop               | 8  |  |    |
| Gally Commons             |    |  |    |
| Bookstore                 |    |  |    |
| Dining Hall               |    |  |    |
| Post Office               |    |  |    |
| Glass Memorial Library    | 9  |  |    |
| Hiking Trail              | 10 |  |    |
| Intramural Field          | 11 |  |    |
| Johnson Hall              | 12 |  |    |
| Music Building            | 13 |  |    |

#### MARRIED STUDENT HOUSING:

- 1 OLD ORCHARD COURT
- 2 SUNSET COURT
- 3 GATEWAY COURT
- 4 GARRETT WAY

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**RV** RV Parking

**Y** Accessible Entrance

