

**LT 803: Advanced Liturgics**  
Summer Terms 1 and 2, 2021 | June 1—September 1  
July 27-31: On-campus intensive week  
Nashotah House Theological Seminary  
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## Description

This course is for Advanced Degree students and combines a study of ritual theory, liturgical theology, and the history of Christian worship with practical engagement with the main rites of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer (and the 2019 ACNA BCP). In the time leading up to the on-campus weeks, students will focus on theology and history. The intensive week on campus, contrast, will provide hands-on training in practical liturgics, but with focus given to the principles that undergird Western ceremonial and how that has been applied to Anglican liturgies, along with vestments, the furnishings of a church, the liturgical calendar, and lectionaries. Considerable attention is given to the celebration of the Eucharist in all its possible varieties (sung and spoken, *ad orientem* and *versus populum*, traditional and contemporary language), as well as Christian initiation (baptism and confirmation), Holy Matrimony, Christian Burial, and the special liturgies of the liturgical year.

## Goals

The purpose of this course is to:

1. Ground students in the nature of Christian prayer and worship that moves beyond just the ritual text itself;
2. Introduce students the nature of language and symbol as it relates to Christian anthropology and Christian liturgy;
3. Introduce students to the objects and technical vocabulary of historic Christian worship;
4. Survey the development of the Church's practice and theology of worship from its scriptural origins through the modern liturgical revisions, with significant priority given to the Eucharist;
5. Situate the Anglican Prayer Book tradition within the wider history of Christian worship;
6. Foster the skills necessary to read liturgical rites closely and interpret their theology;
7. Introduce students to the technical terminology, materials, and liturgical rites necessary for the parish priest;
8. Familiarize students with the various types of liturgical constructions that make up a rite;
9. Familiarize students with the rites within the 1979 BCP and/or ACNA's 2019 BCP;
10. Familiarize students with the basic principles of Western liturgical ceremonial;
11. Familiarize students with the range of ceremonial practices within contemporary Anglicanism for the rites of the 1979 BCP and or the ACNA rites, especially the Holy Eucharist;
12. Introduce students to the pastoral issues inherent in liturgical leadership and the responsibility that a parish priest has for a parish's liturgical life.

## Objectives

Upon completion of this course, successful students will be able to:

1. Articulate the nature of Christian prayer and worship in a way that is both Scriptural, historically accurate, and faithful to the Anglo-Catholic tradition;
2. Describe the nature of liturgical language and grammar that is grounded in symbol;
3. Identify the objects technical vocabulary of Christian worship;
4. Describe in general terms understandable to a lay audience the basic trajectory of historical development in Christian worship—particularly the Eucharist—and including the Prayer Book tradition;
5. Obtain the skills necessary for further academic study of liturgy and sacramental theology;
6. Demonstrate their ability to undertake a close reading of a eucharistic prayer and describe its various parts and structure;
7. Make liturgical decisions as parish priests that are consonant with and recognizable to the Church's practiced faith throughout time.
8. Identify the explain the technical terminology and materials that are normatively part of Western liturgy, particularly in the Anglican tradition;
9. Identify the various types of liturgical constructions that make up liturgical rites, specifically within the 1979 BCP (or the rite they will use in ordained ministry);

10. Interpret the rubrics of the 1979 BCP and translate them into concrete actions or decision;
11. Plan and execute the service of Holy Communion within the range of normative practices for Anglicans (*ad orientem* and *versus populum*; said and sung; making musical choices in various seasons; constructing a bulletin; etc.).

## Required Texts

### Part 1: Ritual Theory, Theology, and History

Bradshaw, Paul F., and Maxwell E. Johnson. *The Eucharistic Liturgies: Their Evolution and Interpretation*. Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 2012. ISBN: 978-0281068074

An E-Book version is available through Nashotah's library: <https://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/nashotah-ebooks/detail.action?docID=4659051> (you will need to login to access; email [brichards@nashotah.edu](mailto:brichards@nashotah.edu) if you have any difficulties).

Harper, John. *The Forms and Orders of Western Liturgy from the Tenth to the Eighteenth Century: A Historical Introduction and Guide for Students and Musicians* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1991). ISBN: 978-0198162797

Jones, Cheslyn, Geoffrey Wainwright, Edward Yarnold, and Paul F. Bradshaw, eds. *The Study of Liturgy*. Rev. ed. London : New York: SPCK ; Oxford University Press, 1992. ISBN: 978-0195209228

*The Book of Common Prayer*. New York: Seabury Press, 1979. ISBN: 978-0898690804

Cummings, Brian D. *The Book of Common Prayer: The Texts of 1549, 1559, and 1662*. Oxford University Press, 2013. [Paperback ed. ISBN-10: 0199645205]. *This is an excellent reference book to have and the paperback price is hard to beat. The introduction and the footnotes are worth the price of the book, let alone the text of all three English prayer books.*

An E-Book version is available through Nashotah's library: <https://nashotah.on.worldcat.org/oclc/713186693>

*Additional required readings will be available on [Populi](#). One on the page for LT501D, click on "Lessons" on the menu on the left-hand side of the screen to find the additional readings and all the details for each week.*

### **Optional texts** (some of readings are drawn from these volumes):

Fenwick, John R. K. and Bryan D. Spinks, *Worship in Transition: The Liturgical Movement in the Twentieth Century*. New York: Continuum, 1995. ISBN: 978-0826408273

Hefling, Charles C. and Cynthia L. Shattuck, eds., *The Oxford Guide to the Book of Common Prayer: A Worldwide Survey* (Oxford ; New York: Oxford University Press, 2006). ISBN: 978-0195297560

An E-Book version is available through Nashotah's library: <https://nashotah.on.worldcat.org/oclc/265711704>.

### Part 2: Practical Liturgics

**Note:** Students who know that they will not serve in a context in which the '79 BCP will be regularly used should consult with the professor about alternative course materials that would best serve their formation. A number of such options are listed below. [Required texts are noted with ⇨]

#### Ritual Texts

⇨Episcopal Church. *The Book of Common Prayer*. New York: Seabury Press, 1979. [This edition should be one in which you can write and make notes and to which you can refer later; I suggest an inexpensive, hardback pew edition: ISBN-10: 0898690803; ISBN-13: 978-0898690804] (abbrev. BCP)

The other principle rites used by students of various jurisdictions are as follows:

- *Book of Common Prayer*, 1928
- American or Anglican Missal. The cheapest version is the "People's Edition," reprinted by the Anglican Parishes Association Publications (<http://www.anglicanbooks.com/>).
  - A PDF of the Anglican Missal, altar edition, is provided by the instructor

- An altar edition of the American Missal maybe purchased here: <http://andrewespress.com/the-american-altar-missal?ReturnUrl=LwA%3D>.
- *Common Worship* (the current set of alternative services books in the Church of England). The principle edition is *Common Worship: Main Volume*, ISBN-13: 978-0715120088
- ACNA *Book of Common Prayer*. ISBN-13: 978-0-9979211-6-8. The PDF is available here: <http://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/downloads/>. For purchase here: <http://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/purchase/>

#### Other important primary texts

⇒ *The Book of Occasional Services 2003 Edition*. New York: Church Publishing, 2004.

*Lesser Feasts and Fasts*. New York: Church Publishing, 2006.

PDF versions of all three of these texts (79 BCP, BOS, and LFF) will be provided by the instructor. Since LFF is out of print and can be expensive, the student is not required to purchase it.

*The Hymnal 1982*, New York: Church Publishing.

#### Secondary Texts

Hatchett, Marion J. *Commentary on the American Prayer Book*. New York: Seabury Press, 1980. [Every priest should own this important reference work]

- For those using the 1928 BCP, the corresponding standard commentary on that book is Shepherd, Massey Hamilton. *The Oxford American Prayer Book Commentary* New York: Oxford University Press, 1950.
- Students who will use the 1928 BCP should read the corresponding sections in Shepherd as we study the various rites (i.e. Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, etc.). It would be wise to also read what is in Hatchett as well, as his history and background in very good.
- Other classic commentaries on the English BCPs, which would be applicable to those using the 1928 are:
  - Charles Wheatley, *A Rational Illustration of the Book of Common Prayer* (provided as a PDF and also available in reprints)
  - Richard Mant, *The Book of Common Prayers, with notes selected and arranged*, 1859 (provided as a PDF and also available in reprints)

Mitchell, Leonel L. *Praying Shapes Believing: A Theological Commentary on the Book of Common Prayer*. 2nd edition. Harrisburg, PA: Morehouse Pub., 1991.—*Regardless of your jurisdiction, this work will be extremely helpful in thinking theologically about the various rites as we study them.* [DO NOT to purchase the new revised edition by Ruth A. Meyers]

#### Ceremonials

Note: none of these are required, except for *Ritual Notes*. What follow is a list of the most useful ceremonials used by contemporary Anglicans:

⇒ Cairncross, Henry, and Edward Cyril Russell Lamburn. *Ritual Notes: A Comprehensive Guide to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Book of Common Prayer of the English Church, Interpreted in Accordance with the Recently Revised "Western Use."* 11th ed.

London: W. Knott, 1964. [Note: The 11<sup>th</sup> edition is required and may be purchased here:

<https://anglicanprovince.org/shop/ritual-notes-11th-edition-edited-largely-re-written-e-c-r-lamburn/>]

Galley, Howard. *The Ceremonies of the Eucharist: A Guide to Celebration*. Cambridge, Mass.: Cowley Publications, 1989.

#### Companions to this volume:

Mitchell, Leonel L, and Howard Galley. *Lent, Holy Week, Easter, and the Great Fifty Days: A Ceremonial Guide*. Cambridge, Mass.: Cowley Publications, 1996.

Mitchell, Leonel L. *Pastoral and Occasional Liturgies: A Ceremonial Guide*. Cambridge, Mass: Cowley Publications, 1998.

Order of Julian of Norwich, *Elements of Offering: Principles, Practices, and Pointers for Anglican Liturgy*. (Nashotah House Press, 2016. ISBN: 978-1533354242 [earlier 2005 edition is made available as PDF by the Professor]

Michno, Dennis, and Christopher Webber. *A Priest's Handbook: The Ceremonies of the Church*. Harrisburg, PA: Morehouse Pub., 1998.

The professor will provide a separate bibliography with a **complete** listing of ceremonials, as well as a whole host of other pastoral books that may be helpful to the parish priest.

**Online Liturgical Dictionary** (free access for students):

<https://nashotah.on.worldcat.org/oclc/23972693?databaseList=638>

**Online *Consecrated phrases: a Latin theological dictionary: Latin expressions commonly found in theological writings*** (free access for students):

<https://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/nashotah-ebooks/reader.action?docID=4546329>

## Assessment

The student is to write an academic paper that is a minimum of 20 pages on any aspect of liturgical theology, history, or practical liturgics. It must utilize at least 15 sources—10 of those sources must be secondary and of a scholarly nature from academic sources (peer-reviewed journals or serious monographs). The student is required to consult with the instructor about their topic to receive approval. This paper is the last day of class via email: [molver@nashotah.edu](mailto:molver@nashotah.edu). Due Friday, September 4 by 5 pm CST

The academic paper should conform to the style and format described in the most recent edition of Kate L. Turabian, et al, *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations: Chicago Style for Students and Researches*, (Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press). It should be double-spaced, in 12-point Times New Roman, with 1-inch margins.

### Nashotah House Grading Scale

A	94-100	B	84-87	C	74-77	D	64-67
A-	90-93	B-	80-83	C-	70-73	D-	60-63
B+	88-89	C+	78-79	D+	68-69	F	0-59

# Reading Outline of LT601H

## Part 1: Ritual Theory, Theology, and History

\* - Indicates that the reading in question is scanned and is made available to the students in a PDF

EL – Bradshaw, Paul F., and Maxwell E. Johnson. *The Eucharistic Liturgies: Their Evolution and Interpretation*. Collegeville: Liturgical Press, 2012.

FOWL – Harper, John. *The Forms and Orders of Western Liturgy from the Tenth to the Eighteenth Century: A Historical Introduction and Guide for Students and Musicians* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1991). ISBN: 0193161281

OGBCP = Charles C. Hefling and Cynthia L. Shattuck, eds., *The Oxford Guide to the Book of Common Prayer: A Worldwide Survey* (Oxford ; New York: Oxford University Press, 2006).

SoL – Jones, Cheslyn, Geoffrey Wainwright, Edward Yarnold, and Paul F. Bradshaw, eds. *The Study of Liturgy*. Rev. ed. London : New York: SPCK ; Oxford University Press, 1992.

### Week 1: Introduction (132 pages)

June 1-6

#### Watch Video Lecture #1

#### Reading

- \*Schmemmann, Chapter 1 in *For the Life of the World*: pp. 11-22 (11 pages)
- SoL, (108 pages)
  - Part 1, chapters 1 (Theology of Worship) and 3 (Ritual): pp. 3-30, 51-60 (36 pages)
  - Part 2: I, Chapter 1 (The Periods of Liturgical History) and Chapter 12 (Liturgical Books): pp. 61-67, 96-101 (11 pages)
  - Part 2:VII, chapters 1 (Ceremonial), 2 (Music and Singing in the Liturgy), 3 (Hymnody in Christian Worship), 4 (The Language of Worship), 5 (The Architectural Setting of the Liturgy), and 6 (Vestments): pp. 485-546 (61 pages)
  - \*Schmemmann, “Symbols and Symbolism in the Byzantine Liturgy”: pp. 115-128 (13 pages)

### Week 2:

#### Development of Eucharistic Liturgy, part 1: Early through 5<sup>th</sup> century (161 pages)

June 7-13

#### Watch Video Lecture #2

#### Reading

- EL, Introduction and Chapter 1 (Origins): pp. xiii-24 (28 pages)
- \*Olver, “Jewish Roots of Christian Worship” (39 pages, but lots of footnotes!)
- \*Irenaeus, *Against Heresies*, IV.17-18 (7 pages)
- \*Andrew McGowan, “Eucharist and Sacrifice” (15 pages)
- EL, Chapters 2 (The Second and Third Centuries), 3 (The Fourth and Fifth Centuries: Historical Context and Rites), 4 (The Fourth and Fifth Centuries: Questions in Anaphoral Development and Eucharistic Theology): pp. 25-136 (111 pages)

**Week 3: Development of Eucharistic Liturgy, part 2:  
Christian East and West, medieval (112 pages)**

**June 14-20**

**Watch Video Lecture #3**

**Reading**

- **EL**, Chapters 5 (The Christian East), 6 (The Medieval West): pp. 137-232 (95 pages)
- \***FOWL**, Chapters 7 (The Mass): pp. 109-126 (17 pages)

**Week 4: Christian Initiation (113 pages)**

**June 21-27**

**Watch Video Lecture #4**

**Reading**

- **SoL, Part 2:I**, Chapter 10 (Baptismal Catechesis): pp. 91-95 (4 pages)
- **SoL, Part 2:II**, Chapter 1 (From New Testament Time until St Cyprian), 2 (The Early Syrian Rites), 3 (The Fourth and Fifth Centuries), 4 (The West from about AD 500 to the Reformation), 5 (The Byzantine Rite), 6 (Lutheran, Anglican, and Reformed Rites), and 7 (The Radical Reformation): pp. 112-167 (55 pages)
- \*Leonel Mitchell, Chapter 5 (Christian Initiation) in *Praying Shapes Believing: A Theological Commentary on the Book of Common Prayer*: pp. 88-127 (39 pages)
- \*Ruth Meyers, "Rites of Initiation" in **OGBCP**: pp. 484-499 (15 pages)

**Week 5: The Calendar and the Divine Office (49 pages)**

**June 28—July 4**

**Watch Video Lecture #5**

**Reading**

- **SoL, Part 2:VI**, Chapters 1 (The History of the Christian Year) and 2 (The Sanctorale): pp. 455-484 (29 pages)
- \***FOWL**, Chapters 3 (The Liturgical Year and Calendar) and 9 (Holy Week and Easter): pp. 45-57, 139-152 (25 pages)
- The Calendar of the Church Year, 1979 BCP: pp. 15-18 (3 pages)
- \*Leonel Mitchell, "Sanctifying Time: The Calendar," in **OGBCP**: pp. 476-483 (7 pages)
  
- **SoL, Part 2:V**, 1 (The First Three Centuries), 2 (The Formative Period—Cathedral and Monastic Offices), 3 (The Office in the West: The Early Middle Ages), 4 (The Office in the West: The Later Middle Ages), and 5 (The Office in the West: The Roman Rite from the Sixteenth Century): pp. 399-440 (41 pages)
- \*Sarum Office to 1549 BCP offices [*diagram*]
- \*John Gibaut, "The Daily Office," in **OGBCP**: pp. 451-459 (8 pages)

**Week 6: Anglicanism and the BCP (127 pages)**

**July 5-11**

**Watch Video Lecture #6**

**Reading**

- **EL**, Chapters 7 (The Protestant and Catholic Reformations): pp. 233-292 (59 pages)
- “Preface,” First Book of Common Prayer (reprinted in 1979 BCP, 866-67)
- \*“Of Ceremonies, why some should be abolished and some retained,” from 1549 BCP (2 pages)
- \*B. Spinks, *Do this in Remembrance of Me*, Chapter 12 (The Anglican Tradition: From Thomas Cranmer to the Tractarian Disputes): pp. 324-346 (22 pages)
- \*M. Olver, “Which Sacrifice of Praise? The Two-and-a-half Anglican Eucharistic Theologies” (33 pages)
- \*James White, “Prayer Book Architecture” in **OGBCP**: pp. 106-115 (9 pages)

**Week 7: Contemporary Revision (177 pages)**

**July 12-18**

**Watch Video Lecture #7**

**Reading**

- \*Chapters 2 (Characteristics of the Liturgical Movement), 3 (Pre-1900 Forerunners to the Liturgical Movement), 4 (Rediscovery, Research, and Renewal: The Roman Catholic Liturgical Movement, 1900-62), 5 (The Anglican Church and the Liturgical Movement I), 8 (The Anglican Church and the Liturgical Movement II) in *Worship in Transition*: pp. 5-52, 71-80 (56 pages; note: these are small pages and not dense at all)
- **SoL, Part 2:II**, Chapter 8 (The Modern Period [Initiation]): pp. 167-183 (16 pages)
- **EL**, Chapter 8 (The Modern Period): pp. 293-357 (64 pages)
- \*From Chapter 12 (Behind Consensus on the Eucharist) in *Worship in Transition*: pp.118-129 (11 pages; subsections: The Act of Penitence, the Lections and Lectionaries, the General Intercessions, and the Shape of the Eucharistic Action)
- \*Colin Podmore, “The Baptismal Revolution in the American Episcopal Church: pp. 8-38 (30 pages)

## Part 2: Practical Liturgics

### Week 8: Introduction to Anglican Liturgical Practice

July 19-25

#### Reading

- \*Mark Dalby, *Anglican Missals and Their Canons: 1549, Interim Rite and Roman*, Joint Liturgical Studies 41 (Cambridge: Grove Book, 1998). (41 short pages)
- \*"Chapter 1: What is Anglo-Catholicism?" and Postscript from Pickering, *Anglo-Catholicism: A Study in Religious Ambiguity* (15-40, 270-84).
- "The Revival of Ceremonial" from S. L. Ollard's *A Short History of the Oxford Movement*, pp. 152-203 (includes lots of full-page photographs). Access at [Archive.com](https://archive.org/details/oxfordmove00ollauoft/page/152).<sup>1</sup>
- M. Olver, (draft from forthcoming book): "Liturgical Principles," "Types of Liturgical Constructions," and "Clerical Attire and Vestments"
- M. Olver, "Although we be Unworthy: Anglicans, Eucharistic Sacrifice, and the Protestant Loss of Ritual" in Matthew Levering and Emery A. de Gaál, eds., *Joseph Ratzinger and the Healing of the Reformation-Era Divisions* (Emmaus Academic 2019), 209-258. (if you have not read this for LT501D).
- M. Olver, "A Clash of Reforms: The Impact of Vatican II on Anglo-Catholicism."

Background to the Weddings and Funerals in the 1979 BCP

- Weddings: Hatchett, *Commentary*, 427-440
- Funerals and Last Rites: Hatchett, *Commentary*, 472-500

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<sup>1</sup> <https://archive.org/details/oxfordmove00ollauoft/page/152>



<b>On Campus Week: July 27—July 31</b>	
<b>Monday, July 27</b>	<b>Morning (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction and Syllabus</li> <li>• Theology of Liturgy and Worship</li> <li>• Basic Liturgical Actions (Adams)</li> <li>• Principals of Ceremony</li> </ul>
	<b>Afternoon (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orientation in worship: theology and practicalities</li> <li>• Introduction to Lectionaries</li> <li>• Introduction to Chanting</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday, July 28</b>	<b>Morning (St. Mary's Chapel)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The anatomy of the Church (St. Mary's Chapel)</li> <li>• How to Use a Thurible</li> <li>• Opening Rites of the Mass</li> </ul>
	<b>Afternoon (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liturgy of the Word</li> <li>• The Daily Office</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday, July 29</b>	<b>Morning (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Importance of Customaries in Parish Churches</li> <li>• Offertory of the Mass</li> </ul>
	<b>Afternoon (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Canon of the Mass</li> <li>• Basic Introduction to Calendar structure and liturgical colors</li> <li>• Ash Wednesday and Palm Sunday</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday, July 30</b>	<b>Morning (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baptisms</li> <li>• Canon of the Mass, cont.</li> </ul>
	<b>Afternoon (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wedding</li> <li>• Canon of the Mass practice</li> </ul>
<b>Friday, July 31</b>	<b>Morning (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funeral</li> <li>• Maundy Thursday and Good Friday</li> </ul>
	<b>Afternoon (Adams Hall)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Easter Vigil</li> <li>• Concluding Rites of the Mass</li> </ul>

**Friday, August 28 by 5 pm CST:** Final Paper is due