



Discerning Truth, Deepening Learning,
and Enhancing Wellbeing

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Janet Clarke Hall
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Conference Theme

Rediscovering Community

The enforced physical separation caused by Covid-19 and on-line learning platforms have given us a new appreciation and a fresh thirst for face-to-face community. And as we seek to rediscover community, we also seek to renew our commitment to what being in community means for the life-blood of our colleges and universities. Our working alongside each other is not primarily about the economies of scale, it is to do with the way in which human beings discern the truth, deepen their learning, and enhance their well-being.

Discerning Truth: In our contemporary world, truth is in short supply. In fact, there's no universal agreement that the truth is desirable. Disinformation appears to be an acceptable strategy of manipulation. In this context there is an urgent need for colleges and universities to reassert their identity as communities of different perspectives and disciplines that chasten each other in their pursuit of the most accurate account of the way things are. Only together in community can this mission be accomplished.

Deepening Learning: Learning is not an individual transaction whereby empty containers are filled with knowledge via guaranteed learning outcomes. We learn through community, by engaging one another and trying out different ideas. This means learning is inherently unpredictable, risky, and so exciting. Each classroom is the site of a unique chemistry formed of the mix of persons who come together at a certain point in time. Only together in community can such learning be experienced.

Enhancing Wellbeing: Human beings are inherently social. We do not thrive in isolation. To be at our best, we need to sit in the centre of a network of encouraging conversations. We need to know we are important and cared for, and in return we demonstrate this same interest in others. Colleges and universities are places of formation, of mind and character certainly, but also of healthy ways of relating to ourselves and others. Only together in community, can our well-being be secured.

Our panel of keynotes speakers, including Dr Esther Mombo (Kenya), Pastor Ray Minniecon (AU), and the Revd Dr Jeremy Law (UK) will provide the background we need for us to form our own views as we converse together.



2017 International Triennial Chennai, India



Conference Location

Trinity College University of Melbourne, Australia

Opened in 1872, Trinity College was established as an affiliated residential college of the University of Melbourne as well as a place to prepare theological candidates for ordained ministry in the Anglican Church of Australia. Since then, Trinity has expanded to encompass three divisions: the Residential College, which provides accommodation and a strong collegiate community for 380 University of Melbourne students; the Pathways School, which delivers our world-renowned Foundation Studies program for international students; and the Theological School, which offers a range of online and on campus courses accredited by the University of Divinity.

Opportunities abound for all students to explore new interests and pursue extracurricular passions – be they musical, sporting, cultural, spiritual, entrepreneurial, or in the areas of leadership and social responsibility. The breadth and depth of these opportunities, supported by extensive student welfare and pastoral care structures, and the diversity of students' backgrounds, nurtures the development of well-rounded individuals, able and willing to lead and serve, locally, nationally or internationally.





Janet Clarke Hall

University of Melbourne, Australia

Janet Clarke Hall was founded in 1886 as Trinity College Hostel, and later renamed Janet Clarke Hall in honour of its major benefactor Janet, Lady Clarke. Founded in the Anglican and feminist traditions, the College pioneered collegiate education for women. It was the first residential college for women in Australia and was among the first in the world. Today as a College of the University of Melbourne, Janet Clarke Hall stands for equality of access and opportunity for all students, no matter their financial background. The first four students at Trinity College Hostel were all provided with scholarships, and the College has sought from its inception to make admission possible through a generous scholarship programme.

As The University of Melbourne's former Vice Chancellor noted, Janet Clarke Hall holds 'an enviable reputation for academic achievement and social awareness that will stay with its graduates for life'. The College offers both pastoral support within a family-sized community and opportunities for students to challenge and stretch themselves, whether in their intellectual pursuits, their extracurricular activities, or their global citizenship.

With a plethora of opportunities for learning and leadership in the arts, sport, volunteering, and service, JCH graduates benefit from a holistic education which will enable them to thrive and become change-makers for good in an uncertain world.

Trinity College and Janet Clarke Hall stand on the sovereign Country of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation; land that was taken, not ceded. We give thanks for the ancestors of the Kulin nation, and acknowledge the ongoing right and responsibility of their elders to care for this Country. We are committed to work and pray towards a more just settlement for all Indigenous people.

Conference Schedule

Saturday, July 1st

Chaplains' Pre-Conference Arrival Day

- Chaplain Delegates Arrive for Pre-conference
- Dinner for Board Members and Chaplains

Sunday, July 2nd

Triennial Delegates' Arrival day Chaplains Conference

- Triennial Delegates Arrive
- Chaplains' Conference 7:30 am – 6 pm
- Dinner for All Delegates

Monday, July 3rd

Orientation & Launching, Rediscovering Community

- Keynote: Pastor Ray Minniecon
- Acknowledgement of Country
- Welcome from joint host colleges
- CUAC Welcome & Orientation to Triennial Theme
- Reflection Groups
- Lunch in Chapters
- Tours of Trinity College and Janet Clarke Hall
- Walking Tour of Parkville
- Theme Case Studies
- Opening Eucharist
- Opening Banquet at Janet Clarke Hall
- Social Time

Tuesday, July 4th

Rediscovering Community of Creation - Excursion Day to the Yarra Valley

- Healesville Sanctuary
- Lunch
- Yarra Valley vineyard visit
- Dinner
- Marketplace
- Social Time

Wednesday, July 5th

Theme Development I: Discerning Truth

- Keynote: Jeremy Law
- Bible Study (optional)
- Reflection Groups
- Lunch
- Participant Presentations
- Dinner
- Chapter Meetings
- Social Time

Thursday, July 6th

Theme Development II: Deepening Learning

- Keynote: Esther Mombo
- Reflection Groups
- Leisure time in Melbourne
- Choral Evensong at the Cathedral
- Dinner
- Marketplace
- Social Time

Friday, July 7th

Theme Development III: Enhancing Wellbeing

- Keynote: Pastor Ray Minniecon
- Reflection Groups
- Lunch
- Final Plenary Session/
Business Meeting
- Group Photo (Academic Dress Optional)
- Closing Eucharist
- Closing Banquet at Trinity College
- Social Time

Saturday, July 8th

Delegates' Departure

- Transport to airport

- Optional Morning Prayer daily

Resource Persons



Revd Nita C. Johnson Byrd

Chaplains' Conference

Dean of Spiritual Life and Chaplain, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, former Chaplain at Saint Augustine's University, Raleigh, earned her B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering from NC State University and her M.Div. and from Duke Divinity School, now makes interfaith connections at HWS. As an active member of the Association of Episcopal Colleges (AEC), Byrd participated in the planning committee for its "Ethics and Social Media Students' Conference." She is returning to her third Triennial.



Revd Canon Dr Robert Derrenbacher

Conference Organizer

Dean at the Theological School at Trinity College since 2019. Prior to Trinity, Bob was President of Thorneloe University in Sudbury, Canada. He is a New Testament scholar with particular interest in the Synoptic Gospels, Greco-Roman literary cultures and ancient media technologies. Bob has been on the Board of Trustees for CUAC since 2011 and served as Chair from 2014-2021.



Professor Ken Hinchcliff

Conference Co-host

Warden of Trinity College since September 2015 after serving as the Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Melbourne. Prior to that, he was Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science from 2007 to 2014. Ken has extensive experience teaching undergraduate and graduate students, and is internationally recognised as a scholar of veterinary internal medicine and exercise physiology.



Revd Dr Jeremy Law

Discerning Truth

Dean of Chapel at Canterbury Christ Church University. Following a first degree and postgraduate work in geology, Jeremy read theology as part of his ordination training and subsequently completed an Oxford DPhil on the theology of Jürgen Moltmann under the supervision of Rowan Williams. His published work includes reflections of the purpose of education, the theology of human evolution, and ecological theology. He is co-author of [Chaplains on Campus: Understanding Chaplaincy in UK Universities](#) (2019). Jeremy is currently working on the way in which Christian theology needs to reconceive itself in the light of the ecological crisis. In 2015 he became the first Distinguished Fellow of CUAC.



Pastor Ray Minniecon

Enhancing Well-being

Pastor, Sacred Tree Indigenous Ministries at St John's Anglican Church in Glebe, Sydney.

Ray Minniecon is an Aboriginal pastor with roots in the Kabikabi and Gurang-Gurang tribes of Queensland. He lives in Sydney and

has dedicated his life to supporting members of the Stolen Generations of Aboriginals. The term "Stolen Generations" refers to the tens of thousands of Aboriginal children who, from the late 1800s until the 1970s, were forcibly removed from their families by government agencies and church missions in an attempt to assimilate them into the culture of white Australia. He recently was recognized by Archbishop Justin Welby with the Hubert Walker Award for Reconciliation and Interfaith Cooperation.



Dr Esther Mombo

Deepening Learning

Professor of Theology and former Deputy Vice Chancellor at St. Paul's University (Limuru, Kenya). She teaches courses in Church History and Theology. She earned her PhD from Edinburgh University in 1998. In 2007 she was

awarded an honorary doctorate by Virginia Theological Seminary for her work in bringing to the fore issues of gender disparity and gender justice in Church and society. Her research interests span the fields of Church History, Theology & Gender in Church, and society. She earned her PhD from Edinburgh University in 1998. She is a member of the Circle of Concerned African Women theologians and heads the East Africa Region.



Revd Canon Professor Peter Neil

Board Chair

Vice Chancellor of Bishop Grosseteste University (Lincoln, UK) since 2013. Prior to this, Peter has worked in the University of the West of Scotland, Aberystwyth University in Wales and Queen's University, Belfast. He is a German,

Education and Theology graduate with particular interest in language education and theological education and earned a PhD from Queen's in Belfast in 1995 and a DMin from the University of Wales in 2016. He was ordained in the Church in Wales in St David's Cathedral in 2008. Peter has been on the Board of Trustees for CUAC since 2014 and currently serves as Chair.



Eleanor Spencer-Regan

Conference Co-host

Principal of Janet Clarke Hall since 2022.

Prior to this, Eleanor was Vice-Principal and Senior Tutor of St Chad's College and Vice-Principal (Student Enrichment Directorate) at Durham University in the UK. She is an award

winning English literature and poetry scholar completing her doctoral thesis on the work of poet Anne Stevenson in 2012. Her publications include: New Casebook on American Poetry since 1945 (Palgrave Macmillan, 2016), and the forthcoming co-edited volume, Family in Children's and Young Adult Literature (Routledge, 2023).



Revd David Stroud

Chaplains' Conference

Senior Chaplain and sessional lecturer at Canterbury Christ Church University. He joined the University in March 2008 as Mission and Outreach chaplain and shares in the creative delivery of chaplaincy and holistic education

across the institution, specialising in digital media and raising community awareness of faith and spirituality. As an academic, David Lectures in education and practical and pastoral theology and is currently engaged in the planning and delivery of foundation courses.



Rev'd Canon Michael Wallace

Chaplains' Conference

Chaplain of Selwyn College Te Maru Pūmanawa, Dunedin, Aotearoa New Zealand. Fr. Michael has been Chaplain at Selwyn and the Vicar of All Saints' Church since 2010. From 2004-2010, he was General Secretary of the

World Student Christian Federation in Geneva, Switzerland. He has degrees in Arts and Theology from Otago and a Master of Philosophy (in ecumenics) from Trinity College Dublin.



Rt Revd Martin Wharton

Founding Trustee and Chair of the Triennial Committee

Martin was ordained in 1972 and his varied ministry in the Church of England has included serving in parishes, on the staff of a theological college, a cathedral, as Bishop of Kingston

and then, until retirement, Bishop of Newcastle. He has a lifelong interest in higher education and has been Chair of the Governing Body of Whiteland College and of St. Chad's College in Durham. He has attended every CUAC triennial conference so far.

Conference Details

Delegate Registration Details

Registration is open to delegates from active member institutions (or individual members) whose dues have been paid.

Full Registration

Includes: Conference fee, single accommodation with shared bathrooms, all meals, tea breaks, excursion transportation and entrance fees.

Early Bird: US \$1,200 before January 6, 2023

General: US \$1,350 after January 6, 2023

Ensuite: US \$250 additional, Limited ensuite single occupancy rooms are available to those who register early on a first come basis.

On-campus: accommodation is adjacent to the conference venues. All accommodations are non-smoking.

Off Campus Registration

Includes: Conference fee, all meals, tea breaks, excursion transportation and entrance fees.

Early Bird: US \$950 before January 6, 2023

General: US \$1,100 after January 6, 2023

Double Occupancy: A limited number of double occupancy rooms (double and queen beds) are being held for delegates at their own cost at nearby Naughtons Hotel, a comfortable venue just across from the campus. Upon registration, contact info@naughtonshotel.com.au and tell them that you are a CUAC delegate.

Online Registration

Visit www.CUAC.org for the online registration form. Payments are accepted via wire transfer (preferred - please contact office@cuac.org for details) or by credit card or Paypal.

For questions regarding accessibility of hotel and conference facilities, please contact Trinity at robertd@trinity.edu.au.

Travel Information

Delegates are advised to travel to Melbourne International Airport/MEL. The **Chaplains' Pre-Conference delegates'** arrival day is **Saturday, July 1st 2023**. Triennial delegates' arrival day is **Sunday, July 2nd 2023**. Departure Day is **Saturday, July 8th**.

Airfare is not included in the Conference Fee.

Please note: *Delegates are responsible for their own transportation on arrival to the conference. Transportation will be provided for the conference excursion and at the end of the conference, on July 8th, for those returning to the Melbourne airport. If you need public transport instructions from other airports, contact robertd@trinity.edu.au.*

Carbon Footprints and Offsets

We are a family and family need to get together, as it is only in person that we can engage and commune with each other. CUAC weeklong gatherings occur just once every three years, which leaves a spare footprint. Carbon offsets are available to delegates through Greenfleet, Australia, a leading not-for-profit environmental organisation protecting our climate by restoring our forests. Since 1997, Greenfleet has planted over 10 million trees across 500 forests in Australia and New Zealand, which are protected for up to 100 years and have offset more than 3.9 million tonnes of CO₂-e. Provision for purchasing offsets will be offered with registration. For example, carbon offsets for a return long-haul international flight (e.g. Melbourne to San Francisco, Brisbane to London, Darwin to Frankfurt) will cost c. USD \$125. For more information: www.greenfleet.com.au

Visa Requirements

All foreign nationals entering Australia are required to possess a valid passport and visa. Please apply well in advance to ensure processing and issuing of a visa before beginning your travel. Most delegates will qualify for either an ETA visa (subclass 601) or a Visitor visa (subclass 600). See <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing> for eligibility and application information. Please contact Robert Derrenbacker (robertd@trinity.edu.au) if you require a "Letter of Invitation" from Trinity College to obtain a Australian visa.

A limited number of Harold and Jean Garner Triennial Bursaries will be given to those with high visa fees (Visitor visa [subclass 600]), which include delegates coming from Africa, India and the Philippines. Email receipts to office@cuac.org for reimbursement in Australian dollars upon arrival.

Insurance

Delegates are reminded that health care insurance should be procured to cover all travel abroad. Sponsors of international conferences, including CUAC, are not able to assume health care and emergency medical responsibility for their delegates. When booking your travel, please arrange for medical insurance coverage. It can often be obtained through the credit card used to purchase airline tickets, and should cover both accident and illness abroad and, if necessary, medical evacuation or body repatriation. Travel cancellation coverage is also advisable.

Call for Participant Presentations

A vital feature of Triennials is the interchange coming from presentations from CUAC members sharing insights and innovations from their experiences, which are scheduled over two sessions for delegates to choose. Once registered, participants are invited to propose presentations they would like to make. In addition, there will be a Marketplace for displaying pop-up banners and materials from your institution.

Chaplains' Pre-Conference Retreat

1st – 2nd July

In the silence and the storm: *Navigating higher education in the aftermath of a global pandemic*

Co-convened by the Revd Nita Byrd, Chaplain of Hobart and William Smith Colleges, USA, the Revd David Stroud, Chaplain at Canterbury Christ Church University, UK and the Revd Michael Wallace, Chaplain at Selwyn College, NZ.

There is no doubt that Covid-19 has turned our world upside down and created an environment never previously experienced within higher education. We find ourselves ministering within a complex and challenging landscape that raises numerous issues, including those of identity and community. In responding to this rapidly changing world, chaplains are unique guardians of a tradition that values stillness and peace and embraces that which is consistent and eternal whilst being itself transformed and changed. As the Order of Carthusians state: “stat crux dum volvitur orbis” – “the cross is steady while the world is turning.” Chaplains maintain a calling that can be lonely and challenging, and our stability lies in the grace of God which nurtures deep wells of tradition.

As members of CUAC, the Chaplains are invited to join together prior to the 2023 triennial for a time of corporate retreat. They will explore the challenges faced by their vocation in this contemporary context and seek through prayer and companionship to support one another by placing the cross firmly at the center of all that they do.

The CUAC Chaplain's Conference invites chaplains to gather and enter into intentional retreat as a community whereby we:

- Find stillness and recharge ourselves so that we may continue to be the non-anxious presence to those that we serve;
- Prepare to walk the storms of life and vocation, whilst carrying our traditions with us as we return to our various contexts in higher education.



Neighboring Royal Park



Colleges & Universities of the Anglican Communion (CUAC)

CUAC is a worldwide network of Anglican colleges and universities which exists for the mutual flourishing of its members through engaging with each other, their society, and their churches, as they seek to enable their students and faculties to become active and responsive citizens in God's world.

At the heart of the network is CUAC's commitment to enhance individual members by engaging them in a global community that offers international opportunities to students and faculty. Anglican higher education builds on the Communion's distinctive values expressed in The Five Marks of Mission. CUAC is a learning community, providing leadership development to its members through a variety of opportunities, such as online seminars, regional chapter gatherings and, since 1997 in Delhi, weeklong Triennial conferences.

Membership assumes payment of an annual subscription based on the size of the institution or individual membership. Each active institution or member has a vote at the Triennial meetings of the association. Membership information can be found at the web site www.CUAC.org or by contacting the administrator at office@cuac.org.

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