



NAAL NEWSLETTER

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From the President

When the Academy Committee met last spring to begin planning the Milwaukee program, I expressed the strong desire, passed on to me at the Baltimore meeting, to explore offering a scheduled event in the hotel as an Alternative Free Evening to the traditional dining out on that day. Reasons given included not wishing to spend the extra money that dining out would ordinarily cost, a changing culture that prefers to use the meeting time more productively than socially in light of the cost of travel and the like.

In short, to accommodate these requests we included on the registration form a box to check inviting members' interest in such an alternative to the traditional free evening. While a certain percentage of those registering indicated interest in the alternative – and for this I thank you sincerely, the number did not turn out to high enough to justify the cost of an alternative Friday evening event for Milwaukee. I know those who were looking forward to this option will be disappointed while at the same time appreciating the gesture to open the question, as well as the difficulty of scheduling a program for a small number of the membership.

Following this experience and in view of future planning, I hope to include the question again on the evaluation form for the Milwaukee meeting. Again, thanks to all who contributed to this discussion already by indicating your interest at registration.

Richard Rutherford
NAAL President

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First Time Visitors to NAAL

This year we are welcoming thirty-five first time visitors to our meeting in Milwaukee. They come from rich and varied academic and cultural backgrounds.

I encourage each of us to be aware of the new faces in our midst and to reach out a hand of welcome and hospitality. We can appear to be a daunting group to those who see us in action for the first time. A simple gesture or word of hospitality goes a long way to making newcomers feel at ease.

Judith Kubicki
Past President

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Milwaukee Meeting Schedule

A copy of the schedule for the Milwaukee meeting is available for download at <http://www.naal-liturgy.org/academymeetings/2010/2010schedule.html>

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Ground Transportation in Milwaukee

To/From Airport

SHUTTLE: Go Airport Connections. Cost: \$13/person each way, \$24/person round trip.

Reservations only! Please call 414-769-2451 or 1-800-236-5450 to make reservations. To reserve online, click this link: <http://www.goairportconnection.com/>

From hotel to airport, please contact the concierge or bellstaff.

TAXI: Approximately \$25

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Registration Fees for Milwaukee 2010

*For Members –
Late Registration: \$250
On Site: \$300*

*For Visitors –
Late Registration: \$275
On Site: \$300*

Candidates for Office

Ruth Duck and the Nominating Committee are pleased to present the following slate of candidates for the January election of officers.

For Vice-President

Susan K. Roll
Catherine Vincie

For Treasurer

Martin Seltz

For Delegate for Seminars

James Farwell
Jennifer Lord

We are grateful to these members for their willingness to have their names placed in nomination.

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**WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE
AS CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF NAAL VICE PRESIDENT**

SUSAN K. ROLL

*Associate Professor of Liturgy and Sacraments
Faculty of Theology, Saint Paul University (Ottawa, Canada)*



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Susan taught for eight years at Christ the King Seminary (Buffalo NY) and has taught courses at the Catholic University of Leuven (Louvain, Belgium), Saint Michael's College (Colchester, VT) and the University of Notre Dame. She held the Walter J. Schmitz Chair in Liturgical Studies at the Catholic University of America in 1998, and was the first Visiting Fellow at Sarum College (U.K.) in 2000.

She holds the S.T.B., M.A. and Ph. D. degrees from the Catholic University of Leuven. Her doctoral dissertation, on the origins of Christmas, was conferred summa cum laude with the congratulations of the Board of Examiners. Her publications include "Toward the Origins of Christmas" (1995), and two edited works, "Re-Visioning Our Sources: Feminist Spirituality in European Perspectives" (1997) and "Women, Ritual and Liturgy" (2001), as

well as numerous publications on the liturgical year, sacraments of initiation, and the feminist liturgical movement.

Susan served extensively in lay professional pastoral ministry, including nine years as Catholic campus minister at Ithaca College (NY). She co-founded a multicultural parish and the Center for Women's Studies Theology (Louvain) and served as Director of the Centre for Women and Christian Traditions (Ottawa.)

Susan first attended the 1996 NAAL meeting in Cincinnati, joined in 1997, and has attended every meeting since. She served as convener of the Feminist Studies in Liturgy seminar 2007-2009 and co-convener in 2004.

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CATHERINE VINCIE

*Professor of Liturgical and Sacramental Theology
Aquinas Institute of Theology and Ministry (St Louis MO)*



Catherine received her doctorate from the Catholic University of America in 1990. Since that time she has been teaching and been a frequent lecturer at women's religious communities, parishes and diocesan events.

Her publications have been generally in the area of initiation and eucharist, but she has also published works on liturgy and preaching, liturgy and justice, and the liturgical year, among other topics. They have appeared in such journals as "Worship", "Liturgical Ministry", "Liturgy", "Church", "Questions Liturgiques", and "Health Progress"; and as chapters of several books. She recently co-authored with David Power a chapter on "Theological and Pastoral Reflections" in the "Commentary on the General Instruction of the Roman Missal" (ed. By Edward Foley, Nathan d. Mitchell and Joanne M. Pierce, Collegeville: The Liturgical Press, 2007). Her latest book is "Celebrating Divine Mystery: A Primer in Liturgical Theology", (Collegeville: The Liturgical Press, 2009).

She has been a member of the North American Academy of Liturgy since 1990, and been a participant in the Initiation Seminar for most of that time. [\[top\]](#)

**WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE AS CANDIDATE
FOR THE POSITION OF TREASURER**

MARTIN SELTZ

*Publisher for Worship and Music, Augsburg Fortress
the publishing unit of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

Martin's publishing and editorial responsibilities have included the "Evangelical Lutheran Worship" family (the primary worship resources of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada) as well as earlier worship books including "With One Voice", "This Far by Faith", and "Libro de Liturgia y Cantico". Serving on the Consultation on Common Texts since 2002, he has assisted with the publication of "Revised Common Lectionary Prayers" and "Revised Common Lectionary Daily Readings".

A member of NAAL since 2001, he has participated in the music and the liturgical language seminars. He holds an M. Div. from Christ Seminary-Seminex, St. Louis, and an M.A. in Musicology from the University of Minnesota.



An ordained minister in the ELCA, he was pastor of a congregation in Livonia, Michigan for fourteen years, and currently serves as one of the cantors at Christ Church Lutheran, Minneapolis, Minnesota. [\[top\]](#)

**WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE AS CANDIDATE
FOR THE POSITION OF DELEGATE FOR SEMINARS**

JAMES FARWELL

Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta (Atlanta GA)



The Rev. James Farwell is an Episcopal priest of the Diocese of Atlanta with twenty years of parish leadership in Southeast Florida, Atlanta, Long Island, and West Virginia. He holds the BA in Philosophy magna cum laude from The Catholic University of America; the MDiv with honors from The General Theological Seminary; and the PhD in Religion (theological studies) from Emory University.

Dr. Farwell has taught at Emory, Hunter College in the City University of New York, and Drew University, where he remains an affiliate of the doctoral faculty in liturgical studies. From 2002 to 2007 he taught in the H. Boone Porter Chair of Liturgics at The General Theological Seminary (NYC). He is now Thomas W. Phillips Associate Professor of Religious Studies at Bethany College (WV). He chairs the Department of Humanities at Bethany, where he oversees degree programs in Cultural Studies, English Literature and Creative Writing, Religious

Studies, Philosophy, and World Languages and Cultures.

Dr. Farwell's scholarship focuses on liturgy and ritual, Christian theology, comparative religion, and the interactions of religion with philosophy and culture. His publications include journal articles in the "Anglican Theological Review", "Sewanee Theological Review", and "Proceedings of the NAAL"; and several entries in "Routledge's Encyclopedia of Protestantism". He is the author of "This Is the Night: Suffering, Salvation, and the Liturgies of Holy Week" (published by T&T Clark/Continuum in 2005), and is currently at work on a second book, for New York University Press: "The Eucharist: Ritual, Ethics and Belief in Western Christianity".

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FOR THE POSITION OF DELEGATE FOR SEMINARS**

JENNIFER LORD

*Associate Professor of Homiletics
Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary*

The Reverend Doctor Jennifer L. Lord is a Presbyterian minister who served congregations in New York State before joining the seminary faculty in 2005. She holds a B.A. from Albion College, a M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a Ph.D. in Worship, Proclamation and the Arts from the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California in co-operation with the University of California, Berkeley.

She places her work at the intersection of homiletical theory and liturgical theology. Interest in liturgical language, performance theory, systematic theology and creative processes for preaching supplement her work on preaching as a liturgical act. She is an active member of the North American Academy of Liturgy, for which she serves as the Liturgical Language Seminar Convener, and the Academy of Homiletics, for which she serves as Treasurer.



She is working on "Introduction to Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary: Texts to Sermon" for Westminster John Knox. Her book "Finding Language and Imagery: Words for Holy Speech" (Fortress Press) is forthcoming in winter 2009. She is the author of several articles and chapters in books including "New Interpreters Bible Handbook of Preaching", "New Proclamation on Feasts, Holy Days and Other Celebrations", "Best Advice for Pastors and Preachers", "Feasting on the Word", "Call to Worship", and "Insights".

Prior to her appointment at Austin Seminary she was Assistant Professor of Worship and Preaching and Dean of the Chapel at Lancaster Theological Seminary. She travels nationally as a conference leader, consultant, and liturgist/preacher. [\[top\]](#)

In Memoriam: NAAL Member Jovian Lang

Gil Ostdiek wrote to inform us of the death of Jovian Lang, OFM. He was a long-time member of NAAL and a member of Gil's Province of Franciscans. Jovian died on November 4th at the age of 90. We will remember him in our gathering rite in Milwaukee.

Jovian's obituary, which appeared in the Springfield, Illinois, *Catholic Times*, is printed below.

Father Jovian P. Lang OFM, 90, a friar-priest of the Franciscan Province of the Sacred Heart (based in St. Louis) died Nov. 4 of heart failure in Springfield.

He was born on June 2, 1919, in Sioux City, Iowa, son of Peter and Margaret Horvath Lang and received the name of Peter. In 1939 he entered the novitiate of the Order of Friars Minor (Franciscans) and was given the religious name of "Jovian." After first profession in 1940 and solemn profession of vows on Aug. 23, 1943, he was ordained a priest on June 20, 1946.

He spent his first year of ministry in an internship program based at the Franciscans' Quincy College (now University) in Quincy. His professional expertise was library science, which he exercised at Quincy College for 20 years (in two stints); then at St. Joseph Minor Seminary in Westmont for two years; at the University of Southern Florida in Tampa as a faculty member for four years; at St. John University in Jamaica, N.Y., for 14 years as a faculty member; and at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary in Boynton Beach, Fla., where was on the faculty there and also at the University of South Florida-East Coast.

A little-known fact about Father Jovian was that he served as the spiritual guide for prize-fighter Sugar Ray Robinson during his time at the seminary in Westmont.

In 1992, Father Jovian moved to St. Maximilian Friary in Crowley, Texas, where he began a period of semi-retirement during which he taught library and information science for eight years at the University of North Texas and the Texas Woman's University in Denton, Texas. During most of the years of working in library science either as a professor or as a librarian, he also provided a very valuable service to English-speaking Franciscans in North America. He prepared and edited the Guide for the Liturgy of the Roman-Seraphic Calendar (also called The Ordo) which provides the order, instructions, and options for praying the Liturgy of the Hours and for celebrating the Eucharist.

Father Jovian moved into full retirement in 2005 when he went to Our Lady of Angels Friary at Villa West in Sherman because of failing health.

He is survived by his sister Charlotte Melland of Lee Summitt, Mo.; a brother, Phillip Lang of Houston; and nieces and nephews.

The Mass of Christian Burial for Father Jovian was held Nov. 7 in the chapel at Villa West in Sherman. Burial was in the Friars' Plot of Calvary Cemetery in Springfield. [\[top\]](#)

Sunday Afternoon Tour of Historic Milwaukee Churches

If you are staying on in Milwaukee for Sunday January 10 and have signed on for our Sunday afternoon tour, here are some promised details.

The cost of the tour will be \$20 for individuals and \$35 for couples.

If you indicated an interest in the tour when you registered for the Milwaukee meeting, or even if you did not indicate an interest at that time but would like to participate, please send Courtney Murtaugh an email at murtaughs@ameritech.net. This will enable us to know how many busses we need.

In your email, let Courtney know if you want to add the cost of the tour to your credit card (no need to provide your credit card information in the email) or if you want to pay by check.

Thanks to Tim Perkins, pastor of *Bethel-Bethany UCC* and our tour coordinator, we can look forward to an informative tour of some of Milwaukee's historic religious architecture. The three-hour guided tour will visit the following houses of worship in the downtown area, including a brief introduction and the freedom to explore the spaces on our own.

A must see is The Big Red Church - **Calvary Presbyterian** (<http://www.bigredchurch.com/the-big-red-church>) – old, with its long history in Milwaukee, and new, including some creative redesigning of the sanctuary. **St. Benedict the Moor** parish (<http://www.stbensmilwaukee.org/index.shtml>) is very social justice oriented and the site of Milwaukee's largest meal program. It was also the first parish and school (at the time) dedicated to serve the African American Community at the beginning of the twentieth century. The community has also redesigned their sanctuary which includes a very unique altar that celebrates St. Benedict de Moor along with a martyred group of African Christians. We will also visit the **Cathedral of St. John, the Evangelist** (<http://www.stjohncathedral.org/>), where our own Richard Vosko has given a dramatic new design to the interior, including an immersion baptismal font at the entryway to the church. Finally, **St. Paul's Cathedral** (<http://www.stpaulsmilwaukee.org/about/our-stained-glass-windows/>) with its beautiful stained glass will bring our tour to a festive close.

Weather permitting, the tour will include a drive along the lake front highlighting the spectacular Quadracci Pavilion of the Milwaukee Museum of Art, the first building of famed Spanish architect, artist, and sculptor Santiago Calatrava to be built in the United States and featured in the design of the 2010 Annual Meeting Program. However, because of its distance from downtown our tour will not take us to Frank Lloyd Wright's Greek Orthodox **Church of the Annunciation** (<http://www.annunciationwi.com/>), but for those who wish to arrange a visit to this church on their own, an information sheet with map will be available for pick in the registration area.

If you are interested in adding your name to the list of tour participants, please contact Courtney Murtaugh as soon as possible.

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Oregon Vineyard Featured at NAAL Events in Milwaukee: Part of our Commitment to a Green Meeting

NAAL President Richard Rutherford has arranged to feature some fine Oregon wines at events during the annual meeting in Milwaukee. The wines come from the Willamette Valley Vineyards, which has a strong commitment to sustainability.

The Willamette Way. Founder Jim Bernau believes that wines made with consideration for

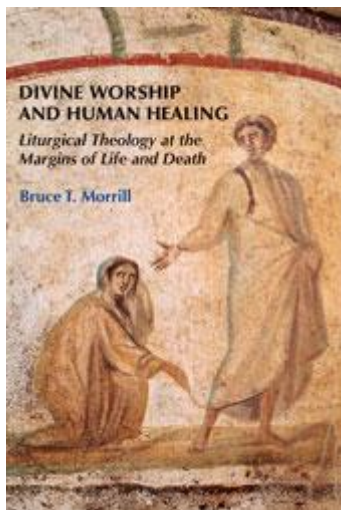
the environment, employees, and community simply taste better. The Willamette Valley Vineyards team works alongside him to continue this mission and create a sustainable company for the future.

Willamette Valley Vineyards is dedicated to producing the finest Pinot Noir from grapes grown in the Willamette Valley Appellation. Since the winery founding, stewardship of the land has been a key principle in our winemaking. Please consider taking a few moments to read about the ways they are addressing global warming:

<http://www.willamettevalleyvineyards.com/about/sustainability/>

FSC Certified Cork. Willamette Valley Vineyard is the first winery in the world to use cork certified through the Rainforest Alliance to Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) standards. Learn more by visiting http://www.rainforest-alliance.org/news.cfm?id=cork_stoppers [top]

Members' Publications



Bruce T. Morrill. Divine Worship and Human Healing: Liturgical Theology at the Margins of Life and Death. Liturgical Press, 2009.

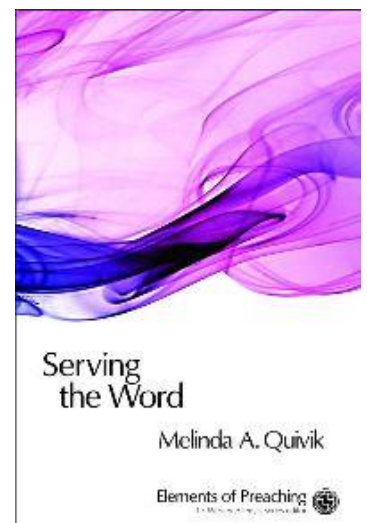
Would many believers consider a wake or funeral an act of worship? What does it mean to say that in anointing the sick or administering Viaticum to the dying humans are healed? Such questions plumb the biblical and traditional depths of the paschal mystery. Just as Jesus' ministry at the social-religious margins revealed the center of his faith in God's reign, so also the church's ministry to sickness and death reveals much about the baptismal and eucharistic worship so central to its entire life.

In Divine Worship and Human Healing Bruce Morrill turns to the rites serving the sick, dying, deceased, and grieving to show why sacramental liturgy is so fundamental to the life of faith. Readers will

appreciate both his compelling narratives from actual pastoral experience and his engagement with biblical, theological, historical, and social-scientific resources. Morrill invites readers to discover how the liturgical ministry of healing discloses God's merciful love amid communities of faith. [top]

Melinda A. Quivik. Serving the Word: Preaching in Worship. Fortress Press, 2009.

This book invites the reader to see how God's word can become the crux not only of the sermon but of the worship service as a whole. Over the past half-century, worship scholars have found a substantial ecumenical worship pattern in Luke's story of Jesus' post-resurrection appearance on the road and at the table in Emmaus. In that word-and-meal structure, the relationship between preaching and worship as distinct aspects of liturgical experience breaks down. The preached word, then, and the liturgical event within which preaching is located become integral to each other. This book invites the reader to explore how, through God's word, preaching informs and is, in turn, supported by the worship event as a whole.



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