

The ASEC Newsletter

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From the President

As this Newsletter arrives in your in-boxes, ASEC is preparing for its third biennial conference, to be held on 1-3 October 2009 at the Pfahl conference Center at the Blackwell Hotel on the campus of The Ohio State University. There are numerous academic bodies and colleagues to thank, including Ohio State's Center for Slavic and East European Studies, the Resource Center for Medieval Slavic Studies, the Hilandar Research Library, and the Department of Slavic and East European Languages and Literatures—along with their directors, curators, and department heads. There have been many inside ASEC that deserve our thanks too, including Christine Worobec, Irina Papkov, Lucien Frary, and Jennifer Spock. Please give them all a word of thanks when you see them at the ASEC conference in Columbus. It has been my privilege to work with them and many others on this and other projects. This conference looks to be a very exciting and productive gathering, and, like its predecessors, an important move forward in the study of the Eastern churches.

We are also ramping things up for our annual meeting at the AAASS conference in Boston (from 12-15 November 2009). At that meeting we will be presenting the second ASEC Distinguished Scholarship Award. This new award has helped us to draw attention to the research being done in the study of the Eastern churches, which was one of ASEC's original objectives when it formed more than six years ago. Creating this award was one of my chief objectives when I became president of ASEC, and I'm very pleased to see and report that the Award Committee is receiving more and more nominations, testifying to the fact that we have placed ASEC on the map in our respective fields.

We will in Boston also be welcoming Jennifer Spock as our new president. Her name is already well-known to all of you as a tireless worker on many projects: our conferences, our new subseries of publications, and as our interface with several organizations at OSU. I hand the baton over to her very excited for ASEC's bright future. In Boston we will also be electing a new Vice President/President-Elect and other officers, so this meeting will be busy and important for us all. I ask as many of you as can, to attend our annual meeting (during session 2, on Thursday Nov. 12 at 2:00-3:45, in the New Hampshire room) and to participate (and stand) in these elections.

As I end my three-year tenure as president, there are many to thank and acknowledge, and I will have more to say on this at the annual meeting. While this was for me a personally turbulent time, it was also professionally a very productive six-year run in the Executive Committee. I depart now for the

pastures of the Advisory Board very grateful for all your support, advice, patience, and hard work. I leave office with more friends I deem dear to me than I entered it: and that is, for me, the highest of accolades.

ASEC Third Biennial Conference Program

1-3 October 2009
Pfahl Conference Center, Blackwell Hotel
The Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio

“Reform Movements in Eastern Christianity: Renewal, Heresy, and Compromise”

Sponsored by:
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Center for Slavic and East European Studies, Resource Center
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THURSDAY, 1 OCTOBER 2009

6:30-7:00 PM Registration

7:00 PM Opening Plenary Talk (Pfahl Hall, Room 140):

Catherine Wanner (Penn State University), “Southern Challenges to Eastern Christianity: New Pressures for Reform in Contemporary Ukraine”

8:00 PM Reception

FRIDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2009

7:45—8:00 AM: Registration, Pfahl Hall, Blackwell Hotel, 1st Floor

All panels will meet in Pfahl Hall, Room 140

8:00—10:00 AM:

Compromise, Renewal, and Rejection in Eastern Christianity in the Early Modern Period

Chair and Discussant: Daniel E. Collins (Ohio State University)

Andrew J. Kier (Ohio State University), "Four Non-Canonical Prayers in a South Slavic *Trebnik* (Hilandar HM.SMS 378)"

Alfons Bruening (Institute of Eastern Christian Studies, Radboud University Nijmegen, the Netherlands), "Peter Mohyla's Reforms in Seventeenth Century Orthodoxy: Catholic Pseudomorphosis or A Step Towards Orthodox Confessionalization?"

Barbara Skinner (Indiana State University), "From Heresy to Humor: The Kievan Academy Spoofs the Uniate Church"

10:15-12:15:

Popular Religious Practices in Eastern Christianity: Adaptation, Revival, and Representation

Chair and Discussant: Christine D. Worobec (Northern Illinois University)

Charles Arndt (Union College) "The Image of the Spiritual Wanderer in Leskov's *Enchanted Wanderer* and Dostoevsky's *The Adolescent*"

Daria Safronova (Ohio State University), "From the Far North to the Far East: Pomor Old Believers in the Altai Region"

Amy Slagle (University of Southern Mississippi), "Celtic Orthodoxy and the Limits of Nostalgia: The Twentieth Century Celtic Revival in Eastern Orthodoxy"

1:30-3:45 PM:

Theological and Foreign Policy Issues in Modern Eastern Christianity

Chair and Discussant: Russell Martin (Westminster College)

Mara Kozelsky, (University of South Alabama), "Archbishop Innokentii (Borisov) and Russian Moral Theology"

J. Eugene Clay (Arizona State University), "The Apocalyptic Prophecies of Maksim Gavrilovich Rudometkin"

Walter N. Sisto (University of St. Michael's College), "Sophia and the Problem of Evil: A Theology of Moral, Demonic, and Natural Evil"

Lucien Frary (Rider University), "Russian Policy towards the Change of Dynasty in Greece, 1862-64"

4:00-6:00 PM:

Twentieth Century Reforms in Orthodoxy in Russia, Europe, and Eastern Europe

Chair and Discussant: Lucien Frary (Rider University)

Scott Kenworthy (Miami University of Ohio), "Monastic Reform and the Russian Church Council of 1917-1918"

Heather Bailey (University of Illinois at Springfield), "Orthodoxy in Paris and Russian Church Reform in the Nineteenth Century"

Nicolas Prevelakis (Lecturer, Harvard), "Neo-Orthodoxy as Religious Reform in 20th Century Greece"

SATURDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2009

7:45-8:00 AM: Registration for new arrivals

8:00 – 10:00 AM:

Nationalism, Ethnicity, and Reform in the History of Eastern Christianity

Chair and discussant: John-Paul Himka, Ph.D. (University of Alberta: Department of History and Classics)

Joel Brady (University of Pittsburgh: Cooperative Doctoral Program in Religion), "Transnational Reforms: Greek Catholic Converts to Russian Orthodoxy in America and Eastern Europe, 1890-1914."

Roland Clark (University of Pittsburgh: Department of History), "Dressing Fascism as Religious Reform: The Legion of the Archangel Michael in Romania."

Andy Cole (University of Pittsburgh: Cooperative Doctoral Program in Religion), "Christ, Church, and Culture: Religious Education and Identity for Eastern Orthodox Children in America"

10:15-12:30:

**The Fundamentalist Movement in the Contemporary Russian Orthodox Church:
From Heresy to Compromise**

Chair and Discussant: Catherine Wanner (Penn State University)

Marat Shterin (Kings College London), "Facing the Armageddon: Contemporary Millenarian Movements within the Russian Orthodox Church"

Jeanne Kormina (St. Petersburg Branch of the Higher School of Economics), "Contesting the Sacred: Debates About Faith at the Grave of the *Starets*"

Stella Rock (University of Sussex), "The Revival of the Cross Procession in Post-Soviet Russia: Renewing Orthodoxy or Promoting 'Marginal Mindsets'?"

Katja Tolstaja (VU Institute for the Study of Religion, Culture and Society, Amsterdam), "From Orthodoxy to Obscurantism? Theological Frictions in the Contemporary Russian Orthodox Church"

1:30 – 3:30 PM

Religious Issues in Contemporary Russia

Chair and Discussant: Eve Levin (University of Kansas)

Charles J. Halperin (Independent Scholar), "Would You Believe SAINT Ivan the Terrible? Reforming the Image of Tsar Ivan IV"

Page Herrlinger, (Bowdoin College), "An Unorthodox Approach: How the Followers of Brother Ioann Churikov Utilize the Web to Defend their Faith"

Martha Kelly (University of Missouri-Columbia), "Olga Sedakova and the Revision of Russian Orthodox Identity"

3:45-5:45

Conversations in Exile: Trans-Cultural Aspects of Twentieth-Century Russian Religious and Intellectual Life

Chair and discussant: Martha Kelly (University of Missouri, Columbia)

Matthew Miller (Northwestern College), "The Russian Student Christian Movement and the American YMCA: St. Petersburg, Paris, and Beyond, 1900-1940"

Erich Lippman (Bethany College), "The Personalist Alternative from French and Russian Perspectives"

Chris Stroop (Stanford University), "Father Sergii's Apocalypse: Tragic, Exilic, and Eschatological Motifs in Sergei Bulgakov's Late Theological and Autobiographical Writings"

News of the Profession and Developments in the Field

The following papers, all on the subject of Eastern Christian church art (liturgy, homiletics, iconography, and architecture), will be among those presented at an upcoming conference at Harvard on the 1709 battle of Poltava. All the papers will be published in a special issue of *Harvard Ukrainian Studies*.

Giovanna Brogi, Professor of Slavistics, University of Milan "Preaching after Poltava: The Evolution of Homiletics in the First Decades of the Eighteenth Century"

Nadieszda Kizenko, State University of New York at Albany "The Victory Service of the Poltava Battle and Its Liturgical and Political Contexts." In published form, this paper will be accompanied by the first translation into English of Bishop Feofilakt (Lopatynskii)'s service on the occasion of the Poltava battle.

Elena Boeck, DePaul University
"Icon of Empire: The Ukrainian Contribution to Early Petrine Imperial Imagery"

Radoslav Zuk, Emeritus, McGill University "Prototypical West European Church Plan Configurations in Ukrainian Architecture of the Mazepa Period."

Conference at Penn State on March 25-26 on the Sacred and the Secular in the Soviet Union. The conference will focus specifically on Ukraine and Russia and therefore engage issues centrally concerned with Eastern Christianity. Participants will submit pre-circulated papers which will be vigorously discussed over the two days. An edited volume is planned from the conference papers.

The conference is funded for the Woskob Family Endowment for Ukrainian Studies at Penn State. Anyone who would like more information, please contact:

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Recent publications:

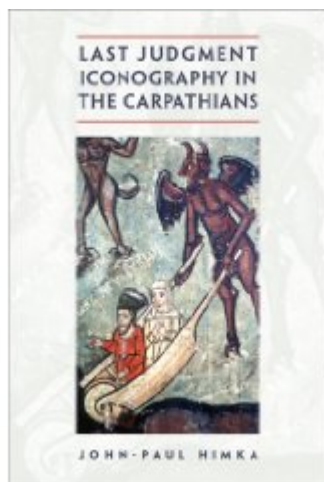
1. "Sex, Drink and Drugs: Tobacco in Early Modern Russia." In Matthew Romaniello and Tricia Starks, eds. *Tobacco in Russian History and Culture: The Seventeenth Century to the Present*. New York: Routledge, 2009. pp. 26-43. An examination of the Russian Orthodox Church's attitudes to tobacco as reflected in sermons of the seventeenth century.



2. "Аристотель Иезуитов в России XVII века: космология и планетная система в Славяно-Греко-Латинской Академии." *Russkii Sbornik*, v. 5 (2008), pp. 37-66. [Russian version of: "A Jesuit Aristotle in Seventeenth-Century Russia: Cosmology and the Planetary System in the Slavo-Greco-Latin Academy." In Marshall Poe and Jarmo Kotilaine, eds. *Modernizing Muscovy: Reform and Social Change in Seventeenth-Century Russia* (London and New York: RoutledgeCurzon, 2004): 391-416]

John-Paul Himka, University of Alberta

Just out: *Last Judgment Iconography in the Carpathians* (University of Toronto Press).

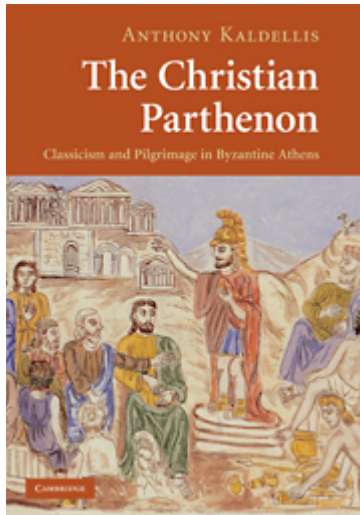


http://www.amazon.com/Judgment-Iconography-Carpathians-John-Paul-Himka/dp/0802098096/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1252175545&sr=8-1

For a short YouTube film on Sanctuary: The Spiritual Heritage Documentation Project, see:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Flbud-r3U_o

Anthony Kaldellis, Ohio State University



<http://www.cambridge.org/uk/catalogue/catalogue.asp?isbn=9780521882286&ss=fro>

Kaldellis, Anthony. *The Christian Parthenon: Classicism and Pilgrimage in Byzantine Athens* (Cambridge University Press).

Scott Kenworthy, Miami University

The main bit of news this time around is that my book manuscript, tentatively entitled *To Renounce the World: Reviving Monasticism in Modern Russia*, has been accepted to be jointly published by the Woodrow Wilson Center Press and Oxford University Press. It should be out by September 2010.

Together with Oana Godeanu, I received a grant from the Lilly Endowment funded Faculty Vocation Grant (administered through the Hellenic College Office of Ministry and Vocation) for research on "Orthodoxy and Higher Education in Post-Communist Romania" that enabled us to spend a month in Sibiu, Romania, over the summer to research an article on the topic.

I participated in the 2009 consultation of the Orthodox Scholars' Initiative at Hellenic College on "Orthodox Christianity & The University" (Hellenic College, June 2–4, 2009). There is discussion, among other things, of the possibility of

establishing an Orthodox college or university in the U.S. See http://www.hchc.edu/hellenic/campus_life/vocation/osi/1091.html

I gave a paper on "The Limits of Sobornost: The Case of Monastic Reform During the Church 1917-1918 Sobor" at a conference entitled "The Council and the Tomos: Twentieth-century Landmarks towards a Twenty-first-century Church" at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, June 18-20, 2009.

Russell Martin, Westminster College

My co-edited book (with Chester Dunning and Daniel Rowland), *The Rude and Barbarous Kingdom Revisited: Essays in Russian History and Culture in Honor of Robert O. Crummey* (Bloomington, IN: Slavica Press, 2008) contains numerous articles that treat issues of interest to the membership of ASEC, including (among others) my own: "Gifts for Kith and Kin: Gift Exchange and Social Solidarity in Muscovite Royal Weddings, 1495–1671," 89-108.

http://www.amazon.com/Rude-Barbarous-Kingdom-Revisited-Russian/dp/0893573590/ref=sr_1_7?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1253311623&sr=8-7

Articles:

"Gifts and Commemoration: Donations to Monasteries, Legitimacy, and Remembering the Royal Dead in Muscovy (7159/1651)," in *Forschungen zur Osteuropäischen Geschichte* (accepted; forthcoming in Winter 2009).

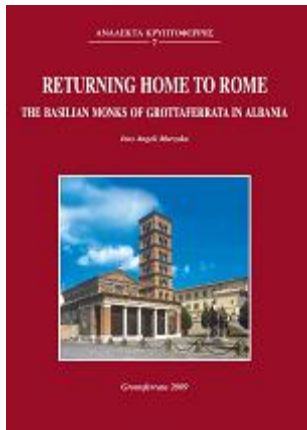
"Bride-Shows and Monarchical Power in Muscovy in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries," in *Verkhovnaia vlast', elita i obshchestvo v Rossii XIV–pervoi poloviny XIX veka. Rossiiskaia monarkhiia v kontekste evropeiskikh i aziatskikh monarkhii i imperii* [Power, the Elite, and Society in Russia from the Fourteenth Century through the First Half of the Nineteenth Century. *The Russian Monarchy in the Context of European and Asiatic Monarchies and Empires*] (Moscow: Moscow Kremlin Museum, 2009), 196–97.

"Ritual and Religion in the Foreign Marriages of Three Muscovite Princesses," in the *Festschrift* for Prof. Richard Hellie, *Russian History/Histoire Russe* 35, nos. 3–4 (Fall-Winter 2008): 357–81.

Ines Angeli Murzaku, Seton Hall University

The link below lists most recent publications, including two books from 2009:

Returning Home to Rome? The Monks of Grottaferrata in Albania.



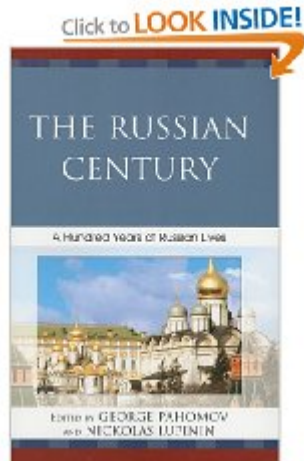
Quo vadis Eastern Europe, Religion, State and society after Communism.



<http://academic.shu.edu/orientalia/books/index.htm>

***George Pahomov, Bryn Mawr College, and Nickolas Lupinin,
Franklin Pierce University***

Co-editors of *The Russian Century: A Hundred Years of Russian Lives*



http://www.amazon.com/Russian-Century-Hundred-Years-Lives/dp/0761840672/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1252535497&sr=8-1#

Serhii Plokhyy, Harvard University, and Frank E. Sysyn, Peter Jacyk Centre for Ukrainian Historical Research, Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies

Their book *Religion and Nation in Modern Ukraine* has just been reissued by the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies Press.

<http://www.utoronto.ca/cius/publications/books/religionnation.htm>

Andrei Psarev, Holy Trinity Seminary (Jordanville)

Articles “Exarch,” “Excommunication,” “Canonization,” “Canon Law,” and “Repentance” have been submitted for the forthcoming (2010) *Encyclopedia of Eastern Orthodox Christianity*, ed. J. McGuckin (London: Wiley-Blackwell).

Allan Smith, Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies

Two new books:

Sergius Bulgakov. *The Burning Bush: On the Orthodox Veneration of the Mother of God*. Translated, annotated and with an introduction by Thomas Allan Smith. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2009.

http://www.amazon.com/Burning-Bush-Orthodox-Veneration-Mother/dp/0802845746/ref=sr_1_4?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1252541491&sr=8-4

T. Allan Smith. *The Volokolamsk Paterikon: A Window on a Muscovite Monastery*. Toronto: Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, 2008.

<http://www.pims.ca/publications/newtitles.html>

Sergei Zhuk, Ball State University

I have news about a forthcoming book with a chapter about religion: *Rock and Roll in the Rocket City: The West, Identity, and Ideology in Soviet Dnepropetrovsk, 1960-1985* (Baltimore, MD: the Johns Hopkins University Press & Washington, D.C.: Woodrow Wilson Center Press, 2010)

My Polish friends publish my pieces in different venues:

“Building the Ukrainian Identity through Cultural Consumption in the ‘Closed’ City of Soviet Ukraine: Dnipropetrovsk KGB Files and ‘Transgressions’ of Everyday Life during Late Socialism, 1959-1985,” in *Nationalisms Today*, edited by Tomasz Kamusella & Krzysztof Jaskulowski (Oxford: Peter Lang, 2009), 227-256.

“‘National Cultural Elements’ and Advertising International Tourism in the Soviet Tourist Agencies during the Brezhnev Era, 1964 -1984,” in *Kultura Enter* (Lublin, Poland, August-September, 2009) [in Polish]

“Tourism, Cultural Consumption and Komsomol Business in Dnepropetrovsk during the Brezhnev Era, 1964-1984,” in *Kultura Enter* (Lublin, Poland, April-May, 2009) [in Polish]