



CENTER FOR LGBTQ & GENDER STUDIES IN RELIGION

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## CLGS News and Updates | February 2024

Hello CLGS :

Welcome to our newly-designed CLGS monthly e-newsletter! We hope that you will find one (or more!) events and/or resources that will be of interest to you AND we invite you to **join us** in our work of **creating a new public discourse around gender, religion, and sexuality**.

### The Mission and History of CLGS

## The 2024 CLGS Boswell Lecture

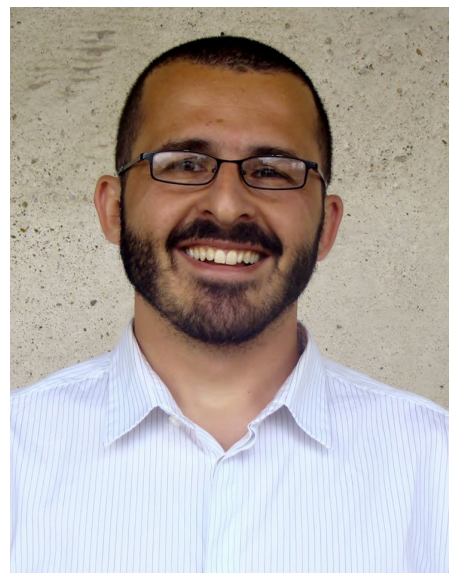
**Luis Menéndez-Antuña, PhD:**

**"Why Do Biblical Interpreters Hate Sex So Much?"**

Thursday, 18 April 2024 at 4pm (Pacific Time)

Join us ONLINE for this, our 17th Annual John E. Boswell Lecture featuring Professor **Luis Menéndez-Antuña** of Boston University's School of Theology!

[Click Here to Pre-Register for this ONLINE Lecture!](#)



## Our 2024 Trans Seminarian Cohort Spotlight: Quinn Gormley



Quinn (she/her) is a white, queer, trans woman from Mid-Coast Maine who holds a bachelor's degree in Public Health from the University of



Quinn Gormley  
(she/her)

who holds a bachelor's degree in Public Health from the University of Southern Maine and is currently pursuing a Master's of Divinity degree at Chicago Theological Seminary with a concentration in chaplaincy studies. Quinn works part time as a chaplain and is passionate about the intersection of ministry and healthcare.

[Learn More About Our Trans Seminarian Cohort!](#)

## On The Calendar



### Discernment for Queer Christians with Kate Davoli | 21 February 2024 at 1pm (Pacific Time)

In this online CLGS *Lavender Lunch* workshop we look at the challenges and unique advantages that queer identity and experience bring to discernment tasks, and we will learn some take-home exercises to build discernment skills going forward.



### Trans Day of Visibility Toolkit for Congregations with Rev. Jakob Hero-Shaw | 28 February 2024 at 1pm (Pacific Time)

Join us online as we brainstorm together and generate ideas about ways to include TDOV in your own particular religious/spiritual community contexts!

[Click HERE for our Upcoming Events!](#)

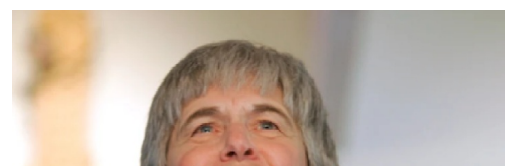


## The CLGS Archives Project

### The Rev. Dr. Jane Adams Spahr Collection

This **CLGS Archival Collection** contains a wealth of material relating to the ongoing ministry of **Janie Spahr** who describes

herself as a lesbian, feminist, Presbyterian minister committed to justice issues for the LGBTQ community, pursuing connections for wholeness with other oppressed communities that are claiming their



freedom.

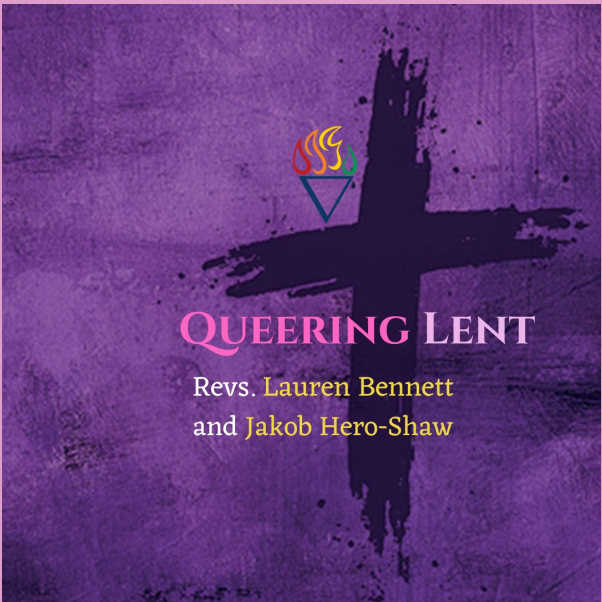
[Learn More about the Rev. Dr. Jane Adams Spahr Collection](#)



### Bringing Spirituality Out of the Closet A CLGS Lavender Lunch

View this video recording featuring Rev. Dr. **Roland Stringfellow** who explores the unique ways that congregations can include LGBTQ individuals in every aspect of their community life.

[Click Here for the Video Recording!](#)



### Queering Lent: A CLGS Sacred Texts Workshop

In this workshop Revs. **Lauren Bennett** and **Jakob Hero-Shaw** look at the Year B Lectionary and offer supplemental materials that highlight queer icons and heroes who can enrich our Lenten journey and our hope of resurrection.

[Click for the Video Recording!](#)

## Dancing Lions: Queer Asian Aesthetics, Ritual, and Movement Building



Check out a video recording of this CLGS *AAP/ Roundtable Workshop* in which **Maij Maij** invites us to explore lion dancing’s embodiment of queer Asian aesthetics, ritual, and movement building and to consider adopting this framework as a way of embracing the culture-shifting possibilities of Queer Asian existence within our faith communities and current socio-spiritual landscapes.

[Learn More](#)

## 52 Ways to Expand Your Welcome to LGBTQ+ People and Our Families

Check out our 2024 edition of this popular weekly blog and explore with us **show your faith community can become more welcoming** to – and inclusive of – **LGBTQ+ People and Our Families**

Learn More about our 52 Ways!



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