

News and Events: April 2025



James Baldwin and Black Queer Prophetic Lament (and Hope?)



Prof. Bryan Massingale
The CLGS 2025 Boswell Lecture

Join us ONLINE – Thursday, **8 May 2025** at 4pm (Pacific Time) – for our **18th Annual CLGS John E. Boswell Lecture** with Professor **Bryan Massingale** of Fordham University!

[Click HERE](#) to register for this online CLGS

Applications are Open for Our 2025-2026 Trans Religious Leadership Cohort!



TRANS RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP COHORT

Empowering students in spiritual formation

For the last thirteen years, CLGS, the **Freedom Center for Social Justice** and the **National LGBTQ Task Force** have sponsored a program for transgender, nonbinary, and gender non-conforming seminarians and religious leaders in training in the United States. Our goal is to encourage trans students during their training for religious leadership so that they complete their degrees, feel equipped to follow their vocation, and also embrace the fact that their impact as faith leaders can and should extend beyond their chosen settings.

Application Deadline is 1 May 2025!

Click [HERE](#) for more information on our Trans Religious Leadership Cohort

[The Value of Gay Pride and the Gospel Call to Radical Inclusion](#)





Dear CLGS ,

"By seeking to ban public expressions of LGBTQ+ identity, Hungarian politicians are violating fundamental human rights; they also reveal a troubling disregard for democratic civic values and basic religious principles."

But Pride is something that we queer people will continue to celebrate, even – and especially – in times of oppression.

[Click here to read Bernie Schlager's reflection!](#)

Creating Trans-Affirming Religious Communities with **Rev. Jakob Hero-Shaw** | A *CLGS Transgender Roundtable Workshop*

This CLGS Transgender Roundtable interactive

workshop will empower religious leaders, both lay and ordained, to move beyond the concept of “trans inclusion” and into a mindset of **holistic affirmation for trans, nonbinary, and genderqueer people in your**



religious community..

ONLINE: Thursday, 10 April 2025 @ 1pm (Pacific Time)



[Click HERE to join this online CLGS Event](#)



Check out our **Spring 2025 Programming Calendar!**

We have planned an extensive, diverse, and exciting set of online programs for **Spring 2025**, including our 18th Annual CLGS Boswell Lecture; four Lavender Lunches; African American Roundtable events; a series of Latinx programs; new workshops in our CLGS *Sacred Texts* series; Transgender Roundtable programming — and more!

[Click HERE to download the CLGS Spring 2025 Programming Calendar](#)



QUEERING EASTER TO PENTECOST

A CLGS Sacred Texts Workshop with Revs. **Lauren Bennett** and **Jakob Hero-Shaw**
Tuesday, 15 April 2025 @ 1pm (Pacific) | ONLINE

Join Revs. **Lauren Bennett** and **Jakob Hero-Shaw** as we explore with them methods of queering texts for Holy Week, Easter, Eastertide, and Pentecost!

Thursday, 15 April 2025 at 1pm (Pacific Time)

[Click HERE to join this ONLINE CLGS Sacred Texts Event](#)

Embodying Peace & Purpose
A CLGS/PSR Chapel Service
with the CLGS African American
Roundtable

Preacher: Dr. **Pamela Ayo Yetunde**

Join us for this **CLGS/PSR Chapel Service**
on **Tuesday, 25 April 2025** at 11:10am
(Pacific Time)!



Click [HERE](#) to join this CLGS/PSR Chapel Service ONLINE



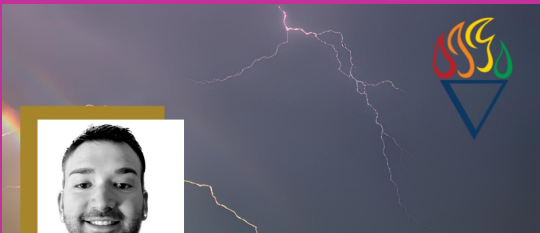
***Mestizaje Confronts
#AmericanFacism*** with **Jorge
Aquino, PhD** | A CLGS *Latinx*
Roundtable Event

In this *CLGS Latinx Roundtable* event
Professor **Jorge Aquino** (University of San
Francisco) proposes a theo-politics response
to Trumpism 2.0, folding the first-generation
concept of *mestizaje* into an intersectional
framework.

ONLINE: Thursday, 1 May 2025 @ 4:30pm (Pacific Time)

Click [HERE](#) to join this online CLGS Latinx Roundtable Event

CLGS Resources



This *CLGS Lavender Lunch* workshop
delves into the research of Dr. **Eric Hess**,
which explores the experiences of Queer
current and former students navigating



current and former students navigating
fundamentalist Christian educational
institutions.

[Click HERE to view a videorecording!](#)



In this *CLGS Latinx Roundtable* workshop **Cecilia Titizano la Fuente**, PhD, explores the intersections of *Latinidad*, indigenous heritage, and Christian spirituality.

[Click HERE to view a videorecording!](#)



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