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The 13th Annual JOHN E. BOSWELL LECTURE
CLGS 2020

*Enfleshing Eros,
Healing Earth:*

A QUEERLY CHRISTIAN PERFORMANCE OF
ECOLOGICAL RENEWAL IN THREE ACTS

THURSDAY, 23 APRIL 2020, 6:30PM
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

Rev. Dr. Jay Emerson Johnson
PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY AND CULTURE,
PACIFIC SCHOOL OF RELIGION



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*The Rev. Carla E. Roland
Guzmán | Coordinator, CLGS
Latinx Roundtable*

The CLGS Latinx Roundtable (LRT): Faith, Family, Equality/ Fe, Familia, Igualdad: The Latinx Roundtable - Expanding Our Reach

In 2020 the LRT will focus on developing new resources (including one on HIV/AIDS and another on Immigration), and we will continue to distribute our existing materials throughout the United States and Latin America.

We will also work with LGBTQ+ immigrants fleeing violence from the northern triangle of Central America: this work at the southern US border will give us an opportunity to partner with the CLGS Trans Roundtable and other faith organizations involved in this work. Working in collaboration with other CLGS Roundtables is an excellent example of LRT's advantages in being a part of the Center.

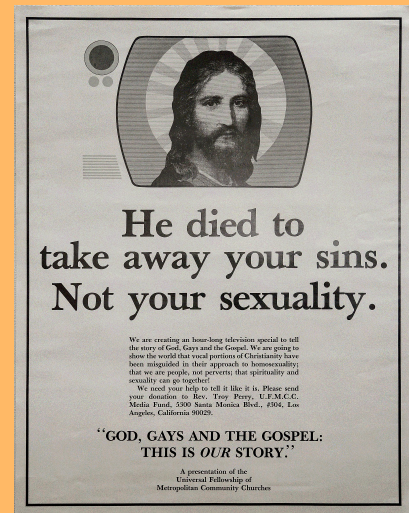
[Click here to read Rev. Guzmán's Article](#)

Standing on Holy Ground: Metropolitan Community Churches and LGBTQ- Affirming Religion: A CLGS Exhibition at the GTU Library

This exhibition includes a sampling of items from the **CLGS MCC Archives** which are currently being processed; they will eventually be housed at The Graduate Theological Union Library in Berkeley, California.

Including artwork, photographs, denominational publications, and news reports, this exhibition provides you, the viewer, with the opportunity to explore - and to celebrate! - a denomination which was one of the first to embrace and affirm lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people as beloved children of the Divine.

[For more Exhibition details, click here!](#)



CLGS Jewish Queeries Series: Thursday, 13 February 2020

Rabbah Rona Matlow: Using Midrash as a Tool for Social Justice

In this Queeries Series event we will explore what Midrash is classically, and how it can be used in a modern context to queer texts, religious and secular. We will start with a foundational text of the United States to show that the process works with secular texts as well.

We will then explore two original texts written by the presenter. Following this, participants will work



individually or in small groups to write a short Midrash on the foundational text of their choice. This text can be any text, secular or religious, political, factual, fictitious, or religious from any faith. Volunteers will then be asked to share their work, and the group will explore how these writings can help bring justice to the fractured world.

This Queeries Series will be livestreamed and posted on the CLGS Facebook Page.

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A CLGS Lavender Lunch: "Better Things for Shattered United Methodists" with Bishop Roy Sano

What is next for the United Methodist Church, which has struggled to stay united given disagreements over the place of LGBTQ people in the denomination, same-gender marriage ceremonies, and the permissibility of ordaining LGBTQ pastors?



Bishop Roy Sano, 2019-2020 **Bishop in Residence at Pacific School of Religion**, served on the PSR faculty from 1975 to 1984, teaching courses in Pacific and Asian American Theologies and Ministries; United Methodist History, Doctrine, and Polity; and Baptism and the Eucharist. While at PSR, he also directed PACTS, the Pacific and Asian American Center for Theologies and Strategies. He has served pastorates in Northern and Southern California and New York City; and as Chaplain and faculty at Mills College in Oakland, California.

Tuesday, 25 February 2020, from 12pm to 1:10pm on the PSR Campus. This Lavender Lunch will be livestreamed and posted on the CLGS Facebook page.

Come join the discussion!

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HIV/AIDS Ministry: Past and Present

CLGS and CARE (The Center for the Arts & Religion at the Graduate Theological



Union) are proud to co-sponsor this panel discussion on HIV/AIDS Ministry: Past and Present.

Presented in conjunction with CARE's Spring exhibition AFTER/LIFE, which features the work of Ed Aulerich-Sugai and Mark, our panelists will discuss spirituality, ministry, and community in the midst of a pandemic.

Moderated by Dr. Bernard Schlager (CLGS Executive Director), our panelists include:

- Bishop Yvette A. Flunder (City of Refuge UCC),
- Rabbi Jane Litman (Jewish Roundtable of CLGS and Rabbi, Chico Havurah),
- Rev. Elder Jim Mitulski (Interim Pastor, Island United Church UCC, Foster City and AIDS activist), and
- Dr. Steven Tierney (Professor Emeritus, Counseling Psychology, California Institute of Integral Studies, and Clinical Director, Seeds of Awareness, Oakland)

DETAILS: **Thursday, 12 March 2020, from 5-7pm**, in the Doug Adams Gallery: 2465 LeConte Avenue in Berkeley, CA. This event will be livestreamed and recorded on the CLGS Facebook Page. **Come join us!**

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