

An Anglican Synthesis - Course Overview

Oct. 3 1. Tudor Beginnings

- In the beginning, there was a “word” ; Metanoia in translation and its effects
- Late Medieval Catholicism - a textured snapshot
- Lollardy, Lutheranism and Early Reformation scholarship at Cambridge and Oxford
- What about Henry? Reformation within Catholicism under Henry VIII
- The brutal economics of reform and the Pilgrimage of Grace
- Calvinism and the Reformation during Edward VI’s Regency
- Of “Christmas Games” and the unwanted Reformation

Oct. 10 2. Enter the Ladies

- Counter-Reformation under Mary Tudor and Reginald Pole
- Exiles of two persuasions; German Lutheranism and Genevan Calvinism
- Martyrs and the beginnings of Protestant Hagiography
- The Elizabethan Settlement and a church “but halfly reformed”
- Papal pronouncements and the politics of Recusant faithfulness
- The “godly sort” and the beginnings of Puritanism
- The parochial reality; Pews, Prurience and Poverty in the Elizabethan Parish

Oct. 17 3. A Full House: Four Stuarts and a Cromwell

- James VI and I; Irenic Ecclesiology in conflict with Elizabethan Protestantism
- The attempted “Reunion of Christendom” and its legacy
- Jacobus Harmens and the Council of Dordrecht; the beginnings of Arminianism
- Charles I and Henrietta Maria, Church and Monarchy at odds: the Thirty Years war and British Isolationism
- The Civil War, Regicide and the Protectorate; the beginning of the end of a “Church of England” ; Reformed, Radical and Anarchistic Religion
- Charles II; Restoration, Rationalism and Liturgical Ossification
- James II; Crypto-Catholicism, Revolution and the beginnings of a Celtic Tragedy

Oct. 27 4. Wesley, Wilberforce and Evangelical Renewal

- Ecclesial sterility, the church of Jane Austen and civil religious observance
- North American developments; evangelicalism and local autonomy in the colonies
- Quakers, Shakers and the move towards religious toleration
- Whitehead's Revivalism and its effect on John and Charles Wesley
- From Wesleyanism to Methodism; the reconversion of the "lesser sort" and the isolation of the "better sort"
- The American Rebellion and its Ecclesiastical aftermath on both sides of the Atlantic
- "We preach in advance of the Army/We skirmish ahead of the Church" the beginnings of Empire and the origins of the Missionary movements
- The Clapham Sect, William Wilberforce and the Abolition of Slavery
- Darwinian Theory and the Alienation of Faith from Science

Oct. 31 5. A Canadian "Anglican Synthesis"

- A modern "church divided"; English Evangelicalism and the Oxford Movement, or the sport of Ecclesiastical Prize-Fighting
- F. D. Maurice and Christian Socialism
- An extraterritorial archdeaconry of London; early developments of a church in British North America; the Cridge-Hill conflict as a case study
- The Colenso "affair" and the real origins of an "Anglican Communion"
- The Emergence of Anglican Provinces and the Solemn Declaration of the Anglican Church of Canada
- Canadian Anglicanism; Debate, Dialogue and Reconciliation