

THE BOOK OF CHRONICLES & the Church

Theology, Continuity, Innovation, and the Kingdom of God

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With panel responses by

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9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

(Registration at 8:30)

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The book of Chronicles contains an alternative vision of Israel's past, one that promotes innovation while remaining faithful to the people's heritage. While the book of Kings explains why the people ended up in exile ("how we got into this mess"), the book of Chronicles was written after the exile in the midst of significant cultural shifts to provide a way forward ("where do we go from here"). Schweitzer proposes that Chronicles is highly relevant to the Church as it attempts to imagine its future. Participants will explore several central themes in the book and think together about how Chronicles might help the Church to be faithful in the midst of cultural change, and to consider worship and seeking God as the book's core message for those who participate in God's Kingdom. Old Testament scholars Bob Neff and Christina Bucher will respond to Schweitzer's proposals and dialogue together about its possibilities for the life of the Church.

Cost: \$60 (includes light breakfast, lunch, and 0.6 CEUs)

Registration due to SVMC by April 11, 2016

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