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Before coming to Regent College in 2005, Hans Boersma taught for six years at Trinity Western University in Langley, BC (1999 to 2005). He also served as a pastor for several years (1994–1998). He is the author of a number of books, including *Seeing God: The Beatific Vision in Christian Tradition* (Eerdmans, 2018); *Scripture as Real Presence: Sacramental Exegesis in the Early Church* (Baker Academic, 2017); *Sacramental Preaching: Sermons on the Hidden Presence of Christ* (Baker Academic, 2016); *Embodiment and Virtue in Gregory of Nyssa: An Analogical Approach* (Oxford University Press, 2013); *Heavenly Participation: The Weaving of a Sacramental Tapestry* (Eerdmans 2011); *Nouvelle Théologie and Sacramental Ontology: A Return to Mystery* (Oxford University Press, 2009); and *Violence, Hospitality and the Cross: Reappropriating the Atonement Tradition* (Baker Academic, 2004). He is also co-editor of *The Oxford Handbook of Sacramental Theology* (Oxford University Press, 2015).

Among Hans Boersma's main theological interests are Catholic thought, the church fathers, and the spiritual interpretation of Scripture. He and his wife Linda live in Langley, BC. They attend Saint Matthew's Anglican Church in Abbotsford, BC.

Dr. Boersma has recently been hired to become the new Chair of Ascetical Theology at Nashotah House beginning this summer.

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Chalcedon, Richard Hooker, and the Anglican Way of Real Participation

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Sacramentalism: Anglicanism and Participation

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Contemplation: Anglicanism and the Beatific Vision

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Typology: Anglicanism and Scripture

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Sacrificial Worship: Anglicanism and Eucharist

Lecture 6: Dr. Hans Boersma
Harmony: Anglicanism and the Beauty of the Psalms

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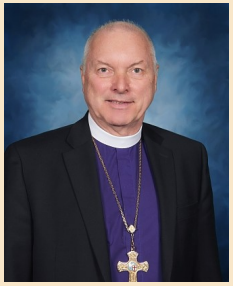
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The Great Tradition and The Anglican Way

The Most Rev. Ray R. Sutton

If there is one conference to understand how the Anglican mind is supposed to work, this is the one! This is a rare opportunity to hear one of the finest modern Anglican theologians, Dr. Hans

Boersma, present to us today what is known as “The Great Tradition.” In many ways, what Dr. Boersma will offer to us is consistent with the Great Tradition as understood by the Anglican Way in the writings of the 16th century divine, Richard Hooker.

Hooker’s theology has been characterized as “Chalcedonian,” referring back to the Council of Chalcedon in A.D. 451. It was there that the two natures of Christ, Divine and Human, were explained as participating in each other while neither being co-mingled nor remaining separate. Put another way, Hooker spoke of Christian theology as that of the real participation of two worlds in each other, heaven and earth, by means of Jesus Christ. In the words of the Council of Chalcedon, He is “truly God and truly Man . . . inconfusedly, unchangeably, indivisibly, inseparably.”

Throughout the history of the Anglican Way, this Chalcedonian and Incarnational model of how the present world can participate in heaven through Word and Sacrament has appeared at extraordinary moments, from the early Celtic Christians to the English Reformers, to the Inklings of the last century.

Perhaps no movement in the Anglican Way expressed so powerfully a theology of real participation as did C.S. Lewis, Charles Williams, and all those amazing thinkers who met at the Eagle and Child Pub in Oxford, England. They did it by means of essay, as well as Christian fantasy, with provocative images such as a bedroom wardrobe, conveying at the back of it, a world beyond, that is also part of this world!

This year, at our Anglican Way Institute, we have as our keynote speaker Dr. Hans Boersma. He served as the J.I Packer Professor of Theology at Regent College since 2005 and has recently been named the Chair of Ascetical Theology at Nashotah House.

He has perhaps in greater detail, and better than any other in recent times, articulated the clearest and best Anglican model of theology based on the Great Tradition of Christian Platonism. It’s summarized well in his seminal work, *Heavenly Participation: The Weaving of a Sacramental Tapestry*.

Dr. Boersma will begin with his first talk on *Sacramentalism*, by offering his thesis of Christian Platonism through the insightful, lucid, and creative work of C.S. Lewis, to distinguish mere symbol from sacrament. He will then cover the important topic of *Contemplation* in his second presentation on the *Beatific Vision*. Third, he addresses the essential matter of *Anglicanism and Scripture* with the development of a sacramental hermeneutic closer to how Christ, the Apostles and the Church Fathers understood the Old and New Testaments. Fourth, Dr. Boersma will turn to the topic of worship with a teaching on the sacrifice of Christ and how we participate in it by way of the Blessed Sacrament. Our speaker’s talks will conclude on the important subject of *beauty* presented in the Book of Psalms, as a means of participating in the heavenly realm.

Like I said at the beginning, if one were going to pick one conference to understand the mind of the Anglican Way, it would have to be this year’s Anglican Way Institute. Bring your friends and your priest or pastor! Neither will be disappointed!!



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(Matthew 28:19-20)

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