

INAUGURAL NEW ENGLAND ANGLICAN STUDIES CONFERENCE

# THE OPEN BODY

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HARVARD DIVINITY SCHOOL

We are one body, the body of Christ (1 Cor 6:15, 12:12). But we are an open body, open to other bodies outside the Anglican Communion, or indeed outside the body of Christ. How should we understand ourselves as this *open body*--open to whom, to what, how and why? We seek to flesh out implicit understandings of embodiment that inform Episcopal and Anglican engagement with other bodies, including individuals, denominations, traditions, and institutions--religious and secular. How are these bodies in communion with the Anglican body and the greater body of Christ?

Join us as we explore our understanding of the Church, interfaith dialogue, politics, spiritual formation, mystical theology, and social justice. There will be numerous opportunities for conversation and reflection throughout the day, with a keynote address:

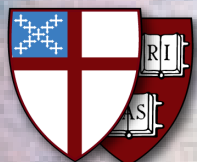
“Formation, Exile, and Encounter” by  
Mark Jordan, R.R. Niebuhr Professor of Divinity

Papers from: Charles Stang, Susanna Snyder, Richard Valantasis, Cameron Partridge, Robert Tobin, Denise Yarbrough, Larry Wills, Liza Anderson, Marisa Egerstrom, Chris Ashley, and Katherine Black.

A panel moderated by Jeff Bridges on religion and politics with: Katherine Ragsdale, progressive activist, President-Episcopal Divinity School; Susanna Snyder, Professor- Contemporary Society and Christian Ethics, EDS; M.Thomas Shaw, SSJE, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts

And, a closing Eucharist in celebration of the open body.

**For more information**, including a schedule, paper topics, and registration forms, go to [www.hdsepisc.org](http://www.hdsepisc.org). Registration is \$15 and includes lunch.



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