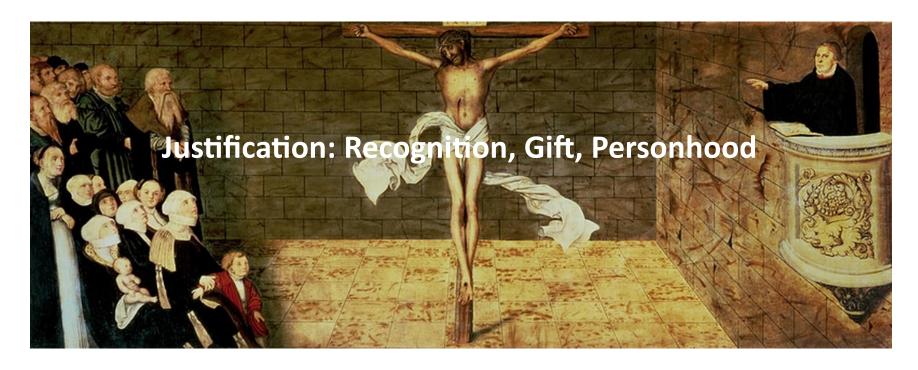


SEMINAR INVITATION and CALL FOR PAPERS



27. November, 2024

Aarhus University, build. 1453, Room 415

The doctrine of justification is the cornerstone of Evangelical Lutheran theology. It orients the other articles of the Church's confession (*articulus stantis et cadentis ecclesiae*)—not only effecting a distinction between Christ as gift and example, but also allowing for a proper understanding of creation, sin, anthropology, and even eschatology. Yet the precise form, content, and implications of justification have been anything but obvious. They have continued to be the subject of intense debate. Some have criticized a purely forensic understanding of justification; others have insisted on its purely forensic character. Some, finally, wonder whether the juxtaposition is at all adequate.

This discussion cannot help but relate historical and biblical interpretation to broader contemporary understandings and modes of elucidation.

This seminar brings together scholars who have all tried new approaches to understanding the doctrine of justification, focusing on the relationship between promise and trust, between justification and reciprocity, between divine justification and the social need of recognition, between word and reality, and on the ontology of promise.

The seminar is open and free, but registration is required. Send an email to lumen@cas.au.dk by 1 October.

Deadline for short presentation proposals is **15 September**. Send a 500word proposal to **lumen@cas.au.dk** . Response by 1 October.

Lunch at own expense

Program (preliminary)

10:30-10:40: Welcome and introduction by the organisers

10:40-11:25 Piotr Malysz, PhD. Associate Professor of Divinity , Samford

University, US: Luther's Ontology of Promise

11.25-12:10: **Olli-Pekka Vainio**, PhD. Professor in Dogmatics, University of Helsinki: *The Seven-Headed Mammoth in the China Shop: Remarks on the Justification Doctrine as a Criterion*

12:10-13:15 Lunch

13:15-14:00: **Anna Vind**, PhD. Associate Professor in Church History, University of Copenhagen: *Word and ontology in renaissance and reformation: Different truth-conceptions?*

14:00-14:30: Short presentation (Call for papers)

14:30-15:00: Short presentation (Call for papers)

15:00-15:30 Coffee Break

15:30-16:15: **Sasja Emilie Mathiasen Stopa**, PhD. post.doc, Aarhus University: *Justification as a social ontology of mutual recognition*

16:15-17:00: **Bo Kristian Holm**, PhD. Professor mso in Dogmatics, Aarhus

University: The Multidimensionality of Promise

17:00-17:30 Concluding discussion

Organisers:

Piotr Malysz, AUFF Guest Researcher Bo Kristian Holm, Head of LUMEN







