

Patristic and Medieval Christianity  
Michiana Covenant Presbyterian Church  
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Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

| <u>Class Schedule</u>                                      | <u>Readings</u>  |
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| 1. January 30 Week One:                                    |  |
| 1. Introduction: How the Church Grew                       |  |
| 2. Overview 30-600 (Political/Ecclesiastical/Geographical) |  |
| 2. February 6 Week Two:                                    | 82p  |
| 3. 1 Clement   | 1 Clement in ECF, 43-73  |
| 4. Ignatius/ polity/persecution                            | Ignatius in ECF, 87-93, 102-106, 112-120 (to the Ephesians, to the Romans, to the Smyrnaeans, to Polycarp); Martyrdom of Polycarp, in ECF 149-160; Didache in ECF, 171-182         |
| 3. February 20 Week Three:                                 | 129p   |
| 5. Irenaeus and Gnosticism (56p)                           | Irenaeus, Against Heresies, III.16-24, IV.1-15, 19-26, 37-41   |
| 6. Hermeneutics & Preaching                                | Melito On Pascha (16p); Origen, First Principles, Bk 4 (46p); Chrysostom, Homilies 8 and 10 from Matthew (11p)   |
| 4. February 27 Week Four:                                  | 164p   |
| 7. Arius and the Failure of Nicea                          | CLF, 329-345; Athanasius, On the Incarnation, CLF, 55-110)   |
| 8. The Cappadocian Solution                                | Gregory of Nyssa, Religious Instruction, CLF 268-325; Basil the Great, On the Holy Spirit (41p)  |
| 5. March 5 Week Five:                                      | 77p  |
| 9. Christological Controversy                              | Cyril and Nestorius (coursepack & CLF)   |
| 10. Monophysites & Monothelites                            | Maximus, Opuscles 7 and 3 (coursepack)   |
| 6. March 19 Week Six:                                      | 160p   |
| 11. Augustine – Life/Confessions                           | Augustine Confessions Bks 1-2, 7-10 (160p)   |
| 12. Augustine the Bishop                                   |  |
| 7. March 26 Week Seven:                                    | 164p   |
| 13. Monasticism  | Augustine, Monastic Rules, 50-98, 106-121  |
| 14. Hermeneutics   | Augustine, On Christian Doctrine, books 1 (all), 3 (all), and 4.12.27-31.64 (pages 3-33, 78-116, 136-169)  |
| 8. April 2 Week Eight                                      | 125p   |
| 15. Eastern Churches– history                              |  |
| 16. Eastern Churches– theology                             | John of Damascus & Liturgy   |
| 9. April 16 Week Nine                                      | 135p   |
| 17. Gregory the Great                                      | Gregory, Pastoral Rule, parts 1-2, part 3 (prologue & 39-40), part 4 (55p)   |
| 18. Western Christendom to the Carolingians                | Rule of St. Benedict, 15-96  |
| 10. April 23 Week Ten                                      | 148p   |
| 19. Investiture Controversy, 1050-1215                     |  |
| 20. Monastic Reform through Francis & Dominic              | Bernard On Conversion & Sermons on the Song of Songs 1 & 2 (45p); Bonaventure The Mind's Road to God (39p); Anselm Cur Deus Homo (54p); Aquinas on the Eternity of the World (10p) |

