

An Ecology of Health

Ecology health acknowledges the interconnectedness of creation. It recognises that fulfilment through a sustainable vision of planetary well-being. Focus is placed upon the environmental factors that constitute health and ill health, while the inclusiveness of this heading gives rise to our overall theological categorisation of health as an ecology of balanced relationships.

Global health emphasises the global community and the socio-political dimensions of health. Here, the pursuit of peace and justice are seen as fundamental to any understanding of health and healing. We are particularly concerned to emphasise, and contribute to, a culture of peace and justice in contrast to a culture of violence, and we seek to do this by challenging both the logic and practice of retribution ideologies whether in their theological or secular forms.

Personal health focuses upon our physical and mental wellbeing. Here, both medical practices and the other healing arts are explored through the interpretative lens of the Christian story. Emphasis is placed upon a holistic model of human personhood that acknowledges the multiple influences constituting human wellbeing, whilst also challenging definitions of health and ill health that isolate an individual from the wider relational contexts with which they live.

Spiritual health draws attention to the specifically cultural contexts through which all human experience is filtered. Here, emphasis is placed upon the Christian story as the primary mode of interpretation through which we come to know ourselves and our community as either healthy or unhealthy. Spirituality is defined in this context as the symbolic mode of experience through which we gain insight into, and value for, our lives.

None of the above categorisations can be understood in isolation, and so the Centre's methodology is based upon a conversational encounter between these four overlapping strands



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'We are a place where God is happening'

'Being Human' by Rowan Williams

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Summer School 2022

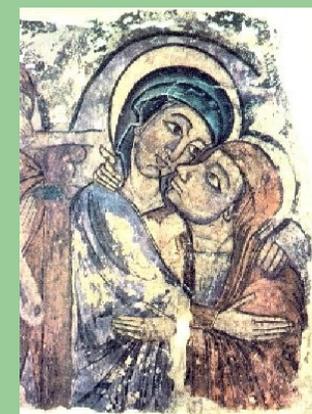
*'Behold, I am making
all things new'*

Christology for our time

Mon 4th July 12am - Thurs 7th July 2pm

INFORMATION & PROGRAMME

Non-residents are welcome to attend
Please contact the office to book
sessions and meals



*Part of the ministry of
Holy Rood House
Centre for Health and Pastoral Care.*

Revd Prof June Boyce-Tillman
MBE Convenor of Music, Spirituality and Wellbeing International, and Consultant to Holy Rood House since 1993 and prolific author



Helen Warwick Residential Community Member and arts chaplain, spiritual director & spiritual writer



Dr Alison Jasper Feminist Theologian, Honorary Research Fellow in the Faculty

of Social Sciences at the University of Stirling



Revd Prof David Jasper
 Honorary Professorial Research Fellow (School of Critical Studies) Glasgow University



Revd Becky Roberts
 Vicar of Harnham, Salisbury, Becky is a feminist, pastoral theologian and artist.



Rev Liz Crumlish, writer,
 Pastoral and Cross Professional Supervisor and Educator, Priest in Scottish Episcopal Church.

All our speakers bring vast experience across many fields and together we will explore how we may be involved in 'making all things new' as we seek to respond to a changing, wounded world. Together we take stock of the present, learn from the past and move on to help make all things new for the future as we commence our 30th year.

'Holy Rood sits with the complexities and tangle of the lives that come to it, rather than preaching a simplicity or suggesting it can all easily be straightened out and sorted.'

March 2022

The Bookstall and shop will be available in the 'Blue Lounge' throughout the week

Monday 4th July

Midday Arrivals and registration
 1.00 Lunch
 2.30 Welcome, opening remarks
Revd Elizabeth Baxter MPhil
 3.30 Tea
 4.00 Rev Prof David Jasper: Lecture
'Poetry and the Theology of the Incarnation'
 A close reading of three poems that bring to life the mystery and triumph of redemption and salvation in the new life of Christ at Easter.
 6.00 Dinner
 7.30 Continuing the conversation with a glass of wine

Tuesday 5th July

8.00 Help yourself breakfast
 9.00 Prayers & Reflection with Elizabeth
 10.00 Revd Prof June Boyce-Tillman
 Lecture 'Godding the Circle'
 a new song from the old to enrich the as-yet-unborn ...Looking at renewing as rediscovery and reworking of older Wisdom traditions which are continually being reborn. Presenting a circular view of Divine activity including healing, community, visionary and ecological musicking and the current role of technology in this process. There is nothing new under the sun.
 11.00 Coffee break
 11.30 Continuing the Conversation
 1.00 Lunch
 3.30 Tea & cake & Book Launch :
'Stories of the Well' Recovering Story and workshop with author Revd Liz Crumlish
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 6.00 Dinner
 7.30 River walk and relaxing together

Wednesday 6th July

8.00 Help yourself breakfast
 9.00 Prayers & Reflection with Elizabeth
 10.00 Rev Becky Roberts: a presentation of ideas and discussion around 'Trauma and Theology'
 11.00 Coffee break
 11.30 Continuing the conversation
 12.30 Lunch

2.00

Experiential Lecture: Helen Warwick
'Ancient Wisdom, New Communities'
 drawing on research into Wisdom of the Self in relation with Divine Wisdom and how this creative synergy forms community.

3.30

Tea

4.00

Dr Alison Jasper: Lecture:
'A theology of hope for partial survival and flourishing in a damaged world' ... considering the new in a context of (post) colonial and environmental degradation, searching for radical hope in the work of feminists Donna Haraway and Mayra Rivera

6.00

Dinner

7.30

Continuing the conversation with a glass of wine

Thursday 7th July

8.00 Help yourself breakfast
 9.30 Eucharist in the Garden/Chapel
 10.30 Coffee
 11.30 Panel & Responsive Reflection
 1.00 Lunch and farewells

Delegates are welcome to stay overnight and continuing the conversation.

Contact Carolyn for arrangements

For CPD certificates available

Suggested Donations for this event:
Full residential costs from 4th—7th: £295.00

A small bursary may be possible.

FOR BOOKINGS PLEASE CONTACT:
enquiries@holyroodhouse.org.uk

Non-Residential guests are welcome to all or part of the Summer School. Please inform the office of attendance, including any meals, and arrangements can be made with you regarding costs.

Please gift-aid your donation if possible.
 Forms will be available at registration.

Please send a deposit of £50 by 1st June.
 The remainder on registration or as arranged.

'I, like many, first found Holy Rood as a place to turn to in a time of crisis – valuing the community's non-intrusive hospitality. Through that contact I discovered the theological community that thrives throughout. It has become to me a community to be part of – for my personal spirituality and, in recent years, my vocation and ministry, that theological community I feel strongly part of.'