

ST625 God the Father

Course Syllabus—short form—Fall Semester 2017
(a full syllabus will be provided on the first day of class)
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I. **Course description** (modified from Catalog description)

An introduction to Systematic Theology as “faith seeking understanding.” The course will discuss the nature, sources, and method of Systematic Theology. It will include discussion of God’s revelation to humanity, the supremacy and authority of Scripture, the existence and nature of the Triune God, creation, humanity, sin and evil, God’s providence and care of creation. The approach will be classically Anglican, drawing on historic Anglican sources and in conversation with other orthodox Christian traditions.

II. **Required course texts**

- McGrath, Alister. *The Christian Theology Reader, 5th Ed.* ISBN-13: 978-1118874387. List Price: \$49.95.
- Oden, Thomas. *Classic Christianity: A Systematic Theology.* HarperOne, 2009. ISBN-13: 978-0061449710. List Price: \$39.99.
- Other sources will be provided online at GOOGLE---CLASSROOM.
- NB: One other course text may be added, TBD.

III. **Course design**

This course will follow the outline given in the course description above: the nature, sources, and method of Christian theology, God’s revelation to humanity, the supremacy and authority of Scripture, the existence and nature of the Triune God, creation, humanity, sin and evil, and God’s providence and care of creation. Each class session will include a combination of lecture and large group discussion (possibly small group, depending on numbers).

IV. **Course grading**

A combination of classroom participation, weekly reading requirements, and three 8-10 page papers will serve as the requirements and grade basis for the course. Classroom participation will count for 12.5% of the course grade, as will the reading. The three papers will each count for 75% of the grade.