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The Schrag Lectures are sponsored by Messiah College's Sider Institute for Anabaptist, Pietist and Wesleyan Studies. Named in honor of professor emeritus E. Morris Sider and his wife Leone, the Sider Institute facilitates the exploration and interpretation of Anabaptism, Pietism and Wesleyanism through a variety of educational opportunities and scholarly programs. These three theological traditions have long shaped the personality of Messiah College's founding denomination—the Brethren in Christ Church—and continue to inform the College's educational mission.

The objectives of the Sider Institute include the following:

- To support programming that encourages and promotes a greater understanding of Anabaptism, Pietism and Wesleyanism
- To promote the understanding and exploration of Brethren in Christ history and contemporary life
- To promote peace and conflict studies (PACS) and to oversee the PACS program at Messiah College, especially the peace and conflict studies major and minor in the Messiah College curriculum

Messiah College has created endowments to support the work of the Brethren in Christ Historical Library and Archives, the Sider Institute and the Schrag Lectures, and to provide scholarship assistance to Brethren in Christ students at Messiah College.

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THE 2017
ANNUAL

SCHRAG/ PEACE LECTURES

***"Shrinking Your Church to Discover
the Kingdom: The Cost and Joy of
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Dr. Greg Boyd

**March 27-28, 2017
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Lecture #1: "Towel Power: Jesus' Foot-Washing Way of Changing the World" *

Monday, March 27, 7 p.m.

The Meeting House (Carlisle Campus)

1155 Walnut Bottom Rd.

Carlisle, Pennsylvania 17015

Lecture #2: "Revelation: Reflecting on John's Violently Anti-Violence War Scroll" *

Tuesday, March 28, 9:45 a.m.

Brubaker Auditorium, Messiah College

Sider Institute Annual Banquet

Tuesday, March 28, 5 p.m.

Howe Atrium, Boyer Hall, Messiah College

Advanced reservations required.

The cost of the banquet is \$15 per person.

To make reservations, visit the Sider Institute website (messiah.edu/siderinstitute), call 717-766-2511 ext. 2999, or mail a check to:

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Space is limited and reservations must be made by March 22.

Lecture #3: "Shrinking Your Church to Discover the Kingdom: The Cost and Joy of Embracing Anabaptism" *

Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m.

Hostetter Chapel, Messiah College

** These lectures are open to the Messiah College community and the general public. No ticket is required.*



ABOUT THE 2017 SCHRAG/ PEACE LECTURER

Dr. Greg Boyd is an internationally recognized theologian, preacher, teacher, apologist and author. He is also co-founder and senior pastor of Woodland Hills Church in St. Paul, Minnesota, and founder and

president of ReKnew Ministries (ReKnew.org).

Boyd received his Ph.D. from Princeton Theological Seminary (1988), his M.Div. from Yale Divinity School (1982), and his B.A. in philosophy from the University of Minnesota (1979). He was a professor of theology for 16 years at Bethel University (St. Paul, Minnesota) where he received the Teaching Excellence Award and Campus Leadership Award.

In addition to his pastoral and academic work, Boyd is the author or co-author of 20 books and numerous academic articles, including his best-selling and award-winning "Letters From a Skeptic" (Cook, 2008) and "The Myth of a Christian Nation" (Zondervan, 2007), in which Boyd described his journey to and embrace of Anabaptism.

PREVIOUS SCHRAG LECTURERS

2016 Molly Worthen	2007 Barry L. Callen
2015 J. Nelson Kraybill	2006 Keith A. Graber Miller
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2013 David W. Shenk	2004 Susan L. Biesecker-Mast
2012 James Forbes	2003 Nancy R. Heisey
2011 Ronald J. Sider	2002 Tom Yoder Neufeld
2010 Nathan Emerson Yoder	2001 Alan and Eleanor Kreider
2009 June Alliman Yoder	2000 Myron S. Augsburger
2008 Martin Mittelstadt	1999 John D. Roth



IN HONOR OF THE SCHRAGS

The Schrag Lectures are named to honor Martin Schrag (1919-2002), professor emeritus of church history at Messiah College, and his wife, Dorothy Schrag, assistant professor emerita of music. Both were also active in the Brethren in Christ Church.

Martin was an outstanding scholar of Anabaptist history and theology. His best-known publication was "The European History (1525-1874) of the Swiss Mennonites from Volhynia" (1974) in which he traced his ancestors' journey from Switzerland to Russia and then to the United States. With co-author John K. Stoner, he also wrote "The Ministry of Reconciliation" (1973). His last book, "Christian Leshner: Nineteenth-Century Brethren in Christ Bishop" (2003), was in press at the time of his passing. Martin's biography is one of three that are featured in "Embracing Scholarship, Piety and Obedience" (2009), published by the Brethren in Christ Historical Society.