

The Medieval Studies Program and Early College Experience at the
University of Connecticut present the 16th Annual
Medieval Studies Secondary Schools Outreach

Friday, April 4, 2014
9:00 – 2:15

The Bible before C.E. 1000

Location:

Department of History
Wood Hall Basement Lounge
241 Glenbrook Road
University of Connecticut
Storrs Campus
CEUs available

9:00 – 9:55 Registration and Coffee

Period music will be performed during registration from 9:00-9:45 by the University of Connecticut
Collegium Musicum, Director Jonathan Harvey

9:55 - 10:00 Welcome

Sherri Olson
ECE History Coordinator

10:00 – 10:45 Stuart Miller, Department of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages & the Center for Judaic Studies

“Psalm 19, Helios, and a Synagogue Floor”

10:45 – 11:30 Sara Johnson, Department of Literatures, Cultures, and Languages

“Not Lost in Translation: The Greek Bible from Aristeas to the Rabbis”

Lunch 11:45 – 12:45

12:45 – 1:30 Frederick S. Biggs, Department of English

“Bede’s Bible”

1:30 – 2:15 Brandon Hawk, Ph.D. candidate, Medieval Studies Program, University of Connecticut & Fellow, University of Connecticut Humanities Institute (2013-2014)

“Beyond the 'Canon': Christian Apocrypha before 1000”

Composite Bibliography for “the Bible before 1000 C.E.”
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***Professor Stuart Miller:**

This might be of interest since it ties together my interests and is timely and relates to Connecticut history, although not connected with Psalms:

<http://today.uconn.edu/blog/2013/06/uconn-researchers-excavation-highlights-overlooked-chapter-of-jewish-history/>

<http://www.jewishledger.com/2013/06/conversation-with-professor-stuart-miller-connecticut-excavation-sheds-light-on-early-20th-century-jewish-life/>

INTERVIEWS, Radio: NPR Morning Edition, includes link to a short interview and some good pics of Chesterfield. <http://www.yourpublicmedia.org/content/wnpr/archaeological-site-ct-yields-rare-snapshot-early-jewish-life-america>

Nahum Sarna, *Songs of the Heart*. Wonderful intro to the Psalms, very readable. Read his intro 3-24 and/or his chapter on Ps 19 (69-96).

William Brown, *Seeing the Psalms: A Theology of Metaphor*, has a nice chapter on Ps 19 (81-104). My article is from the *Jewish Quarterly Review* 94 (2004)

***Professor Sara Johnson:**

My go-to resource for an English translation and notes for the Letter of Aristeas is the second volume of *Old Testament Pseudepigrapha*, J. H. Charlesworth (Doubleday, 1985); the LtAris is the first piece in the volume.

An older (but still useful) translation online here:

<http://www.ccel.org/c/charles/otpseudepig/aristeas.htm>

***Professor Frederick S. Biggs:**

Scott DeGregorio, ed., *The Cambridge Companion to Bede* (Cambridge, 2010).

C. B. Kendall, *Bede: On Genesis* (Liverpool, 2008).

***Mr. Brandon Hawk:**

I think the best starting point for digging into apocrypha is a fresh-off-the-press book, Tony Burke's *Secret Scriptures Revealed: A New Introduction to the Christian Apocrypha* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2013)--which has a great bibliography and an appendix with references to many other resources in print and online.

Tony Burke also maintains an excellent website devoted to apocrypha (aimed at both popular and scholarly audiences), <http://www.tonyburke.ca>, chock full of things to explore.

In print, the most accessible collection of apocryphal texts is J. K. Elliott, *The Apocryphal New Testament: A Collection of Apocryphal Christian Literature in an English Translation* (Oxford: Clarendon P, 1999).

For even more texts, depth, and scholarly apparatus, there is also *New Testament Apocrypha*, ed. Wilhelm Schneemelcher, trans. R. McL. Wilson, 2 vols (Louisville: Westminster/John Knox P, 1991-92).