



# NAAL NEWSLETTER

September 2011



## 2012 Montréal Annual Meeting January 5-8, 2012

Mark your calendars today!

Registration Opens September 15

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## From the President

Dear NAAL members,

The NAAL Academy Committee has just returned from Montreal for our pre-conference planning meeting, and we are overjoyed with our venue for January's meeting. The city is fully bi-lingual, making communication in either French or English a pleasure. Come prepared to dine in style! The food in Montreal is outstanding with culinary choices from many traditions. There are many historic churches in the city, and we have arranged for church tours during Saturday morning January 7. Our plan is to allow you to visit two or perhaps three churches in the time allowed. Many are within short walking distance from the hotel, some by way of underground passages. Look for tour sign-up possibilities on the on-line Registration form. We will also have recommendations for Shabbat on Friday and for Sunday morning services for those of you wishing to worship in the city before you leave.

As usual, we are looking forward to worshipping together in Montreal and have made plans for the following experiences. Of course we will have our interfaith opening and closing rites; the convention liturgy will be Evening Prayer in the Roman Catholic tradition, a morning prayer in the Byzantine tradition (Festal Matins for St. John Baptist), and the Ecology Seminar will be leading

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### In Paradisum

The Rev. Dr. George Meunich, pastor emeritus of Zion German Evangelical Lutheran Church here in Brooklyn, died suddenly on May 13 at age 71. Pastor Muenich served Zion from 1990 to June 2009, when he retired. He had been a co-founder and longtime president of the Brooklyn Heights Clergy Association. At the time of his death, Pastor Muenich and his wife, Erika, resided in Washington State.

# Montreal 2012!

Important information from Courtney Murtaugh, our Meetings Manager...

Our recent trip to Montréal was very productive, so I have a lot of information to share with you. First, I'd like to share the following reasons NOT TO MISS THE 2012 ANNUAL MEETING:

## *Top 10 Reasons You'll Love Montréal:*

1. Life is just one, big festival.
2. Diet is a four-letter word.
3. We were green before green was cool
4. European charm meets North American vibe.
5. It's a beautiful day in our neighborhoods.
6. We never close.
7. Creative shopping.
8. Lingering is encouraged.
9. We know how to entertain.
10. That certain "je ne sais quoi".

## *NAAL Blog Launched!*

Chelsey Satterlee (Craig's daughter) has created a NAAL Meeting Blog site: [naalmontreal.blogspot.com](http://naalmontreal.blogspot.com). The blog will have the most up to date information regarding meeting and travel information. Thank you Chelsey for donating your time to create this valuable site.

## *Don't speak French, No problem!*

Glenn Byer and Gaëtan Baillargeon are compiling a list of French phrases to assist in our communications with the local residents. This list will be published on the blog around September 1.

## *Hotel Information*

The Hyatt is a lovely hotel located across the Place des Arts. A Metro stop is located in the plaza but everything is very walk able. A downtown map indicating the hotel's location can be accessed here: <http://montreal.hyatt.com/hyatt/hotels/services/maps/index.jsp?icamp=propMapDirections>. In addition, the underground walkway is directly below the hotel. The underground walkway includes a mall with a food court, grocery store, pharmacy, liquor store and health clinic.

The room rate for Montréal is \$165 CD (\$169 USD) per night. I was able to negotiate with the hotel that the room rate will include breakfast and internet service for your stay in Montréal. You will be given a breakfast voucher at check in. To be able to access the internet you will need to sign up as if you are paying but the charges will be deducted from your final bill upon check out. Additionally the same internet access will

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## **From the President, continued...**

another morning service. Our opening rite will be at Christ Church Cathedral, the Anglican Church nearby the hotel, and we are awaiting confirmation for Evening Prayer in the Sacred Heart Chapel of Notre Dame Basilica. We are appreciative of both these communities in opening their doors to us.

This year we have the privilege of hearing Bishop Mark MacDonald the National Indigenous Bishop of the Anglican Church in a sidebar discussion of inculturation on Saturday January 7. Be sure to sign up on the Registration Page for a boxed lunch.

Once again, I remind you to get your passports in order in these next few months. AAA suggests that it takes four weeks to process a passport request. Please bring walking shoes, especially for your time in Old Montreal as the streets are the original cobble stones of the first settlement.

While we could spend all our time visiting the city, seminar time remains a priority for us and we will have 8 ½ hours of seminar time. The hotel has ample meeting room space, and you should enjoy the various amenities it provides.

For those of you beginning a new academic year and for those whose work goes on year round, I wish every blessing until we meet in Montreal.

Catherine Vincie

## Montreal 2012, continued...

be available in the meeting spaces. I am also working on a Preferred Airline discount to help ease the cost of travel. I hope the cost savings obtained will encourage you to attend the annual meeting in Montréal.

For your convenience the hotel reservation site has been opened. You can make your reservation today by clicking the following link. [https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome\\_ei\\_new&eventID=3327227](https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=3327227)

### Group Travel Rates

I am working with Amtrak and United/Air Canada to negotiate a group rate. This rate will be published soon on both the registration site and the blog.

### Meeting Registration Fees

The Annual Meeting Registration site will be available September 15. Fees for the Annual Meeting will be \$285 for Members and \$325 for Visitors. The late fee of \$335/\$375 begins November 16, 2012. \$375 will be the onsite registration fee for both Members and Visitors.

### Dining Options

Most of the restaurants in Montréal and Old Montréal have large alfresco dining areas and reservations are typical. Since we will be in the city during the winter, the dining capacities will be significantly reduced. I highly recommend reservations for your evening dining experiences. There are too many great restaurants to list here but we will be adding recommendations to the blog shortly.

Your breakfast is part of the hotel package. For lunch options there are numerous conve-

niently located restaurants in the same block as the hotel as well as a food court below the hotel on the underground tunnel walkway.

### Evening Entertainment

Some of you have expressed interest in attending a hockey game while in Montréal. I inquired about the schedule and ticketing process while there. Most of the tickets have been sold out for a month or more, however it was recommended that you check the Montréal Canadiens website the 15th of each month to inquire about tickets that will not be used. The website address is [canadiens.nhl.com](http://canadiens.nhl.com).

Notre-Dame Basilica has a light show throughout the week. Information can be found at the following link: [www.therewaslight.ca](http://www.therewaslight.ca).

### Airport Transportation

1. "L'Aerobus" is the shuttle service from the airport to the Montreal Central Bus Station. The shuttle will stop at 3 hotels before reaching the Bus Station. From there, a complimentary shuttle service is available to bring you to our hotel. \$13 CAD one way and \$22.75 CAD round trip. The shuttle operates 4:00am-11:30pm.

[www.autobus.qc.ca](http://www.autobus.qc.ca)

2. Limousine: approximately \$65 CAD one way
3. Taxi: \$38 CAD one way
4. 747 Bus: \$8 CAD: [www.stm.info/English/info/a-747.htm](http://www.stm.info/English/info/a-747.htm)

### NEW NAAL WEBSITE!!!!

Last but not least, over the past few months, we have been working on a new design of the NAAL website. We hope to have the website completely updated by October 1, but rest assured all meeting related pages will be ready by the September 15 opening of registration.

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## Important Links:

The Blog: [naalmontreal.blogspot.com](http://naalmontreal.blogspot.com)

Hotel: [resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome\\_ei\\_new&eventID=3327227](https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=3327227)

Our Web: [NAAL-Liturgy.org](http://NAAL-Liturgy.org)

Registration: [tinyurl.com/NAAL2012](http://tinyurl.com/NAAL2012)

## From the Vice President

After spending time in Montreal with the Academy Committee, I truly anticipate a very fine meeting. I am also grateful to my colleagues on the Academy Committee for graciously and intentionally adapting to work with the reality that I am legally blind. As we work together over the next few years, here are four ways you can help me as well:

- I enjoy talking with people and visiting at receptions. Since I cannot recognize people in crowds, I appreciate people that approach me. Since I cannot see faces or read nametags, please remind me of your name.
- Pointing and giving directions such as “that way” are not helpful. Try to be descriptive and concrete. It is inappropriate to take hold of my arm; instead, offer me your elbow.
- If you want to make sure I receive information, voicemail is better than email (or, if I don’t respond to an email, give me a voicemail message to look for an email) and hard copy is better than file attachment.
- If you have questions and concerns about my disability, please share them with me. I am happy to respond to them.

Even as we anticipate our meeting in Montreal, I am learning about Albuquerque, and imagining NAAL’s January 2013 annual meeting. As is our custom, I will host a sidebar conversation about Albuquerque during our Montreal meeting. If you are interested in serving on the local committee, or if you have ideas and suggestions, I hope that you will plan to join me for the sidebar, give me a call, or drop me an email.

I look forward to seeing you in Montreal!

Craig A. Satterlee  
Vice President

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## Announcements:

### New Books:

*The Practice of the Bible in the Middle Ages: Production, Reception, and Performance in Western Christianity*

Edited by Susan Boynton and Diane J. Reilly

(Anyone using the promo code “PRABO” to buy the book from this site will receive a 30% discount off the price of the book.)

### New Job listing:

Emmanuel College seeks to appoint a scholar and musician as Deer Park Professor of Sacred Music to teach at both master and doctoral levels, and serve as Director of the Master of Sacred Music program. The Principal, Emmanuel College, 75 Queen’s Park Cres., Toronto, ON M5S 1K7.

[www.emmanuel.utoronto.ca](http://www.emmanuel.utoronto.ca)

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## Information Updates

Please keep us up to date with your current contact information. Any changes in your address, email, phone number, or institutional affiliation may be sent to the Secretary, Troy Messenger, at [tmessenger@uts.columbia.edu](mailto:tmessenger@uts.columbia.edu)

## From the Delegate for Membership

If you are planning to apply for membership in the Academy this year, please remember that the application deadline is September 15.

All materials are available on the website:

[www.naal-liturgy.org/membership/memberapp.html](http://www.naal-liturgy.org/membership/memberapp.html)

Please be sure that your application and the three letters of recommendation have been sent to me by the 15th, either by email (Moore-KeishM@ctsnet.edu) or by regular post:

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Columbia Theological Seminary  
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Decatur, Georgia 30031  
USA

The Spring newsletter contained information on the criteria for membership. If you need to review that material, it is also available on our website:

[www.naal-liturgy.org/membership/#criteria](http://www.naal-liturgy.org/membership/#criteria)

Thank you to Bruce Morrill and Melanie Ross, who have agreed to serve with me for two years as the Membership Committee. We look forward to reviewing the materials of all applicants, and to introducing our newest candidates for membership to the Academy in January in Montreal.

Martha Moore-Keish  
Delegate for Membership

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## Visitors and Scholarships

The deadline for applications for visitor status and scholarships for the Montreal Meeting is November 1, 2011.

Visitor and scholarship applications are available on the website: <http://www.naal-liturgy.org/visitors>. Decisions about visitor status and scholarship awards will be made by the Past President, Jill Crainshaw. She can be reached by email at [crainsjy@wfu.edu](mailto:crainsjy@wfu.edu) or by phone at 336-758-3221.

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