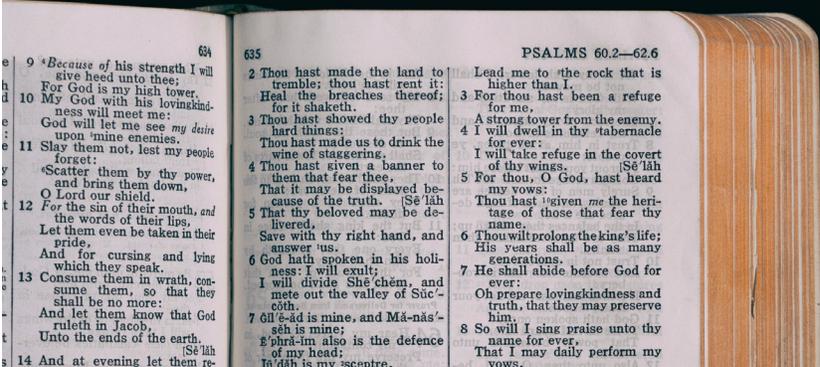


# Systematic Theology

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## HST 757 - Systematic Theology - *The Beloved Community*

Has Lutheran theology suffered a death in dogmatics? So Carl Braaten suggested some years back. In endorsing Paul Hinlicky's *Beloved Community*, Braaten announced that after all Lutheran dogmatics are not dead. In this online Ph.D. seminar, Paul Hinlicky will guide a careful and critical discussion of his magnum opus with attention to a number of his innovative suggestions.

Some of those innovations include beginning the presentation of Christian doctrine with the person and work of the Holy Spirit and culminating in the doctrine of God the Father, "Patrology." The work as a whole recommends Trinitarian perichoresis as the gospel account of the being of God as opposed to Western theology's typical foundation in substance metaphysics. It also sides with Gerhard against Brenz in Christology, keeping a critical distance from the kenotic collapse of God's being into the creation which occurred in Hegel at the climax of Brenz's Christological trajectory. It acknowledges the intention of Rudolf Bultmann's program of demythologizing but substitutes a notion of deliteralization in order to avoid the docetic implications of Bultmann's Christology. It charts a contemporary path for Christian theology between contemporary alternatives of naturalism and constructivism.



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