

# ASREC 2009

## Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture Eighth Annual Conference

Crystal City Hyatt Regency (Arlington, VA)  
April 2 – 5, 2009

### \*\* PROGRAM SUMMARY \*\*

Thursday	7:00 – 9:00 pm <b>Registration &amp; Welcome</b>	Saturday	8:30 – 10:00 am 5A Religion, Youth, and Well-being 5B Discrimination: From “Faiths” to Favoritism 5C TheARDA.com: Religious Data and More 5D Mega-Churches, Para-Churches, Growing Churches
Friday	Registration (outside meeting rooms) <b>Book Exhibit</b> (Arlington Room)	Saturday	10:15 – 11:45 am 6A International Perspectives on Religion and Schooling 6B Violence 6C Family 6D Media Roundtable: Telling your Story to Journalists, Broadcasters, and Bloggers
Friday	8:30 – 10:00 am 1A Religious Capital 1B The Economic Impact of Islamic Teachings 1C Religion and Culture 1D Churches and Firms: Incentives and Organization	Saturday	1:15 – 2:45 pm 7A Faith and Philanthropy 7B Terrorism 7C Church and Sect 7D ERel Ed: Teaching the Economics of Religion
Friday	10:15 – 11:45 am 2A Weber Revisited: Religion and Capitalism 2B Islamic Diversity: Gender, Identity, and Economics 2C Beyond the Religious Mainstream 2D Book Session: The Economics of American Judaism, by Carmel Chiswick	Saturday	3:00 – 4:30 pm 8A Secularization 8B Church and State 8C Together At Last: The Mormons and the Amish 8D New Methods for Religious Research: Experiments & Cognitive Science
Friday	1:15 – 2:45 pm 3A The Impact of Religion on Income & Earnings 3B Religion and Social Stability 3C Health and Education 3D Ethics and Markets	Saturday	4:45 – 6:00 pm <b>Keynote Address: Arthur Books</b> <b>“Earthly Rewards to Faith, Hope &amp; Charity”</b>
Friday	3:00 – 4:30 pm 4A Thriving in Adversity: Communities of Faith 4B Islam and Collective Action 4C Membership Trends / Church Growth 4D Modeling the Religious Markets	Saturday	6:00 – 7:00 pm: Reception Saturday 9:00 – 11:00 pm: Evening Social
Friday	4:45 – 6:00 pm <b>Keynote Address: Deirdre McCloskey</b> <b>“Toward a Seriously Religious Economics”</b>	Sunday	8:30 – 10:00 am 9A Causes and Consequences of Religious Liberty 9B Religion and Politics
Friday	6:00 – 7:00 pm: Reception Friday 9:00 – 11:00 pm: Evening Social	Sunday	10:15 – 11:45 am 10A Faith-Based Commerce: The Economic Impact of Religious Institutions 10B Religion and Society
Saturday	Registration (outside meeting rooms) <b>Book Exhibit</b> (Arlington Room)		

**THURSDAY, 7:00 - 9:00 PM**

Registration and Welcome  
**[Jefferson / Lincoln]**

**FRIDAY, 8:30 - 10:00 AM**

Religious Capital  
**[1A, Kennedy]**

Convener/Discussant: Wafa Hakim Orman (U. Alabama in Huntsville)

- *"Rethinking Religious Human Capital"* – Katie Corcoran (U. Washington)
- *"Historical Religious Concentrations and the Effects of Catholic Schooling"* – Danny Cohen-Zada (Ben-Gurion U. the Negev (Israel))
- *"Economics of Religious Conversion"* – Adam Hogan (Middle Tennessee State U.)
- *"Spiritual Human Capital: Types and Economic Interrelationships"* – Imran Nawaz (Pakistan Institute of Development Economics)

The Economic Impact of Islamic Teachings  
**[1B, Jefferson]**

Convener/Discussant: Garrett Jones (George Mason U.)

- *"The Day the Debts Are Due: Exploring Islam's Conception of Divine Judgment, Heaven and Hell Using Rational Choice Theory"* – Khuram Siddiqui (U. Michigan), Sarah Jawaid
- *"Influence of Workplace Religiosity on Transfer of Training in Banking Sector"* – Ikramullah Shad (Air U. (Islamabad)), Syed Nisar Hussain Hamdani (Harvard U.)
- *"Fiscal Crisis and Institutional Change in the Ottoman Empire and France"* – Eliana Balla (Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond), Noel Johnson (George Mason U.)

Religion and Culture  
**[1C, Lincoln]**

Convener/Discussant: J. Gordon Melton (Institute for the Study of American Religion)

- *"The Rationality of Sacrifice in Ancient Greek Comedy"* – John Rundin (U. California - Davis)
- *"Evolving religious coordination through cues"* – Joseph Bulbulia (Victoria U. Wellington)
- *"A Cucumber for a Cow: The Rationality of Religious Hypocrisy"* – Jason Wolschleger (U. Washington), Lindsey Beach
- *"Ritual Performance and Acting Under Uncertainty"* – Jesper Sørensen (U. of Southern Denmark)

Churches and Firms: Incentives and Organization

**[1D, Roosevelt]**

Convener/Discussant: Janel Kragt Bakker (Catholic U. of America)

- *"The Role of Leadership in Marketing Religious Organizations"* – Mehmed Elezovic (Imam of DC Bosniak-American Islamic Community)
- *"The Use of Cross-Subsidy in the Free Church of Scotland"* – Robert Mochrie (Heriot-Watt U.), John Sawkins (Heriot-Watt U.)
- *"Is a Higher Calling Enough? Incentive Compensation in the Church"* – Jay Hartzell (U. Texas at Austin), Christopher A. Parsons (UNC), David L. Yermack (NYU - Stern School of Business)

**FRIDAY, 10:15 - 11:45 PM**

Weber Revisited: Religion and Capitalism  
**[2A, Kennedy]**

Convener/Discussant: Kimon Sargeant (Templeton Foundation)

- *"The Spirit of Capitalism: Towards an Understanding of Congregations and Religious Beliefs and their Role in the Economy"* – Stephanie Boddie (Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life)
- *"Weber Meets Smith: Religion and Economic Development Revisited"* – Robert Subrick (James Madison U.)
- *"The Economic Performance of Great Religions"* – Paul Fudulu (U. Bucharest)
- *"Could What You Don't Know Hurt You? Information Asymmetry in Medieval Land Markets"* – P.V. Viswanath (Pace U.), Michael Szenberg (Pace U.)

Islamic Diversity: Gender, Identity, and Economics

**[2B, Jefferson]**

Convener/Discussant: Paul Froese (Baylor U.)

- *"Sociological Measures of Islamic Religiosity in Majority Muslim Countries: The Case of Kuwaiti College Students"* – Alessandra González (Baylor U.)
- *"Communism and Islam: A Match Made in Heaven?"* – Paul Froese (Baylor U.)
- *"Islam or Islam-Lite? An Exploration of Religious Trends in Post-NATO Kosovo"* – Shagufta Ahmed
- *"Integrating Muslims in Western Democracies: Reactive Identity, Islamism, and Mosque-State Relations"* – Steven Pfaff (U. of Washington), Sarah Valdez (U. of Washington)

Beyond the Religious Mainstream

**[2C, Lincoln]**

Convener/Discussant: Massimo Introvigne (Center for Studies on New Religions)

- *"Church and Cult in Virtual Worlds"* – William Bainbridge (National Science Foundation)
- *"Reflection on Buddhist Demographics in America"* – J. Gordon Melton (Institute for the Study of American Religion), Constance Jones (California Institute of Integral Studies)
- *"A Preliminary Demographic Analysis of an International Neopagan Denomination"* – Benjamin McKune (Penn State U.), Emily Stevenson (Penn State U.)
- *"The Perils of Organizing Dangerous Religion: Organizational Contradictions and the Fall of Set Free"*

*Ministries*” – Christine Woodman (Virginia Commonwealth U.), David Bromley (Virginia Commonwealth U.)

### Book Session: The Economics of American Judaism

#### [2D, Roosevelt]

Convener: Danny Cohen-Zada (Ben-Gurion U. the Negev (Israel))

- Laurence Iannaccone (George Mason U.)
- Evelyn Lehrer (U. Illinois at Chicago)
- Raphael Franck (Bar-Ilan U.)
- Response: Carmel Chiswick (U. Illinois at Chicago)

### FRIDAY, 1:15 - 2:45 PM

### The Impact of Religion on Income, Earnings, and Economic Well-Being

#### [3A, Kennedy]

Convener/Discussant: Peter Coy (Economics Editor, BusinessWeek)

- “The Earnings of American Jewish Men: Human Capital, Denomination and Religiosity” – Barry Chiswick (U. Illinois at Chicago)
- “The Growth of Protestantism in Brazil and its Impact on Income, 1970-2000” – Joseph Potter (U. Texas), Robert D. Woodberry (UT-Austin)
- “How Spiritual Capital promotes Economic Betterment: The Case of Dalit Conversions to Christianity in India” – Rebecca Samuel Shah (The Oxford Center for Religion and Public Life)

### Religion and Social Stability

#### [3B, Jefferson]

Convener/Discussant: Charles North (Baylor U.)

- “The Role of Islamic Law in European-Middle Eastern Trade Relations: The Middle Ages to World War I” – Timur Kuran (Duke U.)
- “Monotheism (From a Sociopolitical and Economic Perspective)” – Murat Iyigun (U. of Colorado)
- “Muslim and Hindu Literacy in Colonial India” – Jared Rubin (Cal State, Fullerton), Latika Chaudhary (Stanford U.)
- “Oil, Revolutions and Wars: The Islamic Revival 1961-1988” – Eric Chaney (Harvard U.)

### Health and Education

#### [3C, Lincoln]

Convener/Discussant: John Nye (George Mason U.)

- “If the Shoe Fits: Estimating Returns to Religious Matching in Education” – Catherine Pakaluk (Harvard U.)
- “A Postsecondary Revival” – David Mustard (U. Georgia), Neil Meredith
- “Rational praying: The Economics of Prayer” – Timothy Brown (U. California at Berkeley)
- “Exploring Diversity in the U.S.: Children in Interracial Families” – Nadwa Mossaad (Population Reference Bureau (DC))

### Ethics and Markets

#### [3D, Roosevelt]

Convener/Discussant: Larry S. Landrum (Virginia Western Community College)

- “Markets and Moral Reflection” – James Halteman (Wheaton College)
- “Economic Efficiency, Economic Ethics, and Health Care” – Earl Grinols (Baylor U.)
- “Environmental Creationism” – Robert Nelson (U. Maryland)
- “A Divine Economics Perspective on Efficiency of Workers” – Syed Nisar Hssain Hamdani (Harvard U.), Mirza Mohammad Shahzad (U. of Karachi), Zahid Siddique

### FRIDAY, 3:00 - 4:30 PM

### Thriving in the Face of Adversity: Communities of Faith

#### [4A, Kennedy]

Convener/Discussant: Christopher Crowe (International Monetary Fund)

- “The Dynamic Effect of Economic Shocks on Religiosity: Evidence from the Seventh-Day Adventist Church” – David Beckworth (Texas State U.)
- “A Theory of Islamic Revival” – Jean-Paul Carvalho (U. Oxford)
- “Economic Activity and Church Attendance” – Paul Olson (Briar Cliff U.), David Beckworth (Texas State U.)

### Islam and Collective Action

#### [4B, Jefferson]

Convener/Discussant: Omar Al-Ubaydli (George Mason U.)

- “Mosques in the American Metropolis” – Khuram Siddiqui (U. Michigan), Sarah Jawaid
- “The emergence of Local Social Orders in Iraq” – David Siddhartha Patel (Cornell U.)
- “Muslim Collective Action in Europe: The Role of Theologies and Club Goods” – Carolyn Warner (Arizona State U.)

### Measuring Members and Movers

#### [4C, Lincoln]

Convener/Discussant: Sean Everton (Naval Postgraduate School)

- “Religious Switching Between Childhood and Adulthood in the U.S.” – Barry Kosmin (Trinity College)
- “Who’s Misbehavin’? Improving the Identification Method of the Affiliated Non-Religious” – Christine Brickman Bhutta (Catholic U. of America), Christopher Born (Catholic U. of America)
- “The Zeal of the Convert: Religious Characteristics of Americans who Switch Religions” – Greg Smith, Allison Pond, Neha Sahgal, and Scott F. Clement (Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life)

### Religious Markets

#### [4D, Roosevelt]

Convener/Discussant: S. Ramachandran (The World Bank)

- “Rethinking Religious Competition” – Dan Hungerman (Notre Dame U.)
- “Bend It Like Beckham: Ethnic Identity and Integration” – Alberto Bisin (New York U.), Eleonora Patacchini (UNC), Thierry Verdier (Paris-Jourdan Sciences Economiques (PSE)), Yves Zenou (Stockholm U.)
- “The Future of American Religion to 2050” – Eric Kaufman (Harvard U.)

TheARDA.com: Religious Data and Much, Much More

**[5C, Lincoln]**

Convener/Discussant: Roger Finke (Penn State U.)

- “An Overview of Existing and Proposed Services” – Roger Finke (Penn State U.)
- “The Learning Center: Developing new Teaching Tools and Resources” – Chris Scheitle (Penn State U.)
- “The Research Hub: Developing the Best Practices Center” – Paul Froese (Baylor U.)
- “The Research Hub: Developing the Online Question Lab” – Chris Bader (Baylor U.)

Mega-Churches, Para-Churches, Growing Churches

**[5D, Roosevelt]**

Convener/Discussant: Stonebraker Robert (Winthrop College)

- “The View from the Comfy Padded Pew: New Data on Megachurch Attendees” – Scott Thumma (Hartford Institute for Religion Research)
- “Congregational Economies of Scale and the Megachurch: An Application of the Stigler Survivor Technique” – Kenneth Elzinga (U. Virginia), Colin Page
- “Utility of Social Contact Facilitation as a Predictor of Church Growth” – Brett Kosterman (U. Amsterdam)
- “The Rise, Fall and Rise Again of the Parachurch Sector” – Chris Scheitle (Penn State U.)

\*\* Keynote Address \*\*  
**Friday, 4:45 - 6:00 pm [Regency Ballroom]**  
**“Towards a Seriously Religious Economics”**  
**Deirdre McCloskey (U. Illinois at Chicago)**  
 (Convener: Laurence Iannaccone)

\*\* Reception and Cash Bar \*\*  
**Friday, 6:00 - 7:00 pm [Cinnabar Restaurant]**

\*\* Reception \*\*  
**Friday, 9:00 - 11:00 pm [Cinnabar Restaurant]**

**SATURDAY, 8:30 - 10:00 AM**

Religion, Youth, and Well-being

**[5A, Kennedy]**

Convener/Discussant: Alicia Adsera (Princeton U.)

Discussant: Niels-Hugo Blunch (Washington and Lee U.)

- “Religion, Risk Behaviors, and Intimate Partner Violence in Chile: Macro- and Micro- Level Influences” – Evelyn Lehrer (U. Illinois at Chicago), Vivian Lehrer, Ramona Krauss
- “Religion and Child Health” – Donka Mirtcheva (The College of New Jersey), Barry Chiswick (U. of Illinois at Chicago)
- “Religiosity and Life Satisfaction” – Adam Okulicz-Kozaryn (Harvard U.)

Discrimination: From “Faiths” to Favoritism

**[5B, Jefferson]**

Convener/Discussant: Wafa Hakim Orman (U. Alabama in Huntsville)

- “Caste-Based Discrimination: Evidence and Policy” – Zahra Siddique (Institute for the Study of Labor (Germany))
- “On The Receiving End: Which Non-Believers Experience Discrimination or Prejudice?” – Ryan T. Cragun (U. Tampa)
- “Does the Leader’s Ethnicity Matter? Ethnic Favoritism, Education and Health in Sub-Saharan Africa” – Ilia Rainer (George Mason U.)

**SATURDAY, 10:15 - 11:45 AM**

International Perspectives on Religion and Schooling

**[6A, Kennedy]**

Convener/Discussant: S. Ramachandran (The World Bank)

- “Religion or region? Social Divisions in School Participation and Attainment in India” – Florencia Lopez-Boo (Inter-American Development Bank), M. N. Asadullah (U. Reading (UK)), Uma Kambhampati (U. Reading (UK))
- “Christian Missionary Flows and Economic Growth” – William Clark (U. of Michigan)
- “Harnessing the Power: Islam and Development Action in Africa” – Simon Fass (U. Texas at Dallas)
- “Faith-Based Schools in Conflict-affected Countries: Sierra Leone and the Democratic Republic of Congo” – Quentin T. Wodon (The World Bank)

Violence

**[6B, Jefferson]**

Convener/Discussant: Kim Cragin (Rand / U. Maryland)

- “Can Hearts and Minds Be Bought? The Economics of Counterinsurgency in Iraq” – Eli Berman (UCSD)
- “Wars and Rumors of Wars: Explaining Religiously Motivated Violence” – Roger Finke (Penn State U.), Jaime Harris (Penn State U.)
- “Combating Terrorists: A Model of Religion, Suicide Bomber Recruitment, and Interventions” – Michael McBride (U. of California-Irvine), Gary Richardson (U. of California - Irvine)

## Family

### [6C, Lincoln]

Convener/Discussant: Derek Yonai (Campbell U.)

- “*Early Marriage and Homogamy: Evidence from Chinese Minorities*” – Li Han (Stanford U), Tao Li
- “*A new theory of mixed marriage*” – David Voas (U. Manchester)
- “*Mom and Dad Took Me to Church*” – Wafa Hakim Orman (U. Alabama in Huntsville), Charles North (Baylor U.), Carl Gwin (Pepperdine U.)

## Media Roundtable: Telling your Story to Journalists, Broadcasters, and Bloggers

### [6D, Roosevelt]

Convener/Discussant: Larry Witham

- Peter Coy (Economics Editor, BusinessWeek)
- Richard Cimino (Religion Watch)
- Larry S. Witham
- Ariela Keysar (Trinity College)
- Cathy Grossman (USA Today)

**SATURDAY, 1:15 - 2:45 PM**

## Faith and Philanthropy

### [7A, Kennedy]

Convener/Discussant: Robert Mochrie (Heriot-Watt U.)

- “*Tough Love, Intergenerational Altruism, and Worldviews*” – Masao Ogaki (The Ohio State U.), Vipul Bhatt (Ohio State U.)
- “*A Theory of Congregational Giving*” – Jonathan Rosborough (U. Western Ontario)
- “*Correlates of Overseas Giving by US Congregations*” – David Sikkink (Notre Dame U.)

## Terrorism

### [7B, Jefferson]

Convener/Discussant: Gary Shiffman (Georgetown U.)

- “*Network Topography, Key Players and Terrorist Networks*” – Sean Everton (Naval Postgraduate School)
- “*Suicidal Terrorism and Benevolent Alternatives: A Model of Economics and Religion*” – Ronald Horst (U. Maryland)
- “*An Examination of the Return on Investment Islamic Economics Provides the Terrorism Industry*” – Denise Baken (George Mason U.)

## Church and Sect

### [7C, Lincoln]

Convener/Discussant: Ryan T. Cragun (U. Tampa)

- “*TFP and the Heralds of The Gospel: The Religious Economy of Brazilian Conservative Catholicism*” – Massimo Introvigne (Center for Studies on New Religions)
- “*Why Socialism Fails but Monasticism Works*” – Nathan Smith (George Mason U.)
- “*Unitarian Growth-Contesting the Church to Sect Hypothesis*” – Larry S. Landrum (Virginia Western Community College)

- “*Formalized Paganism: A Test of the Church-Sect Transition*” – Emily Stevenson (Penn State U.), Benjamin McKune (Penn State U.), Stephen Merino (Penn State U.)

## ERel Ed: Teaching the Economics of Religion

### [7D, Roosevelt]

Convener/Discussant: Derek Yonai (Campbell U.)

- “*ERel for the Masses: A Lecture-Based Introduction to the Economics of Religion*” – Michael McBride (U. California at Irvine)
- “*Team-Teaching the Economics and Sociology of Religion*” – Michael Makowsky (Towson U.), Christine Brickman Bhutta (Catholic U. of America)
- “*An Upper-Division ERel Seminar*” – Joseph Daniels (Marquette U.)
- “*Enhancing Standard Courses with ERel Applications*” – Stonebraker Robert (Winthrop College)

**SATURDAY, 3:00 - 4:30 PM**

## Secularization

### [8A, Kennedy]

Convener/Discussant: David Voas (U. Manchester)

- “*Economic Development and Religiosity: A Religious Capital Approach to Secularity Theories Rebuttal*” – Sergio Figueroa (Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México)
- “*The Decrease in Religiosity in the Twentieth Century*” – Raphael Franck (Bar-Ilan U.), Laurence Iannaccone (George Mason U.)
- “*The Effects of Religious Regulation and Existential Security: A Cross-National Analysis*” – Jaime Harris (Penn State U.)
- “*For Whom the Bell Tolls: Changing Patterns of Religious Faith and Practice in Ireland, 1981 -2008*” – Michael J. Breen (U. of Limerick (Ireland))

## Church and State

### [8B, Jefferson]

Convener/Discussant: Charles North (Baylor U.)

- “*Church and State*” – Metin Cosgel (U. Connecticut), Thomas Miceli (U. Connecticut)
- “*The Economics of the Scottish Disruption: Established Church Reaction to Market Entry*” – John Sawkins (Heriot-Watt U.), Robert Mochrie (Heriot-Watt U.)
- “*State Church or Public Good? The ‘Establishment Principle’ in Thomas Chalmers’ Thought.*” – Robert Mochrie (Heriot-Watt U.)
- “*Church-State Separation and Redistribution*” – John Huber (Columbia), Piero Stanig (New York U.)

## Together At Last: The Mormons and the Amish

### [8C, Lincoln]

Convener/Discussant: TBA

- “*Why Mormons Defy the Logic of the Market Share Thesis: An Ethnographic Inquiry*” – Rick Phillips (U. North Florida)

- “What’s Love Got to Do with It?” *Doctrinal Economy and the Subversion of Love in Mormon Polygamy* – Carrie Miles (George Mason U.)
- “Transition to Adulthood Among the Old Order Amish of Holmes County” – Benjamin McKune (Penn State U.)
- “The Effects of Education on the Amish” – Liang Wang (U. California, San Diego)

New Methods for Religious Research:  
Experiments and Cognitive Science

**[8D, Roosevelt]**

Convener/Discussant: Dan Houser (George Mason U.)

- “A Secular Mind” – Jonathan Lanman (U. Oxford)
- “What Do Brains Have to Do With It? How Neuroscience Can Contribute to Understanding the Role of Religion in Society” – Margaret Polsky (George Mason U.)
- “Trust and Social Capital in Immigrant Networks” – Wafa Hakim Orman (U. Alabama - Huntsville), James Cox (Georgia State U.)
- “Endogenous Group Formation through ‘Sacrificial’ Costs” – Michael Makowsky (Towson U.), Jason Aimone (George Mason U.), Jared Rubin (Cal. State Fullerton), Laurence Iannaccone (George Mason U.)

- “Religion, Corruption, and the Rule of Law” – Charles North (Baylor U.), Carl Gwin (Pepperdine U.), Wafa Hakim Orman (U. Alabama - Huntsville)
- “Differentiated Trust in Democratic Institutions according to Level of Government Favoritism and Regulation” – Kristin Smith (U. of Washington)

Religion and Politics

**[9B, Jefferson]**

Convener/Discussant: William Clark (U. Michigan)

- “A Game Theoretic Approach to Inter-Religious Coalition Building in the Republican Party” – Adriane Bilous (Fordham U.)
- “Evangelical Protestants and Views on Racial Inequality” – Stephen Merino (Penn State U.), Marylee C. Taylor (Pace U.)
- “The Role of Church-State Conflict in Vitality of Secular Activism and Membership” – Paul Perl (Georgetown U.), Richard Cimino (Religion Watch)
- “Voting to Repress: The 47th Congress and the Mormons” – David Smith (U. Michigan)

**SUNDAY, 10:15 - 11:45 AM**

Faith-Based Commerce: The Economic Impact of Religious Institutions

**[10A, Kennedy]**

Convener/Discussant: Jared Rubin (Cal State, Fullerton)

- “Irrational Exuberance in the US Housing Market: Were Evangelicals Left Behind?” – Christopher Crowe (International Monetary Fund)
- “Word of Mouth Learning in Mormon Congregations” – Graton Gathright (U. of California - San Diego), Christopher Wignall (UC San Diego)
- “Investor Loyalty of Religious Mutual Fund Investors” – Jared Peifer (Cornell U.)

Religion and Society

**[10B, Jefferson]**

Convener/Discussant: Michael Makowsky (Towson U.)

- “Pentecostalism’s Growth in Religiously Restricted Environments” – Brian Grim (Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life)
- “Growth Trends Among the Old Order Amish: An Analysis of the Components of Change” – Benjamin McKune (Penn State U.)
- “Religious Decision-Making on Life Cycle Events” – Ariela Keysar (Trinity College)
- “Does Religion Have the Individual Level Effect? Risk Preference and Religiosity in Taiwan” – Eric Y. Liu (Baylor U.)

\*\* KEYNOTE ADDRESS \*\*  
**Saturday, 4:45 - 6:00 pm [regency ballroom]**  
**“The Earthly Rewards to Faith, Hope, and Charity”**  
**Arthur Brooks (American Enterprise Institute)**  
 (Convener: William Clark)

\*\* Reception and Cash Bar \*\*  
**Saturday, 6:00 - 7:00 pm [Cinnabar Restaurant]**

\*\* ASREC EVENING SOCIAL \*\*  
**SATURDAY, 9:00 - 11:00 PM [CINNABAR RESTAURANT]**

**SUNDAY, 8:30 - 10:00 AM**

Causes and Consequences of Religious Liberty

**[9A, Kennedy]**

Convener/Discussant: Michael McBride (U. of California-Irvine)

- “Variation of Religious Freedom in Central Asia: History, Differentiation, and Political Theology” – Joni Finegold (George Mason U.)
- “The Bundled Commodity of Human Freedoms: Religious Freedom, an Element?” – Brian Grim (Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life)

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