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Tanner Capps is Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at St. Andrews University in Laurinburg, NC. He holds degrees from Anderson College (B.A. in English and Visual Art), Westminster Theological Seminary (M.A. in Religion), and is currently finishing his Th.D. in Theology and Early Modern Studies at Duke University Divinity School.

Tanner's dissertation is titled "Beholding the Image: Visual Theology in John Calvin's Sacramental Thought." It aims to offer a clear explanation of Calvin's often tacit understanding of the connection between the sacraments and images. In addition

to research in the history of Reformed thought, he is also interested in the role the visual arts play in religious and theological formation. He has presented work on these topics at St. Mary's College, University of St. Andrews, Scotland, at the Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion, and at the meeting of the North Carolina Religious Studies Association at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Recently, he has also served as a reviewer for the journals *Theology* and the *Journal of Aesthetics and Art Criticism*.

Originally from Westminster, SC, Tanner and his wife, Hannah, and their one-year-old daughter, Katherine Ruth, recently moved from Durham to Laurinburg.

MEMORIAL BIBLE LECTURES *'Where the Body is not, the Spirit languishes': What does the Body of Christ mean for us Today?*

Christ's Body in Reformed Sacramental Thought (session 1) and From Christ's Presence to Life-acts: Considering Resources Old and New (session 2)

Nursery will be available each evening. Presentations, including the question and answer time will end by 8:15 pm. Light refreshments to follow.

PASTOR'S SEMINAR Monday 9:30 am
In sixteenth-century Germany, among a newly emerging Protestant faction, a simple phrase from Luke 22 caused uproar: "This is my body given for you." This was one of the key proclamations on which hung the ancient practice of the Christian Eucharist. Reacting against the Sacrifice of the Mass

in the Latin Church, early Protestants were faced with the question of how Christ was present in the Lord's Supper. Did the bread and wine truly present Christ's body? Or did these elements simply represent Jesus to the Christian faithful? At first glance, these questions appear to be part of an esoteric argument now buried in the dust of history. What could these disputes possibly mean for us today?

In this conference, we want to reassess early Protestant sacramental theology in light of contemporary issues and questions. Today, what do we mean when we speak of "discerning the body," as Paul discusses in 1 Corinthians? How are we to take the words of John 6 when Christ says, "For my flesh is meat, and my blood is drink indeed"? Our task will be to discern how these words from Scripture, and the theology derived from them, might bear on our contemporary life together in its social, ethical, and political dimensions.

Lunch reservations required by 11 am on Friday, October 24, 276-0831. x. 301.

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