

Foreword

In this issue, which completes CGR's thirtieth anniversary celebration, we present the 2013 Bechtel Lectures on the theme "Violence, Victimhood, and Recovery: Insights from the Parables of Jesus" by Christopher D. Marshall, articles by David C. Cramer on Mennonite systematic theology and by Ry O. Siggelkow on Christian pacifism "after Hauerwas," and book reviews of an array of noteworthy recent releases.

At the end of the issue are notices of several calls for papers. Two of the calls seek submissions to this journal on "Revisiting Mennonite Peace Theology" and on "Economics in Anabaptist Perspective."

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Presenting the Bechtel lectures is one of the CGR traditions that we look forward to maintaining in the future, together with presenting the Eby lectures, recent scholarship, and reviews of significant publications. As we move into our fourth decade, we seek to uphold and extend CGR's mandate to offer thoughtful, sustained discussion of spirituality, ethics, theology and culture from a broadly-based Mennonite perspective.

We remind readers that we welcome at any time submissions of articles or reflections in keeping with CGR's mandate. We also seek brief responses to previously published articles.

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