

Poetry and Prayer: from Hooker to Herbert and Beyond—an Online Retreat

On the feast day of Richard Hooker, poet-priest Malcolm Guite will engage us in a spiritual journey with the poetry of George Herbert.

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Price: £10

Tue, 3 November 2020, 10am–4.30pm

About this Event

Malcolm Guite published *After Prayer*, his poetic response to George Herbert's poem *Prayer* in October 2019. Malcolm has a particular interest in the imagination as a truth-bearing faculty and continues to reflect deeply on how poetry can stimulate and re-awaken our prayer life.

The day will run from 10 am to 4 pm on Zoom with plenty of regular breaks from the screen for reflection. There will be the option of Prayer Book Evening Prayer at 4 pm.

The day is hosted by the Craighhead Institute of Life and Faith in Glasgow in partnership with St Bride's Episcopal Church, Hyndland, Glasgow.

Malcolm Guite recently retired as Chaplain and is Supernumerary Fellow of Girton College, Cambridge, and teaches at the Faculty of Divinity at the University of Cambridge. He lectures

widely in England and North America on Theology and Literature and has published poetry, theology, and literary criticism and has worked as a librettist. His books include: *Love, Remember* (November 2017); *Mariner*, a spiritual biography of Samuel Taylor Coleridge (February 2017, paperback edition February 2018); *Parable and Paradox* (2016); *The Singing Bowl* (2013); *Sounding the Seasons* (2012); *Theology and the Poetic Imagination* (2010) and *Faith Hope and Poetry* (2006). Malcolm has edited two poetry anthologies for Lent and Advent: *The Word in the Wilderness* (2014) and *Waiting on the Word* (2015). Malcolm writes *Poet's Corner*, a weekly column in the *Church Times* and an anthology of his column's writings, *In Every Corner Sing*, was published in November 2019. Malcolm enjoys sailing, walking, old books, live music, riding his Harley Davidson motorbike and all the varieties of the British countryside and weather. Malcolm is also part of the rock band *Mystery Train*, regularly performing gigs at Grantchester, Cambridge and other places around Cambridgeshire.

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St Bride's Episcopal Church, Hyndland, Glasgow is co-hosting this event. St Bride's is a church in the Anglo-Catholic and Prayer Book traditions which has prayerfulness and music at the centre of its worship. The Rector is the Revd. Dr Kevin Francis, Honorary Anglican Chaplain to the University of Glasgow and the Assistant Priest, the Rt Revd. Dr. Gregor Duncan. The Director of Music is Alan Taverner BEM.