

**St. Mary's Ecumenical Institute
Fall 2020**

Class Day & Time: Tuesday, 6:00

Course Name & Number: H601 Early and Medieval Church History

Instructor: Dr. Stephen Lloyd

Course Description:

This course offers a survey of the history of Christianity from its earliest days in Roman-occupied Palestine (c. 33AD) to the eve of the European reformations (c. 1500). There are three areas of focus for this class: 1) the shift of Christianity from a marginal Jewish sect to the official religion of the Roman Empire, 2) the expansion and cultural transformations of Christianity in pre-modern Europe, Asia, and Africa, and 3) the social, political, and religious dimensions of Christianity in medieval in Europe.

Required Texts:

Henry Chadwick, *The Early Church, revised edition* (Penguin Books, 1993) 978-0140231991

Kevin Madigan, *Medieval Christianity: A New History* (Yale University Press, 2015) 978-0300216776

Readings in World Christian History, eds. John W. Coakley and Andrea Sterk (Orbis Books, 2004) 978-1570755200

Mark Noll, *Turning Points: Decisive Moments in the History of Christianity*, third edition (Baker Academic, 2012). 978-0801039966