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Christkatholische Liturgiewissenschaft in systematischer Perspektive. Das Werk von Herwig Aldenhoven (1933–2002) und seine Wirkung in altkatholischen und ökumenischen Kontexten

Zusammenfassungen / Abstracts

Herwig Aldenhoven als Liturgiewissenschaftler. Eine relecture und Würdigung seiner Dissertation 50 Jahre nach ihrem Erscheinen

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Summary

The article attempts to provide an ecumenical appreciation of Herwig Aldenhoven's contributions to the field of Liturgical Studies, especially his doctoral dissertation on oblation and epiclesis in the eucharistic prayer. His relevant work has been fruitful for the liturgical reform in the Old Catholic Church, mainly in Switzerland, but it has received rather little attention in academic Liturgical Studies, although above all his innovative interpretation of the Roman Canon missae, which broke with a centuries-long, dogmatically determined view of this central eucharistical text, was truly groundbreaking. His characteristic methodological approach is the combination of historical-philological text analysis and theological reflection. A critical evaluation of Aldenhoven's work in the light of the current state of research on the eucharistic prayer shows that, particularly, his approach of elaborating the theological consequences of the linguistic structures of prayer is still very relevant today and, not least, can be of further help in the ongoing ecumenical dialogue about the eucharist.

Schlüsselwörter – Keywords

Herwig Aldenhoven – Liturgie – Eucharistiegebet – Ökumene

Die systematisch-theologischen Beiträge Aldenhovens. Eine orthodoxe Lektüre

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Summary

The essay offers an orthodox reading of the systematic-theological essays of Herwig Aldenhoven. The author emphasizes the empathetic approach of Aldenhoven's ecumenical theology as well as his fresh, idealistic vision of a complementarity between Eastern and Western theology, on the background of the organic wholeness of early church theology. As a first case study of Aldenhoven's approach, the issue of women's ordination is addressed and the way he proposes a differentiated consensus. As a second case study, Aldenhoven's mediating commitment to Palamite theology (distinction divine essence – uncreated energies of God) in the Western theological discourse is discussed.

Schlüsselwörter – Keywords

Orthodoxe Theologie – Alte Kirche – Frauenordination – Wesen und Energien Gottes – Ökumene

Das Lebenswerk Herwig Aldenhovens. Ein Durchgang aus deutscher altkatholischer Sicht

Klaus Rohmann

Summary

An important concern of Herwig Aldenhoven is the liturgical-historical and theologically well-founded institution of the Eucharistic prayers. Based on his own studies of the Eucharistic prayers of the early Church, Aldenhoven considers the following sequence to be appropriate: The Lord's Supper Report – Presentation of the Gifts – Epiclesis. The Lord's Supper Report of foundation ends with the exhortation «Do this in remembrance of me!». The call to action results in an act of speech. It happens in the performance. In contrast to this conception, the missal of the German Old Catholics sees the anamnesis, as expressed in the exhortation, as a structural feature that runs through the Eucharistic prayer as a whole and in all its parts. With verve, Aldenhoven then advocates the acceptance of the Eastern doctrine of the energies of God. In contrast to the essence of God, they are the side of God that turns to the world and to man. In the doctrine of the Trinity with a reciprocal premise of the Son and the Holy Spirit, Aldenhoven also sees a mutual relationship between clergy and laity in the practical life of the Church. From the doctrine of the Trinity, Aldenhoven also develops an ecclesiology of the local churches.

Schlüsselwörter – Keywords

Eucharistiegebete – Göttliche Energien – Kirche als Ortskirche – Trinität und Amt – Unfehlbarkeit

Liturgische Leitung als bildhaftes Geschehen? Ein liturgisch-theologisches Gespräch mit Herwig Aldenhoven

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Summary

Within the framework of the Old Catholic – Orthodox dialogue, Herwig Aldenhoven has suggested using the Eastern theology of icons in order to work towards a consensus on the role of the Eucharistic presider between the two churches. Recent liturgical theology is expanding on the understanding of the links between aesthetics and theology, delving into the complexity of how aesthetic expressions of liturgy are related to the physical and spiritual condition of humans. This paper builds on Aldenhoven's suggestion by combining it with more recent insights from liturgical theology, aiming to develop and update the thesis that an understanding of the presider's ministry, based on the theology of icons, can foster an ecumenical consensus on the baptized and ordained ministries.

Schlüsselwörter – Keywords

Bildtheologie – Liturgische Theologie – Amtsverständnis – Christusrepräsentation – Ökumene

Disziplinarstatut, Unterstützungskasse und Stellenvermittlungsinstitut. Herausforderungen der altkatholischen Kirche in Deutschland bis 1896

Theresa Hüther

Summary

In the early days of the Old Catholic Church in Germany, two questions in particular arose: How could the church find suitable, educated candidates for clergy? And how to transmit the faith to the next generation? Therefore, the diocese had to deal with the formation and the funding of parish priests, with their lifestyle (abolishing celibacy) and with problematic, e.g. sexually assaultive, priests. For

religious education, a catechism and biblical history were published and religious education in schools was established. Institutions such as the Job Placement Institute and the Old Catholic Sisterhood also served to safeguard the Old Catholic denomination.

Schlüsselwörter – Keywords

Altkatholische Kirche in Deutschland – 1870–1896 – Geistliche – Sexuelle Gewalt– Jugend

The Challenges of Shared Mission: Anglican and Old Catholic Churches in the Netherlands

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Zusammenfassung

Die *full communion* zwischen der Anglikanischen Kirchengemeinschaft und den Altkatholischen Kirchen der Utrechter Union ist Anlass zur Freude. Um zu umfassenderer, sichtbarer Einheit zu gelangen, ist es jedoch erforderlich, die Faktoren, die ihre praktische Umsetzung hemmen, genauer zu bedenken. Im Beitrag wird die These vertreten, dass bedeutsame ekklesiologische Unterschiede zwischen den beiden Kirchengemeinschaften bisher noch nicht ausreichend wahrgenommen wurden. Die jeweilige Ekklesiologie und ihre Umsetzung in der Praxis werden anhand von offiziellen Dokumenten (insbesondere kirchenrechtlicher Art) näher betrachtet. Am Ende werden Vorschläge für die weitere Reflexion gemacht

Schlüsselwörter – Keywords

Bonn Agreement – Church of England – Old Catholic Church of the Netherlands – Overlapping Jurisdictions – Ecclesiology – Mission