

## FROM THE EDITORS

The sixth edition of *Studies in Puritanism and Piety Journal* gives students, pastors, and scholars the opportunity to read articles from three longstanding authorities on their subjects: Martin Klauber, Tom Schwanda, and Richard Muller.

Martin Klauber's essay introduces readers to the life and theology of Pierre Jurieu. Klauber contends that Jurieu's doctrinal formulations were developed in his unique circumstances—particularly the expulsion of the French Huguenots after the Edict of Nantes in 1598. This decree made Protestantism illegal, thereby forcing both pastors and congregants to flee and resulting in the destruction of many Reformed churches. The author argues that these events contributed to the development of Jurieu's doctrine, which he calls a "theology of refuge"—particularly in his views on eschatology, religious toleration, and Nicodemism.

Tom Schwanda's essay informs the reader of the heavenly piety of the Puritans by presenting the work of two preachers, Jeremiah Burroughs (1600–1646) and William Gearing (1625–1690). Schwanda compares their descriptions of the nature of heaven and the ways in which the saints can best prepare for eternal glory. He evaluates the views of both Burroughs and Gearing on the beatific vision in three related questions: *what is seen, how is it seen, and what are the benefits of seeing God?* Schwanda highlights many similarities between Burroughs and Gearing in the doctrine of heaven, but he also shows levels of discontinuity.

Richard Muller's essay focuses on William Perkins and his view of the Bible and tradition. He argues that although Perkins prioritized the Bible, he recognized the value of tradition—particularly the three catholic credal formulations (the Apostles' Creed, the Nicene Creed, and the Athanasian Creed), the early church fathers, and the authority of the church that embraced the *analogy of faith* for the development of ecclesiology.

We also have several scholarly book reviews in this edition. Adam Quibell has provided a review of two works published by Oxford University

Press—*Reliquiae Baxterianae* and *The Letters, Writings, and Speeches of Oliver Cromwell*; David Irving has reviewed the *T&T Handbook of John Owen*, edited by Crawford Gribben and John Tweeddale; James Morrison has reviewed *Protestantism, Revolution and Scottish Political Thought: The European Context, 1631–1651* by Karie Schultz and published by Edinburgh University Press; David Reid has reviewed *Meeting Christ at His Table: Jonathan Edwards and the Lord's Supper* by David Luke and published by the Jonathan Edwards Society; and Allen Stanton has provided reviews for two T&T Clark publications—one on *Thomas Goodwin on Union with Christ* by Jonathan M. Carter, and another on *Supralapsarianism Reconsidered: Jonathan Edwards and the Reformed Tradition* by Phillip A. Hussey.