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## From the Editor

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## From the Editor

On behalf of the [Advisory Board](#) for the [Center for Sermon Studies](#) and the [Editorial Board](#) of the journal, I am pleased to introduce *Sermon Studies*, a peer-reviewed, open access journal devoted to the interdisciplinary study of preaching in the Abrahamic faiths.

My first public statement of the need for such a journal took place in November 2012, in a [blog post](#) for the American Society for Church History. Work began in earnest in the fall of 2014, and the journal was formally introduced in a [keynote address](#) I delivered at a meeting of the Society in April 2016. The first article has passed through all the stages of peer review and copyediting, and is now available for download at no charge.

The journal will continue to be promoted at conferences and on Call-for-Papers websites and email lists. We will employ a “rolling” or “incremental” publication model, making articles available online as soon as final copyediting is complete. After five articles have appeared, we will secure an International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) and apply to be listed in the [Directory of Open Access Journals](#) (DOAJ), an index that has become “the starting point for all information searches for quality, peer reviewed open access material.” As the journal itself grows and becomes more established, it is our hope that it will be regarded as a significant resource in the field of sermon studies.

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