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**TITLE:** Christian Theology I

**TERM:** Fall 2019-2020

**PROFESSOR:** Edwin van Driel

**CREDIT HOURS:** 3

**REGISTRATION:** LIMITED TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
# AUDITORS: \_\_\_\_\_

UNLIMITED X  
NO AUDITORS X

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This is the first of two courses introducing students to Christian doctrine. Students are invited to reflect theologically on the biblical narrative of election, creation, sin, Israel, and Christ's incarnation, death, resurrection and ascension as lifted up in the church's creedal confessions about Trinity and Christ. Attention will be given to how God's being and work draw us into God's mission and give shape to faithful practices and ministry within particular cultural contexts.

**CLASS OBJECTIVES:**

By the completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of the doctrines of God, Trinity, election, creation, sin, Israel, and Christ's incarnation, death, resurrection and ascension, their development, and their relationship to each other in a coherent expression of Christian belief;
2. Demonstrate an awareness of how these doctrines are being rooted in and reflect upon the overall narrative of the Bible;
3. Narrate and reflect theologically on the positions regarding these doctrines of their own theological tradition and their relationship to the wider catholic Christian traditions;
4. Reflect theologically on the operative theologies in their own faith communities.

**PREREQUISITES:**

CH 110, CH 120 preferred

**REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS/READING:**

Readings will be made available electronically on my.pts.edu

**ASSIGNMENTS & GRADING:**

TBD

**ATTENDANCE:** Required.