

“Lament”

Thursday 20th September 2012 10.30am– 3.00pm

(Registration & Coffee from 9.45 a.m.)

Birmingham Cathedral

We are hoping to hold the cost of the day, which does NOT include lunch at £15.00
(£12 for affiliate members of Praxis)

The Right Reverend Gordon Mursell, former Bishop of Stafford

Lament in the Bible and Liturgy

The Reverend John L. Bell, Wild Goose Resource Group & Iona Community

leads a workshop on “The Lost Tradition of Lament”

“Feel for the parents who’ve lost their child, feel for the women whom men have defiled,
feel for the baby for whom there’s no breast, and feel for the weary who find no rest.”

Words from John Bell and Graham Maule’s hymn “Christ’s is the world in which we move.” We sang this recently at Birmingham Cathedral and I realised that over the last month I had encountered people who had experienced all these situations. I suspect I am not alone! They need not just to talk their experiences and receive support and pastoral care but have their situation recognised in our liturgy. The psalms are full of such heart-ache but so are other areas of the Bible. Gordon Mursell is renowned for his biblical and liturgical understanding, especially of the psalms, and will help us explore this further in his own unique way during the morning session.

John Bell has an international following and attracts enormous crowds at Greenbelt. His afternoon workshop on the Lost tradition of Lament will help us sing the songs which express the heartache and help us produce liturgy which meets real needs. No musical skill required.

John Bell will also be in Birmingham in the evening running another musical workshop. This is a linked but separate event run by RSCM (Birmingham) 7-9pm, **probably** at St. Chad’s Cathedral – 5 mins walk from Birmingham Cathedral. “Singing the Psalms and shorter worship songs.” There will be an additional small charge for this event.

Plenty of local places to eat between events and also
5.45pm Choral Evensong at Birmingham Cathedral

Watch our web site for further details

www.praxismidlands.org.uk

Booking Form for "Lament" (20th September 2012)

Please tick the relevant boxes and complete in BLOCK CAPITALS

I wish to attend the day conference I wish to pay by cheque (enclosed)
Made payable to "Praxismidlands"

I wish to claim against my CME/IST allowance (please tick below, as well) I'm an Ordinand
(People from other dioceses must pay and claim back themselves, or otherwise negotiate)

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Peterborough Southwell Worcester

Birmingham (IME 4-7) (Praxismidlands will reclaim full cost)

Birmingham (Other clergy) (Praxismidlands will reclaim 1/3 cost. YOU need to send cheque for 2/3rds)

We regret that we cannot make a refund unless we receive 10 days notice before an event.

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If you wish to book by e-mail, please ensure you include all the information requested above. Thank you.

The cross on the map marks Birmingham Cathedral (also known as St Philip's)

Wesley Owen
will hopefully
provide a
bookstall during
the day.



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