

Lecture by Andrew Macintosh Professor of Hebrew and Emeritus Dean, St. John's College, Cambridge University, England Saturday, May 18, 2019, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

ANDREW MACINTOSH

Andrew Macintosh was born in Eastbourne, Sussex, UK. His father was a priest of the Church of England, and his mother was a teacher. He was educated at Eastbourne College, majoring in Latin, Greek and Ancient History, before continuing to St. John's College Cambridge, to read Theology and Religious Studies. After graduating he was admitted to a specialist course in Hebrew and Old Testament. During this time, he was elected Wyndham Deedes Scholar to Jerusalem.



He was ordained Deacon and Priest in Lincoln Cathedral, and later he was appointed to a Lectureship at St. David's College, University of Wales, where he taught Greek, Hebrew and Old Testament. Two years later, he was recalled to St. John's College, Cambridge, and appointed Chaplain. From the Chaplaincy, he was promoted to become Tutor and Assistant Dean, then Dean, and finally President. He traveled extensively on world tours with the world-famous Choir of St. John's. He also lectured in the Divinity Faculty and the Faculty of Oriental Studies on Hebrew texts and language. Peter Williams and Simon Gathercole, both lecturers at LTL, are among his pupils. He retired as a Life Fellow of St. John's College in 2002.

Andrew is a member of the Cambridge Panel of the British and Foreign Bible Society's Translation Project; the (British) Society for Old Testament Study; a founding member for the project *The Psalms; A New Translation for Worship* (London 1977), and one of three scholars charged with the revision of the *New English Bible* (1970) which became the *Revised English Bible* (1989). He was presented with a Festschrift: *Leshon Limmudim: Essays on the Language and Literature of the Hebrew Bible in Honour of A. A. Macintosh*, edited by R. P. Gordon and D. A. Baer (London, 2013).

His publications include: *Isaiah XXI: A Palimpsest* (Cambridge, 1980), *Hosea: A Critical and Exegetical Commentary* (International Critical Commentary, Edinburgh, 1997), some 20 articles in learned journals and *Festschriften* in honor of distinguished scholars, *The Psalms: A New Translation for Worship* (1977), and *"A Daft Text": The Psalter 1998: A Critique of the New Psalter* (with J. A. Emerton and David Frost). His most recent publication (with Dr. C. L. Engle) is *The T & T Clark Hebrew Primer* (2014), a work specifically designed to restore the knowledge of Hebrew to those who once knew the language, but have let it slip. Written for both British and American readers, it has received international acclaim.

Andrew and his wife, Mary, have looked after nearly 100 foster children, and they have three "home-made" children, along with seven grandchildren.