

A LETTER FROM THE DEANS OF ANABAPTIST BIBLICAL
SEMINARY, CONRAD GREBEL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, AND
GOSHEN COLLEGE

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Dear Subscriber,

As *The Mennonite Quarterly Review* approaches its 100th anniversary, the changing landscape of scholarly publishing requires new innovations and partnerships to ensure a sustainable future.

Following approval from the Mennonite Historical Society Board (including representation from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary and Goshen College) and Conrad Grebel University College, we are delighted to announce that *The Mennonite Quarterly Review* and *The Conrad Grebel Review* are joining efforts to create a new combined journal. This new venture brings together the rich legacies of both publications, furthering the study of Anabaptist-Mennonite history, theology, life, and culture.

As deans of the schools that have supported these journals for the past several decades, we are guiding the transition and have several updates to share with you.

First, we are thrilled to introduce the new editorial team:

Dr. Jeremy Bergen, Co-Editor in Chief, is Associate Professor of Religious Studies and Theological Studies at Conrad Grebel University College. He was editor of *The Conrad Grebel Review* from 2009 to 2017.

Dr. Jamie Pitts, Co-Editor-in-Chief, is Professor of Anabaptist Studies and Director of the Institute of Mennonite Studies at AMBS. He has been editor of *Anabaptist Witness* since 2013.

Dr. Jo-Ann Brant, Managing Editor, is Professor Emerita of Bible and Religion at Goshen College. She has served on the Publication Committee of *MQR* since 2017 and has been its managing editor since 2022. From 2010 to 2024, she was a Consulting Editor for *The Conrad Grebel Review*.

Dr. Breanna Nickel, Book Review Editor, is Associate Professor of Bible and Religion at Goshen College. She has been the book review editor for *MQR* since July 2024.

The new combined journal will be a collaborative, peer-reviewed, and open-access publication, ensuring that its content is widely available. We understand that many subscribers value print editions, and we are working on a new subscription model that will include online and print options.

We are expanding leadership through a larger editorial board that we will announce soon. We are also developing a partnership model that will invite additional institutions and organizations invested in a sustainable future for Anabaptist scholarship to join this project.

As a subscriber, you will receive one more print edition of *MQR* in January 2026. We will include information about the expected launch date and subscription options for the new journal.

Thank you for your continued support as we embark on this exciting new chapter.

Sincerely,

Dr. Beverly Lapp, Vice President and Academic Dean, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Dr. Troy Osborne, Academic Dean and Associate Professor of History, Conrad Grebel University College

Dr. Ann Vendrely, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Academic Dean, Goshen College