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GENDER, SEXUALITY, AND ETHICS

Margaret Farley holds the Gilbert L. Stark Chair in Christian Ethics at Yale University Divinity School. She received an A.B. and M.A. from the University of Detroit, and a doctorate in Religious Studies with a specialization in ethics from Yale University. She was appointed to the faculty of Yale University Divinity School in 1971.

Margaret Farley is the author or co-editor of six books, including Personal Commitments: Beginning, Keeping, Changing; Compassionate Respect; and most recently, Just Love: A Framework for Christian Sexual Ethics. She has published more than 90 articles and chapters of books on topics of ethical methodology, medical ethics, sexual ethics, social ethics, historical theological ethics, and spirituality.

She is the recipient of eleven honorary degrees and a variety of fellowships and awards, including the 1992 John Courtney Murray Award for Excellence in Theology. She has served and presently serves on numerous editorial and advisory boards and national ethics committees. Many of these are in the area of medical ethics, for example, the Ethics Committee of the American Society of Reproductive Medicine, the Ethics Committee of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the Yale-New Haven Hospital Ethics Committee. She is Co-director of the Yale University Interdisciplinary Bioethics Center; and of the All-Africa Conference; Sister to Sister, which facilitates responses to HIV/AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa. She is past president of both the Society of Christian Ethics and the Catholic Theological Society of America.

Margaret’s lecture will explore contemporary changes in understandings of gender and sexuality, and she will suggest a new framework within which questions regarding sexual relationships can be addressed.

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