

# **JORJORIAN, ARMEN, 1919-1973.**

## **Armen Jorjorian papers, 1946-2005**

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### **Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Jorjorian, Armen, 1919-1973.  
**Title:** Armen Jorjorian papers, 1946-2005  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 312  
**Extent:** 1.67 cubic ft. (5 boxes)  
**Abstract:** Papers include articles, lectures, workshop presentations, project files, and an unpublished book manuscript.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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### **Administrative Information**

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#### **Citation**

[after identification of item(s)], Armen Jorjorian Papers, Archives and Manuscript Dept., Pitts Theology Library, Emory University.

#### **Processing**

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## Collection Description

### Biographical Note

Armen Jorjorian, Episcopal priest and clinical pastoral educator, was born in Chicago in 1919. After receiving degrees from Northwestern University (B.A., 1944) and Seabury-Western Theological Seminary (B.D., 1946), he enrolled in a Ph.D. program at Columbia University. Jorjorian planned to teach in the field of systematic theology; however, while working on his doctoral dissertation, he accepted a position as chaplain at Riker's Island, New York. This marked the beginning of his interest in clinical pastoral education (CPE) and a profound shift in his ministry. In his own words, Jorjorian "[laid] aside the abstract concerns of theory in favor of the practical and immediate needs of people in stress."

Jorjorian was ordained an Episcopal priest in New York in 1946. From 1947 to 1955, he held the positions of Staff Chaplain at the New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society, Protestant Chaplain at Bellevue Hospital, and Senior Staff Chaplain and Supervisor of Clinical Pastoral Education at Riker's Island. He began his first clinical pastoral education program with eight students in 1953.

In 1955, Jorjorian moved to Houston to design a CPE program at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital. At St. Luke's (and later at Texas Children's Hospital), he held the position of Religious Director and Chaplain. He remained in Houston through the 1960s, and was an original member of the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education's executive committee. Jorjorian was also involved with the American Association of Pastoral Counselors as a Diplomate. He lectured and wrote extensively, and served on the editorial board of the *Journal of Pastoral Care*.

In 1972, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary chose Jorjorian as President of the Corporation and Dean of the Seminary. He held these positions until his death on December 30, 1973.

Jorjorian and his wife, Jean, had four children.

**Biographical Source:** "Pastor and Prophet: A Story of the Life and Work of Dr. Armen Jorjorian, D.D.," Rev. Robert Leas, Series 2, Box 4, Folder 18.)

### Scope and Content Note

Armen Jorjorian's papers include articles, lectures, workshop presentations, project files, and an unpublished book manuscript. These writings cover a variety of topics in pastoral care and counseling. There are also a few files containing writings by others – most notably, a biographical paper on Jorjorian written by Rev. Robert Leas in 2005. Leas's paper was written following a detailed examination of Jorjorian's writings. It offers an interpretative overview of his life and ministry. Also included is one folder of case material from Jorjorian's work in pastoral counseling. This folder is restricted.

The papers are organized into four series. The first, Writings and Lectures by Jorjorian, contains drafts and final copies of articles, speeches, lectures, papers, and other writings. Many of these pieces appeared in journals such as *Pastoral Psychology* and *Journal of Pastoral Care*. Series 1 also includes a draft of Jorjorian's unpublished book, "The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry." This book draws heavily on Jorjorian's previous writings. The second series, Writings by Others, includes Leas's biographical sketch, along with a few papers collected by Jorjorian. The third

series is comprised of Jorjorian's files on workshops, conferences, and numerous special projects in the field of pastoral care. The fourth series contains Jorjorian's case material, and is restricted.

For additional collections on pastoral care, see the Pitts Theology library online subject guide at <http://www.pitts.emory.edu/Archives/Subject%20Guides.html#PastoralCare>.

**Arrangement Note**

Organized into 4 series: (1) Writings and Lectures, (2) Writings by Others, (3) Workshops, Conferences, and Projects, and (4) Case Materials.

## **Description of Series**

[Series 1: Writings and Lectures, 1946-1972](#)

[Series 2: Writings by Others, 1958-2005](#)

[Series 3: Workshops, Conferences, and Projects, 1953-1970](#)

[Series 4: Case Materials, 1956-1963](#)

**Series 1**  
**Writings and Lectures, 1946-1972**  
**Boxes 1-4**

**Scope and Content Note**

Contains drafts and final copies of articles, speeches, lectures, papers, and other writings, as well as a draft of Jorjorian's unpublished book, "The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry."

**Arrangement Note**

Arranged alphabetically by title.

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
1	1	Abortion, <i>Viewpoint</i> Interview, undated
1	2	Amarillo Address, 1964 April 11
1	3	"Boredom and Freedom," Mid-Summer CPT Conference, Austin TX, 1967
1	4	Canterbury Lecture Series, 1965
1	5	"The Chaplaincy Ministry in Spiritual Care," Texas Conference of Catholic Hospitals, Houston TX, 1968 March 29
1	6	"Children: Retarded or Deprived," Interdisciplinary Conference, 1967 March 1
1	7	"Christian Doctrine of Man" and Other Papers, Comments, 1960-1965, undated
1	8	"The Common Dilemma Facing Pastors and Psychiatrists," Houston State Psychiatric Institute, 1963 February 25
1	9	"Concept Consciousness, Task Consciousness, and Self Consciousness," <i>Journal of Pastoral Care</i> , 1965
1	10	"Contributions of the Episcopal Church to Ecumenity Through Pastoral Care and Education," <i>Pastoral Psychology</i> , 1966
1	11	"Counseling the Catholic," <i>Review for Pastoral Psychology</i> , 1960
1	12	"Crises and Spiritual Opportunities in Operating Room Nursing," Association of Operating Room Nurses, Shamrock TX, 1959 February 9
1	13	"Crises and Spiritual Opportunities in Operating Room Nursing," <i>Hospital Topics</i> , 1959 April
1	14	"The Crisis of Change and Our Response as Persons," Research Hospital, Kansas City MO, 1972 May 12
1	15	"Denominational Role in the Institutional Ministry and Chaplaincy Training," Lutheran Consultation on CPE, Chicago IL, 1966 November 3-5
1	16	"Doctrine of Man," Rice University, 1959 May 9
1	17	Ember Day Lecture, 1963-1964
1	18	"An Episcopal Supervisor's View of the Summer Quarter of Clinical Pastoral Training," 1962 August 20
1	19	"Expressions, Methodologies, and the Function of Pastoral Care," CPE Group, Houston TX, 1970

- 1 20 "The Factor of Christian Maturity in Readiness to Supervise Clinical Pastoral Training," SW Regional Accreditation Meeting, Houston TX , 1961 April 21
- 1 21 "Foundation Assumptions for Coordinating Medical and Religious Insights in Healing," Bellevue Hospital, 1954
- 1 22-23 "From the Chaplain," Intercom, 1959-1966
- 1 24 "How Important is the Sexual Factor in Marriage?," Texas A&M University, 1956 April 23
- 1 25 "Identity and Anxiety," UCF Retreat for Lamar Tech Students, 1962 October 5-6
- 2 1 Lectures to Chaplains in the Texas State System, Buchanan Dam TX, 1964 September 14-16
- 2 2 Letters to the Editor and Editorial Comments, 1961-1971
- 2 3 "Man's Three Ways of Being-in-the-World and in-the-Church," undated
- 2 4 "Meaning and Character of Supervisory Acts," 1967
- 2 5 "Meaning and Character of Supervisory Acts," *Journal of Pastoral Care*, 1969
- 2 6 "Means of Redemption – Doctrine of Man – Middle Age," undated
- 2 7 "Means of Redemption," Presentation, 1958 June 26
- 2 8 "Metaphysical Presuppositions for Clinical Pastoral Work," 1968
- 2 9 "Ministering to the Spiritual and Physical Needs of the Cancer Patient," American Cancer Society, Dallas TX, 1968 May 10
- 2 10 "Ministry at the Point of Death," School of Theology, Sewanee, 1970 October 6-7
- 2 11 "Ministry at the Point of Death," St. Luke's Journal, undated
- 2 12 "Ministry of Unreward," St. Luke's Auxiliary, 1965 January 25
- 2 13 "Ministry to the Sick: An Interfaith Practice," B'nai B'rith, Houston TX, 1962 February 1
- 2 14 "My Devotional Manual," 1946
- 2 15 "Near Life, Near Death, Near God," Comment, 1957
- 2 16 Nurses' Graduation, Jefferson Davis School of Nursing, 1956 August 3
- 2 17 "The Nurse's Spiritual Ministry to Protestant Patients," Nursing World, 1955 July
- 2 18 "Obligations and Opportunities of the Ministry of Mercy," Council of Churches Annual Meeting, 1962 November 18
- 2 19 "Opportunities for a Religious Ministry at All Saints' Hospital," Fort Worth TX, 1956 October 5
- 2 20 Outlines and Materials for Various Talks, undated
- 3 1 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Outline and Drafts, undated
- 3 2 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 1, "Faith and Accountability"
- 3 3 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 2, "The Human Situation and Accountability," undated
- 3 4 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 3, "The Ministry of Reconciliation," undated

- 3 5 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 4, “The Factor of Participation in Pastoral Care,” undated
- 3 6 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 5, “The Practice of Religion and the Maintenance of Health,” undated
- 3 7 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 6, “The Clinical Method in Medicine and Pastoral Care,” undated
- 3 8 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 7, “Pastoral Opportunities in the Crossroads of Human Experience,” undated
- 3 9 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 8, “Pastoral-Prophetic Understanding of the Ten Commandments,” undated
- 3 10 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 9, “Confession – Penance and Absolution,” undated
- 3 11 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Chapter 10, “The Sense of Devotion and Worshipful Experience,” undated
- 3 12 *The Pastoral-Prophetic Ministry*, Epilogue, undated
- 3 13 Pastoral Theology Lectures, 1954-1956
- 3 14 “Personal and Professional Value Judgments in Nursing,” University of Texas School of Nursing, 1965 June 9
- 3 15 “Philosophy and Practice of the General Hospital Ministry,” 1963 October 4
- 3 16 “Physicians and Pastors: Friends in Fiction or Fact,” Oklahoma State Medical Society Meeting, 1964 May 3
- 3 17 “‘Preparation’ of Christianity in the Ancient World,” undated
- 4 1 “A Protestant’s Viewpoint of Man,” Delaware Council of Churches, 1962 November 18
- 4 2 “Reflections Upon and Definition of Pastoral Counseling,” *Pastoral Psychology*, 1972
- 4 3 “Relationships Between Pastoral Counseling and Psychotherapy,” Texas Institute of Child Psychology, 1969
- 4 4 “Religion as Asset in a Psychiatric Patient,” Editorial Comment, *Journal of Pastoral Care*, 1968
- 4 5 “Some Contributions of a Clergyman to a Psychiatric Treatment Team,” Baylor College of Medicine, 1965 September 13
- 4 6 “Some Reflections on the Future of the Summer Quarter of Clinical Pastoral Training,” *Journal of Pastoral Care*, 1959
- 4 7 “Ten Commandments as a Description of Reality and Their Implications for Morality,” Baylor College of Medicine, 1964 October 23
- 4 8 “Theological Foundations and Implications of Clinical Pastoral Ministry,” 1968-1969
- 4 9 “Theological Orthodoxy and Clinical Awareness in Pastoral Work,” undated
- 4 10 “Theology for Pastoral Work,” Council for Clinical Training Conference, 1959 October 26
- 4 11 “Three Meditations for Advent,” 1958

- 4 12 "Towards a More Spiritual Social Work," Texas Women's University, Denton TX, 1957 May
- 4 13 "Unified Plan for Providing Supervision for Members of the Helping Professions Doing Psychotherapy or Counseling in Church-Related or Low-Cost Clinics," undated
- 4 14 "Volunteer Service," St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, 1961 January 23



**Series 2**  
**Writings by Others, 1958-2005**  
**Box 4**

**Scope and Content Note**

Includes Robert Leas's biographical sketch on Jorjorian, along with a few collected papers.

**Arrangement Note**

Arranged alphabetically by title.

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
4	15	"The Chaplain and the Organ Transplant Team," Ralph S. Carpenter, 1970
4	16	"The Episcopal Church's Ministry of Healing," 1958, 1964
4	17	"Group Poop," undated
4	18	"Pastor and Prophet: A Story of the Life and Work of Dr. Armen Jorjorian, D.D.," Rev. Robert Leas, 2005

**Series 3**  
**Workshops, Conferences, and Projects, 1953-1970**  
**Box 4**

**Scope and Content Note**

Comprised of Jorjorian's files on workshops, conferences, and numerous special projects in the field of pastoral care.

**Arrangement Note**

Arranged alphabetically by title.

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
4	19	Chaplains' Workshop, Buchanan Dam TX, 1963-1964
4	20	Conference on Ethics in Medicine and Technology, Houston TX, 1968 March 25-28
4	21	Conference on Spiritual Healing, St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, Houston TX, 1956 May 24
4	22	Council of Clinical Training and Virginia Theological Seminary Joint Conference, 1953 February 27-28
4	23	Council for Clinical Training in the Southwest, Incorporation, 1957 February 12
4	24	Criss Award, DeHartog Nomination, 1966-1967
4	25	Diocesan Commission on Alcoholism, 1957
4	26	Diocesan Commission on Euthanasia, 1968-1969
4	27	Episcopal Church Conference, Evergreen CO, 1959
5	1-2	First International Symposium on the Socio-Medical Aspects of Organ Transplantation in Human Beings, Houston TX, 1970 March 8-11
5	3	Healing Committee, 1959
5	4	Laboratory on the Church and Group Life, Brea Canyon CA, 1959 May 25-June 6
5	5	Memphis Medical Center, Consultation and Research Project, 1965
5	6	Ministry in Perspective, Leakey TX, 1962
5	7	Non-Medical Care of Hospital Patients, Interdisciplinary Conference, 1967 March 12
5	8-9	Pastoral Care Workshops, Houston Council of Churches, 1957-1962
5	10	Seminar or Group Therapy Research Project, 1956
5	11	Urban Pilot Project, 1965-1967
5	12	Workshop for Volunteer Chaplains of Riverside Hospital, 1968 February 1-2

**Series 4**  
**Case Materials, 1956-1963**  
**Box 5**

**Scope and Content Note**

Comprised of Jorjorian's case material, which is restricted.

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
5	13	Case material [Restricted], 1956-1963

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