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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2019 – present Priest in Charge; Rector
St. Mary's In-The-Hills Episcopal Church, Lake Orion, Michigan
- 2019 – present Instructor in Religious Studies
Oakland University
- 2021 – present Instructor in Religious Studies
University of Detroit Mercy
- 2015 – 2023 Visiting Instructor in New Testament
Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
- 2015 – 2018 Chaplain
Canterbury House at Northwestern University
- 2015 Interim Director, Second Three Years Program
Virginia Theological Seminary

EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D., The University of Virginia
Religious Studies: Judaism and Christianity in Antiquity
Examination Areas: New Testament and Early Christianity (Major); Hebrew Bible and Early Judaism (Minor); Rabbinics; Patristics; and Graeco-Roman Culture (Auxiliary)
Dissertation: *Unseeing the Shown, Showing the Unseen: The Images of John's Apocalypse and the Visual Culture of Ancient Asia Minor*
Supervisors: Judith Kovacs and Martien Halvorson-Taylor; Examining Committee: Harry Gamble, Greg Goehring, and Tyler Jo Smith
- 2005 Th.M., Princeton Theological Seminary
New Testament

2004 M.Div., Candler School of Theology, Emory University

2001 B.A. (Hons.), *magna cum laude*, Coe College
Religion; Music

Honors thesis: *The Resurrection of Jesus: Three Approaches*

PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

Books:

The Book of Revelation and Visual Culture in Asia Minor: A Concurrence of Images. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books/Fortress Academic, 2019.

- Reviewed in *Journal of Theological Studies*, *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*, *Bible Today*, *Religious Studies Review*, *Expository Times*
- Review panel with the Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity group at the Annual Meeting for the Society of Biblical Literature, November 18, 2023

Other Current Book Projects:

On the Dogmatic Understanding of the Apocalypse

The Encratites: Extreme Ascetics in Early Christianity

The Apostle's Rules for Radicals: Reading St. Paul with Saul Alinsky

Articles and Book Chapters:

"On the Existence of the Encratites," *Studia Patristica* CXXIV, vol. 21, ed. M. Vinzent (Leuven: Peeters, 2021), pp. 55-66.

"A Local Habitation and a Name: On the Images of John's Apocalypse," *Biblical Research* 63 (2018), pp. 1-22.

"Job and the 'Mystic's Solution' to Theodicy: Philosophical Paideia and Internalized Apocalypticism in the *Testament of Job*," in *Pedagogy in Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity*, ed. Matthew Goff, Karina Martin Hogan, and Emma Wasserman (Atlanta: SBL Press, 2017), pp. 215-39.

"Motivations for Encratite Practices in Early Christian Literature," *Journal of Theological Studies* 65/2 (2014): 515-49.

“Apocalypse Ellipsis: A Response to Shannon Smythe,” in *Karl Barth in Conversation*, ed. W. Travis McMaken and David Congdon (Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2014), pp. 210-15.

Book Reviews:

Robyn J. Whitaker, *Even the Devil Quotes Scripture: Reading the Bible on Its Own Terms*; for *Reading Religion* (forthcoming).

Gregory E. Sterling. *Shaping the Past to Define the Present: Luke-Acts and Apologetic Historiography*; for *Reading Religion* (forthcoming).

Francis J. Moloney, SDB. *The Apocalypse of John: A Commentary* (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2020); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 25 (2023).

Christopher R. Seitz, *The Elder Testament: Canon, Theology, Trinity* (Waco, TX: Baylor University Press, 2018); for *Reading Religion*, October 2021.

Jerome H. Neyrey, S.J., *Hearing Revelation 1-3: Listening with Greek Rhetoric and Culture*, CBQMS 56; (Washington, DC: Catholic Biblical Association of America, 2019); for *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 83 (2021).

John J. Collins, Pieter G. R. de Villiers, and Adela Yarbro Collins, eds. *Apocalypticism and Mysticism in Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity*. Ekstasis 7. (Berlin/Boston: de Gruyter, 2018); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 22 (2020).

Sharon Betsworth, *Children in Early Christian Narratives* (New York: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2015); for *Anglican Theological Review*, forthcoming.

David Bentley Hart, *The New Testament: A Translation* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2017); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 20 (2018).

C. L. Seow, *Job 1-21: Interpretation and Commentary* (Illuminations; Grand Rapids, Mich.: Eerdmans, 2013); for *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 137.4 (2017).

Susanna Elm, *Sons of Hellenism, Fathers of the Church* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2012); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 19 (2017).

Ithamar Gruenwald, *Apocalyptic and Merkabah Mysticism*, 2d ed. (Leiden: Brill, 2014); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 19 (2017).

Peter S. Williamson, *Revelation* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2015); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 19 (2017).

G. K. Beale with David H. Campbell, *Revelation: A Shorter Commentary* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2015); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 18 (2016).

Laszlo Gallusz, *The Throne Motif in the Book of Revelation* (London/New York: T&T Clark, 2013); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 17 (2015).

W. G. Campbell, *Reading Revelation: A Thematic Approach* (Cambridge: James Clarke & Co., 2012); for *Modern Believing*, 65/1 (2015).

Colleen Shantz and Rodney A. Werline, eds., *Experientia, Volume 2: Linking Text and Experience* (Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2012); for *Review of Biblical Literature* 16 (2014).

Gesa Thiessen, *Theological Aesthetics: A Reader* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2005); for *Princeton Theological Review* 36 (2007).

Conference Papers:

"The Missing Image: Imagining the Divine in the Book of Revelation, Other Jewish Visionary Texts, and their Material Environments," Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 29-December 10, 2020.

"Paul, the Pastorals, and Encratite Origins," Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 29-December 10, 2020.

"On the Existence of the Encratites," Oxford Patristics Conference, August 19-25, 2019.

"Toxic Femininity: Enkrateia and Gender in Christian Apocryphal Literature," Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 17-20, 2018.

"Tracking Myth Across Media: The Case of the Book of Revelation," Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 18-21, 2017.

"What is an Apocalyptic Author? The Book of Revelation as Pseudepigraphon," Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 19-22, 2016.

"Faith without Works is...Apocalyptic? Apocalyptic Wisdom Between James and Paul," Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 21-24, 2015.

“Experiencing the Divine in John’s Apocalypse: Image, Medium, and Body,”
Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 23-26, 2013.

“The Throne of Satan, the Throne of God, and the Great Altar of Pergamon,”
Judaism and Christianity in Antiquity Colloquium, The University of
Virginia, October 24, 2013.

“Job and the ‘Mystic’s Solution’ to Theodicy: Paideia and Internalized
Apocalypticism in the *Testament of Job*,” Society of Biblical Literature Annual
Meeting, November 16-20, 2012.

Invited Lectures:

“Politics and the Apocalyptic Imagination,” All Saints’ Lecture Series, All Saints’
Episcopal Church, Chicago, November 21, 2019.

“Apocalypse and the Political,” Brentsday Lecture, Brent House at the University of
Chicago, November 20, 2019.

“Imagining the Apocalypse,” Brentsday Lecture, Brent House at the University of
Chicago, May 1, 2019.

“The Development of the Biblical Canon,” a two-part lecture, All Saints’ Episcopal
Church, Chicago, September 23 & 30, 2019.

“A Local Habitation and a Name: On the Images of John’s Apocalypse,” Chicago Society
of Biblical Research, Spring Meeting, April 7, 2018.

“Seeing the Book of Revelation,” a series of three lectures, St. Alban’s Episcopal Church,
Annandale, Virginia, March 2015.

“The Book of Revelation and the Art of Asia Minor,” Leidecker Center for Asian
Studies, The University of Mary Washington, March 18, 2013.

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Detroit Mercy (2021-present)

Introduction to the New Testament (Winter 2022, Summer 2022 [online])

The Rise of Christianity (Fall 2021, Winter 2023 [online], Winter 2024 [online], Fall 2024
[online], Winter 2025, Fall 2025 [online])

Oakland University (2021-present)

Introduction to Religion (Fall 2022 [online]; Winter 2025 [online])

Studies in Suffering and Evil (Winter 2021 [online])
Interdisciplinary Approaches to Liberal Studies (Fall 2022 [online]; Fall 2021)

Bexley Seabury Seminary Federation (2021)
Hebrew Bible II: The Prophetic and Wisdom Writings (Summer 2021 [online])

McCormick Theological Seminary (2016-2017)
Acts of the Apostles: Imagining the Early Church (Spring 2017)
The Book of Revelation and its Legacies (Spring 2016)
Politics and Empire in the New Testament (Fall 2017 [with Ph.D. section])

Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (2015-present)
Jesus within Judaism (Jesus and the Gospels) (Spring 2020 [online]; Spring 2019 [online];
crosslisted with McCormick Theological Seminary, Spring 2018, Spring 2017 [with
Ph.D. section]; Fall 2015)
Paul's Life, Letters, and Legacy (Fall 2022 [online]; Fall 2021 [online]; Fall 2020 [online];
Fall 2019 [online]; and Fall 2018 [online]; crosslisted with McCormick Theological
Seminary, Fall 2016 [with Ph.D. section]); Spring 2016 [with Ph.D. section])
Gospel of Matthew (Spring 2023 [hybrid])
New Testament Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Tutorial (non-credit; Summer 2017)

Virginia Theological Seminary (2014-2015)
Found in Translation: How Words Inform (Fall 2014 [a short course for Lifelong
Learning])
Introduction to Theology and the Practice of Ministry (Spring 2015 [co-instructor with
Lisa Kimball and Joyce Mercer])
Visual Art and Interpretation of the Gospels (June 2015 [online])

University of Mary Washington (2013)
Introduction to Christian Thought (Spring 2013)
Studies in Suffering and Evil (Spring 2013)

Iowa Wesleyan College (2006)
Religion in Western Civilization (Summer 2006; Fall 2006)

As Teaching Assistant:
New Testament Greek (Virginia Theological Seminary, Fall 2012)
Introduction to Hebrew Bible (University of Virginia, Fall 2010, Fall 2011)
Introduction to the New Testament and Early Christianity (University of Virginia,
Spring 2010)

Religion in America Since 1865 (University of Virginia, Spring 2011)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2020 – Executive Committee, Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars
2017 – 2018 Examiner for New Testament Th.M./Ph.D. qualifying exams, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2010 – 2014 Skinner Fellow, St. Paul's Memorial Church/University of Virginia
2009 – 2014 Presidential Fellowship, University of Virginia
2004 American Bible Society Award, Candler School of Theology
2001 – 2004 Dean's Award academic scholarship, Candler School of Theology
2001 Phi Beta Kappa

LANGUAGES

Teaching Proficiency:

Greek (Classical, Hellenistic, Byzantine), Classical Hebrew, and Latin

Additional Research Languages:

Ancient: Rabbinic Hebrew, Syriac, Coptic

Modern: German, French, Italian, Spanish

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society of Biblical Literature
American Academy of Religion
Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars
North American Patristics Society
Catholic Biblical Association