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George W. Truett Theological Seminary

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Academic Positions:

Professor – Truett Seminary, Baylor University – 2015-Present

Associate Professor – Truett Seminary, Baylor University – 2012-2015

Associate Professor – University of Sioux Falls – 2007-2012

Assistant Professor – University of Sioux Falls – 2001-2007

Education:

Ph.D. **Systematic Theology**
Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey – 2002

Master of Divinity Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, California – 1996

Bachelor of Arts Jamestown College, Jamestown, North Dakota – 1992

Publications:

Books – Single-Author:

1 Corinthians. Brazos Theological Commentary on the Bible.
Grand Rapids: Brazos Press, 2022.

Reformational Theology: Studies in the Theology of the Reformation, Karl Barth, and the Evangelical Tradition. Bloomsbury T & T Clark, 2021. Re-issued in paperback, 2023.

Reading Karl Barth for the Church: A Guide and Companion.
Baker Academic Press, 2019.

Confessing Christ for Church and World: Studies in Modern Theology.
InterVarsity Press, 2014.

Karl Barth's Christological Ecclesiology. Ashgate, 2005.

- a. Reissued in paperback with a new Preface and Foreword by Cascade, 2013.
- b. Reissued in hardback and paperback by Routledge, 2016.

Books – Edited Volumes:

T & T Clark Handbook to Ecclesiology. Edited with L. Stephen Long. T & T Clark, 2020.
Re-issued in paperback, 2022.

Theology as Conversation: The Significance of Dialogue in Historical and Contemporary Theology. Edited with Bruce L. McCormack. Eerdmans, 2009.

Peer-Reviewed Articles and Book Chapters:

“Reflections on God’s Body, or, an Exercise in Examining the Limitations of Comparative Religious Studies for Understanding Israel’s Theology of God.” *Pro Ecclesia* (under review).

“Teaching Theology in Service to the Gospel” – in: *Teaching Theology: Essays Personal and Theological*. Ed. Adam Neder. Waco: Baylor University Press (in press).

“Confessing Christ, Confessing the Church” – in: *Confessing the Church: Explorations in Constructive Dogmatics*. Ed. Oliver D. Crisp & Fred Sanders. Zondervan, 2024 (in press).

“The Center and the Periphery” – in: *Wonderful Words of Life: Scripture, Proclamation, and Community*. Ed. Todd Still. Waco: Baylor University Press (in press).

“Justification and Justice” – in: *Justice Looks Like...* Ed. Eric Black. Waco: Baylor University Press, 2023.

“Dogmatic Ecclesiology in a Protestant and Evangelical Key.” *Ecclesiology* 19 (2023): 93-113.

“Swimming Against the Theological and Pedagogical Stream: Lessons from Karl Barth on Teaching within the Theological Disciplines.” *Scottish Journal of Theology* 75 (2022): 295-307.

“Capitalism, Socialism, and Karl Barth’s Pragmatism: Lessons from a Disillusioned Socialist for Christian Economic Engagement” – in: *Human Flourishing: Economic Wisdom for a Fruitful Christian Vision of the Good Life*. Ed. Greg Forster and Anthony R. Cross. Pickwick, 2020.

“Introduction” – in: *T & T Clark Handbook to Ecclesiology*. Ed. Kimlyn J. Bender and L. Stephen Long. Bloomsbury/T & T Clark, 2020.

“Ecclesiology and Christology” – in: *T & T Clark Handbook to Ecclesiology*. Ed. Kimlyn J. Bender and L. Stephen Long. Bloomsbury/T & T Clark, 2020.

“Barth on the Church” – in: *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Karl Barth*. Ed. George Hunsinger and Keith Johnson. Wiley-Blackwell, 2020.

- “The Reformers as Fathers of the Church: Luther and Calvin in the Thought of Karl Barth.” *Scottish Journal of Theology* 72 (2019): 414-431.
- “The *Sola* behind the *Solas*: Martin Luther and The Unity and Future of the Five *Solas* of the Reformation.” *Evangelical Quarterly* 90.2 (2019): 109-131.
- “The Confessional Task of the Christian University.” *Christian Scholar’s Review* 48 (2018): 3-16.
- “Karl Barth” – in: *The Oxford Handbook of Ecclesiology*. Ed. Paul Avis. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018.
- “Karl Barth, Confessionalism, and the Question of Baptist Identity.” *Perspectives in Religious Studies* 45 (2018): 49-67.
- “Baptist Identity, Receptive Catholicity, and Intentional Ecumenicity.” With Steven R. Harmon. *Christian Scholar’s Review* 46 (2017): 255-270.
- “Søren Kierkegaard and Karl Barth: Reflections on a Relation and a Proposal for Future Investigation.” *International Journal of Systematic Theology*. 17 (2015): 296-318.
- “The Church as a Pilgrim People: The *Communio Viatorum* of the Risen and Ascended Christ.” *American Baptist Quarterly* 33 (2014): 326-346.
- “Martin Luther and the Birth of the Protestant Ecclesial Vision.” *Perspectives in Religious Studies* 41 (2014): 257-275.
- “Bringing an Elephant and a Whale into Conversation: Karl Barth and Pietism” – in: *Karl Barth and the Future of Evangelical Theology*. Ed. Christian T. Collins Winn and John L. Drury. (Eugene: Cascade Press, 2014).
- “Karl Barth and the Question of Atheism.” *Theology Today* 70 (2013): 269-280.
- “The American Experience of a Darkening and Receding Providence: The Civil War and the Unmaking of an American Religious Synthesis.” *Cultural Encounters* 9 (2013): 109-128.
- “Theology for Pilgrims: James McClendon and the Future of Baptist Theology.” *Perspectives in Religious Studies* 40 (2013): 283-291.
- “The Church” – in: *The Westminster Handbook to Karl Barth*. Ed. Richard Burnett. (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013).
- “Karl Barth and Evangelicals on the Question of the Church: Conversations across the Aisle” – in: *Karl Barth and American Evangelicalism*. Ed. Bruce L. McCormack and Clifford B. Anderson. (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2011).

- “The Mask: The Loss of Moral Conscience and Personal Responsibility” – in:
An Ethical Compass: Coming of Age in the 21st Century. Ed. & Preface Elie Wiesel,
 Foreword by Thomas L. Friedman. (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2010).
- “Whither Reformed Theology: The Trajectory of a Protestant Tradition – A Review
 Essay.” *Perspectives in Religious Studies* 36 (2009): 341-356.
- “Christ and Canon, Theology and History: The Barth-Harnack Dialogue Revisited” – in:
Theology as Conversation: The Significance of Dialogue in Historical and Contemporary Theology.
 Ed. Kimlyn J. Bender and Bruce McCormack. (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2009).
- “Christ, Creation, and the Drama of Redemption: “The Play’s the Thing...”
Scottish Journal of Theology 62 (2009): 149-174.
- “The End of the Reformation: Has news of its demise been greatly exaggerated?”
Cultural Encounters 4 (2008): 23-36.
- “Is the Reformation Over?” – A Review Article.”
Horizons 34 (2007): 342-347.
- “Scripture and Canon in Karl Barth’s Early Theology” – in: *From Biblical Criticism to
 Biblical Faith: Essays in Honor of Lee Martin McDonald*. Ed. Craig A. Evans
 and William Brackney. (Macon: Mercer University Press, 2007).
- “Moral Education Beyond the Secular and Sacred Dichotomy.”
Journal of Religion and Society, 9 (2007): <http://moses.creighton.edu/JRS/2007/2007-17.pdf>
- “Karl Barth’s Doctrine of the Church in Contemporary Anglo-American Ecclesiological
 Conversation.” *Zeitschrift für dialektische Theologie* 20 (2005): 84-116.
- “Between Heaven and Earth: Schleiermacher’s Christology in View of Intrasystematic
 Tensions and Relations within the *Glaubenslehre*.” *Schleiermacher’s “To Cecillie” and Other
 Writings by and about Schleiermacher*. Edited by Ruth D. Richardson. *Neues Athenaeum* 6
 (2001): 179-195.
- “Moral Education in the Multi-Polis: A Modest Proposal for a Necessary Practice.” *Soundings*
 84 (2001): 401-425.
- “The Ethics of Immanence: The Metaphysical Foundations of Spinoza’s Moral Philosophy.”
Sophia 39 (2000): 31-55.

Other Publications:

- “Other Baptists?: A generous orthodoxy.” A review article of: Curtis W. Freeman,
Contesting Catholicity. Books and Culture. March/April, 2016.

Book Reviews:

Joshua Cockayne, *Explorations in Analytic Ecclesiology: That They May Be One*
Scottish Journal of Theology (in press)

Donald W. Norwood, *Reforming Rome: Karl Barth and Vatican II*.
Horizons 43 (2016): 216-217.

David R. Law, *Kierkegaard's Kenotic Christology*.
Journal of Religion, 96 (2016): 282-283.

Tracey Mark Stout, *A Fellowship of Baptism: Karl Barth's Ecclesiology in Light of His*
Understanding of Baptism. *Perspectives in Religious Studies*, 40 (2013): 81-83.

Daniel Migliore, ed., *Commanding Grace: Studies in Karl Barth's Ethics*.
Theology Today, 69 (2012): 354-356.

Colin E. Gunton, *The Barth Lectures*. Center for Barth Studies – Princeton Theological
Seminary. Online review. Published August, 2010.

Ben Witherington III, *The Problem with Evangelical Theology: Testing the Exegetical*
Foundations of Calvinism, Dispensationalism and Wesleyanism.
Perspectives in Religious Studies, 35 (2008): 445-448.

Roger E. Olson, *The Westminster Handbook to Evangelical Theology*.
Perspectives in Religious Studies, 35 (2008): 445-448.

Miroslav Volf, *After Our Likeness: The Church as the Image of the Trinity*.
Koinonia Journal, 12 (2000): 121-123.

Nancey Murphy, *Beyond Liberalism and Fundamentalism: How Modern and*
Postmodern Philosophy Set the Theological Agenda.
Koinonia Journal, 8 (1996): 189-194.

Professional Presentations:

“Karl Barth, Philosophy, and the Age of Ideology”
Karl Barth Society of North America –
American Academy of Religion National Meeting, November 18, 2023

“The Freedom of God and the Faithfulness of God” – A Response to Paul Molnar
Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship – American Academy of Religion
Annual Meeting – San Antonio, TX – November 17, 2023

“Confessing Christ, Confessing the Church”
Los Angeles Theology Conference – Biola University
La Mirada, CA – March 16, 2023

- “Three Relations” – A Response to Tom Greggs’ *Dogmatic Ecclesiology* Volume 1
Ecclesiology Unit – Evangelical Theological Society National Annual Meeting
Denver, CO – November 17, 2022
- “Swimming Against the Theological and Pedagogical Stream: Lessons from Karl Barth on Teaching within the Theological Disciplines”
North American Baptist Professors of Religion Annual Meeting
Baylor University – Online – May 19, 2021
- Panel Discussion of “Capitalism, Socialism, and Karl Barth’s Pragmatism: Provisional Lessons from a Disillusioned Socialist for Christian Economic Engagement”
Karam Forum/Oikonomia Network Conference – Online Digital Event
January 5, 2021.
- “Christ’s Body and the Body of Christ: Reflections on Identity, Difference, and Ordered Relations” Ecclesiology Section – Evangelical Theological Society National Meeting – Providence, Rhode Island (Online) – November 18, 2020.
- “Reflections on the Question of God’s Embodiment: A Reply to Christoph Markschie’s *God’s Body: Jewish, Christian, and Pagan Images of God*”
“God’s Body: A Conversation with Dr. Christoph Markschie” –
Baylor in Washington – Washington D.C., November 20, 2019
- “Christian Discipleship in the Digital Age: Character Formation and the Challenges of Cyberculture” *The T. B. Maston Lecture* – Carson-Newman University
March 21, 2019.
- “Capitalism, Socialism, and Karl Barth’s Pragmatism: Provisional Lessons from a Disillusioned Socialist for Christian Economic Engagement”
Oikonomia Network Conference – Dallas, Texas
January 2-3, 2019.
- “Real Faith in a Virtual World: Christian Discipleship in a Digital Age”
The Brunner-Welch Lecture – Whitworth University
March 1, 2018
- “The Sola behind the Solas: The Unity of the Five Solas of the Reformation” –
Reformed Theology and History Unit – American Academy of Religion National Annual Meeting, Boston, MA – November 20, 2017
- “The Reformers as Fathers of the Church: Luther and Calvin in the Thought of Karl Barth” – The Bible and the Reformation Conference – Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture – Baylor University – October 27, 2017
- “Calvin and the New Calvinists”
Calvin Studies Society – 2017 Colloquium – Baylor University
March 16, 2017

- “The Confessional Task of the Christian University”
Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture Conference – Baylor University –
October 27, 2016
- “Karl Barth and the Question of Confessionalism: A Historical Investigation with
Possible Reverberations in Considering the Doctrinal Task of Baptist Churches” –
National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Annual Meeting – Baylor
University – May 24, 2016
- “The Church as a Pilgrim People: Reflections upon the *Communio Viatorum* of the
Risen and Ascended Christ” – University of Aberdeen – July 20, 2015
- “A Pilgrim People: An Eschatological Vision for Understanding the *Communio
Viatorum* of the Risen and Ascended Christ” – YSBA Conference –
Oxford University – July 14, 2015
- “Virtual Faith? Christian Faithfulness in an Online World”
The Knudson Ethics Lecture – University of Sioux Falls – March 11, 2014
- “Søren Kierkegaard and Karl Barth on the Question of the Contemporaneity of Disciple
and Witness” – Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture Conference
Baylor University – November 1, 2013
- “Theology for Pilgrims: James McClendon and the Future of Baptist Theology”
National Academy of Baptist Professors of Religion Meeting
American Academy of Religion National Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL –
November 17, 2012
- “Barth and Baptists” – The Wilson-Addis Endowed Lecture in Practical Christianity.
G. W. Truett Theological Seminary, Baylor University – April 27, 2012
- Panel Member – “Calvin and Current Calvinisms” – Calvin Conference
Sioux Falls Seminary – October 16, 2009
- “Karl Barth and the Question of Atheism” – Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture
Baylor University – October 9, 2009
- “Special versus General Revelation in the Twentieth Century Theology and Science
Debates” – USF Forum for Conversations in Theology and Science
University of Sioux Falls – September 24, 2007
- “The Church in Karl Barth and Evangelicalism – Conversations across the Aisle”
Princeton Barth and American Evangelicalism Conference
Princeton Theological Seminary – June 27, 2007
- “The End of the Reformation? Unresolved Questions and Tasks”
College Theology Society Conference, University of Dayton – June 2, 2007

- “Intelligent Design, Naturalism, and the God-World Relationship”
College Theology Society Conference, University of Dayton – June 1, 2007
- “Macrocosm and Microcosm: The Gifford Lectures as a Study in the Religion and Science Debate of the Twentieth Century” USF Forum for Conversations in Theology and Science, University of Sioux Falls – April 23, 2007
- “Karl Barth and the Church Today” North American Baptist Seminary – October 26, 2006
- “A Dialogue Across the Ages: Setting the Context for Contemporary Discussions between Theology and Science” USF Forum for Conversations in Theology and Science, University of Sioux Falls – September 25, 2006
- “‘The Play’s the Thing’: Re-reading the Doctrine of Creation under the Second Article.” Christian Theological Research Fellowship Session
American Academy of Religion National Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA – November 19, 2005
- “The Joy of Learning: Homer, Einstein, and Augustine.”
The Convocation Address – University of Sioux Falls – September 2, 2004
- “Karl Barth’s Ecclesiology in the Light of Recent Reconsiderations.”
Karl Barth Society of North America Session, American Academy of Religion National Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA – November 20, 2003
- “Moral Education Both Sacred and Secular: Beyond Relativism and Indoctrination.”
Pruit Memorial Symposium, Baylor University – October 31, 2003
- “Mundane Morality: Ethics of the Everyday, the Extraordinary, and the Story of Our Lives.”
The 2003 Lecture in Ethics, Convocation Series
Jamestown College Center for Ethics and Character, Jamestown College – April 15, 2003. Also presented for the Honor’s Forum, University of Sioux Falls, October 9, 2003
- “Between Heaven and Earth: Schleiermacher’s Christology in View of Intrasystematic Tensions and Relations within the *Glaubenslehre*.” The Schleiermacher Group, the American Academy of Religion National Annual Meeting, Orlando, Florida – November 1998

Select Additional Invited Speaking Engagements:

- “1 Corinthians” – Truett Theological Seminary Continuing Education Seminar
San Antonio, TX – October 27-28, 2023
- “A Theology of Preaching: The Word of God Proclaimed”
Center for Pastor Theologians St. Anselm Fellowship – Raleigh, N.C. – October 3, 2023

- “A Theology of Preaching: The Word of God Proclaimed”
Center for Pastor Theologians St. Peter Fellowship – Chicago, Ill. –
August 8, 2023
- “1 Corinthians” – Truett Theological Seminary Continuing Education Seminar
Waco, TX – April 14-15, 2023
- “Good Fruit and a Firm Foundation” – First Baptist Church of Scottsdale, AZ
November 6, 2022
- “What is the Bible? Holy Scripture, the Church, and the Christian”
First Baptist Church of Scottsdale, AZ – November 6, 2022
- “Love, Sex, Singleness, and Marriage in the Christian Tradition, or, Paul’s Ancient
Corinth and the Modern World of Dating” – *Got Questions Conference*
First Baptist Church of Scottsdale, AZ – November 5, 2022
- “The Life of Faith, the Questions of Life, and Why Theology is Unavoidable”
First Baptist Church of Scottsdale, AZ – November 4, 2022
- “The Center and the Periphery” – Truett Theological Seminary
October 5, 2021
- “A Quiet Voice in the Night” – Whitworth University
March 1, 2018
- “The Identity of Protestantism” – Baylor University Honor’s College –
December 3, 2015
- Pastor’s Conference – Truett Theological Seminary, Baylor University, April 9, 2015
- “Karl Barth and Contemporary Ecclesiology” – April 9
- “Karl Barth on Scripture, Canon, and Tradition” – April 9
- Theology Lectures, First Presbyterian Church, Ambler, PA – March 13-15
- “Why Theology” – March 13, 2015
- “Holy Scripture” – March 14, 2015
- “The Gospel and Atheism” – March 14, 2015
- “The Sower, The Seed, and the Soils” – Sermon of March 15, 2015
- “Christian Faith in an Online World”
Texas Baptist Student Ministry Winter Conference – January 6, 2015

- “Theological Resources and Reflections”
Truett Seminary – Pastors’ Roundtable – September 5, 2014
- “Out with the Old...”
University of Sioux Falls – Chapel Address – March 12, 2014
- “Ephesians and the Encouragement of Paul’s Prayer”
Waco Regional Baptist Association Pastor’s Conference – January 9, 2013
- “The Resurrection and the Church Today.” Great Plains Association Meetings of the
North American Baptist Conference – Nov. 4, 2011
- “How to Choose a Seminary.” Theology and Philosophy Department Student Retreat
University of Sioux Falls – May 6, 2007
- “Hearing the Voice of God.” Sermon for University of Sioux Falls Sunday
First Baptist Church of Sioux Falls – October 15, 2006
- “Abortion in Theological Perspective: Rights, Choices, Tragedy, and Hope.”
First Presbyterian Church of Sioux Falls – September 10, 2006
- “Transformed.” Sioux Falls Christian High School – December 21, 2004
- “The Fear of the Lord...” Sermon for University of Sioux Falls Sunday
First Baptist Church of Sioux Falls – October 10, 2004
- “Holiness and Humility.” University of Sioux Falls Chapel – September 25, 2003
- “Conformity and Transformation.” University of Sioux Falls Chapel – October 22, 2002
- “Wilderness Preparation.” University of Sioux Falls Chapel – May 7, 2002
- “The Fear of the Lord is the Beginning of Knowledge.” Mercer Christian Academy
Commencement Address – Ewing, NJ – June 11, 1998

Scholarships, Fellowships, and Grants:

DoSER Science for Seminaries Grant (AAAS) for Truett Seminary – 2019-2021
\$75,000 –Principal Investigator/Grant Writer

Resident Scholar – Tyndale House
Cambridge, England – Summer 2018

Arts and Humanities Faculty Research Program Grant –
Baylor University -- 2018

Visiting Scholar – Princeton Theological Seminary
Appointed by PTS President Dr. Ian Torrance – Fall Semester, 2008

Metanexus Institute on Religion and Science – Local Societies Initiative Grant

Chairperson and Grant Writer – USF Forum for Conversations in Theology and Science, 2006-2012. \$10,000 with matching funds by USF (\$20,000 total).

CCCU Disciplinary Workshop on Philosophy Grant

Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, July 11-15, 2005

Bush Grant – Spring 2002 – for curriculum development and revision

Merit Tuition Fellowship – full tuition fellowship for Ph.D. Studies, Princeton Theological Seminary

American Baptist Churches Doctoral Study Grant – American Baptist Churches USA

Evangelische Kirche in Deutschland Goethe Institut Fellowship – for study in Germany

Lowell Berry Fellowship – first year full tuition award, Fuller Theological Seminary

American Baptist Churches Seminarian Grant – American Baptist Churches USA

Wilson Scholarship – four-year full tuition scholarship, Jamestown College

Editorial Boards:

Contributing Editor

Cultural Encounters – A Journal for the Theology of Culture – 2007-Present

Member of Editorial Board – Theology Editor

Perspectives in Religious Studies – 2003-2008

Professional Memberships:

American Academy of Religion

Karl Barth Society of North America

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion

Leadership of Professional Organizations:

RAMM Scholars – Faculty Facilitator – Baylor University, 2017-Present

University of Sioux Falls Forum for Conversations in Theology and Science

Metanexus Institute on Religion and Science – Local Societies Initiative

Chairperson and grant writer, 2006-2008

Member of committee, 2008-present

The Karl Barth Society of Sioux Falls, SD, Moderator and Founder, 2002-2008

Service to the Profession:

Outside reviewer for *International Journal of Systematic Theology*
 Outside reviewer for *Modern Theology*
 Outside reviewer for *Ecclesiology Journal*
 Outside reviewer for *Perspectives in Religious Studies*
 Outside reviewer for *Evangelical Quarterly*
 Manuscript reviewer for Bloomsbury-T & T Clark

Honors:**Baylor University Outstanding Faculty Award – 2023**

Baylor University faculty award for research and scholarship

Jamestown College Alumni Hall of Fame – 2016 – inducted May, 2016

Outstanding Faculty Honor Award – 2003 – University of Sioux Falls

Professor of the Year

David Allan Hubbard Award – 1996 – presented to the highest ranking senior in the School of Theology of Fuller Theological Seminary as voted upon by the faculty

Baker Book House Award – 1996 – for excellence in theological studies

The Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics – First Place - 1992 – presented by Elie Wiesel for the essay, “The Mask: The Loss of the Moral Conscience and Personal Responsibility”

The Mennonite Historical Society Essay Contest - Second Place - 1992 – for the B.A. thesis, *The Baptismal Theology of Anabaptism in Comparison to Luther*

The President’s Key - 1992 - awarded to the graduating senior with the highest GPA at Jamestown College

Achievement Awards in Religion/Philosophy and History - 1992 – Jamestown College

Language Study:

The Goethe Institute, Iserlohn, Germany – Summer 1997

Courses Taught – Truett Theological Seminary:

Texts and Traditions 3 – Modern Theology
 Constructive Theology
 Texts and Traditions 2 – The Protestant Reformation to the 19th Century
 The Theology of Karl Barth
 Contemporary Ecclesiology
 D.Min. Seminar: Theological Reflection and Spiritual Formation

D.Min. Seminar: Living the Kingdom
A Theology of Technology

Courses Taught – University of Sioux Falls:

European Protestant Theology: From Schleiermacher to Barth
The Reformation: The Theology of Martin Luther
The Reformation: The Theology of John Calvin
Introduction to Christian Thought
Introduction to Philosophy
Philosophy of Religion
Ethics
Theology and Science
History of Christianity
The Moral Life: Readings in the Virtues
Senior Seminar – Ecclesiology

Courses Taught – Sioux Falls Seminary:

The Theology of Karl Barth

Undergraduate Research – Supervised Honors Projects and Papers:

"A Seminal Word: How the Epistle to the Romans Influenced the Life and Faith of Augustine, Martin Luther, and Karl Barth." – Jordan Farrell, Senior Honors Thesis, University of Sioux Falls, 2011

"The Free Will Defense: A Critique of Plantinga and Swinburne" – Katie Rowen, Senior Honor's Thesis, University of Sioux Falls, 2007

"The Free Will Defense: A Critique of Plantinga and Swinburne" – Katie Rowen
Paper presented at the Undergraduate Theology and Philosophy of Religion Section, Upper Midwest Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion and Society of Biblical Literature – Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota, April 14, 2007

"Continuity in Change: The Implications of the Cultural-Linguistic Theory for Doctrinal Change" – Julie Swanstrom, Senior Honor's Thesis, University of Sioux Falls, 2005

"The Virtue of Literature: An Analysis of Platonic and Aristotelian Theory and Its Role in Education" – Marc Anderson, University of Sioux Falls. Presented at the Pruitt Memorial Symposium – The Schooled Heart: Moral Formation in American Higher Education – Baylor University, November, 2003

Post-Graduate Education and Workshops:

"Council of Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU) Disciplinary Workshop on Philosophy: What Does It Mean To Be A Christian Philosopher Today"

Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, July 11-15, 2005

Four Fridays Technology Workshop - University of Sioux Falls - Summer 2002

Teaching With Writing - University of Sioux Falls - Summer 2002

University and Departmental Service:

Chair – Committee on Lectures and Scholarship, Truett, 2018-Present

Member – Awards Committee, Truett, 2018-2023

Member – Baylor University Press Editorial Committee, Baylor University, 2015-2021

Member – Baylor University Faculty Dismissal Committee, 2018-2021

Member – Doctor of Ministry Committee, Truett, 2013-2018

Member – Committee, on Lectures and Scholarship, Truett, 2013-2018

Chair – Ad Hoc Composition Committee, Truett -- 2014

Member – Dean of Truett Seminary Search Committee, 2014-2015

Member – Committee on Liberal Arts Assessment, 2009-2011

Chair and Member– Assessment Committee, 2007-2009

Member – Committee for Liberal Arts Education, 2005-2007

Mentor – New Faculty Mentor Program, 2005-2006

Chair – Philosophy Search Committee, 2003-2005

Member – Graduate Policies Committee, 2002-2005; 2001-2012

Previous Teaching Experience:

Princeton Theological Seminary, 1997-2001

Preceptor/Teaching Assistant - Systematic Theology

Systematic Theology 221 - Spring 1998; Spring 1999

Systematic Theology 222 - Fall 1997; Fall 1999

The Doctrine of the Atonement - Spring 2001

Fuller Theological Seminary, 1995-1996

Teaching Assistant - Historical Theology

Patristic Theology - Fall 1995

Medieval and Reformation Theology - Winter 1996

Post-Reformation and Modern Theology - Spring 1996

Ordination:

American Baptist Churches USA, 1996

Ministerial Employment:

Interim Pastor

Chalk Bluff Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, 2022-2023

Senior Pastor

Oak Hills Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, 2009-2012

Interim Pastor
Oak Hills Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, 2003

Interim Pulpit Supply Pastor
Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church, Ringoes, New Jersey, 2000-2001

Director of Music and Worship
Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church, Ringoes New Jersey, 2000-2001

Adult Education Teacher and Pulpit Supply Pastor
Central Baptist Church, Ewing, New Jersey, 1996-2001

Director of Music and Young Adult Ministries
First Baptist Church of Alhambra, Alhambra, California, 1993-1996

Choir Director
Temple Baptist Church, Jamestown, North Dakota, 1988-1992

Church and Community Service:

Adult Sunday School Teacher
First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, 2016-Present

Adult Sunday School Teacher
Calvary Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, 2013-2016

Deacon
Calvary Baptist Church, Waco, Texas, 2015-2016

Adult Sunday School Teacher
First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, 2002-2008

Church Council Member and Recording Secretary
First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, 2006-2007

Home Visitation Communion Minister
First Baptist Church of Sioux Falls, 2005-2007

Circle Leader, Faith Weaver Friends Children's Ministry
First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, 2003-2007

Math Tutor
Mark Twain Elementary School Challenge Center, 2005-2006

Selected List of Courses Taught at Churches:

1. How to Teach the Bible (First Baptist Church, Alhambra, California)
2. Bible Survey (First Baptist Church, Alhambra, California)
3. 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus (First Baptist Church, Alhambra, California)
4. The Gospel of Luke (First Baptist Church, Alhambra, California)
5. The Gospel of Mark (Central Baptist Church, Ewing, New Jersey)
6. The Letters of 2 & 3 John and Jude (Central Baptist Church, Ewing, New Jersey)
7. Romans (Central Baptist Church, Ewing, New Jersey)
8. Galatians (Central Baptist Church, Ewing, New Jersey)
9. The Gospel of Mark (First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota)
10. Ephesians and Colossians (First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota)
11. The Psalms (First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota)
12. Acts of the Apostles (First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota)
13. Hebrews (First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota)
14. The Gospel of Matthew (First Baptist Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota)
15. Karl Barth for the Church (Calvary Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)
16. The Book of Ruth (Calvary Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)
17. 1 Thessalonians (Calvary Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)
18. Jude (Calvary Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)
19. 2 & 3 John (Calvary Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)
20. 1 Corinthians (Calvary Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)
21. Survey of the Bible (First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)
22. The Parables of Jesus (First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)
23. Galatians (First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas)