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Present Position

Professor of Theology
 School of Theology, Seattle Pacific University

Other Involvements

Advisory Board Member *Seven* (Journal of The Marion E. Wade Center, Wheaton)
 American Academy of Religion
 Karl Barth Society of North America
 T.F. Torrance Society
 The George MacDonald Society
 Board Member, Scholar/Leaders International
 Micah Group Church Leaders Group

Education

1994 Ph.D. University of Aberdeen: Systematic Theology (Thesis: *Prophet or Heretic: A Study of the Theology of George MacDonald*)
 1988 M.A. Fuller Theological Seminary: Theology
 1972 B.A. Whitman College: English with Secondary Teacher Certification in English and German (Mortar Board)

Publications:

"The Biblical Teaching on 'The Stranger' as a Guide for Anthropological Knowing of the Other" for *On Knowing Humanity: Developing a Christian Approach to Anthropology*. Forthcoming 2015
Drinking from the Wells of New Creation: The Holy Spirit and Imagination in Reconciliation. Cascade, Wipf and Stock October, 2014
 "Fifteen Years of Teaching *Worship, Community and the Triune God of Grace*," *Participatio: The Journal of the Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship* Forthcoming, 2014
 "Image of God" for The Evangelical Dictionary of Theology Forthcoming, 2015
 "Creation Care" for *Lectio*, Center For Biblical and Theological Education, Seattle Pacific University Summer 2014
 "The Sacrament of the Stranger in C.S. Lewis, J.R.R. Tolkien and George MacDonald," in *Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism*, Volume 258, ed. Kathy D. Darrow, (Gale, Cengage Learning, 2012) (Reprinted from *Truths Breathed Through Silver: The Inklings' Moral and Mythopoeic Legacy*, ed. by Jonathan B. Himes, Joe R. Christopher, and Salwa Khoddam, pp.138-50 (Newcastle upon Tyne, UK: Cambridge Scholars, 2008). Winter 2012
 "Educating for Reconciliation," *Response*, Seattle Pacific University Winter 2009
 "Celtic Spirituality and Theology," *Global Dictionary of Theology*, InterVarsity Autumn, 2008
 "The Sacrament of the Stranger in C.S. Lewis, J.R.R. Tolkien and George MacDonald;" *Truths Breathed Through Silver: The Inklings' Moral and Mythopoeic Legacy*, Cambridge Scholars Publishing Spring 2008
Baptized Imagination: The Theology of George MacDonald, Ashgate Publishing, Ltd November, 2006
 "The Theology of George MacDonald" *Christian History and Biography* Spring 2005
 Introduction and Text Notes for 1, 2, 3, John, *The Renovare Spiritual Formation Study Bible*, eds. Richard Foster, Walter Brueggemann, and Dallas Willard, HarperCollins Spring 2005
 "The Baptized Imagination" in *Inklings of Glory*, for *Christian Reflection*

- A Series in Faith and Ethics*, Baylor University, pp. 11-20. Spring 2004
- "Recovering a Trinitarian and Sacramental Ecclesiology"
in *Evangelical Ecclesiology: Reality or Illusion*, John Stackhouse, ed.
Baker Academic. Autumn 2003
- "The Crucified Christ as the Motherly God: The Theology of Julian of Norwich"
The Scottish Journal of Theology 55 (3): 283-302 Autumn 2002
- "Theology and Morality in *The Lord of the Rings*"
in *Celebrating Middle-earth: The Lord of the Rings
as a Defense of Western Civilization*, edited by John G. West,
Inkling books, pp. 95-102. Summer 2002
- "The Trinity" for the InterVarsity Women's Bible Commentary January 2002
- "God's Imagination and Ours" for *Response*, SPU Summer 2001
- "The Bridge over the River Why: The Imagination as the Way to Meaning"
in *North Wind Journal*, ed. by Andrew Gutteridge, Autumn 1997

Teaching Experience:

- 1994 – present: Seattle Pacific University,
Courses taught: Reconciliation Studies, Doctrine of God and Environmental Ethics, Creation and Theological Anthropology, Sabbath-keeping, Theology and the Imagination, George MacDonald and the Inklings: Recapturing the Imagination, Prophetic Imagination, Christology, Pneumatology, Introduction to Christian Theology, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Women in Christianity, Christian Formation, Christ and Culture: Social Justice; Leadership in Educational Ministries, Christian Biography
- 1996 – 2000: Fuller Seminary Extension in Seattle, Adjunct
Courses taught: Systematic Theology II, Theological Themes in Literature
- 1996 – present: Regent College, Vancouver, B.C., Adjunct
Courses taught: Recapturing the Imagination, Theological Themes in Literature

Academic Papers:

- 2015 Presentation, "The Biblical Teaching on 'The Stranger: An Anthropological Resource,'" *On Knowing Humanity Conference* Eastern University
- 2008 Plenary Address, Frances White Ewbank Colloquium on C.S. Lewis & Friends, Taylor University
- 2007 Plenary Address, The Inklings and the Spiritual Journey, Hardin-Simmons University, March
- 2005 Baylor Centenary Conference on George MacDonald, "British Theological Influences on George MacDonald"
- 2005 Regent Centenary Conference on George MacDonald, "Going Home: George MacDonald's Wisdom on Aging and Death",
- 2003 Staley Lecture, John Brown University, "Journeying with J.R.R. Tolkien"
- 2002 Regent Fall Theology Conference:
"Recovering a Trinitarian and Sacramental Approach to the Church"
- 2002 Creative Imagination Conference Point Loma: "Imagination: The Trojan Horse of God's Transforming Power"
- 2001 "Celebrating Middle Earth", Conference on J.R.R. Tolkien: "Theology and Morality in *The Lord of the Rings*" panel participant
- 2001 George Fox & Western Seminary Clappe-Wesche Lecture Series:
"The Baptized Imaginations of George MacDonald and C.S. Lewis"
- 2001 Spiritual Odyssey, SPU Writers Event, "The Power of The Christian Imagination"
- 1999 Regent College Public Address: "Crucifixion as the Motherliness of Christ in the Theology of Julian of Norwich"
- 1997 Regent College Public Address: "Recapturing the Imagination"
- 1998 NW. American Academy of Religion
- 1998 C.S. Lewis conference, Seattle Pacific University
- 1994 "Cosmos and Creation Conference" at Cambridge University, England
- 1993 C.S. Lewis conference, Seattle Pacific University

Other Speaking, Teaching and Leadership Experiences:

- 2015 Bethany Presbyterian Church, Book presentation and Discussion (on *Drinking from the Wells of New Creation*)
- 2015 Panel Response to Salim Munayer, at “For Such a Time as This,” SPU Conference
- 2015 Co-Director of Conference, “For Such a Time as This,” SPU conference
- 2015 Presentation on *Drinking from the Wells of New Creation*, for the SPU Justice Forum
- 2014 World Vision Korea presentation to staff: “Biblical Perspectives on Women in Leadership,” Nov. 5th.
- 2014 South Korea Annual Church Leaders’ Conference Plenary Presentation, “Living Wholeheartedly for God,” November 4th.
- 2014 Panel presentation, Stan Grenz Lecture Series, Response to Esther Acolatse, “Enchantment and the future of Theology for a Missional Church” for Seattle School, October 6th.
- 2012 Panel presentation, Justice Forum on International Women’s Day, at SPU, March 8th.
- 2012 Panel presentation, Documentary: “The Wasteland,” at SPU on February 23rd.
- 2012 Moderator, *Lemon Tree* discussion, John Wesley Fellows Christmas Conference, Jan. 6-8, 2012.
- 2011 Panel Presentation on Dietrich Bonhoeffer at Taproot Theater, (accompanying their show, “The Beams are Creaking”) April 12.
- 2011 Director Reconciliation Studies Program (with 5 years of prior work to develop this minor, and grant work to secure required funding).
- 2011 “Faith and Community” presentation to SPU’s New Faculty Seminar, February 17.
- 2010 “Middle East: Conflict and Cooperation” Day of common learning, October 13.
- 2010 Invited participant: Africa Great Lakes Initiative, January, Burundi.
- 2010 “Release to the Captives: God’s Spirit is on us: A Biblical and Theological View of Justice,” Plenary Talk, “Break the Chain Conference”, Gig Harbor, WA, June 6.
- 2010 Lenten Retreat, “Learning to Live in the Freedom God Gives,” Union Church, Seattle, February 6.
- 2010 Invited participant in the African Great Lakes Initiative, Bujumbura, Burundi, January 12-15.
- 2009 “Sabbath-Keeping,” for SPU Peer Advisors, September 21.
- 2009 Course on “Reconciliation” (5 presentations), World Vision International Summer Leadership Institute, London, England, (August 3-7).
- 2009 “Blessed are the Peace Makers”, Chapel Sermon, SPU, March 3.
- 2009 “The Gift of Small Groups”, University Ministries, University Presbyterian Church, Jan. 15.
- 2008 “Historical Nature of the Election from a Theological Perspective”, Panel Presentation, SPU, Nov. 18.
- 2008 “Trinity”, “Biblical Hermeneutics” and “Women in the Bible” Summer Leadership Institute, Nairobi, Kenya, August 4-August 15.
- 2006 “Theology of Reconciliation” Diversity Committee SPU, Nov. 7.
- 2006 “Good News for the Poor” — “The Poor You Will Always Have With You”? The Bible and Poverty , Seminar for SPU Day of Common Learning.
- 2006 Panel Participation for Jubilee Movement, “In The Face of Debt, Sharon D’Amico”, SPU.
- 2005 Panel participation in “Rediscovering Narnia: The Continuing Relevance of C.S. Lewis’s Narnian Chronicles.”
- 2005 “My Faith as a Teenager: Then and Now”, seminar for the SPU Day of Common Learning
- 2004 Devotional, “Grief and Glory: Jesus and the Man Born Blind” given at the Institute for Global Engagement, Brandywine Leadership Forum, Nov. 6, 2004, Seattle Pacific University.
- 2003 Speaker, “*The Lord of the Rings: Themes and Challenges*,” Calvin Presbyterian Church, Seattle
- 2003 Speaker, “Journeying with the God of Mercy in a World at War: The Triumph of Grace in ‘Middle Earth’ 2 Corinthians 1-6” at Berkeley First Presbyterian Church Family Conference
- 2003 Speaker, “Anointed by the Holy Spirit” in “Like Any Other Disciple” conference at University Presbyterian Church.
- 2003 Speaker on vocation at Seattle Pacific University ASSB conference.
- 2002 Speaker on J.R.R. Tolkien at Ivy Jungle conference, Dallas.
- 2001 Radio interview on The Dick Staub on *The Lord of the Rings*.
- 2001 Keynote speaker for Young Life’s Malibu Discipleship Weekend (with Tim)
- 1999 Keynote speaker for Berkeley Presbyterian Church Family Conference (with Tim Dearborn)
- Occasionally Classes on Reconciliation, the Trinity, Prayer, George MacDonald, Dorothy Sayers, etc. for University and John Knox Presbyterian Churches, Seattle
- Series of classes on George MacDonald for First Free Methodist Church, Seattle