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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Hebrew Bible Studies
Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, 1987-1991

Eberhard-Karls-Universität, Tübingen, Germany, 1985-87
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Master of Divinity, with honors, Princeton Theological Seminary,
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Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, Whitman College,
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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

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| 2012—present | <i>William Marcellus McPheeters Professor of Old Testament</i> Columbia Theological Seminary (Decatur, Georgia) |
| 2004—2012 | <i>Professor of Old Testament Language, Literature, and Exegesis</i> Columbia Theological Seminary (Decatur, Georgia) |
| 2002—2004 | <i>Aubrey Lee Brooks Professor of Biblical Theology</i> Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education (Richmond, Virginia) |
| 1999—2002 | <i>Professor of Old Testament</i> Union Theological Seminary and Presbyterian School of Christian Education |
| 1995—1999 | <i>Associate Professor of Old Testament,</i> Union Theological Seminary in Virginia |
| 1991—1995 | <i>Assistant Professor of Old Testament,</i> Union Theological Seminary in Virginia |

PUBLICATIONS

AUTHORED BOOKS

Deep Calls to Deep: The Psalms in Dialogue amid Disruption. Nashville: Abingdon, 2021.

A Handbook to Old Testament Exegesis. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2017.

Sacred Sense: Discovering the Wonder of God's Word and World. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015.

Wisdom's Wonder: Character, Creation, and Crisis in the Bible's Wisdom Literature. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2014.

The Seven Pillars of Creation: The Bible, Science, and the Ecology of Wonder. New York: Oxford University Press, 2010.

Psalms. Interpreting Biblical Texts; Nashville: Abingdon, 2010.

Seeing the Psalms: A Theology of Metaphor. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2002.

God and the Imagination: A Primer to Reading the Psalms in an Age of Pluralism.
The 2000 J. J. Thiessen Lectures; Winnipeg, Manitoba: CMBC Publications, 2001.

Ecclesiastes. Interpretation Commentary Series; Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2000.

The Ethos of the Cosmos: The Genesis of Moral Imagination in the Bible. Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans, 1999.

Obadiah - Malachi. Westminster Bible Companion; Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 1996.

Character in Crisis: A Fresh Approach to the Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament. Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans, 1996.

Structure, Role, and Ideology in the Hebrew and Greek Texts of Genesis 1:1 - 2:3.
SBL Dissertation Series 132; Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1993.

ONGOING BOOK PROJECTS

Psalms: A Commentary. Old Testament Library Series. Louisville: Westminster John Knox.
Projected date of completion: 2024.

Genesis 1-11. Interpretation Commentary Series. Louisville: Westminster John Knox.
Projected date of completion: 2026.

EDITED BOOKS

The Oxford Handbook of the Psalms. New York: Oxford University Press, 2014.

Engaging Biblical Authority: Perspectives on the Bible as Scripture. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2007.

The Ten Commandments: The Reciprocity of Faithfulness. Library of Christian Ethics; Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2004.

Character and Scripture: Moral Formation, Community, and Biblical Interpretation. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002.

Co-editor (with S. Dean McBride, Jr.), *God Who Creates: Essays in Honor of W. Sibley Towner*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000.

Co-editor (along with M. Patrick Graham and Jeffrey K.-J. Kuan) of *History and Interpretation: Essays in Honour of John H. Hayes*. JSOTSup 173; Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1993.

ARTICLES AND ESSAYS

“From Jumping Viruses to Job’s Leviathan: A Response,” in *Ask the Animals: Developing a Biblical Animal Hermeneutic*, eds. Arthur W. Walker Jones and Suzanna R. Millar. Semeia Studies 104; SBL Press.

“Genesis and Job: A Cosmic Conversation in Conflict.” *Interpretation* 77, 1 (2023): 6-17.

“‘Deep Calls to Deep’: The Ecology of Praise in the Psalms,” in *The Oxford Handbook of the Bible and Ecology*, eds. Hillary Marlow and Mark Harris. New York: Oxford University Press, 2022, 166-83.

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“Job and the ‘Comforting Chaos,’” in *Seeking Wisdom’s Depths and Torah’s Heights: Essays in Honor of Samuel E. Balentine*, eds. Barry R. Huff and Patricia Vesely. Macon, GA: Smyth & Helwys, 2020, 247-66.

“Wisdom’s Wonder and the Science of Awe,” in *The T & T Clark Handbook of Christian Theology and the Modern Sciences*, ed. John P Slaterry. London/New York: T & T Clark, 2020, 33-44.

“Virtue and Its Limits in the Wisdom Corpus: Character Formation, Disruption, and Transformation,” in *The Oxford Handbook of Wisdom and the Bible*, ed. Will Kynes. New York: Oxford University Press, 2020, 45-64.

- “Psalms” in *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Wisdom Literature*, ed. Matthew Goff and Samuel L. Adams. Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley & Sons, 2020, 67-86.
- “Reading Psalms Sapientially in the Writings,” in *The Oxford Handbook of The Writings of the Hebrew Bible*, ed. Donn F. Morgan. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019, 151-68.
- “What Does It Mean to Bless God?” in *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching, and the Arts* 52.2 (2018): 16-22.
- “Rebuke, Complaint, Lament, and Praise: Reading Proverbs and Psalms Together,” in *Reading Proverbs Intertextually*, ed. Katharine Dell and Will Kynes. LHB/OTS 629; London: T & T Clark, 2019, 65-76.
- “Knowing Creation in the Light of Job and Astrobiology,” in *Knowing Creation: Perspectives from Theology, Philosophy, and Science*, ed. Andrew B. Torrance and Thomas H. McCall. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2018, 139-52.
- “When Wisdom Fails,” in *“When The Morning Stars Sang”: Essays in Honor of Choon Leong Seow on the Occasion of His Sixty-Fifth Birthday*, ed. Scott C. Jones and Christine Roy Yoder. BZAW 500; Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2018, 209-23.
- “The Comforting Cosmos: Astrobiology and the Book of Job,” *Journal for Preachers* 40, 4 (2017): 38-44.
- “The Unexpected Universe: Emergence, Convergence, and the ‘Overview Effect.’” *Interpretation* 70, 1 (2016): 7-20.
- “The Ecology of Resurrection,” in *Journal for Preachers* 36, 3 (Easter 2013): 20-23.
- “Happiness and Its Discontents in the Psalms,” in *The Bible and the Pursuit of Happiness: What the Old and New Testaments Teach Us about the Good Life*, ed. Brent A. Strawn. New York/Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012, 95-115.
- “From Apology to Pedagogy: Interpreting the Bible Past and Present in the Seminary Classroom,” *Interpretation* 66,4 (2012): 371-82.
- “Manifest Diversity: The Presence of God in Genesis,” in *The Theology of Genesis*, ed. Nathan McDonald, Mark W. Elliot, Grant Macaskill. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2012, 3-25.
- “Wisdom and Child’s Play: Proverbs and Paideia,” in *Understanding Children’s Spirituality: Theology, Research, and Practice*, ed. Kevin E. Lawson. Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2012, 26-38.
- “‘In Him All Things Hold Together’: An Ecology of Atonement,” in *Ex Auditu: An International Journal of the Theological Interpretation of Scripture* 26 (2010): 1-20.

- “Wisdom’s Wonder: Proverbs, Paideia, and Play,” *The Covenant Quarterly* (August/November, 2010), 13-24.
- “The Wonder of It All: Faith, Creation, and Wisdom,” *Journal for Preachers* 34/4 (Pentecost, 2010), 33-38.
- “‘Here Comes the Sun!’ The Metaphorical Theology of Psalms 15-24,” in *The Composition of the Book of Psalms*, ed. Erich Zenger. Bibliotheca Ephemeridum Theologicarum Lovaniensium 238; Leuven: Peeters, 2010, 259-78.
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- “From NOMA to TOMA: Bible, Science, and Wisdom,” in *SciTech* 18/2 (May 2009): 1, 4. Published by the Presbyterian Association on Science, Technology, and the Christian Faith (PASTCF).
- “Nature’s Travail and Renewal in the Prophets,” in *The Gift of Creation: Images from Scripture and Earth*, ed. Norman Wirzba. Morley, MO: Acclaim Press, 2009, 104-17.
- “The Gardener and the Groundling: The Ecology of Resurrection,” *Journal for Preachers* 32/3 (Easter, 2009): 33-37.
- “Proverbs 8:22-31,” *Interpretation* 63, 3 (July 2009): 286-88.
- “‘Night to Night,’ ‘Deep to Deep’: The Discourse of Creation in the Psalms,” in “*My Words Are Lovely*”: *Studies in the Rhetoric of the Psalms*, ed. Robert L. Foster and David M. Howard, Jr. LHB/OTS 467; New York: T & T Clark, 2008, 63-74.
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- “Introduction” in *Engaging Biblical Authority: Perspectives on the Bible as Scripture*.

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“Calvin and Qoheleth Meet after a Hard Day’s Night, or Does Ecclesiastes Have a ‘Protestant’ Work Ethic?” in *Reformed Theology: Identity and Ecumenicity II: Biblical Interpretation in the Reformed Tradition*, ed. Michael Welker and Wallace Alston; Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2007, 74-90.

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“Joy and the Art of Cosmic Maintenance: An Ecology of Play in Psalm 104,” in “*And God Saw that It Was Good*”: *Essays on Creation and God in Honor of Terence E. Fretheim*, ed. F. J. Gaiser, M. A. Throntveit (World & World Supplement 5; Saint Paul, MN: Luther Seminary, 2006), 23-32.

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“The Law and the Sages: A Reexamination of *Tôrâ* in the Book of Proverbs,” in *Constituting the Community: Studies on the Polity of Ancient Israel in Honor of S. Dean McBride Jr*, ed. J. T. Strong and S. S. Tuell. Winona Lake, IN: Eisenbrauns, 2005, 251-80.

“The Didactic Power of Metaphor in the Aphoristic Sayings of Proverbs,” *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament* 29/2 (2004): 133-54.

“Thirsting for God in the Classroom: A Meditation on Psalm 42:1-8,” *Teaching Theology and Religion* (October, 2003): 1-3.

“The Pedagogy of Proverbs 10:1—31:9,” in *Character and Scripture: Moral Formation, Community, and Biblical Interpretation*, ed. William P. Brown. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002, 150-82.

“‘Whatever Your Hand Finds To Do’: Qoheleth’s Work Ethic,” in *Interpretation* 55/3 (2001): 271-84.

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John Knox, 2000.

“In Search of Israel’s History: An Update” in the 4th edition of *A History of Israel* by John Bright. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2000.

“*Creatio corporis* and the Rhetoric of Defense in Psalm 139 and Job 10,” in *God Who Creates: Essays in Honor of W. Sibley Towner*, eds. William P. Brown and S. Dean McBride, Jr. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000, 107-24.

“Reassessing the Test-Critical Value of LXX-Genesis 1: A Response to Rösel,” *Bulletin of the International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies* 32 (Fall, 1999): 35-49.

“The Garden and the Plaza: Biblical Images of the City,” co-authored with John T. Carroll, *Interpretation* 54/1 (2000): 3-11.

“Introducing Job: A Journey of Transformation,” *Interpretation* 53/3 (1999): 226-36.

“A Royal Performance: Critical Notes on Psalm 110:3aγ-b,” *Journal of Biblical Literature* 117 (1998): 93-96.

“The Character of Covenant in the Old Testament: A Theocentric Probe,” *The Annual of the Society of Christian Ethics* (1996) 283-93.

“Psalm 139: The Pathos of Praise,” *Interpretation* 50/3 (1996): 280-84.

“Divine Act and the Art of Persuasion in Genesis 1,” in *History and Interpretation*, eds. M. Patrick Graham, Jeffrey K.-J. Kuan, and William P. Brown. JSOTSup 173; Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1993, 19-32.

“The So-called Refrain in Isaiah 5:25-30 and 9:7-10:4,” *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 52 (1990): 432-43.

DICTIONARY ARTICLES

“Life,” in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Bible and Ethics*, ed. Robert Brawley et al. (New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2014).

“Creation, Biblical Accounts of,” in *Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*, ed. Joel Green et al. (Grand Rapids: Baker Academics, 2010).

“Psalms,” in *Theological Bible Commentary*, ed. Gail R. O’Day and David L. Petersen (Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2009).

“Psalms, the Book of,” in *New Interpreter’s Dictionary of the Bible*, ed. Katharine Doob Sakenfeld (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2009).

“Introduction to Psalms and the Wisdom Literature,” in *HarperCollins Bible Commentary*, ed. James L. Mays *et al.* (2nd edition; San Francisco: The Society of Biblical Literature and HarperCollins, 2000).

“Creation,” in *The Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible*, ed. D. N. Freedman (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000).

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“Judith, the Book of” in the *Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation*, ed. J. H. Hayes (Nashville: Abingdon, 1999).

“Genesis, the Book of” in *Harper's Bible Dictionary*, 2nd edition (San Francisco: The Society of Biblical Literature and Harper Collins, 1996).

“Joshua, the Book of” in *Harper's Bible Dictionary*, 2nd edition (San Francisco: The Society of Biblical Literature and Harper Collins, 1996).

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Creation: Participant's Book. Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding Series. Louisville:

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), 2014.

Wisdom: Participant's Book. Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding Series. Louisville: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), 2015.

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of *Psalms through the Centuries: Volume Two. A Reception History Commentary on Psalms 1-72* by Susan Gillingham (Wiley Blackwell Bible Commentaries; Oxford: John Wiley & Sons, 2018) in *Review of Biblical Literature* (forthcoming).

Review of *Song of Exile: The Enduring Mystery of Psalm 137* by David W. Stowe (Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2016) in *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 72,2 (2018): 219.

Review of *For the Love of All Creatures: The Story of Grace in Genesis* by William Greenway (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015), in *Theology Today* 73,3 (October 2016): 287-88.

Review of *Segen und Segenstheologien im alten Israel: Untersuchungen zu ihren religions-und theologiegeschichtlichen Konstellationen und Transformationen* by Martin Leuenberger (ATANT 90; Zürich: Theologischer Verlag Zürich, 2008) in *Review of Biblical Literature* (<http://www.bookreviews.org/bookdetail.asp?TitleId=7319>).

Review of *Psalms 3: A Commentary on Psalms 101-150* (AYB 18c; New Haven: Yale university Press, 2011) in *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 67,2 (2013): 211-13.

Review of *Proverbs 10-31* by Michael V. Fox (AYB 18b; New Haven: Yale University Press, 2009) in *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 63,5 (2013): 194-96.

Review of *Psalms 2: A Commentary on Psalms 51-100* by Frank-Lothar Hossfeld and Erich Zenger, edited by Klaus Baltzer, translated by Linda M. Maloney (Hermeneia; Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 2005) in *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 61, 2 (2007): 218-220.

Review of *God and World in the Old Testament: A Relational Theology of Creation* by Terence E. Fretheim (Nashville: Abingdon, 2005) in *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 60,4 (2006): 454-46.

Review of *The Missionary Function of Israel in Psalms 67, 96, and 117* by Theodore Maccarenhas (Dallas/Lanham, MD/Boulder: University Press of America, 2005) in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 68 (2006): 518-19.

Review of *Proverbs 1-9: A New Translation and Introduction* by Michael V. Fox (AB 18A; New York: Doubleday, 2000) and *Proverbs* by Leo G. Perdue (IBC; Louisville John Knox, 2000) in *Horizons in Biblical Theology* 24,1 (Jun 2002): 126-28.

Review of *Proverbs* by Richard J. Clifford (OTL; Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 1999) and *Proverbs* by Roland E. Murphy (WBC22; Nashville; Thomas Nelson, 1998) in *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 54 (2000): 423-26.

Review of *Studien zu Prophetie und Weisheit: Gesammelte Aufsätze*, by Hans-Jürgen Hermisson, eds., J. Barthel, H. Jauss, K. Koenen (FAT 23; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 1998) in *Journal of Biblical Literature (RBL Website)*.

Review of *Die Poesie der Weisen: Dichotomie als Grundstruktur der Lehr- und Weisheitsgedichte in Proverbien 1—9* by Rolf Schäfer (WMANT 77; Neukirchen-Vluyn: Neukirchener Verlag, 1999) in *Journal of Biblical Literature (RBL Website)*.

Review of *To Liberate and Redeem: Moral Reflections on the Biblical Narrative* by Edward LeRoy Long Jr. (Cleveland: Pilgrim, 1997) in *Theology Today* 56/1 (April, 1999) 120-22.

Review of *Ecclesiastes: A New Translation with Introduction and Commentary* by C. L. Seow (AB 19C; New York: Doubleday, 1997) and *The Book of Ecclesiastes* by Tremper Longman, III (NICOT; Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1998) in *Interpretation* 53/1 (January, 1999) 73-75.

Review of *Israel's Wisdom Literature: A Liberation-Critical Reading* by Dianne Bergant (Minneapolis: Fortress, 1997) in *Interpretation* 52/4 (1998) 431-32.

Review of *The Yahwist's Landscape* by Theodore Hiebert (Oxford: Oxford University Press,

1996) in *Interpretation* 51/3 (1997) 307.

Review of *Old Testament Ethics: A Paradigmatic Approach* by Waldemar Janzen (Louisville: Westminster/John Knox, 1994) in *SBL Review of Biblical Literature* (1997, www.sbl-site.org/SBL/Reviews).

Review of *Jesus the Sage: The Pilgrimage of Wisdom* by Ben Witherington III (Minneapolis: Fortress, 1994) in *Interpretation* 50/2 (1996) 198-99.

Review of *Wisdom & Creation: The Theology of Wisdom Literature* by Leo G. Perdue (Nashville: Abingdon, 1994) in *Interpretation* 50/1 (1996) 64-66.

Review of *Wisdom in Theology: The Didsbury Lectures, 1989* by R. E. Clements (Carlisle: The Paternoster Press/Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1992) in *Interpretation* 48/2 (1994) 198-99.

Review of *Toward a Grammar of Biblical Poetics: Tales of the Prophets* by Herbert Chanan Brichto (New York: Oxford University Press, 1992) in *Religious Studies Review* 19/3 (1993) 253.

Review of *Upon the Dark Places: Anti-Semitism and Sexism in English Renaissance Biblical Translation* by Ilona N. Rashkow (Sheffield: Almond/Sheffield Academic Press, 1990) in *Interpretation* 47 (1993) 96-97.

MISCELLANEOUS ESSAYS

"Good Friday and Earth Day: A Providential Convergence," (co-authored with Stanley Saunders), *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, April 21, 2010, B13 (Guest Column Op-Ed article on faith and the environmental crisis). Also featured in *The August Chronicle*, April 21, 2010, A8.

"I See Unity Where Some See Division," *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, December 24, 2009, A13 (Guest Column Op-Ed article on the congruence of science and faith)

"Exegesis as a Habit of the Heart," *As I See It* (Union Theological Seminary in Richmond: October, 1992).

Three exegetical essays for *Lectionary Homiletics* 4/7 (1993): "Exegesis: Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28," pp. 8-9; "Exegesis: Hosea 5:15-6:6," pp. 14-15; "Exegesis: Exodus 19:2-8a," pp. 20-21.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Principal writer for the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Grant Program "Science for Seminaries," designed to incorporate science into the core theological curriculum of Columbia Theological Seminary. \$177,000 for 2014-2017.

Henry Luce III Fellow, 2007-2008.

\$5000 grant from the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion for the improving the teaching of biblical exegesis at Union-PSCE, 2003-2004.

Small competitive grant to participate in the 2002 Wabash Mid-Career Teaching Workshop, June 5-11, 2002; January 24-26, 2003; June 5-10, 2003.

Primary writer of a \$100,000 grant to the Lilly Endowment, Inc., on behalf of *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology*. Summer of 1998.

Fellowship stipend from the *Center of Theological Inquiry*, Princeton, New Jersey, for sabbatical study (1997).

SCHOLARLY RESPONSIBILITIES

Member of the *Institute for Reformed Theology Colloquy on Religion and Science* 2011-2013 at Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, VA.

Reviewer of *Lilly Faculty Fellowship* Applications for the Association of Theological Schools, 2011-2013.

Member of the *Colloquium for Biblical Research* since 2000. President 2007-2008.

Editor of *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology*, 2003-2004.

Co-editor of *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology*, 1996-2003.

Co-chair of the “Character Ethics and Biblical Interpretation” Working Group of the national *Society of Biblical Literature*, 1994-2000.

Member of the *Institute of Reformed Theology Colloquy on Divine Action* 2000-2001, Union-PSCE.

Member of the editorial board of the *Old Testament Library*, Westminster John Knox Press, 2000—present.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

“Failing Wisely: The Theme of Failure and Its Outcomes in the Hebrew Wisdom Corpus,” Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting, Baltimore, 2013.

“Wisdom’s Wonder: A New Hermeneutical Lens for the Sapiential Literature of the Hebrew Bible,” Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting, San Francisco, November, 2011.

“Legacy of Light: The Genesis of Biblical Cosmology,” Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting, San Francisco, November, 2011.

- “The Presence of God in the Book of Genesis,” conference on “Genesis and Christian Theology,” St. Andrews, Scotland, July, 2009.
- “Wisdom and Child’s Play: Proverbs and Paideia,” conference on “Children’s Spirituality,” Concordia College, Chicago, June, 2009.
- “‘Deep Calls to Deep’: Retrieving the Liturgical Voice of the Many Waters,” Society of Biblical Literature, November, 2006.
- “‘Come, O Children . . . I will Teach You the Fear of the Lord’ (Psalm 34:12): Comparing Psalms and Proverbs,” Society of Biblical Literature, November, 2004.
- “The Didactic Power of Metaphor,” Colloquium for Biblical Research, August 15, 2002 (Montreat).
- “In the Shadow of *Shaddai*: The Theological Landscape of the Psalter,” Inaugural Lecture at Union – PSCE, January 25, 2002
- “From the Mundane to the Sublime: The Metaphorical Contours of Proverbs,” Society of Biblical Literature presentation in November, 2001 (Denver).
- “Qoheleth’s Revenge,” panel presentation on commentary writing on Ecclesiastes for the Art of Hebrew Bible Commentary Consultation, Society of Biblical Literature Consultation in November, 1999 (Boston).
- “The Pedagogy of Proverbs 10-30,” delivered at the Colloquium for Biblical Research, August 18, 1999.
- “Creation as Wisdom’s Playhouse in Proverbs,” delivered at the Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, New Jersey, on September 24, 1997.
- “The Priestly Cosmopolis of Genesis 1,” delivered at the Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, New Jersey, on July 16, 1997.
- “The *Ethos* of the Garden *Mythos* in Genesis 2:4b-3:23,” delivered at the Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, New Jersey, on May 21, 1997.
- "Cultivating God's Victory Garden in Second Isaiah," delivered at the 1996 Colloquium for Biblical Research, Drew University, Madison, NJ.
- "Profile and Prolegomena in Proverbs 1-9: Virtue and the Art of Community Maintenance," delivered at the 1995 Union Theological Seminary Biblical Colloquy in Richmond, Virginia.
- "Character and Crisis in Proverbs, Job, and Ecclesiastes," delivered at the 1992 Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California.

"The Sea of the Living Dead: The Hexameron Meets Psalm 104 in *Shemoth Rabbah* 15.22," delivered at the 1991 Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting in Kansas City, Missouri.

"Divine Act and the Art of Persuasion in Genesis 1," delivered at the 1991 Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting in Kansas City, Missouri.

"The Hebrew and Greek Texts of Genesis 1:1-2:4a: A Study of Structural and Ideological Differences," delivered at the 1990 southeastern regional meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature in Charlotte, North Carolina.

"The Architecture of a Conspiracy: The Politics of Sacred Space in 2 Kings 11," delivered at the 1989 SBL Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California.

"The So-called Refrain in Isaiah 5:25-30 and 9:7-10:4," delivered at the 1988 SBL Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

COMMISSIONED LECTURES AND CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENTS

"The Psalms and the Search for Wholeness," commissioned lecture series at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina, October 19-22, 2004.

"God and the Imagination: A Primer to Reading the Psalms in an Age of Pluralism," the 2000 J. J. Thiessen Lectures given at the Canadian Mennonite University in Winnipeg, October 17-19, 2000.

"'O Lord, How Manifold are Your Works': Biblical Models of Creation," *Duerr Lecture Series*, February 27-29, 2000, St. Philip Presbyterian Church, Houston, Texas.

"Qoheleth: A Preacher for Preachers," *Interpreting the Faith*, July 12-16, 1999, Union-PSCE

"Cosmos and Ethos," continuation education event at Princeton Theological Seminary, September 23, 1997

"The Character of Job," Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, September 3, 1997.

"Discipleship, Discipline, and the Art of Steering in the Book of Proverbs," Revelie United Methodist Church, August 10, 1996.

"Creation and Character in the Old Testament," Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church, Prince George, Virginia, April 13, 1996.

"Biblical Authority and Homosexuality: A Sapiential Approach," Overbrook Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Virginia, September 20 and 27, 1995.

"Character and Crisis in the Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament," *GTU Cooperative Summer Session*, June 19 - 23, 1995 at Pacific School of Religion.

"Praise and Pathos in the Psalms," Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church, Prince George, Virginia, April 22, 1995.

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"The Formation of the Canon," Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Richmond, Virginia, January 12 and 19, 1992.

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Resource Theologian for the Pastor Theologian Program sponsored by the Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, New Jersey (2002—2007).

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Minister of Word and Sacrament of the Presbyterian Church (USA), member of Presbytery de Cristo (ordained in 1991).

Adult Sunday School teacher at Second Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Virginia (1995-2004).

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Board member of Ring Lake Ranch (Dubois, Wyoming), 2010—

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Founding and steering committee member of *Earth Covenant Ministry* (ECM), a grass-roots organization of Presbyterian churches in the Atlanta area committed to creation care, 2008-2010.

Track and Cross-Country coach at Arbor Montessori School, 2006-2009.

