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Education

Duke University Department of Religion
Ph.D., New Testament Studies, 1996
Minor Fields: Hebrew Bible, Literary Theory

Moravian Theological Seminary
Master of Divinity, cum laude, 1980

University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill
BA, English, Phi Beta Kappa, 1977

Administrative and Teaching Experience

Moravian Theological Seminary
Vice-President and Dean, 2001-present
Professor of New Testament, 2001-Present
Assistant Professor of New Testament, 1996–2001

Duke University Department of Religion
Instructor in Religion 1994–1996

American Academy of Religion
Research Project Coordinator, 1993–1994

Salem Academy
Instructor 1981–1987

Pastoral and Denominational Experience

Chair, Task Force on the Seminary and the Church, 2012-15

Chair, Southern Province Synod, 2010

Fairview Moravian Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Associate Pastor, 1984–1988

Chairperson, Interprovincial Ministers' Convocation Planning Committee, 1986–1987

Consecrated a Presbyterian of the Moravian Church, 1986

Southern Province Board of Christian Education, 1986-88

Providence Moravian Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Pastor, 1980–1984

Ordained a Deacon of the Moravian Church, Greensboro, North Carolina, June 1980.

Presentations and Publications

Working Preacher (<http://www.workingpreacher.org>, links embedded in passages): Colossians 1:11-20 Commentary, 11/20/2016; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Commentary, 11/13/2016; Acts 1:1-11 Commentary, 5/5/2016.

Sundays and Seasons: Preaching Year C 2016. Augsburg Fortress, 2016. Lectionary 10-17, pp. 183, 187, 191, 195, 199, 203, 207, 211.

Synod Bible Study Leader, “Embraced by Resurrection,” Northern Province, Western District Synod, 2016.

Working Preacher (<http://www.workingpreacher.org>, links embedded in passages): Acts 2:1-21 Commentary, 5/24/2015; Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Commentary, 5/17/2015; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10 Commentary, 2/18/2015; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Commentary, 2/8/2015.

Retreat Leader, “How Moravians Interpret Scripture,” Northern Province, Canadian District, 2014.

Retreat Leader, “What We Do and Why: A Congregation’s Relationship with the Southern Province,” Southern Province, Lay Academy, Miami, FL, 2014.

“Applying the ‘Guiding Principles of Biblical Interpretation’ to Moravian Decisions Related to Full Inclusion of Gay and Lesbian Persons in the Life of the Church,” *The Hinge: A Journal of Christian Thought for the Moravian Church*, Vol. 19, Special Issue for the Northern Province Synod: June, 2014, 1-24.
https://issuu.com/moravianseminary/docs/hinge_special_june2014.

Working Preacher (<http://www.workingpreacher.org>, links embedded in passages): Acts 2:1- 4; Galatians 4:1-7 Commentary, 5/19/2013; Galatians 3:1-9, 23-29 Commentary, 5/12/2013; Galatians 1:13-17; 2:11-21 Commentary, 5/5/2013; Acts 15:1-17 Commentary, 4/28/2013.

Retreat Co-Leader, “Understanding Our Identity as Moravians,” Northern Province, Western District Clergy Retreat, 2013.

Working Preacher (<http://www.workingpreacher.org>, links embedded in passages): 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Commentary, 1/29/2012; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Commentary, 1/22/2012; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Commentary, 1/15/2012; Acts 19:1-7 Commentary, 1/8/2012.

Retreat Co-Leader, "Moravians and Conflict," Healthy Congregations Retreat, Northern Province, Western District, 2012.

Working Preacher (links embedded in passages): John 13:31-35 Commentary, 5/2/2010; John 10:22-30 Commentary, 4/25/2010; John 21:1-19 Commentary, 4/18/2010; John 20:19-31 Commentary, 4/11/2010.

Synod Bible Study Co-Leader, "Philippians," Northern Province Synod, 2010.

"The Fullness of the Word of God: Distinct Moravian Approaches to Scripture," John Groenfeldt Lectures, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, 2008.

Retreat Co-Leader, "The Essentials and the Gospels: Excavating Gospel Stories for the Essentials of our Day," Southern Province, Lay Academy, 2008.

Retreat Leader, "Deciding and Discerning," Northern Province, Western District Clergy Retreat, 2007.

The End is Just the Beginning: The Book of Revelation and the Nature of God, Study Guide published by Interprovincial Women's Board, The Moravian Church in America, 2004.

"The Debate Over the Question 'Is Jesus the Only Way to Salvation?': How to Avoid Winning the Argument and Losing Your Soul.," *The Hinge: A Journal of Christian Thought for the Moravian Church*, Vol. 10, No. 3, Winter 2003-2-004.

Retreat Leader, Cup of Covenant Retreat, Northern Province, Ohio Clergy Retreat, 2002.

Retreat Leader, "What Early Christians Learned and How They Learned It," Northern Province, Western District, TEN Retreat, 2001

Retreat Leader, "Revelation in the Book of Revelation," Southern Province, Lay Academy, 2001.

"The Theological Task as Understood within the Moravian Tradition: a Paper of the Interprovincial Faith and Order Commission of the Moravian Church in America," 2000.

"Apocalypse When, What, and How: Preaching the Apocalyptic Texts," Lectures sponsored by the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the E.L.C.A., the Penn Northeast Synod of the U.C.C., and the Bethlehem Area Moravians, Moravian Theological Seminary, 1999.

"Believing Because We Have Seen: Rethinking the Johannine Understanding of Faith," Alumni

Update Lectures, Moravian Theological Seminary, April 1997.

“The Persuasive Moment: Rhetorical Resolutions in Paul’s Defense before Agrippa,” *1996 Society of Biblical Literature Abstracts and Seminar Papers*, 1996

“Mary Anoints, Then Jesus Washes—Who’s Following Whom in the Gospel of John?” AAR/SBL Southeastern Regional Meeting, 1996.

“Government Figures Show Decrease in Minority Representation among Religion and Theology Doctorates,” *Religious Studies News*, Vol. 10, No. 2, May 1995.

“The Perils of Precision: Peirce’s ‘Vagueness’ as an Interpretive Category,” AAR/SBL Southeastern Regional Meeting, 1995.

“Gender Imbalances Remain in 1992 Religion and Theology Doctorates,” *Religious Studies News*, Vol. 9, No. 4 November 1994.

Frank Crouch and Warren Frisina. “Government Figures Show Low Minority Representation Among Religion and Theology Doctorates,” *Religious Studies News*, Vol. 9, No. 1 March 1994.

“Do Not Receive Him Into the House: Oneness, Love, and Conflict in the Johannine Community,” Theology Symposium, Moravian Theological Seminary, 1994.

“US Doctorates in Religion and Theology Make Little Progress Toward Achieving Gender Parity,” *Religious Studies News*, Vol. 8, No. 3 September 1993.

“When a Sign Cannot be a Sign: Semeia, the Sign of Jonah, and ‘Disambiguation’ in Matthew,” AAR/SBL Southeastern Regional Meeting, 1992.