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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Hebrew Bible, Vanderbilt University. Nashville, Tennessee 2004, May

Dissertation: “A Queen fit for a Feast: Digesting the Jezebel Story (1Kings 15:29-2Kings 9:37)”  
Area: Hebrew Bible; Minor Field: Feminist Hermeneutics

Post M.Div. Wesley Seminary. Washington, D.C., 1992— 1993  
Ecumenical Institute, St. Mary’s Seminary Baltimore, MD 1992— 1993

M. Div. SMU, Perkins School of Theology. Dallas, TX 1987, May

Drew Divinity School, Madison, NJ 1980— 1981

B.A., Chemistry, Western Maryland College (McDaniel). Westminster, MD 1980, May

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Moravian Theological Seminary

Professor of Hebrew Bible 2015—present  
Associate Professor of Hebrew Bible 2005— 2015  
Assistant Professor of Hebrew Bible 1999— 2005

Moravian College

Adjunct, First Year Seminar 2016, 2019 Fall  
Adjunct, Religious Studies & Writing Intensives 2000-2010

Friends Theological Seminary, Kenya

Visiting Professor 2013, April

Teofilo Kisanji University, Tanzania

Visiting Professor of Hebrew Bible 2006, Fall

Vanderbilt

Instructor, Teaching Assistant, Divinity 1996— 1999  
Master Teaching Fellow, Graduate Department of Religion  
1997— 1998

**PUBLICATIONS**

With Norma Franklin, Jennie Ebeling, Phillippe Guillame, “An Ancient Winery at Jezreel, Israel.”  
Journal of Eastern Mediterranean Archaeology and Heritage Studies 8, no.1 (2020), 58-78.  
<https://muse.jhu.edu/article/750987>.

With Juley Bidmead and Marilyn Love, “Women, Water, and Walkways: Preliminary Findings from the Jezreel Expedition in Light of Biblical and Archaeoethnographic Evidence,” *The Woman in the Pith Helmet: A Tribute to Archaeologist Norma Franklin*, edited by Jennie Ebeling and Philippe Guillaume. Atlanta, Lockwood Press, 2020, 3-17.

With Terry Smith, “Liminal Spaces: Foreign women as the Creators and Killers of Culture in Ezra 9, 10 and Nehemiah 13.” Ed. Mark Roncase. [Point of View Publishers](#), 2019.

Contributor, *Scripturally Annotated Universal Declaration of Human Rights Biblical Scripture Promoting Human Rights*, The Carter Foundation, 2019.

“Creating Safe Sanctuaries: Reading King David’s Last Days (1Kings 1-2) through the Lens of Elder Abuse” in *Bridging the Divide between Bible and Practical Theology*, ed. Denise Dombkowski Hopkins and Michael Koppel. Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2018, 110-123.

With Sharon Brown, “Digging Below the Surface. Uncovering Microaggressions as an act of Atonement” in *Bridging the Divide between Bible and Practical Theology*. ed. Denise Dombkowski Hopkins and Michael Koppel. Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars, 2018, 44-58.

Sabbatical Project with Nancy Bowen and Tuli Kassimoto Coordinating the *Violence Against Women Resource*, a collaborative project with Teofilo Kisanji University, Mbeya, Tanzania, The Moravian Unity Women’s Desk, and Moravian Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, PA (articles collected and being edited, then published through the Moravian Church).

With Jane Williams. “Traveling together on sacred ground: Pilgrimage practice, Hebrew Bible and pastoral counseling” *Sacred Spaces E-Journal*, (2017)

Franklin, Norma, Jennie R. Ebeling, Philippe Guillaume, and Deborah A. Appler. 2017. "Have we found Naboth's Vineyard at Jezreel?" *Biblical Archaeology Review* 43 (6):49-54.

“A Divine Flame” in *Justice Calls: Sermons of Welcome and Affirmation*, ed. by Phil Snider. Wipf & Stock Publishers, 2016.

With Suzanne Duchesne and Taylor Burton-Edwards, “Expanded Advent” Webinar of the United Methodist Church GBOD, October 7, 2015 and October 2016 and archived

“‘Digging in the Claws.’ Daniel 4 and the Predatory Nature of Empire” in *The Crucial Nature of the Persian and Hellenistic Periods: Essays in Honor of Douglas A. Knight*. T & T Clark, 2012, 121-36.

“Called to the Table,” *Disciplines. A Book of Daily Devotions 2011* (August 29- September 4, 2011). Nashville: Upper Room, 2010, 253-59.

“The Devil (a.k.a. ‘Satan’)” *Adult Sunday School Resources*. Nashville: Cokesbury, 2009, 7pp.

With staff, “Lahav Research Project: Phase IV, 2007 Season. Atlanta: Emory University, 2008.

“Jezebel,” and “Apple,” “Confiscate,” “Hand,” “Vineyard,” *New Interpreters Dictionary of the Bible*, K. D. Sakenfeld, editor. Nashville: Abingdon, 2005-2008.

With Julye Bidmead, “Syro-Palestinian Archaeology.” *Eerdmans One Volume Commentary of the Bible*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2003, 21-24.

*The Book of Daniel: A Guide to Civil Disobedience?* The Interprovincial Women’s Board, The Moravian Church of America, 2003

“From Queen to Cuisine: Food Imagery in the Jezebel Narrative” *Semeia* 86 (1999), 55-71.

“Ahab” and “Naboth” *Eerdman’s Dictionary of the Bible*, David Noel Freedman, editor. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2000.

<http://www.hrc.org/resources/entry/out-in-scripture> (lectionary online resource) Published for *Out in Scripture*, Human Rights Campaign Online Lectionary Resource

with Sarah Carpenter-Vascik, Greg Carey, “Lectionary Resources for Aug. 24 and 31, 2008” <http://hrc.org> (Human Rights Campaign: *Out in Scripture*)

with Sarah Carpenter-Vascik, Greg Carey, “Lectionary Resources for October 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2008” <http://hrc.org> (Human Rights Campaign: *Out in Scripture*)

with Mona West and Linda Thomas, “Lectionary Resources for August 24 and 31, 2008” <http://hrc.org> (Human Rights Campaign: *Out in Scripture*)

with Mona West, Sarah Carpenter-Vascik, Ron Hopson, “Lectionary Resources for August 10, 17, 2008” <http://hrc.org> (Human Rights Campaign: *Out in Scripture*)

with Mona West and Sarah Carpenter-Vascik, “Lectionary Resources for July 27, 2008” <http://hrc.org> (Human Rights Campaign: *Out in Scripture*)

with Mona West, Miguel de la Torre, “Lectionary Resources for August 3, 2008” <http://hrc.org> (Human Rights Campaign: *Out in Scripture*)

with Kathy McCallie, "Lectionary Resources for April 6, 2008 and April 13, 2008" for <http://hrc.org> (Human Rights Campaign: *Out in Scripture*)  
with Elcindor Johnson. "Lectionary Resources for October 29, 2006, November 1, 2006, and November 4, 2006." <http://hrc.org> (Human Rights Campaign: *Out in Scripture*)  
Consultant on "Food in the Bible." Food Channel, 2001  
Consultant on "Queen Jezebel." Arts and Entertainment Series, 2000  
Video on Proverbs 16-31 for *Disciple Bible Study* (IV), Spring 2001  
Input the Hebrew for *The Works of John Wesley*, Providence House Publishers

## BOOK REVIEWS

Review of Stephens, Darryl with Michael Alleman, Andrea Brown, Ruth Daugherty, Mary Merriman, *Out of Exodus. A Journey of Open and Affirming Ministry. Reading Religion*, American Academy of Religion (March 2021)  
Response to Nelson Rivera's article "Darwin and Divinity" *The Hinge: International Theological Dialog* 24/2 (Spring 2020), 16?  
Review of David J. Shepherd and Christopher J. H. Wright's *Ezra and Nehemiah. The Two Horizons Old Testament Commentary*. Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2018 in *Interpretation* 73/4 (Oct 2019), 406-7.  
Review of Joy Schroeder's *Deborah's Daughters. Gender Politics and Biblical Interpretation*. Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2014 for *Interpretation. A Journal of Bible and Theology* 70 no 2 (Apr 2016), 220-221.  
Review of William G. Dever's *The Lives of Ordinary People in Ancient Israel: Where Archaeology and the Bible Intersect*. Eerdmans, Grand Rapids, 2012 for *Interpretation. A Journal of Bible and Theology* Vol. 66/4 (Oct 2013), 437-8. A  
Review of Richard Elliott Friedman and Shawna Dolansky *The Bible Now: Homosexuality, Abortion, Women, Death Penalty, Earth*. Oxford: Oxford University Press for *Interpretation. A Journal of Bible and Theology* Vol. 66/4 (October 2012), 492.  
Review of Gerald West, ed. *Reading Other-wise. Socially Engaged Biblical Scholars Reading with their Local Communities*. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2007, *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 71/3 (July 2009), 698-700.  
Review of Joe Sprinkle. *Biblical Law and its Relevance. A Christian Understanding and Ethical Application for Today of the Mosaic Regulations*. University Press of America, 2006, *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 70 no 1 (Ja 2008), 126-127.  
Review of Judith McKinlay. *Reframing Her: Biblical Women in Postcolonial Focus*. Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2004 in *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 68/2 (April 2006), 338-339

## WRITING PROJECT IN PROCESS

With Terry Smith. *Ezra and Nehemiah*. Wisdom Bible Commentary, Barbara Reid, General Editor. Colleagueville, MN: Liturgical Press, (forthcoming).

## PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Oxford Institute for Methodist Studies, August 2018. "Building 'Walls' so Gates Can Open: Identity and Reform in the Book of Nehemiah and the UMC."  
SBL 2018 Denver with Sharon Brown, "'May your allies be like the sun, rising in its strength.' Illuminating collusion in the context of the Song of Deborah (Judges 5)."  
SBL 2018 Denver with Terry Smith, "Liminal Spaces: Foreign women as the Creators and Killers of Culture in Ezra 9, 10 and Nehemiah 13."  
North American Academy of Liturgy 2018 (absentia) "God's Judgment or Justice? The concept of *Mishpat* in the Hebrew Scriptures of Expanded Advent"

North American Academy of Liturgy 2017 with Suzanne Duchesne. "Theoretical & Practical Implications of a Model Clergy Workshop for Trial Use of an Expanded Advent: II"

Fourth Unity Women's Consultation, February 2016 Suriname: "Reclaiming Her Voice: Reading Dinah and Tamar"

\_\_\_\_\_ with Dr. Tuli Kassimoto: "The Violence Against Women Project"

North American Academy of Liturgy 2015 with Suzanne Duchesne. "Theoretical & Practical Implications of a Model Clergy Workshop for Trial Use of an Expanded Advent"

SBL 2014 San Diego with Sharon Brown, "Strangers in a Strange Land: Creating a Heart-Centered Praxis."

October 2014 Pastoral Care Lectures. "Using the Psalms for Pastoral Care." Moravian Theological Seminary

SBL 2013 Baltimore: with Sharon Brown. Wabash Round Table: "Teetering on the Edge and Almost Falling Off: Teaching the Bible and Cultural Competency to Seminary Students."

SBL 2013 Baltimore: with Jane Williams, "Traveling Together. Teaching Pilgrimage through Pastoral Care and the Hebrew Bible."

Oxford Institute for Methodist Studies, August 2013, "Working for the Common Good: Joseph and Pharaoh's Relationship as a Model of Interfaith and Secular Cooperation."

Jezreel Expedition 2013, "Reclaiming the Commons: Reading Food Production and Sustainability in Ahab and Jezebel's Israel with the Contemporary Crisis." (Revision of the SBL Paper with an archaeological focus)

SBL 2012 Chicago: "Reclaiming the Commons. Food Production and Sustainability in Ahab and Jezebel's Israel."

SBL 2012 Chicago: with Sharon Brown, "Digging Below the Surface. Uncovering Microaggressions as an act of Atonement."

SBL 2011 San Francisco: "Creating Safe Sanctuaries: Reading King David's Last Days (1 Kings 1-2) through the Lens of Elder Abuse."

SBL 2009 New Orleans : "'Digging in the Claws.' Daniel 4 and the Predatory Nature of Empire."

SBL 2009 New Orleans Panel: Respondent to Cheryl Anderson's book—*Ancient Laws and Contemporary Issues. The Need for Inclusive Biblical Interpretation*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009.

Keynote Speaker "Human Sexuality and the Old Testament" Conference on Sexual Identity and Spirituality. Oklahoma City, OK. March 7-9, 2008

"What is an Mzungu to do? A Western Christian Reading of Elisha's Prophetic Mission (2 Kings 2:1-13:22) in the Light of Today's Christian Mission in Tanzania." Oxford Institute for Methodist Studies, August 2007

"DIGital Digging. Teaching Archaeology & the Bible in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Poster Session AAR/SBL Philadelphia, 2005.

"Connecting to 'Wired' Students: Multimedia, Interactive Approaches to Teaching Biblical Studies," presented to the following groups and adapted to each audience: August 2004, Lehigh University Cyberspace Conference; October 2004, Midwest Jewish Studies Association; November 2004, AAR/SBL Annual Meeting

"Jezebel." Vanderbilt Divinity School, Feminist Interpretation Class, October 2004

Presided Over Section: Women and Religion "Women, Asceticism, and Worship" March 22, 1998, Southeast AAR/SBL Annual Meeting, Knoxville, TN

"Chablis or Succotash? Gender, Power, and Food in Naboth's Vineyard." March 20, 1998, Midwest Regional AAR/SBL Annual Meeting, Omaha, NE

SBL 1996 New Orleans: "From Queen to Excrement: Food Imagery in the Jezebel Narrative in 1 and 2 Kings."

#### **ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD EXPERIENCE**

Jezreel Staff, Summer 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016 Norma Franklin, Jennie Ebeling Dirs.

Co-Supervisor of Areas K and L (2013)  
Ramat Rachel Staff, Summer 2009, Oded Lipshitz, Director  
Tel Lahav Staff, Summer 2007, Supervised two areas, Oded Borowski, director  
Megiddo Expedition Staff, Summer 2000; Three lectures on “Shady Ladies of the Bible”  
(Jezebel; goddesses, and gender archaeology)  
Megiddo Survey Staff, October 1999 Israel Finkelstein, Baruch Halpern,  
and Gunnar Lehman directors  
Megiddo Expedition Staff, Summer 1998, sponsored by Tel Aviv University and  
Pennsylvania State University, David Ussishkin, Israel Finkelstein,  
and Baruch Halpern, Directors  
Tel Rehov Expedition, Summer 1997, sponsored by Hebrew University, Amihai Mazar, director  
Megiddo Excavation, Summer 1996, sponsored by Tel Aviv University and Pennsylvania  
State University, Israel Finkelstein, David Ussishkin and Baruch Halpern Finkelstein,  
directors  
Leon Levy Expeditions at Ashkelon, Summer 1995, sponsored by Harvard University  
Lawrence Stager, director

### **RECENT PEDAGOGY WORKSHOPS AND PROJECTS**

Columbia University, Teacher’s College *Winter Round Table* “A Pandemic of Racism” Feb  
25-27, 2021.  
Member: “Scholars in Action: Addressing Violence Against Women and Girls as an Agenda at  
Theological Education: A Multi-faith Working Group Session, “ November 18-19, 2015  
the Carter Center in Atlanta, GA; November 2016 San Antonio, TX  
April-May 2013 Sabbatical with Dr. Nancy Bowen in Tanzania at Teofilo Kisanji  
University in Mbeya, Tanzania and Friends Theological Seminary in Kaimosi, Kenya  
that focused on violence against women and cross-cultural pedagogy.  
March 2013 Participated with my colleague Jane Williams in the Wabash Cohort Grant  
on partner- teaching Bible and Pastoral care led by Denise Hopkins and Michael Koppel of  
Wesley Theological Seminary and in collaboration with faculty from Christian Theological  
Seminary in Indianapolis, Earlham School of Theology, Methodist Theological Seminary,  
and Wesley Theological Seminary.  
February 24-25, 2012 Round Table Discussions on Diversity, Teacher’s College, Columbia University  
May-July 2011 Wabash “Online Course for Theological Faculty Teaching Online.”  
SBL 2011 Wabash Round Table Discussion (have attended several of these at SBL).  
June 2011 Teaching Social Justice/Diversity Course at Moravian College led by Dr.  
Barbara Love, The Akar Institute, Amherst, MA  
May 2010 Teaching Social Justice/Diversity Course at Moravian College led by Dr.  
Barbara Love, The Akar Institute, Amherst, MA.  
Attended various workshops offered by Moravian College on pedagogy through CAT.

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Co-Chair of the Bible and Practical Theology Section of the Society of Biblical Literature with  
Dr. Randall Furushima 2014- 2016; Dr. Johnny Ramirez-Johnson 2016-2020  
Society of Biblical Literature 1993-Present  
North American Academy of Liturgy, 2019-  
Phi Beta, Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the UMC 2010- Present  
Elder, Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church 2000- Present  
Elder, Baltimore Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church 1987-2000  
Nominating Committee, Bethlehem Interfaith Group, 2020-

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Academic and Program and Planning Committee, Moravian College, Fall 2015-  
Marshall Moravian College and Seminary 2020-  
Assistant Marshall, Moravian Seminary 2000-2020  
Self-Study Middle States and ATS Accreditation 2018; co-writer ATS Self-Study  
Moravian Garden at the Widow's House, co-coordinator 2015-  
Member Search committees Dean and New Testament, 2021  
Middle States Assessment Team Member, Pontifical John Paul II Institute, Dr. David Rehm,  
Team Leader, March 2016  
Middle States Assessment Team Member, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, Dr. Bruce Birch,  
Team Leader, March 2015  
Director of the Seminary MATS Program 2005-2006; 2008-2011; 2013-2015; 2018 (rotating)  
Faculty Representative to the Seminary Board of Trustees 2010- 2018  
Academic Resource Committee, Moravian College and Seminary, 2008-2011  
Moravian Theological Seminary: Strategic Planning Committee; Admissions;  
Search Committees (New Testament, Theology); Educational Technology Committee  
Moravian College: Diversity Council 2009- 2014

## **COMMUNITY LECTURES**

Workshop with Lydia Munoz, David Brown, Suzanne Duchesne, "Becoming Beloved Community,  
Preaching Pentecost," Eastern PA Conference for the UMC, April 27, 2021  
Lenten Day Apart Eastern PA Conference for the UMC "Climbing Sacred Mountains. Elijah's  
Transformation," Feb 19, 2021  
Video: "Sarah" for Lenten Series on Women of the Bible. Northern District of EPUMC, Lent 2020  
Sermon: "Coping with COVID 19" co-preached with Andrea Brown, Grandview UMC, April 2020  
Preaching Workshop "Climbing Sacred Mountains. Elijah's Transformation," Feb 14, 2020 Penn-Del  
Conference of the UMC  
Lecture: "The Christian Church and the 'Dones'" Interfaith Dialogue Respect Institute, October 2019  
With Sharon Brown, Discussion on Racism, 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church, Allentown, 2019  
Retreat: "Gutsy and Grace-Filled. Esther and Ruth as Models of Spiritual Grounding," St. Paul's Baptist  
Church, September 14, 2018.  
With Sharon Brown, "Witness" (focus on Race and Intercultural Competency) Moravian Youth  
Convocation, Washington DC. July 1-July 4, 2017.  
With Sharon Brown, "Building the Beloved Community," Eastern District Moravian Clergy  
Retreat, May 1-2 2017  
Series: "Creation Care: A Biblical Mandate" at Church of the Nativity, April 2016  
Lecture "The Christian Church and the 'Dones'" Interfaith Dialogue Respect Institute, October 2019  
With Sharon Brown, "Witness" (focus on Race and Intercultural Competency) Moravian Youth  
Convocation, Washington DC. July 1-July 4, 2017.  
With Sharon Brown, "Building the Beloved Community," Eastern District Moravian Clergy  
Retreat, May 1-2 2017  
Series: "Creation Care: A Biblical Mandate" at Church of the Nativity, April 2016  
Presentation and Panel: "Archaeology and Texts: Friends or Foes?" Moravian College Friends of  
the Library, February 2016  
Presentation: "Archaeology and the Bible" Trinity Episcopal Church, March 2016  
Series with Yolanda Norton: "Isaiah, the Fifth Gospel" Advent 2015  
Co-Leader with Sharon Brown. Discussion on Selma, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
January 20, 2015, Frank Banko Cinema, Bethlehem, PA  
Series: "Relationships and the Hebrew Bible" Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem, PA  
December 14 and 21, 2014  
Series: "Still Dreaming the Beloved Community: The Power of Ubuntu" at Church of

the Nativity, Bethlehem, PA, January 19, 2014  
 “Still Dreaming the Beloved Community: Radical Hospitality” at Church of  
 the Nativity, Bethlehem, PA, January 26, 2014  
 Series: “Sustainable Table Fellowship” Wesley United Methodist Church, Bethlehem,  
 Mondays September-November 2013  
 Presentation on Science and Religion at The DaVinci Science Center. Part of First Presbyterian  
 and Rev. Tony Sundemeir's series on Science and Religion, Sat. November 3, 2012  
 November 17, 2012  
 with Suzanne Duchesne, "The Advent Project Workshop: Biblical and Homiletical  
 Resources for an expanded Advent" 2011  
 Panelist: “Earth Democracy: Human Freedom and a Fragile Planet.” Moravian College  
 Panel on Vandana Shiva, November 4, 2010 with Dr. Gordon Weil (Dean of  
 Faculty Moravian College), Dr. Diane Husic (Prof. of Biology), Dr. Sonia Aziz  
 (Asst. Prof Econ and Business)  
 Panelist: “Homosexuality and Religion: A Critical Dialogue.” Moravian College  
 November 17, 2010 with Rabbi Alan Juda, Fr. Wayne Killian, Dr. Carol Moeller,  
 and Dr. Arash Naraghi  
 Chair: Panel on “Moravian Art/Moravians after Zinzendorf.” At Bethlehem Conference  
 on History and Music, Bethlehem, PA October 15-17, 2010.  
 Lecture Ramat Rachel Israel: “A City Built on ‘Hills.’ Gender in Jerusalem,” Aug 2009  
 Lecture “Theology with a Twist” Lutheran Church Kutztown Tavern: “A Queen Fit for a  
 Feast: Reading the food in Jezebel’s Story with Vandana Shiva,” Oct. 13, 2009  
 Lectures with Jason Radine: “Hounds in the Ground” to several venues (Retired  
 Moravian faculty and spouses, the seminary 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Moravian lunch, etc.)  
 Led California Moravian Women’s Retreat :”Gutsy and Grace-Filled: Esther and Ruth as  
 Models for Spiritual Grounding, October 9-12, 2009  
 Moravian Woman’s Retreat: “Working Miracles with God: The Widow of Zarephath, the  
 Shunammite Woman, and the Prophet’s Wife- Models for Living in Difficult  
 Times,” Oxnard, CA, October 8-12, 2008  
 Panel on Sam Harris and Atheism: Moravian College, 2008  
 Wesley UMC, Bethlehem, PA Series on “Gender and Film,” April 2008  
 Holy Spirit Lutheran Church Series: “Justice in the Old Testament,” January 2008  
 Retreat Leader, Lutheran Women Pastors, May 2006  
 First Friday, Center for Jewish and Christian Understanding, “Archaeology” May 2006  
 First Presbyterian Church Series: “Food in the Bible,” September-October 2005  
 Lutheran Lay Seminary: “Judges-2 Kings” November 2004; Prophets Nov 2005;  
 New Testament January 2006  
 Moravian Lay Academy: “The End of Times or Only the Beginning? Theology and  
 Politics in the Book of Daniel,” November 2004  
 Lent Lecture Series: “Recovering Jesus’ Jewish Roots” Jerusalem West Salisbury, 2004  
 Lent Lecture Series: “Even the Stones Will Cry Out; The Bible and Archaeology”  
 Jerusalem West Salisbury Church, 2001  
 Lecture Series: “The Old Testament, The New Testament and Call,” Jerusalem West  
 Salisbury Church, Allentown, PA, 2000.  
 Lecture Series: “Shady Ladies of the Bible” West End UMC, Nashville,TN, Spring 1999  
 Lecture Series: “The New Testament and Archaeology” West End UMC, Nashville, TN,  
 Winter 1998-1999  
 Lectures on Archaeology and Megiddo, several pending for Fall 1998  
 in Churches, Synagogues, and Schools  
 Co-led a Series on “The Bible and Sexuality” (with Amy-Jill Levine)  
 Brentwood United Methodist Church, Nashville, TN Spring 1998

Series on "Mythology, the Ancient Near East, and the Hebrew Bible"

First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN Spring 1998

"Food, Sex, and Jezebel," First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN November, 1997

Series on "Archaeology in the Levant," First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN, 1997

Co-led Retreat on "Women in Genesis" (with Amy-Jill Levine) Spring 1997

Series on "The Hebrew Prophets," St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Nashville, TN-November 1995

Series on "1 and 2 Kings," Second Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN- Spring 1995

### **DENOMINATIONAL SERVICE** (*a sampling*)

Member of the Board of Ordained Ministry, EPUMC; 2014-Present

Member of the UMC-Moravian Coordinating Committee (Full Communion) 2019-

MTS United Methodist Advisor for Wesley Theological Seminary (MOU) 2016-

United Methodist Companion for Cross-Cultural Church Appointments, 2020-

Board Member Bethlehem Homeless Shelter 2014- 2015

Member, Oxford Institute for Wesleyan Studies Planning Committee, 2013-present

Page, General Conference, Tampa Florida, April-May 2012

Teacher: Christ Servant Ministries of the Eastern PA Conference of the United Methodist Church.

"Whom Shall I Send? The Old Testament Speaks to Christ Servant Ministers,  
November 5, 6, 2010.

Workshop Leader. Planting Seeds. Hopewell United Methodist Church. *Help! I Teach at Church,  
But I Don't Know Anything About the Bible*" November 6, 2010.

Northeast District of the United Methodist Church Advent Workshop. *The Fifth Gospel.  
Preaching Isaiah at Advent*, October 13, 2010.

Guest Preacher and celebrant at churches including Wesley in Bethlehem, Good Shepherd in  
Waldorf Maryland (40<sup>th</sup> year celebration preacher), Staten Island Moravian Churches,  
April 11, 2010

Presenter for the Eastern PA United Methodist Conference to Youth going into ministry,  
January 2010

Co-Leader for Northeastern District of the United Methodist Church's Young Adult Retreat,  
January 2-4, 2010

Host and Presenter for Eastern PA UMC's Extension Ministers Meeting, at MTS Bahnson  
Center, April 6, 2010, March 16, 2011

Wesley UMC Bethlehem, PA, Mission Team Member; Senior High Sunday School Teacher,  
2010-2011

Member: Northampton County Prison Board, January 2001-December 2005

Member: District Committee on Ministry, Eastern PA Conference UMC, 2002-04

New Church Start: The Church Without Walls UMC, Eastern PA of UMC

Member CUNA (Community United for Neighborhood Action) Lehigh Valley, 2006-Present

Trainer for Disciple Bible Study Series starting 2001-2003

Presenter for Disciple IV, 2000

Conference Preacher for Eastern PA Conference of the UMC, June 2000

District Committee on Ministry Eastern PA Conference of the UMC, 2000- 2002

Design Team Worship Coordinator for Exploration 96, The United Methodist Church, 1995-96

Leader, Edgehill United Methodist Church Youth Group, 1995-96

Chairperson of The Committee on the Role and Status of Women, Edgehill UMC, 1995

District Youth Coordinator, Baltimore East District, Baltimore-Washington Conference of the  
United Methodist Church, 1990-93

Baltimore-Washington Conference Confirmation Preacher, March, 1992

District Youth Coordinator, Washington East District, Baltimore-Washington Conference  
of the United Methodist Church, 1987-90

Member, Eastern Interfaith Organization (Community Justice) Baltimore, 1990-93



Member, SMASH (Southern Maryland Association of Self Help) Waldorf, MD, 1987-90  
Member of School Board Suicide Task Force, Charles County, MD, 1987-90  
Executive Board Member of the Charles County (MD) Crisis Center, 1988-90

### **HONORS**

1998, 2000 Megiddo Expedition Dig Fellowship  
1997-98 Master Teaching Fellow, Vanderbilt University  
1993-96 Vanderbilt Tuition Fellowship  
1995-96 Dempster Fellowship- (United Methodist, Board of Higher Education)  
1993-94 Maryland State Senatorial Scholarship  
1993-94 United Methodist Women's Scholarship  
1990-93 Academy for Preaching IV- (United Methodist Leadership and Homiletics)

### **RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE**

Advisor to UMC Students, Wesley Theological Seminary, 201-Present  
Assistant to the Director of the Carpenter Foundation on Religion, Gender, and Sexuality  
Vanderbilt University, Amy-Jill Levine, Director, August 1998- August 1999  
Projects: Events Coordinator, Maintainer of Carpenter Foundation website  
Development Editor, Bible and Reference, The United Methodist Publishing House  
Projects: The New Interpreter's Bible, Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation, *Believer Bible Study* (Related to *Disciple Bible Study*) 1998-1999  
Assistant Editor, The United Methodist Publishing House, June 1995-1997  
Projects: *The New Interpreter's Bible*, *Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation*  
Chaplain, Monroe Harding Children's Home, Nashville, TN 1993-1995  
Pastor, Cowenton United Methodist Church, White Marsh, MD 1990-1993  
Associate Pastor, Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, Waldorf, MD 1987-1990