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EDUCATION

- May 2018 **GRADUATE DIVISION OF RELIGION, EMORY UNIVERSITY**
Atlanta, GA
Person, Community, and Religious Life Course of Study
Ph.D., Homiletics
Religious Practices and Practical Theology Certificate Program
Dissertation: "From the Depths: Preaching in the Wake of Mass Violent Trauma"
Advisors: Thomas G. Long; Ted A. Smith
Committee Members: Steven J. Kraftchick; Ellen Ott Marshall
- May 2009 **CANDLER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY, EMORY UNIVERSITY**
Atlanta, GA
Master of Divinity
- May 2005 **MIAMI UNIVERSITY OF OHIO**
Oxford, OH
Graduated *Suma Cum Laude*
Bachelor of Science, Education
Major: Adolescent Life Science Education

WORK EXPERIENCE

- July 2022-
Present **ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HOMILETICS**
Princeton Theological Seminary
- Teaching
 - Introduction to Preaching
 - Preaching and Trauma
 - Women Preaching/Preaching Women
 - Preaching Death and Eschatology with the Earth
 - Proclamation and Trauma (MAT Course)
 - Independent Studies:
 - Finding God in Unlikely Places with Flannery O'Connor: Stories of Violence, Strangeness, and Grace
 - Preaching through the Lectionary
 - Body Theologies in Practice
 - Practical Theology PhD Independent Study
 - Perinatal and Parental Trauma Care and Proclamation

- Research
 - Ongoing work on Preaching and Trauma, thinking more about the nature and responsibilities of the wounded preacher
 - Book on Authority and Voice for preachers today by looking to minoritized preaching voices in the past
 - Book on Ecotrauma, Ecoanxiety, and the Loss of Holy Imagination
- Service
 - Member of New Degrees Task Force (August 2022-May 2023)
 - Member of PhD Studies Committee (August 2022-Present)
 - Participate in monthly area, department, and faculty meetings
 - Table to Table Leader (Spring 2023-Present)
 - Lecturer and Panelist in New Degree Program Materials for Office of Digital Learning
 - Member of Preaching Search Committee (Fall 2023-Spring 2024; Fall 2025-Present)
 - Member of Old Testament Search Committee (Fall 2024-Spring 2025)
 - Member of Faculty Executive Committee (Fall 2024-Spring 2025)
 - Member of International Student Admissions Committee (Fall 2025)
 - Attend worship regularly, including participating in preaching, liturgical leadership, and singing in the choir at PTS Chapel
 - Chair of Jess Winderweedle's PhD Dissertation Committee (successfully defended April 2025)
 - Member of Kevin Vandiver (defended April 2023) and Austin Crenshaw Shelley's Dissertation Committees
 - Advisor for ACTS DMin in Preaching Students (July 2022-May 2025)

July 2018-
June 2022

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HOMILETICS

Axel Jacob and Gerda Maria (Swanson) Carlson Chair in Homiletics
Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

- Teaching
 - Ministerial Leadership I
 - Introduction to Preaching
 - Preaching and Trauma
 - Women Preaching/Preaching Women
 - Independent Studies on War and Moral Injury, Trauma Theory and Theology, Feminist Theologies, and Advanced Preaching
- Research and Scholarship

Most of my recent scholarship places homiletical theory in conversation with trauma theory, eschatological theology, biblical studies, and narrative theory to construct a practice of preaching that makes space for and even embraces the reality of personal and

communal fracture brought on by trauma, particularly in the wake of mass trauma.

- Service
 - Regular participation in the worship life of the community, including preaching, reading, and presiding in chapel
 - Participate in monthly division and faculty meetings
 - Member of LSTC Curriculum Review Team (August 2020-Present)
 - Member of LSTC Assessment Committee (August 2018-Present)
 - Member of Leadership Chair Exploratory Committee (Spring 2021)
 - Presented in Faculty Course Colloquies
 - Member of Faculty Search Committee for position in Lutheran Systematic Theology and Global Lutheranism (September 2019-May 2020)
 - Member of Faculty Search Committee for Director of Contextual Education (September 2018-May 2019)
 - Faculty Executive Committee (July 2019-August 2021)
 - Chair of Faculty Executive Committee (January 2020-August 2020)
 - Acting chair of Division III: Ministry Arts and Public Leadership faculty division (August 2019-January 2020)
 - Coordinate and facilitate annual Echols Prize in Preaching program (December 2018-Present)
 - Advise students and participate in synodical ordination meetings and senior interviews
 - Faculty member for Ph.D. exam and dissertation committees

June 2019-
Present

ASSOCIATION OF THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS DMin in Preaching Advisor
Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

- Advise students through coursework and thesis writing and defense

August 2019-
July 2022

ASSOCIATION OF THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS (ACTS) DMin in Preaching LSTC Academic Program Director

- Member of ACTS DMin in Preaching program board and coordinate DMin in Preaching program at Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.

June 2020-
August 2021

ASSOCIATION OF THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS (ACTS) DMin in Preaching Residency Instructor

- Co-teach the Core I Course: Preaching as Interpretation for first year ACTS DMin in preaching students during their summer residency (Summer 2020 and 2021)
- Teach Preaching and Trauma Elective for ACTS DMin in preaching students during summer residency (Summer 2021)

March 2019-
January 2023

DIRECTOR, CANDLER ADVANTAGE SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Design and teach the summer curriculum, including May Orientation, August meeting, and online classes
- Coordinate the efforts of the Pastoral Assistant, students, site supervisors, and the Candler Contextual Education office
- Offer oral and written feedback on student presentations and projects
- Construct a handbook for the program

January 2018-
May 2018

INSTRUCTOR, PREACHING AND TRAUMA COURSE

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Constructed course syllabus, including readings, assignments, and grading rubrics for course
- Lectured, moderated class discussion, and gave verbal and written feedback on student preaching and presentations

January 2018-
May 2018

TEACHING ASSOCIATE

Introduction to Preaching

Dr. Ted A. Smith

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Led a small group of eight students, including critiquing sermons, moderating group conversation, and grading class assignments, exegesis papers and sermons
- Worked alongside Dr. Smith in coordinating class logistics, recording grades and attendance, and organizing the Teaching Assistant Team

August 2017-
May 2018

GRADUATE REFERENCE LIBRARIAN

Pitts Theology Library, Emory University

- Assisted students, faculty, and community members with research questions, including finding resources, using technology, and research strategies

May 2015-
August 2017

GRADUATE ASSISTANT, CANDLER ADVANTAGE PROGRAM

with Rev. Dr. P. Alice Rogers, Senior Pastor, Glenn Memorial UMC

- Worked with Dr. Rogers to design the summer curriculum, including May Orientation, August meeting, and online meetings
- Led class and worship for both May Orientation and August meeting
- Offered oral and written feedback on student presentations and projects

March 2016-
May 2016

INSTRUCTOR, WORSHIP PRACTICUM COURSE

W624: Worship Practicum in Liturgy

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Took over instruction for the second half of the semester when original instructor was unable to continue
- Constructed syllabus including readings and assignments for course
- Lectured, led class discussion, and gave students written and verbal assessments on papers and liturgical presentations

January 2016-
May 2016

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Introduction to Preaching

Dr. Ted A. Smith

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Critiqued sermons, led group conversation, and graded exegesis and sermon assignments for a colloquy of eight students

August 2014-
May 2015

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

for Dr. Thomas G. Long

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Assisting Dr. Long in editing his new book manuscript on 1&2 Timothy and Titus and researching for a variety of articles

January 2015-
May 2015

TEACHING ASSOCIATE

Introduction to Preaching

Dr. Thomas G. Long

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Led a small group of seven students, including critiquing sermons, leading conversation, and grading exegesis papers and sermons
- Work alongside Dr. Long in coordinating class logistics, recording grades and attendance, and organizing the Teaching Assistant Team

August 2014-
December 2014

TEACHING ASSOCIATE

Preaching the Parables of Jesus

Dr. Thomas G. Long

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Worked alongside Dr. Long in commenting on in-class student sermons, class leadership, and grading
- Lectured and led class discussions regularly

July 2014

EXPLORATORY LEADER

Youth Theological Initiative at Emory University

- Worked with YTI, a residential program for juniors and seniors in high school.
- Taught an Exploratory Course on Faith and Science

January 2014-
May 2014

TEACHING ASSOCIATE

Religious Education as Formation and Transformation

Dr. Jennifer Ayres

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Worked alongside Dr. Ayres in weekly lesson planning, grading, class leadership, and commenting on weekly student journals
- Lectured and led class discussions occasionally

August 2013-
December 2013

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Introduction to Preaching

Dr. Ted A. Smith

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Critiqued sermons, led group conversation, and graded exegesis and sermon assignments for a colloquy of nine students

September 2009-
August 2013

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Green Acres Presbyterian Church

Portsmouth, VA

- Led in worship weekly, preaching at least once per month
- Performed weddings and funerals for the church community
- Designed, organized, and led “special services”
- Administered the sacraments
- Redesigned children’s Sunday School and youth program
- Organized and ran Sunday School for children, youth, and adults
- Led teacher training for monthly Sunday School teachers
- Organized and led mission trips and outreach projects
- Planned and led Youth Ministry (and Youth Leadership Team)
- Taught weekly Adult Bible Study
- Pastoral visitation
- Participated in life and work of the Presbytery of Eastern Virginia
- Preached and taught in the broader faith community

January 2009-
May 2009

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

for Dr. Thomas G. Long

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Assisted Dr. Long in the final work on his manuscript for *Accompany Them with Singing*, including editing and acquiring permissions
- Assisted with research for other writings and for preaching classes

August 2007-
May 2009

PASTORAL INTERN AND MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH PASTOR

Oakhurst Presbyterian Church

Decatur, GA

- Participated in leading worship and preaching
- Designed and led Middle School Sunday School and youth group

August 2008-
December 2008

PRECEPTOR

History of Christian Thought 502

Dr. Jonathan Strom

Candler School of Theology, Emory University

- Assisted with readings, marked weekly writing assignments, and moderated online group discussions

October 2005-
May 2007

ASSISTANT CAMPUS MINISTER

Presbyterian Campus Ministry at Emory University

Atlanta, GA

- Assisted with leading and providing music for weekly meetings
- Assisted in planning Bible studies and Retreats for students
- Met one on one with students

December 2005- **8TH GRADE SCIENCE TEACHER**
June 2006 *Princeton Community Middle School*
Cincinnati, OH
● Full-time position teaching Earth and Space Science

MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

MEMBER OF “SEEK THE WELFARE” 2021 COHORT THROUGH LEADERSHIP EDUCATION AT DUKE DIVINITY
January 2021-May 2022

DEVELOPER, COORDINATOR, AND CO-HOST OF “AN INCOMPLETE FIELD GUIDE TO MINISTRY” PODCAST WITH DR. MARVIN WICKWARE
August 2020-May 2022

MEMBER OF ACADEMY OF HOMILETICS
September 2014-Present

MEMBER OF AMERICAN ACADEMY OF RELIGION
September 2014-Present

MEMBER OF SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE
May 2017-Present

INVITED PARTICIPANT IN *HEALING THE HEALERS* BRAIN TRUST
December 2018
Impact/Odyssey Films
New York, NY

CO-FOUNDED, DESIGNED, AND LED STUDENT ORIENTATION PROGRAM FOR THE EMORY GRADUATE DIVISION OF RELIGION
February 2014-January 2015

- Worked with professors and administrators to design and resource the orientation sessions, including recruiting workshop leaders and speakers who would address important information for incoming students.

MEMBER OF P.E.O.
October 2011-Present

- P.E.O. is an International Philanthropic Educational Organization that helps women educate women through hands-on support in the community and raising money for scholarships, loan programs, and grants.

CONTEXTUAL EDUCATION AND VOLUNTEER CHAPLAIN AT METRO STATE WOMEN’S PRISON
August 2005-December 2007

- Counseled women one-on-one, offered crisis counseling, and taught a preaching/writing class for the inmates.

CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION AT METRO STATE WOMEN'S PRISON

June 2007-August 2007

- Made regular visits to buildings, led Bible studies, counseled women one-on-one, offered crisis counseling, led and preached in worship
- Participated in the CPE small group and individual reflection work

CANDLER STUDENT AMBASSADORS

August 2005-May 2008

- Hosted prospective students at Candler

MIAMI UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MINISTRY CENTER/LIGHTS ON CAMPUS

August 2003-May 2005

- Chair of publicity committee, member of Exec Council and Leadership Board, led and coordinated Sunday night worship, retreat leader, and Bible study leader

FIRST IN 2009 (vision council for Miami University, Oxford, OH)

August 2002-April 2005

- Appointed member of the First in 2009 Student Ambassadors (2002-2004)
- Chair of First in 2009 Student Ambassadors (2003-2004)
- Appointed student representative on the First in 2009 University Coordinating Council (2003-2005)

SCHOLAR LEADER PROGRAM

August 2002-May 2003

- Served as chair of the Service Committee, coordinating and participating in local service projects, and participating in our Plunge service/education trip to Atlanta.

LEADERSHAPE

Summer 2002

ALPHA PHI OMEGA (co-ed service fraternity)

August 2002-May 2003

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Invited to Offer the 2024 James C. Cammack Institute of Preaching Lectures at Campbell University, Buies Creek, NC, March 18-20, 2024
- Keynote Speaker at Engle Preaching Institute, May 2023 at Princeton Theological Seminary
- Member of Seek the Welfare 2021 cohort at Duke Divinity School
- Elected by graduating students to offer 2021 Baccalaureate Sermon, May 15, 2021
- Ordained a Minister of Word and Sacrament (Teaching Elder) in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), November 22, 2009
- Nominated for the David H.C. Read Preaching Award, Spring 2009
- Received the Candler Excellence in Preaching Award, Spring 2009

- Invited as senior student preacher for chapel at Candler School of Theology, Spring 2009
- Candler School of Theology Honors Scholarship Recipient, Fall 2006-Spring 2009
- Elected as member of Phi Beta Kappa
- Miami University Honors Program participant and Honors Scholarship recipient
- Ohio Regents Scholar
- Member of the National Society for Collegiate Scholars (NSCS)
- Member of Golden Key Honors Society
- Service and Leadership in the Miami Community award from the Alumni/Parents Association

SERVICE TO THE INSTITUTION AND ACADEMY

- Serving as “Preacher in Residence” for the Presbytery of Philadelphia’s “Expanding the Pulpit” Initiative, January 1, 2024-Present
- Served as consultant for Day 1 Consultation: “New Media and Preaching,” Atlanta, GA, December 3-5, 2023.
- Consultant/Designer and Instructor for 2 courses for “Trauma Care and Healing” Certificate Track for Candler Foundry, Candler School of Theology at Emory University
- Board Member of Westminster Foundation, August 2023-Present
- Moderator, “History and Preaching” Working Group Section at Academy of Homiletics (Fall 2018-Present)
- Chapel Preacher
- Preached at Princeton Theological Seminary Reunion Worship, May 13, 2024
- Serve as Prospective Student Interviewer for Admissions (Fall 2023-Present)
- Choir Member, Spring 2023-Present
- Prepared and recorded six lectures on the topic of Practical Theology for the Ecology of Theological Education course for the New Degree Programs (Spring 2023)
- Recorded three panel conversations with colleagues for the Ecology of Theological Education course for the New Degree Programs (Fall 2022)
- Helped lead Doctoral Student CV and Job Application Workshop, October 28, 2022
- Co-Lead Company of New Pastors Advising Group, November 2022-Present
- “A Conversation with Faculty” Online Student Open House, December 15, 2022
- Presentation and Seminar Leader, PTS Reunion 2023, May 16, 2023
- Table to Table Leader, Spring Semester 2023 and Spring Semester 2024
- Plan, Organize, and Lead “Online Presence and Externalization” Workshop for PhD students, April 5, 2023.
- Member of LSTC Curriculum Review Team (August 2020-Present)
- Member of LSTC Assessment Committee (August 2018-Present)
- Member of LSTC Leadership Chair Exploratory Committee (Spring 2021)
- Member of Faculty Search Committee for position in Lutheran Systematic Theology and Global Lutheranism at LSTC (September 2019-May 2020)
- Member of Faculty Search Committee for Director of Contextual Education at LSTC (September 2018-May 2019)

ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Panel Respondent to Beverly Roberts Gaventa Book Panel on “Romans: A Commentary,” Princeton Theological Seminary, September 9, 2025.

“Reframing Health Amid Trauma: Engaging Scripture with a Salutogenic Hermeneutical Lens,” SBL November 2024, Trauma and Scripture Section, San Diego, CA.

“Proclamation Under Pressure: Faithful Preaching Amid Climate Trauma, Ecotrauma, and Ecoanxiety,” Academy of Homiletics, December 2024, Online Conference.

Panelist, “Book Review: Museum of the Bible: A Critical Introduction, edited by Jill Hicks-Keaton and Cavan Concannon (Lexington, 2019),” in Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity/Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section of the Society for Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 24, 2019, San Diego, California

Kimberly Wagner and Brady Beard (Emory University), “Standing at the Watchpost: Habakkuk as Model for Post-Traumatic Prophetic Preaching” accepted to the Bible and Practical Theology Section of the Society for Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 2019, San Diego, California

Paper Presentation, “Preaching in the Wake of Violent Trauma: A Ricoeurian Argument for a Discordant Emergency Homiletic,” at 2017 Academy of Homiletics Meeting, Dallas, TX, December 7-9, 2017

Paper Presentation, “Mark’s Resurrection Narrative (Mark 16:1-8) as a Model for Preaching in the Wake of Violent Trauma” at 2017 Society of Biblical Literature Meeting, Boston, MA, November 19

Paper Presentation, “Lessons from a Liberal: World War I and the Preaching of Rockwell Harmon Potter,” 2015 Academy of Homiletics, Nashville, TN, December 3-5, 2015

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS AND WORK AMONG THE COMMUNITY

Keynote Speaker and Preacher on “Between Ordered and Chaotic Waters” for First Presbyterian Church of Asheville Church Retreat, Montreat, NC, October 3-5, 2025.

Keynote Speaker and Preacher on “The Gift and Challenge of Preaching in these Times” for the Presbyterian Synod of the Covenant Cultivating the Gift of Preaching Retreat, June 13-16, 2025

Engle Preaching Institute Workshop Leader, June 8-13, 2025

- Preaching in and with the Earth: Rekindling Eschatological Hope Amid Death-Dealing Realities (4-day workshop)
- “How Long, O Lord?”: Engaging the Power of Lament in Preaching (1-day workshop)

“Preaching and Imagination in a Chaotic Landscape” Keynote at the *Expanding the Pulpit 2025* Retreat with the Philadelphia Presbytery, March 21-23, 2025

“Trauma, Faith, and Healing in Troubling Times” at Hopewell UMC, Lenten Lecture Series, March 19, 2025

“Preaching and Ministry amid Trauma and Change” 2-part Webinar for Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, January 11, 2025

Day 1 Featured Preacher for Advent Sermon Series, Advent 2024

“Proclaiming Eschatological Hope in a Weary, Overwhelmed World,” Philadelphia Presbytery Preaching Conference, November 19, 2024

“Preaching Amid Politically Charged Times,” Hudson River Valley Presbytery Clergy Retreat Keynote, November 7-8, 2024

Preacher for the Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center 50th Anniversary, October 12, 2024

“Preaching Amid Trauma” Webinar for Backstory Preaching, September 17, 2024

Central Presbyterian Church (Atlanta, GA) All-Church Retreat Keynote Speaker and Preacher, August 30-September 2, 2024

Workshop Leader, Engle Preaching Institute, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ, June 9-14, 2024

Keynote Speaker, “Engaging Sacred Imagination,” The Episcopal Church in Colorado Annual Clergy Gathering, April 29-May 1, 2024

Keynote Speaker and Workshop Leader, “The Bridge” Preaching Program, Union Presbyterian Seminary, April 23-25, 2024

Guest Speaker, Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina Preaching Cohort, Buies Creek, NC, March 20

Endowed Lectures, James C. Cammack Institute of Preaching Lectures at Campbell University, Buies Creek, NC, March 18-20, 2024

Keynote Speaker and Preacher, *Recreation and Revelation ELCA Clergy Conference*, Winter Park, CO, February 4-9, 2024

Clergy Gathering Speaker, Baltimore-Washington Conference, UMC, Clergy Conference, “Preaching Amid Trauma,” January 24-25, 2024

Keynote Speaker for Scioto Valley Presbytery Clergy Gathering, “Navigating Trauma in Ministry and Preaching,” November 12-14, 2023

Host, Conversation Partner, “Considering Mass Trauma: When Public Conversations Converge” with Cody Keenan, September 27, 2023

Workshop Leader, Presbytery of Philadelphia “Expanding the Pulpit” Retreat, April 12-14, 2024

Workshop Speaker, Clergy Lunch, 2023 Cooperative Baptist Fellowship General Assembly, Atlanta, GA, June 28, 2023

Keynote Speaker, Engle Preaching Institute, Princeton Theological Seminary, June 11-16, 2023

Keynote Speaker and Worship Leader, VA United Methodist Church Provisional Clergy Event, Richmond, VA, May 17, 2023

Workshop Leader, Presbytery of the Highlands Clergy Retreat, Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center, NJ, May 9, 2023

Workshop Leader, Princeton Forum on Youth Ministry Institute for Youth Ministry, *A Time to Heal: Trauma and Grace in Youth Ministry*, Princeton Theological Seminary, May 3, 2023

Keynote Speaker, 2023 Clergy Gathering of The Episcopal Church in Colorado, *In It Together: Navigating Ministry Amid Trauma*, Vail, CO, May 1-3, 2023

Presbytery Workshop Leader, Presbytery of the Western Reserve, Hosted at Forest Hill Church, Cleveland Heights, OH, April 28, 2023

Conversation with Jay-Paul Hinds on Collective Trauma and Faith, Princeton Theological Seminary, April 19, 2023

Webinar Workshop Leader, Online Cultivating Enough in the Care of Clergy Event, Presbytery of Philadelphia, March 14, 2023

Preaching and Teaching, Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township, Chatham, NJ, March 5, 2023

Keynote Speaker and Panelist, Bishop’s School of Ministry for the South Carolina Conference of the UMC, Myrtle Beach, SC, February 7-9, 2023

Program Leader, Doylestown Lutheran Church Congregational Conversations, Doylestown, PA, January 31, 2023

Keynote Lecturer and Workshop Leader, Women in Ministry Conference, *Safe Harbor: Ministering in the Midst of Storms*, Princeton Theological Seminary, January 11, 2023

Homiletician in Residence, Swedish Preaching Institute, Uppsala, Sweden, November 11-18, 2022

Lecturer, “Preaching and Ministry in the Wake of Trauma,” Sustaining the Preaching Life Conference, Princeton Theological Seminary, November 8, 2022

Preacher and Keynote Speaker, Annual Clergy Gathering, ELCA North/West Michigan Synod, Mount Pleasant, MI, October 9-11, 2022

Speaker and Panelist, “Come and See” Officer’s Retreat, Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church, Lawrenceville, NJ, September 24, 2022

Keynote Speaker and Workshop Leader, Annual Clergy Gathering, ELCA Rocky Mountain Synod, Park City, UT, September 20-22, 2022

Lecturer, “After the Storm: Preaching and Trauma,” Festival of Homiletics Conference, Denver, CO, May 16-20, 2022

Plenary Speaker, “Kyrie and Gloria in Liturgy and Life,” Institute of Liturgical Studies 2022 Conference, Valparaiso University, April 25-27, 2022

Keynote Speaker, “Trauma, Ministry, and Faith in these Unimaginable Days,” Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Synod Assembly, May 22, 2021

Adult Education Workshop Leader, “In It Together: Trauma and Faith in These Demanding Days,” Bethlehem Lutheran Church, St. Charles, IL, April 15-29, 2021

Workshop Leader, “Preaching and Ministry in and through a Pandemic,” Illinois/Wisconsin Internship Cluster Retreat, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, October 6, 2020

Workshop Leader, “A (Re)-Introduction to Preaching: A Workshop for Lay Preachers,” St. Luke’s Lutheran Church of Logan Square, Chicago, IL, July 18, 2020

Adult Forum Instructor, “Living Faithfully during Covid-19,” Redeemer Lutheran Church, Hinsdale, IL, May 28, 2020

Guest Speaker, “Preaching during Pandemic,” Near West ELCA Clergy Conference Meeting, April 20, 2020

WEBINARS/PODCASTS/ONLINE CONTENT

“Trauma-Informed Care and Ministry” Certificate Track for The Candler Foundry (co-designer and instructor)

“Preaching in the Wake of Mass Trauma,” Guest on the Leading Ideas Talks Podcast, Lewis Center for Church Leadership, Wesley Theological Seminary, January 23, 2024

“Discussion of Fractured Ground,” Guest on The Weight Podcast, recorded February 1, 2024

“Trauma and Ministry,” Guest on the CBF Podcast, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, June 29, 2023

“Fractured Ground,” Guest on *The Distillery Podcast*, Princeton Theological Seminary, June 6, 2023

“When Good News is Harder to Proclaim: Preaching Authentic Hope Amid Trauma,” Online Lecture, 2023 Festival of Homiletics

“Trauma, Ministry, and Faith in these Challenging Times,” Webinar, NE Minnesota ELCA Synod, Mental Health and Wellness Lunch and Learn, April 25, 2023

“When Good News is Harder to Find: Preaching Amid Trauma,” Webinar, Presbytery of Philadelphia, “Cultivating Enough in the Care of Clergy Initiative,” March 14, 2023

“Preaching Amid Trauma and Change,” Webinar, North Carolina United Methodist Church Center for Leadership Excellence, January 25, 2023

“When Good News is Harder to Find: Preaching in the Wake of Trauma,” Webinar, Synod of the Covenant, August 3, 2022

Panelist, “Wilderness Wanderings: Faith and Ministry During Covid-19,” Candler School of Theology at Emory University, April 29, 2020

Webinar Presentation, “In It Together: Trauma and Preaching During COVID-19,” North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church Center for Leadership Excellence, April 28, 2020

Video, “Preaching in the Midst of a Pandemic,” for Emory University Contextual Education Program, March, 2020

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK:

Fractured Ground: Preaching in the Wake of Mass Trauma (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press), January 3, 2023.

FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS:

“Proclamation Under Pressure: Faithful Preaching Amid Climate Trauma, Ecotrauma, and Ecoanxiety,” in *Prophetic Preaching for a planet in Peril: Homiletics for the Ecological Crisis*, co-edited by HyeRan Kim-Cragg and Leah Shcade, Wipf & Stock, anticipated publication November 2027.

Forthcoming Book Projects:

- “Can These Bones Live?”: *Proclaiming through Traumatic Overwhelm, Ecotrauma, and the Dwindling of Holy Imagination* (working title), in process with Westminster John Knox
- *Precarious Preaching: Authority for Proclamation when the Center Doesn’t Hold* (working title), in process

ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS:

“Lament-Informed Preaching for the Present Age” in *Dem Leiden Ausdruck verleihen. Biblische und liturgiewissenschaftliche Perspektiven auf Klagetexte*, edited by Anja Marschall and Kerstin Menzel (Baden-Baden: Nomos, 2026), 95-105.

“Commentary on Hebrews 10:16-25,” *Working Preacher*, Revised Common Lectionary, April 18, 2025, <https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/revised-common-lectionary/good-friday/commentary-on-hebrews-1016-25-14>.

“Commentary on Revelation 7:9-17,” *Working Preacher*, Revised Common Lectionary, May 11, 2025, <https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/revised-common-lectionary/fourth-sunday-of-easter-3/commentary-on-revelation-79-17-11>.

“Commentary on Colossians 1:15-28,” *Working Preacher*, Revised Common Lectionary, July 20, 2025, <https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/revised-common-lectionary/ordinary-16-3/commentary-on-colossians-115-28-6>.

“Commentary on Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19],” *Working Preacher*, Revised Common Lectionary, July 27, 2025, <https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/revised-common-lectionary/ordinary-17-3/commentary-on-colossians-26-15-16-19-2>.

“Leading and Preaching in the Storm: (Re)locating Ourselves Faithfully Amid Trauma and Chaos,” *The Presbyterian Outlook*, Outlook Features, (November 5, 2024), <https://pres-outlook.org/2024/11/leading-and-preaching-in-the-storm-relocating-ourselves-faithfully-amid-trauma-and-chaos/>

“When Good News is Harder to Proclaim: Preaching Amid Trauma,” *Working Preacher*, Craft of Preaching, June 20, 2023, <https://www.workingpreacher.org/culture/when-good-news-is-harder-to-proclaim-preaching-amid-trauma>.

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