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EDUCATION

- 2016 **Emory University**, Graduate Division of Religion
Ph.D., New Testament
- 2011 **Princeton Theological Seminary**
M.Div.
- 2006 **Whitworth University**
B.A. in Religion and Spanish

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2018 *The Function of Sublime Rhetoric in Hebrews: A Study in Hebrews 12:18–29*, WUNT 2/465 (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2018). [Link](#)

Peer-Reviewed Articles or Chapters:

- (Under review) "An Established Tradition for the Throne's Establishment on Earth?: A Tradition-Historical Analysis of Four Enochic Texts and Daniel 7"
- (In-press) "Matthew 5:1–12, Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany: Commentary 1" in *Connections: A Lectionary Commentary Series*, ed. Joel B. Green et al. (Louisville: Westminster John Knox, forthcoming).
- (In-press) "Matthew 5:13–20, Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany: Commentary 1" in *Connections: A Lectionary Commentary Series*, ed. Joel B. Green et al. (Louisville: Westminster John Knox, forthcoming).
- (In-press) "Matthew 5:21–37, Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany: Commentary 1" in *Connections: A Lectionary Commentary Series*, ed. Joel B. Green et al. (Louisville: Westminster John Knox, forthcoming).
- 2017 "Gestures to the Priesthood: Exploring Jesus's Priestly Function in 1 John." *Review and Expositor* 114 (2017): 564–73.
- 2015 "(Religious) Language and the Decentering Process: McNamara and *De Sublimitate* on the Ecstatic Effect of Language," *Journal for Cognitive Historiography* 2 (2015): 53–65.

- 2015 "Who am I to be Blessed? Mary as Blessed Mother in *Protevangelium of James*." Pages 67–102 in *Jesus and Mary Reimagined in Early Christian Literature*, edited by Vernon K. Robbins and Jonathan Potter. SBL Writings in Graeco-Roman Antiquity Supplemental Series. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature.
- 2013 "Utterly Incapacitated: The Neglected Meaning of ΠΑΡΕΣΙΣ in Romans 3:25," *Novum Testamentum* 55 (2013): 349–366.

Book Reviews:

- (Forthcoming) Michael Allen and Jonathan A. Linebaugh, eds., *Reformation Readings of Paul* (Downers Grove, IL: Intervarsity, 2015). Review forthcoming for *Review of Biblical Literature*.
- (In Press) Michael J. Gorman, *Apostle of the Crucified Lord* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2017). Reviewed for *Review of Biblical Literature*.
- 2018 Willie James Jennings, *Acts: A Theological Commentary on the Bible*, Belief (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox, 2017). Reviewed for *Review and Expositor* 115 (2018): 284–85.
- 2018 Stephen Westerholm and Martin Westerholm, *Reading Sacred Scripture: Voices from the History of Biblical Interpretation* (Grand Rapids; Cambridge, UK: Eerdmans, 2016). Reviewed for the *Review of Biblical Literature*.
- 2018 John M. G. Barclay, *Paul and the Gift* (Grand Rapids; Cambridge: Eerdmans, 2015). Reviewed for *Review and Expositor* 115 (2018): 132–34.
- 2018 Stanley E. Porter, *The Apostle Paul: His Life, Thought, and Letters* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2016). Reviewed for *Review and Expositor* 115 (2018): 119–20.
- 2018 Todd D. Still and David E. Wilhite, eds. *The Apostolic Fathers and Paul*, Pauline and Patristic Scholars in Debate 2 (London; New York: T&T Clark, 2017). Reviewed for *Review of Biblical Literature* (Jan 12, 2018).
- 2017 Francis Watson, *The Fourfold Gospel: A Theological Reading of the New Testament Portraits of Jesus* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2016). Reviewed for *Review and Expositor* 114 (2017): 494–96.
- 2017 Craig G. Bartholomew and Heath A. Thomas, eds, *A Manifesto for Theological Interpretation* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2016). Reviewed for *Review and Expositor* 114 (2017): 313–15.

- 2017 James W. Thompson, *The Church according to Paul: Rediscovering the Community Conformed to Christ* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2014). Reviewed for *Review of Biblical Literature* (June 15, 2017)
- 2017 L. L. Welborn, *Paul's Summons to Messianic Life: Political Theology and the Coming Awakening*, *Insurrections: Critical Studies in Religion, Politics, and Culture* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2015). Reviewed for *Horizons in Biblical Theology* 39 (2017): 97–100.
- 2016 Kate Wilkinson, *Women and Modesty in Late Antiquity* (Cambridge; New York: Cambridge University Press, 2015). Reviewed for *Politics, Religion, & Ideology* 16 (2015): 453–55.
- 2015 Trevor S. Luke, *Ushering in a New Republic: Theologies of Arrival at Rome in the First Century BCE* (Ann Arbor, MI.: University of Michigan Press, 2014). Reviewed for *Politics, Religion, & Ideology* 16 (2015): 320–22.
- 2015 A. E. Harvey, *Is Scripture Still Holy? Coming of Age with the New Testament* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2012). Reviewed for *Review of Biblical Literature*.
- 2011 Sang Meyng Lee, *The Cosmic Drama of Salvation* (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2010). Reviewed for *Theological Book Review* 23 (2011): 71.

Book Reviews (Coauthored with Students):

- 2018 With Harrison Litzell. Daniel L. Migliore, *Philippians and Philemon, Belief: A Theological Commentary on the Bible* (Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2014). Reviewed for *Review and Expositor* 115 (2018): 291–93.
- 2018 With Maria N. Robertson. Craig C. Hill, *Servant of All: Status, Ambition, and the Way of Jesus* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2016). Reviewed for *Review and Expositor* 115 (2018): 136–37.

Other Publications:

- 2017 "The Law's Fracture Lines (Romans 7:15–25a)." Lectionary Reflection for *ONScripture* (<https://www.onscripture.com/law's-fracture-lines>)
- 2016 "Groaning without Grumbling Against One Another (James 5:7–10)." Lectionary Reflection for *ONScripture* (<http://www.onscripture.com/groaning-without-grumbling-against-one-another>)

PRESENTATIONS

Academic Presentations:

- November 2018 "Hebrews and Sublime Rhetoric." Invited paper for the Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature.
- March 2018 "The Fear of Death in Hebrews." Paper presented at the 2018 *Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion* Annual Meeting.
- August 2017 "Locating Apostasy: Solidarity and Fidelity in the Epistle to the Hebrews." Paper presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association.
- March 2017 "Persecution as Pilgrimage: Responding to Persecution in Hebrews." Paper presented at the 2017 *Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion* Annual Meeting.
- March 2016 "Hebrews among Other 'Words of Encouragement': Reconsidering the Meaning and Function of λόγος τῆς παράκλησεως in Heb 13:22." Paper presented at the Graduate Symposium of the European Association of Biblical Studies.
- April 2015 "(Religious) Language and the Decentering Process: McNamara and *De Sublimitate* on the Ecstatic Effect of Language." Expanded form of my SBL paper presented at the Emory NT Colloquy.
- November 2014 "(Religious) Language and the Decentering Process: McNamara and *De Sublimitate* on the Ecstatic Effect of Language." Paper presented at the SBL Annual Meeting in San Diego for the Religious Experience in Antiquity section.

Other Professional Presentations:

- April 2018 "Competency-Based Theological Education." Presentation to the President and Board of Trustees of Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary.
- March 2014 "My Not-So-Present Online Presence: Intentions and Considerations." Emory Graduate Division of Religion professional development session.
- February 2013 "Critical Evaluation of the 28th Edition of the Nestle-Aland Novum Testamentum: Foreword, Introduction, Text of the Edition, Critical Apparatus." Emory New Testament Colloquy.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Present Adjunct Professor of New Testament, Candler School of Theology
Interpretation of the New Testament I: Fall 2018

- Present Adjunct Professor of New Testament, Payne Theological Seminary
The Gospel and Letters of John: Fall 2018
- 2014–Present Visiting Professor of New Testament, Candler School of Theology, United Methodist Course of Study, Emory University (Atlanta, GA)
New Testament I: Gospels and Acts, Winter 2017 (hybrid), Summer 2016, Winter 2015, Summer 2015, Summer 2014
New Testament II: Epistles and Revelation, Fall 2016, Summer 2016, Summer 2015, Fall 2014
Introduction to Exegesis, Summer 2014
- 2016–2018 Visiting Professor of New Testament, McAfee School of Theology at Mercer University (Atlanta, GA)
Paul as Local Theologian, Spring 2018
New Testament Theology, Spring 2018 (hybrid), Spring 2017
New Testament Greek, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
Foundations of New Testament, Fall 2018 (online), Spring 2017, Fall 2016
- 2012–2016 Adjunct Professor of New Testament and Religious Studies, Candler School of Theology and Emory College, Emory University (Atlanta, GA)
Studying Religion: An Introduction, Fall 2015
Concise Greek, Spring 2014
Readings in Biblical Greek, Fall 2012
- 2011–2016 Teaching Assistant, Candler School of Theology and Emory College, Emory University (Atlanta, GA)
Introduction to New Testament II, Spring 2013, Spring 2015
Introduction to Old Testament, Spring 2015
Interpreting Religion: Theories and Methods, Fall 2014
New Testament and Ethics, Fall 2013
Thinking and Writing for Theological Education, Spring 2012
Introduction to New Testament I, Fall 2011
- 2009–2011 Teaching Assistant, Princeton Theological Seminary (Princeton, NJ)
Introduction to Biblical Greek, Fall 2010–Spring 2011, Summer 2010
Introduction to Biblical Hebrew, Fall 2009–Spring 2010

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Present Planning Committee for Theology from the Margins Certificate Program
(a collaborative project with Church of the Common Ground)
- 2016–2018 MDiv Committee, McAfee School of Theology

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| 2017–2018 | Diversity Committee, McAfee School of Theology |
| 2017–2018 | Thesis Director, Tiffanie Clarke, "Christology in the Gospel of John" |
| 2018 | Member, Selection Committee for the John R. Claypool Excellence in Preaching Award |
| 2016–2018 | Thesis Director, Cody Carpenter, "Matthew's Jesus: The Divine Exposed" |
| 2016–2018 | Thesis Co-Director, Rachel Hall, "Muggle Religious Studies: Is Snape the New Judas?" |
| 2016–2017 | Atlanta Research Conference Planning Committee, Mercer University |
| 2016 | Editorial and Scholarly Consultant, Bibliotheca |
| 2013–2015 | Member, Graduate Advisory Council for the Graduate Division of Religion, Emory University |
| 2012–2013 | Student Coordinator, New Testament Colloquy, Emory University |
| 2008–2009 | Associate Editor, <i>Princeton Theological Review</i> |

OTHER RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| Present | Learning Architect iDesign (remote) |
| Present | Consultant Johnson C. Smith Seminary (Atlanta, GA) |
| 2018 | Teaching Mentor, Christian Leadership Formation Program Baugh Center for Baptist Leadership, Mercer University (Atlanta, GA) |
| 2016–Present | Copyeditor SBL Press (Atlanta, GA) |
| 2017–2018 | Special Event Planning Committee, Presbytery of Greater Atlanta (Atlanta, GA) |
| 2016 | Serial and Reference Manager SBL Press (Atlanta, GA) |
| 2008 | Interim Director of College and Young Adult Ministry First Presbyterian Church (Colorado Springs, CO) |
| 2006–2008 | Director, EPYCS Program, and Program Associate El Pomar Foundation (Colorado Springs, CO) |

AWARDS AND GRANTS

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| 2018 | Louisville Institute: Co-principal investigator for a collaborative-planning grant for pedagogy project, "Unlearning: White Normativity" |
| 2016–2018 | Louisville Institute: Vocation of the Theological Educator, Postdoctoral Fellowship |
| 2013–2015 | Louisville Institute: Vocation of the Theological Educator, Graduate Fellowship |

2011–2014 Lilly Fellows Program in the Humanities and the Arts: Graduate Fellowship
2011–2016 Emory University, Laney Graduate School: Graduate Fellowship
2010 E.L. Wailes Award for Excellence in New Testament, Princeton Theological Seminary

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

Ancient: Koine Greek, Hebrew, Aramaic, Latin

Modern: Spanish, German, French

REFERENCES

Available upon request