

Curriculum Vitae

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A D D R E S S E S

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P E R S O N A L A N D C A R E E R G O A L S

I am committed to excellence in teaching, and my interest is to be in a setting where the Bible and especially the New Testament is studied for its theological and personal as well as its historical and literary significance. Within my field, I am also interested in pursuing new models of teaching and developing resources made possible with computer and Internet technologies. I understand my work as a teacher as part of my Christian calling and as my contribution to the larger ministry of the Church.

E D U C A T I O N A L B A C K G R O U N D

1978	B.A.	University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL
1983	M.Div.	Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary, St. Paul, MN
1985	M.A.	Yale University, New Haven, CT
1987	M.Phil.	Yale University, New Haven, CT
1996	Ph.D.	Yale University, New Haven, CT Thesis Topic: <i>Psalm 22 and the Crucifixion of Jesus</i>

A R E A S O F T E A C H I N G C O M P E T E N C E

Primary:

New Testament Studies, New Testament and Christian Origins, Koine Greek,
Ancient Biblical Interpretation

Secondary:

Hebrew Bible, Intertestamental Literature, New Testament Ethics, Ancient Christianity,
Second Temple Judaism, Early Rabbinic Judaism

P R O F E S S I O N A L T E A C H I N G E X P E R I E N C E

1977-1978	Research Assistant, Grader, and Teaching Assistant for Vernon Robbins, University of Illinois
School year, 1980-81	Teaching Assistant for David Tiede and Greek Tutor, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary
School year, 1982-83	Research Assistant for Donald Juel and Greek Tutor, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary
Summers, 1983-1986	Greek Instructor, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary
School year, 1984-85	Teaching Fellow, Yale Divinity School, "New Testament Interpretation" (Abraham Malherbe)
Fall semester, 1985	Teaching Fellow, Yale College, "Introduction to the Old Testament" (Marc Brettler)
Spring semester, 1986	Grader and Teaching Assistant, Yale Divinity School, "New Testament Ethics" (Richard Hays)
Fall semester, 1986	Grader, Yale Divinity School, "Romans" (Leander Keck)
Spring semester, 1987	Teaching Fellow, Yale College, "New Testament History and Literature" (Wayne Meeks)
School year, 1987-88	Instructor of Greek and New Testament, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary
1999-	Mentor for Fisher's Net (www.fishersnet.net) Online Courses
Fall Semesters, 2000 & 2001	Assistant Professor, Religion, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN
2002-	Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg (PA)

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November, 1988	Presenter, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Consultation on Passion Narrative and Tradition in Early Christianity, "Psalm 22:2 in Luke's Gospel - The Abandoned Son or the Sun Abandoned?"
1989-	Numerous presentations in Southwestern Minnesota Synod, Eastern North Dakota Synod, Northwestern Minnesota Synod, Upper Susquehanna Synod, ELCA for: Pastor Conferences, WELCA Assemblies, Pastor's Retreats, Theological Retreats, Synod Assembly, etc.
Summer 1992	Book review of Scot McKnight's <i>A Light Among the Gentiles for Word & World</i> , vol. XII, no. 3
1993-2001	Numerous presentations for Eastern and Western North Dakota Synods GIFTS Program
1995-	Internet Bible Study publications and other Christian resources accessible at CrossMarks Christian Resources: www.CrossMarks.com
1997	<i>Psalm 22 (LXX 21) and the Crucifixion of Jesus</i> . Yale University Dissertation, 1996. Ann Arbor, Michigan: University Microfilms Inc., 1997 (Excerpts available at: www.crossmarks.com/dissertation/titlepage.htm)
Summers 1997-2000, 2003	Bible Study Presenter, Christikon Bible Camp (MT) and Mount Carmel Bible Camp (Alexandria, MN)

1999–	Presenter for Concordia College (Moorhead, MN) Parish Nurse Program
October, 1999	Book Review of Burton H. Throckmorton, Jr.'s <i>Jesus Christ: The Message of the Gospels, the Hope of the Church for Theology Today</i> , vol. 56, no. 3
2000	<i>Jesus Is</i> . Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 2000. (Introductory material for ELCA summer outdoor ministry curriculum)
2002	<i>A Reading Guide to the Gospel of Mark</i> (self-published)
Winter, 2002	“Pray this Way...’: Teaching the Lord’s Prayer” in <i>Word & World</i>
2002	Northwest Washington Synod Bishop's Convocation in Vancouver, BC presentations on the Gospel of Mark
2002-	Numerous presentations in conjunction with the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg (Seminary on Wheels, Lay School of Theology, Seminary Weekend, LTSG Spring Convocation, Preaching Perspectives workshops)
2003	<i>"Ubuntu: Do Life!"</i> Augsburg Fortress (Bible study resource for 2003 ELCA youth gathering)

C H U R C H A F F I L I A T I O N A N D I N V O L V E M E N T

Summer, 1980	Hospital Chaplain, Clinical Pastoral Education, University of North Carolina Memorial Hospital, Chapel Hill, NC
1981-1982	Intern Pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church, Longview, WA
1988	Ordained as a Pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
1988-1992	Co-Pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, Spicer, MN
1992–2002	Associate Pastor of Hope Lutheran Church, Fargo, ND
1994-1998	Member of First Call Theological Education Planning Committee for Eastern North Dakota Synod and Region 3, ELCA
1995-1998	Director of GIFTS program (Lay Ministry education) of Eastern North Dakota Synod, ELCA
1996	Augsburg Fortress Publishing House Technology Advisory Panel
1996	Western Mission Cluster (ELCA) Symposium / Fisher’s Net Team Participant (www.fishersnet.net)
1996–	Webmaster for Hope Lutheran, Fargo, ND (www.FargoHope.org), the Eastern North Dakota Synod, ELCA (www.eandsynod.org), and the Luther Seminary Alumni home page (www.luthersem.edu/alums)
1997–	CrossMarks Christian Resources (www.CrossMarks.com)
1998-2000	Luther Seminary Visioning Task Force Member (Lay Education)
1998–2002	GIFTS program Advisory Board
2001–2002	Luther Seminary Alumni Board
2002-	Rostered with West Virginia-Western Maryland Synod, ELCA

H O N O R S

1974-1978	Edmund J. James Scholar, University of Illinois
1977	Phi Beta Kappa, University of Illinois
1978	Graduated from the University of Illinois <i>Cum Laude</i> with Distinction in Religious Studies
Summer 1982	Goethe-Institut Scholarship
1983	Bruce Prize in New Testament, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary
1983	A. E. Hanson Prize in Preaching, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary
1983-1987	Yale University Fellowship

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1981–	Society of Biblical Literature
1988–	Ordained Minister, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
1988–	Catholic Biblical Association

R E F E R E N C E S

Wayne A. Meeks	Yale University
David L. Tiede	Luther Theological Seminary

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