# **D. BRENT LAYTHAM**

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# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

| 2012-present   | Dean, Ecumenical Institute of Theology<br>Professor of Theology, St. Mary's Seminary & University |
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| 2012 (JanJune) | Associate Dean of Academic Operations (interim), North Park<br>Theological Seminary               |
| 2010-2011      | Assistant Dean for Strategic Initiatives and Programs, North Park<br>Theological Seminary         |
| 2008-2012      | Professor of Theology and Ethics, North Park Theological Seminary                                 |
| 2004-2008      | Associate Professor of Theology and Ethics, North Park Theological Seminary                       |
| 2001-2004      | Assistant Professor of Theology and Ethics, North Park Theological Seminary                       |
| 1999-2001      | Assistant Professor of Religion, Lambuth University   |
| 1995-99        | Pastor, Brookland-Brooksdale United Methodist Charge, Roxboro, North Carolina                     |
| 1993-95        | Pastor, Efland United Methodist Church, Efland, North Carolina                                    |
| 1991-93        | Assistant Pastor, Orange United Methodist Church (half time), Chapel Hill, North Carolina         |
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Ordained Elder, North Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church Course of Study School Instructor, Duke, Candler, Garrett, 1991-2004, 2006

# **EDUCATION**

| Ph.D.  | Duke University, Graduate Program in Religion, 1999  |
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| M.Div. | Nazarene Theological Seminary, summa cum laude, 1988 |
| B.A.   | MidAmerica Nazarene College, summa cum laude, 1984   |

Institute for Management and Leadership in Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education (2017)

# HONORS/AWARDS/FELLOWSHIPS

Fellow of the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning

Colloquy for Mid-Career Theological School Faculty (2007-2008)

Workshop on Teaching and Learning for Theological School Faculty (2003-2004)

John Wesley Fellow, A Foundation for Theological Education, 1993

President's Award, Nazarene Theological Seminary, 1988

Gamma Epsilon Honor Society, MidAmerica Nazarene College, 1984

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Comprehensive Evaluation Visitor, Association of Theological Schools Commission on Accrediting (2016-present)

Society of Biblical Literature

Society of Christian Ethics

Co-convener of Liturgy and Ethics Interest Group (2010-present)

Nominating Committee (2023-2024)

Chair of Committee on Program Affiliation with SBL (2009-2012)

Co-convener of Scripture and Ethics Interest Group (2005-2010)

Co-editor of Wesleyan Doctrine Series (Cascade Press)

The Ekklesia Project

Coordinator (2004–2015)

Congregational Formation Initiative (Lilly Grant), pastor-scholar team (2005-2006)

Co-sponsor, "Ekklesia House" (2004-2005, Valparaiso Practices Grant)

Co-editor, Ekklesia Project Pamphlets (2001-2004)

Board Member, The Liturgical Conference (2009-2015)

Full Communion Partner representative (United Methodist Church) to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Ethicists Meetings (2 year term, 2011-12)

Faith and Academy Partnership in Teaching Ethics (Louisville Institute Grant), pastor-scholar team (2000-2002)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### A. Books:

- 1. I Pod, YouTube, Wii Play: Theological Engagements with Entertainment, (Cascade Press, 2012).
- 2. *God Does Not* (Brazos Press, 2009). Conceived and edited this collection, and wrote the chapters "God Does All Things Well" and "God Does Father, Son and Holy Spirit."
- 3. God Is Not (Brazos Press, 2004). Conceived and edited this collection, and wrote the

Introduction and "God Is One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic."

## **B.** Essays in Journals (Refereed or Invited):

- 1. "Looking at What Cannot Be Seen: Reading 2 Corinthians through the Lens of Ascension," *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 15.2 (2021):305-17.
- 2. "But If ... by the Spirit of God': Reading Matthew's Lord's Prayer as Spirit Christology," *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 12.1 (2018):24-38.
- 3. "Worship and Ethics: A Selected Bibliography," with David Bjorlin, *Studia Liturgica* 43.1 (2013):169-88.
- 4. "Liturgy and Entertainment," *Liturgy* 28.3 (2013):1-6. Guest editor for this special issue focused on "Worship and Entertainment."
- 5. "We Won! Figuring Jabbok as Liturgy," Liturgy 28.2 (2013):31-38.
- 6. "Can Worship Be Ethics, or Will Only Liturgy Do?" *Doxology* 27 (2010):56-76.
- 7. "Let Us Pray: Classroom Worship in Theological Education," *Teaching Theology and Religion* 13.2 (April, 2010):110-24.
- 8. "You Can Do It: The Fantasy of Self-Creation and Redemption in *Pleasantville*," *Cultural Encounters: A Journal for the Theology of Culture* 5.1 (Winter, 2009):33-51.
- 9. "Protecting God," Ex Auditu 24 (2008):192-95.
- 10. "So As Not to Be Estranged': Creation Spirituality and Wendell Berry," *The Covenant Quarterly* 66.1 (February, 2008):38-47. Originally published at *The Other Journal.com: An Intersection of Theology and Culture* (online) issue 8 (October, 2006).
- 11. "Interpretation on the Way to Emmaus: Jesus Performs His Story," *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 1.1 (2007):101-15.
- 12. "Not Sven and Ole Stories': In Communion We Tell and Indwell God's Story," *Covenant Quarterly*, 64.1-3 (Feb-Aug, 2006):29-46.
- 13. "God's Politics Is (the Politics of) Jesus," *Covenant Quarterly* 63.3 (August, 2005):30-33.
- 14. "Theology Goes to the Movies: Screening *Billy Elliot*," *Covenant Quarterly* 63.2 (May, 2005):3-15.
- 15. "Worshiping the Decalogue's God," Liturgy 20.1 (2005):61-66.
- 16. "The Narrative Shape of Scriptural Authority: Plotting Pentecost," *Ex Auditu* 19 (2003): 97-119.
- 17. "Response to Green," Ex Auditu 18 (2002):24-28.

## C. Chapters in Books and Dictionary Articles:

- 1. "Introduction," co-authored with Pat Fosarelli, in Nijay K. Gupta, Andy Johnson, Christopher W. Skinner, and Drew J. Strait, eds., *Cruciform Scripture: Cross, Participation, and Mission* (Eerdmans, 2021)
- 2. "Scripture and Christian Ethics: Embodying Pentecost," in Michael Gorman, ed., *Scripture and Its Interpretation: A Global, Ecumenical Introduction to the Bible* (Baker, 2017), 353-64.
- 3. "Risking Grace: The Wesleyan Gamble on Scripture," in Joel Green and David Watson, eds., *The Word Written on Our Hearts: Wesley and Wesleyans on Scripture* (Baylor University Press, 2012), 179-93.
- 4. "Narrative Ethics Contemporary," in Joel Green, Jacqueline Lapsley, Rebekah Miles, and Allen Verhey, eds., *Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics* (Baker Academic, 2011).

5. "The Church as Fellowship of Believers," Paul Koptak, et al, *Covenant Affirmations* (Covenant Publications, 2010).

- 6. "The Membership Includes the Dead: Wendell Berry's Membership as *Communio Sanctorum*," in Joel Shuman and Roger Owens, eds., *Wendell Berry and Religion: Heaven's Earthly Life*, (University of Kentucky Press, 2009), 173-89.
- 7. "Stephen's Storied Witness to Jesus," in *The Courage to Bear Witness*, ed. L. Ed Phillips (Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2009).
- 8. "Time for Hope: *The Sixth Sense, American Beauty, Memento,* and *Twelve Monkeys,*" in Emily Griesinger and Mark Eaton, eds., *The Gift of Story: Narrating Hope in a Postmodern World* (Baylor University Press, 2006), 69-83.

## **D. Other Publications:**

- 1. "Living by the Word," Christian Century 134.11 (May 24, 2017):20-21.
- 2. "Clothe the Naked," in Nadia Stefko, et al., *Embodying Care: The Works of Mercy and Care of Creation* [Pamphlet 21 in the Renewing Radical Discipleship series of Ekklesia Pamphlets, edited by Joel Shuman] (Eugene, 2015).
- 3. Bimonthly blogger for "Conversations" section of Catalystresources.org. (2013-2015)
- 4. "Membered and Remembered," Christian Reflection 51 (Baylor, 2014):27-34.
- 5. The Taste of Discipleship: Cultivating the Flavor of Faithfulness [Pamphlet 17 in the Renewing Radical Discipleship series of Ekklesia Pamphlets, edited by Joel Shuman] (Eugene, 2012).
- 6. "Living by the Word," Christian Century (November 30, 2010), 20-21.
- 7. "When Change Is the New Normal," Covenant Companion (January, 2010):6-8.
- 8. "The Strong, Bracing Season of Advent," *Covenant Companion* (November, 2008). Award of Merit (second place) for seasonal article by the Associated Church Press.
- 9. "Blogging toward Sunday," *Christian Century*'s Theolog website (September, 29-October 27, 2008).
- 10. Sermons for Ordinaries 20-22 Year A, *Homily Service* 41.3 (May 11-August 31, 2008): 162-66, 174-77, 185-88.
- 11. "Authority and Canon," Catalyst 34.1 (November, 2007):1-2.
- 12. "Truth, Passion and the Death Penalty: Can We Be Both Just and Merciful?" *Covenant Companion* (March, 2007). Award of Merit (second place) for theological reflection (long format) by the Associated Church Press.
- 13. "Focus on Flourishing," Vital Theology 3.6 (November, 2006):8.
- 14. Sermons for Ordinaries 27-31 Year A, *Homily Service* 38.11 (October 2005):11-13, 22-25, 34-37, 48-51, 61-64.
- 15. "On the Wall or In Our Lives?" Covenant Companion 94.10 (October, 2005):6-8, 36.
- 16. "Suffer the Children? Why Kids Belong in Church" *Covenant Companion* 94 (August, 2005):6-8,37.
- 17. "Loyalty Oath," Christian Century 122:14 (July 12, 2005):9-10.
- 18. "God's Covenant: Grace for Living Righteously," *Adult Bible Studies* 13.3 (Spring, 2005):8-11.
- 19. "Keeping the Commandments in Their Place," *United Methodist Reporter* (November 26, 2003).
- 20. "Headed South" (a critical discussion of David Jenkins, *The Next Christendom*), *Covenant Companion* 92.6 (June, 2003):9-11.

- 21. "The Healthy Church: Embodying Scripture" in Catalyst 29.1 (November, 2002):2-3.
- 22. "Searching for God's Will," The Covenant Companion (October, 2002):6-8.
- 23. "Searching for God in the Ashes," *Covenant Companion* (November, 2001). Award of excellence (first place) in the category of "Theological Reflection: 1500 words or fewer" by the Associated Church Press.
- 24. "Good News Is for Sharing," North Carolina Christian Advocate
- 25. "When Presiders Commune," Sacramental Life 11.4 (1998):181-84.
- 26. "The Place of Natural Theology in the Theological Method of John Calvin and Jacob Arminius," *Church Divinity 1989-90*, edited by John H. Morgan (Bristol, IN: Wyndham Hall Press, 1990), 22-44.
- 27. "Seeing the World Through God's Eyes," Bread 13.11 (December, 1988).

#### E. Reviews:

- 1. Being Human in God's World: An Old Testament Theology of Humanity, J. Gordon McConville. Interpretation 72.4 (2018):451.
- 2. Field Hospital: The Church's Engagement with a Wounded World, William Cavanaugh. *Interpretation* 72.1 (2018):97.
- 3. No More Irrelevant Jesus, Gerhard Lohfink. Pro Ecclesia 25.4 (Fall, 2016):498-502.
- 4. "Take & Read: Ethics," Christian Century 132.9 (April 29, 2015):34-37.
- 5. "Take & Read: Ethics," Christian Century 131.9 (May 1, 2014):28-29.
- 6. "Take & Read: Ethics," Christian Century 130.9 (May 1, 2013):28-29.
- 7. "Take & Read: Ethics," Christian Century 129.9 (May 2012):25-27.
- 8. Unsettling Arguments: A Festschrift on the Occasion of Stanley Hauerwas's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday, eds. Charles R. Pinches, Kelly S. Johnson, and Charles M. Collier, Journal of Lutheran Ethics 11.4 (July, 2011).
- 9. "Take & Read: Ethics," Christian Century 128.9 (May 3, 2011):24
- 10. "Take & Read: Ethics," Christian Century 127.9 (May 4, 2010):25-27.
- 11. "Theology," Christian Century 126.25 (December, 2009):24.
- 12. Conversations with Poppi about God, Covenant Companion (September):29-30.
- 13. Subversive Orthodoxy, Robert Inchausti, Modern Theology 23.3 (July, 2007):477-79.
- 14. A Gathering of Memories, Charles Pinches, Covenant Companion 45 (July 2006):23-24.
- 15. Behind the Screen: Hollywood Insiders on Faith, Film and Culture, Spencer Lewerenz and Barbara Nicolosi, eds., Covenant Companion 95.8 (August, 2006): 24-25.
- 16. For All the Saints? Remembering the Christian Departed, N.T. Wright, Covenant Companion.
- 17. A World According to God, Martha Ellen Stortz, Interpretation 60.2 (April 2006):236.
- 18. Real Sex, Lauren Winner, Covenant Companion 94.10 (October 2005):24-25.
- 19. Losing Moses on the Freeway, Christopher Hedges, Christianity Today (July, 2005):57-58.
- 20. *In the End—The Beginning*, Jurgen Moltmann, *Currents in Theology and Mission* 34.2 (April, 2007):136-37.
- 21. *In a Dark Wood: Journeys of Faith and Doubt*, eds., Linda Jones and Sophie Stanes, *Currents in Theology and Mission* 33.5 (October, 2006):416-17.
- 22. Losing Moses on the Freeway: The Ten Commandments in America, Christopher Hedges, Christianity Today 49.7 (July, 2005):57-58.
- 23. Virtues and Practices in the Christian Tradition, Nancey Murphy, Brad Kallenberg, and

- Mark Nation, in *Christian Education Journal* [series 3] 1.3 (Fall 2004):190-93, co-authored with Paul Bramer.
- 24. Live to Tell, by Brad Kallenberg, Covenant Companion.
- 25. Honoring the Body, by Stephanie Paulsell, in Covenant Companion 92.7 (July 2003):25.
- 26. With the Grain of the Universe, by Stanley Hauerwas, in Covenant Quarterly 61.2 (May, 2003):45-48.
- 27. *The Conviction of Things Not Seen: Worship and Ministry in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, edited by Todd E. Johnson, in *Covenant Quarterly* 61.1 (February 2003):36-41.
- 28. *Nothing Greater, Nothing Better*, edited by Kevin Vanhoozer, *Covenant Quarterly* 60.1 (February 2002): 47-48.
- 29. Growing Pains, by Randall Balmer, Covenant Companion 91.3 (January 2002):29-30.
- 30. Eyes Wide Open by William Romanowski, Covenant Companion 91.3 (March 2002): 29.
- 31. American Methodist Worship by Karen Westerfield Tucker, North Carolina Christian Advocate.

# PAPERS TO THE ACADEMY, INVITED LECTURES & JUDICATORY PRESENTATIONS

- 1. "'Uniting the pair so long disjoined': Trinity as Catholic Truth and Evangelical Love," Wesley Theological Society, March 1, 2024.
- 2. "Taking Every Thought Captive: Enlisting Paul as (Unlikely) Ally in Anti-Racism," Wesley Theological Society, March 6, 2020.
- 3. "The 'Since' of an Ending: The Substance of Things Hoped For in Hebrews 11-12 and the 25 Articles of Religion," Wesley Theological Society, March 16, 2019.
- 4. "But If ... by the Spirit of God': Reading Matthew's Lord's Prayer as Spirit Christology," Society of Biblical Literature, November 19, 2016.
- 5. "Is Spirit Christology in 2 Corinthians Orthodox?" Nov. 3, 2016, Luther Theological Southern Seminary.
- 6. "Theology of the Cross: Was Luther Wright?," Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Nov. 5, 2015. Luther Theological Southern Seminary.
- 7. "From Strangers to Friends: Celebrating the Spirit of Vatican II," Open Windows Festival, St. Mary's Seminary & University, Baltimore, October 25, 2015
- 8. "Food Systems, Food Justice," Awake and Arise: Congregations Restoring Creation Retreat of the Central Maryland Ecumenical Council, October 22, 2015
- 9. "Eating Like Jesus?," Food and Theology: A Jewish and Christian Perspective conference of the Baltimore Food and Faith Project of Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future, August 11, 2015
- 10. "Online Communion: Theological and Ecclesial Considerations," Wesleyan/Methodist Ethics Group, Society of Christian Ethics, January 9, 2015
- 11. "iPod, YouTube, We Pray? Pop Culture Meets Christian Formation," the Betenbough Homes Lectures on Youth & Family Ministry, Lubbock Christian University, November 6-7, 2014
- 12. "Post-Tenure Adjustments: Service," Association of Theological Schools Seminar for Mid-Career Faculty, March 14-16, 2014
- 13. "What Would Jesus Do on Facebook," Luther Southern Theological Seminary, November 7, 2013.

14. Consultation on Online Communion, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, General Board of Discipleship, Nashville, September 30-October 1.

- 15. "WWJD on Facebook?" World Catholicism Week 2013, DePaul University, April 18, 2013.
- 16. Introductory presentation for "Entertaining Worship and Worshipping Entertainment," a session of the Liturgy and Ethics interest group, Society of Christian Ethics, Friday, January 4, 2013.
- 17. "iPope, You Cat, Wii Pray: Entertainment As Civil Religion," DePaul University, "Catholicism and Secularism" lecture series, April 27, 2011.
- 18. "Empire and Eschatology: Reincorporating Wells to Revive Wesley's 'Political Image," Wesleyan Theological Society, March 4, 2011.
- 19. "Take Thou Authority," plenary speaker for the clergy Spiritual Life Retreat of the Memphis Annual Conference, March 1-3, 2011.
- 20. "Go and Do Likewise: Best Teaching Practices Relating Worship and Ethics in Introductory Ethics Courses," presentation and workshop for the Liturgy and Ethics interest group, Society of Christian Ethics, January 7, 2011.
- 21. "Four Complimentary Complaints about *Unsettling Arguments: A Festschrift on the Occasion of Stanley Hauerwas's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday,*" panel presentation, Society of Christian Ethics, January 7, 2011.
- 22. "Wrestling Jacob for Joseph's Britches: Whose Story Are We Singing?" Liturgy and Ethics Conference, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, Illinois, April 13, 2010.
- 23. "Teaching Theology through Film," Marquette University, March 9, 2010.
- 24. "To What Are We Called?" plenary speaker for the clergy Spiritual Life Retreat of the Memphis Annual Conference, March 2-4, 2010.
- 25. "Roundtable on the Eucharist and Ecclesial Identity," Wheaton College, February 10, 2010.
- 26. "Growing Faithful Christians" workshop on Wendell Berry and creation care, Evangelical Covenant Midwinter Conference, February 3, 2009.
- 27. "The Call to Worship," opening plenary for the Holston Annual Conference (United Methodist) Minister's Convocation, February 2-3, 2009.
- 28. "Whatever Happened to Justification by Faith," Reclaiming Paul conference, jointly sponsored by the Emergent Church network and Nazarene Theological Seminary, October 22-24, 2008.
- 29. "Honor Codes and Virtue Ethics," presentation to the Faculty Development Seminar on Moral Formation across the Curriculum at King's College, October 13, 2008.
- 30. "Patterns of Created Grace," for "Summit 2007," Covenant Retirement Communities chaplains, September 11, 2007.
- 31. "Theology as if God Matters," workshop on doctrine and pastoral ministry, Evangelical Covenant Midwinter Conference, February 2007.
- 32. "Hating Hollywood," "Erasing Hate tour" of The Matthews House Project, March 6, 2007.
- 33. "The 'Since' of an Ending: Reading Hebrews 11-12 towards a Theology of Scripture," invited paper for Society of Biblical Literature, November 20, 2006.
- 34. Scholar in Residence, Reedwood Friends Church, Portland, Oregon, April 5-May 17, 2006.

35. "God's Politics," presentation to the Evangelical Theology Group, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Spring, 2006.

- 36. Panelist for screening of "Bonhoeffer" (Doblemeier), sponsored by *The Christian Century* at Chicago Sinai Congregation, January 25, 2006.
- 37. "Interpretation on the Way to Emmaus: Are We There Yet?," invited paper for the inaugural meeting of the program unit on the theological interpretation of Scripture, Society of Biblical Literature, November, 2005.
- 38. Panel review of *John Wesley's Moral Theology* by D. Stephen Long, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, September 22, 2005.
- 39. "The Politics of Jesus," presentation at consultation on Jim Wallis' *God's Politics*, at Reba Mennonite Church, April 2, 2005.
- 40. "Community of the Commandments: Ten Words of Life against a Culture of Death," Church and Culture Conference, Eugene, Oregon, February 20-22, 2004.
- 41. "A Church for All God's Children," workshop on children and worship, Midwinter Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church, February 4, 2004.
- 42. "Being Human: Resting, Embracing, Rejoicing," clergy retreat of the Canadian Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church, Calgary, October 6-7, 2003.
- 43. "Yes and No," morning devotions for the 118<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Covenant Church, June 26-27, 2003.
- 44. "Contemporary Images of Authority," East Coast Ministerium of the Evangelical Covenant Church, April 24, 2003.
- 45. "Conformed to the Humanity of Christ," workshop with Todd Johnson on Christology and liturgy, Midwinter Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church, February 3-4, 2003.
- 46. "Community of the Commandments," Leadership Breakfast of the Evangelical Covenant Church, January 14, 2003.
- 47. "Assembly as Ethics," presentation from Faith and Academy Partnership in Teaching Ethics for the faculty of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, April 12, 2002.
- 48. "Perspectives on 'A Wesleyan Vision for Theological Education and Leadership in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century'," presentation and panelist at the Society of John Wesley Fellows' Christmas Conference, Shakertown, Kentucky, December 14, 2002.
- 49. "Dying in Christian Context," response to Martha Twaddle, "The Good Samaritan Principle: A Christian Response to the Dying," Anderson-Kim Bio-Ethics Lecture Series, North Park University, April 18, 2002.
- 50. "Worship: Why Waste Your Time," Covenant Women's Ministry Fall Fellowship (Central Conference), September 21, 2002.
- 51. Response to Stanley Grenz, "The Social God and the Relational Self," Dean's Dinner, North Park Theological Seminary, November 7, 2001.
- 52. "Coding Honor and Crafting Virtue in the Church-Related College," Society of Christian Ethics, January 6, 2001.
- 53. "Transcribed: Eucharist as Practice of Narrative Inscription" American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature Southeastern Regional Meeting, March, 1999.
- 54. "Being Christian in Today's World: Eucharist," Statesville District Seminar at the Center for Continuing Theological Education, Duke Divinity School, 1997.

# **COURSES TAUGHT**

Patristics Entertainment and Theology

Patristic Theology God

Ecumenism Virtue and Digital Discipleship

Christian Theology Food and Faith (co-taught, Jewish-

Christian Ethics Christian Studies)

Christian Worship Thought of Wendell Berry

Survey of Christian Doctrine Theological Anthropology

Theological Method Thought of Stanley Hauerwas

Christian Tradition

Theology and Film

Ten Commandments

Contemporary Theology

Modern Theology

Triune God of Scripture

Modern Theology
Person and Sacrament
Reading Scripture

Church and Sacrament Theological Interpretation of Scripture

Ecclesiology Judaism and Islam

Church as Missional Minority Religion and Film

N.T. Wright on the Cross Virtue and Vice

Lord's Prayer United Methodist Theology and

Early and Medieval Church History

Doctrine

## ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE

North Park Theological Seminary and North Park University

Assistant Dean for Strategic Initiatives and Projects (2010-present),

Academic Cabinet (2004-present),

Chair of History and Theology Fields (2004-2010),

Liaison for joint Bachelor of Music with NPU Department of Music (2007-present),

Coauthor of current Mission and Vision statements (2010),

Anderson-Kim Bioethics Lecture Committee (2003-09),

Tri-Chair of North Park University Campus Theme "What Is Justice?" (2004-2005),

Curriculum Revision Committee co-chair (2002-03),

Faculty Search Committees (intercultural studies 2007 chair, theology 2005 chair, liturgy

2005 chair, liturgy 2003 chair),

Chapel Committee (2002-05),

Film Forum discussion leader for undergraduates (2001-05),

Institute for Christianity, Faith and Culture (2001-03)

Academic Life Committee chair (2001-02), convener of Inter-Sect lunch forums on justice (2002-03).

### Lambuth University

Academic Advising of religion majors and freshmen; Coordinator of Faculty Forum (formal presentations by faculty of ongoing research); created and coordinated "Faculty Discussion Group" (with a focus on the relation of our pedagogy to institutional purpose); created and coordinated "Film Forum: Religion and Politics Go to the Movies" (evening film discussion series to model and foster inter-disciplinary conversation with students); two search committees; secretary for the School of Humanities; secretary for the Religious Life Committee; member Ad Hoc Chapel Committee; Instructor in Freshman Seminar (a course whose primary aim is adjustment and retention)

# **ECCLESIAL SERVICE**

Memphis Annual Conference

Interim Pastor, East Trinity UMC, Jackson, Tennessee (January-February, 2000)

North Carolina Annual Conference

Conference Commission on Christian Unity & Inter-Religious Dialogue (1995-1999);

Conference Task Force on Sexual Ethics (1997-1999);

Chair, District Committee on Clergy Boundaries & Domestic Violence (1996-1997)

Covenant Discipleship for Clergy (1996-99)

Field Education Supervisor, 1994, 1998

Course of Study School instructor

#### PERSONAL INTERESTS

Gardening, Movies, Woodworking, Cooking