

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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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 that have become possible with the advent of 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.

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

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| 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<br>Thesis Topic: <i>Psalm 22 and the Crucifixion of Jesus</i> |

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### **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

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**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 ( <a href="http://www.fishersnet.net">www.fishersnet.net</a> ) Online Courses |
| Fall Semester, 2000   | Assistant Professor, Religion, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN  |

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**P R E S E N T A T I O N S   A N D   P U B L I C A T I O N S**

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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?"  |
| June, 1989        | Presenter (with Patrick Kiefert) at Pastor's Retreat, Christikon Bible Camp, MT, "The Gospel of Mark"  |
| 1989-             | Numerous presentations in Southwestern Minnesota Synod, Eastern North Dakota Synod, Northwestern Minnesota Synod, ELCA for: Pastor Conferences, WELCA Assemblies, Theological Retreats, etc.   |
| Summer 1992       | Book review of Scot McKnight's <i>A Light Among the Gentiles</i> for <i>Word &amp; World</i> , vol. XII, no. 3   |
| 1993-             | 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: <a href="http://www.CrossMarks.com">www.CrossMarks.com</a>   |
| 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: <a href="http://www.crossmarks.com/dissertation/titlepage.htm">www.crossmarks.com/dissertation/titlepage.htm</a> ) |
| Summers 1997-2000 | Bible Study Presenter, Christikon Bible Camp (MT) and Mount Carmel Bible Camp (Alexandria, MN)   |

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| 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>forthcoming</i> | "Pray this way...": Teaching the Lord's Prayer" article to appear in <i>Word &amp; World</i>   |

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| 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   |

### 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

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|--------------|---|
| 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-        | 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 ( <a href="http://www.fishersnet.net">www.fishersnet.net</a> )   |
| 1996-        | Webmaster for Hope Lutheran, Fargo, ND ( <a href="http://www.FargoHope.org">www.FargoHope.org</a> ), the Eastern North Dakota Synod, ELCA ( <a href="http://www.eandsynod.org">www.eandsynod.org</a> ), and the Luther Seminary Alumni home page ( <a href="http://www.luthersem.edu/alums">www.luthersem.edu/alums</a> ) |
| 1997-        | CrossMarks Christian Resources ( <a href="http://www.CrossMarks.com">www.CrossMarks.com</a> )   |
| 1998-2000    | Luther Seminary Visioning Task Force Member (Lay Education)   |
| 1998-        | GIFTS program Advisory Board  |
| 2001-        | Luther Seminary Alumni Board  |

### R E F E R E N C E S

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| Donald Juel    | Princeton Theological Seminary |
| Wayne A. Meeks | Yale University                |
| David L. Tiede | Luther Theological Seminary    |