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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Historical Theology, 2021
Fuller Theological Seminary
Pasadena, CA, USA
Advisor: John L. Thompson

Master of Divinity, 2013
Mid-America Reformed Seminary
Dyer, IN, USA

Bachelor of Arts, Biblical and Theological Studies (Minors: Biblical Languages & History), *summa cum laude*, 2010
Providence Christian College
Pasadena, CA, USA

AWARDS and HONORS

Center for Advanced Theological Studies Fellowship Award, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2014–2015, 2016–2017, 2017–2018, 2018–2019 (full-tuition scholarship based upon academic merit)

Ministerial Studies Award, Mid-America Reformed Seminary, 2013

Bartel Zandstra Memorial Scholarship, Mid-America Reformed Seminary, 2011–2012, 2012–2013

Dean's List, Providence Christian College, 2007–2010

Academic Merit Scholarship, Providence Christian College, 2006–2010

TEACHING, RESEARCH and MINISTERIAL EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Instructor

Lecturer in History, Providence Christian College (Pasadena, CA)

Courses Taught:

- Renaissance and Reformation History, Spring 2023
- Comparative World History (Directed Study), Fall 2019
- Historiography (Directed Study), Spring 2019
- Comparative World History, Fall 2018

Professor of Doctrinal Studies, Mid-America Reformed Seminary (Dyer, IN)

Courses Taught:

- Doctrine of God (Theology Proper), Spring 2023
- Theological Foundations (Prolegomena to Dogmatics), Fall 2017

Teaching Assistant

Department of Church History, Fuller Theological Seminary, Winter 2014–2019
Assistant for Dr. John L. Thompson, Professor of Historical Theology

Courses:

The Church's Understanding of the Church, Humanity, and the Christian Life in its Historical Development (Spring 2016; Winter 2018; Winter 2019)
The Church's Understanding of God & Christ in its Historical Development (Winter 2016; Fall 2017)
Medieval and Reformation Theology (Winter 2014)

Research Assistant

Department of Church History, Fuller Theological Seminary, Spring 2017
Assistant for Dr. John L. Thompson, Professor of Historical Theology

Projects:

Conducted preliminary research for a project on Councils, Confessions, Conscience, and Exegesis in John Calvin's Thought

Department of Systematic Theology, Fuller Theological Seminary, Summer 2016–Winter 2018

Assistant for Dr. Oliver D. Crisp, Professor of Systematic Theology

Projects:

Conducted preliminary research and edited early drafts of Crisp, et al., *Prayer, Love, and Human Nature: Analytic Theology for Theological Formation*.

(Forthcoming)

Edited early drafts of Crisp. *Approaching the Atonement: Introducing the Reconciling Work of Christ*. Downers Grove: IVP Academic, 2020.

Co-administered *The Oxford Handbook of Jonathan Edwards*, edited by Oliver D. Crisp and Douglas A. Sweeney. Oxford: Oxford University Press. (Forthcoming)

Composed index and edited early drafts of Crisp and Kyle C. Strobel. *Jonathan Edwards: An Introduction to His Thought*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2018.

Composed index for Crisp. *Saving Calvinism: Expanding the Reformed Tradition*. Downers Grove: IVP Academic, 2016.

Pastor of Congregational Life

First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), September 4, 2018–present

Ministerial Internships

Escondido United Reformed Church (Escondido, CA), May–August 2012

First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), May–August 2011

Presentations

“Abortion, Personhood, and the Modern “Self”: How a Reformed Doctrine of the *imago Dei* Drives our Ethic of Life Amid a Culture of Death” at God & Culture: Christian Theology Meets Contemporary Society, First Artesia CRC, Artesia, CA, November 1-2, 2024.

“Citizen’s Oath and Confession of Faith in Reformation Geneva, 1536–1538: Necessary, indifferent, or a *tertium quid*?” at the Sixteenth Century Society & Conference, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Albuquerque, NM, November 1-4, 2018.

“Federal Vision and the Efficacy of Christian Baptism,” at the International Bavinck Conference, “A Pearl and a Leaven: Herman Bavinck for the Twenty-First Century,” Calvin College and Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI, September 18-20, 2008 (paper selected for a pre-conference forum).

Teaching/Mentoring Opportunities

Keynote Speaker, Reformed Youth Services LOGOS Conference, August 7-10, 2025 (3 sessions). Topic: “True Connections: Exploring Christian Friendship.”

Adult Class Lecturer, First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), January-November, 2025. Topic: “Cross-Examining the Cults.”

Convention Workshop Lecturer, Reformed Youth Services National Convention, July 2024. Topic: “1,000 ‘Likes’ and No Love.”

Adult Class Lecturer, First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), September-January, 2023. Topic: "Homosexuality and the Christian Life."

Adult Class Lecturer, First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), January-May, 2023. Topic: "Studies in the Book of James."

Adult Class Lecturer, First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), January-May, 2022. Topic: "God and the Problem of Evil."

Adult Class Lecturer, First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), November-April, 2021. Topic: "With Reverence and Awe: Worship God's Way."

Keynote Speaker, Reformed Youth Services LOGOS Conference, August 7-10, 2019 (3 sessions). Topic: "Inerrant or Not?"

Adult Class Lecturer, First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), September-December, 2018 & February-May, 2019. Topic: "What Do We Believe About the Bible?"

Convention Workshop Lecturer, Reformed Youth Services National Convention, July 2018. Topic: "So I'm Baptized...Now What?"

Keynote Speaker, Reformed Youth Services California Winter Retreat, January 13-15, 2017 (3 sessions). Topic: "Not Your Own: Finding Your Identity in Christ."

Adult Class Lecturer, First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), August 2013 (4 weeks). Topic: "Battling for the Bible: Defending Scriptural Inerrancy."

Convention Workshop Lecturer, Reformed Youth Services National Convention, July 2012. Topic: "Why the Confessions *Aren't* Cool."

Adult Class Lecturer, First United Reformed Church (Chino, CA), January 2010 (4 weeks). Topic: "Locusts, Repentance, and the Day of the Lord: A Study of the Book of Joel."

COMMITTEE EXPERIENCE

Board of Trustees, Mid-America Reformed Seminary, 2023-present (Faculty Development Committee; Long-Range Planning Committee)

Board of Trustees, Providence Christian College, 2020-present (Executive Committee)

Growing Reformed Churches Conference Committee, 2013-2019

Spiritual Formation Committee, Providence Christian College, 2016-2018

Accreditation Committee, Mid-America Reformed Seminary, Institutional Self-Study for the Association of Theological Schools, 2013-2015

PUBLICATIONS

Books

A Most Perplexing Providence: The Gospel in the Life of the Shunammite Woman (forthcoming).

Reformed? A Visitor's Guide (forthcoming).

Consciences and the Reformation: Scruples over Oaths and Confessions in the Era of Calvin and his Contemporaries. New York: Oxford University Press, 2023.

Book Chapters

“Neo-Calvinism, the Two Kingdoms, and the URCNA: In Defense of an Historical, Theological, and Confessional Identity.” In *A Heritage to Preserve and Propagate: Essays Commemorating Thirty Years of the United Reformed Churches in North America*, edited by Cornelis P. Venema. Grand Rapids: Reformed Fellowship, Inc., 2026 (forthcoming).

“Dual Citizenship, Dual Ethic? Evaluating the Two Kingdoms Perspective on the Christian in Culture.” In *Kingdoms Apart: Engaging the Two Kingdoms Perspective*, edited by Ryan C. McIlhenny, 125–53. Phillipsburg: P&R Publishing, 2012.

Articles

“In Good Conscience: An Interview with Timothy R. Scheuers.” *The Outlook*, May/June 2025.

“Confessions, Human Traditions, and ‘Divine Adiaphora’: How Calvin and the Reformers Justified Subscriptionism in an Age of Freedom.” *Reformed Forum Magazine*, Spring/Summer 2024: 6–7.

“With Heart and Life: Calvin's Vision for Everyday Christian Spirituality.” *Christian Renewal* 36, no. 2 (October 2017): 20–21.

“‘A Father's Rod’: Calvin on the Purposes and Benefits of Church Discipline.” *Christian Renewal* 36, no. 1 (September 2017): 32–33.

“‘A Spiritual Banquet’: Calvin on the Purpose and Benefits of the Lord's Supper.”

Christian Renewal 35, no. 16 (August 2017): 18–19.

“Old Habits Die Hard: The Reformation of Baptismal Theology and Practice in Calvin's Geneva.” *Christian Renewal* 35, no. 15 (July 2017): 22–23.

“In Pursuit of ‘Pure and Real Religion’: Calvin's Understanding of the Church and its Marks.” *Christian Renewal* 35, no. 14 (June 2017): 22–23.

“Law and Gospel in the Theologies of Wolfhart Pannenberg and Karl Barth: A Comparative Study.” *Mid-America Journal of Theology* 26 (2015): 105–29.

“‘So Many Coaxing Nudges’: Rhetorical Persuasion and the Law’s Third Use in Calvin’s Decalogue Sermons.” *Mid-America Journal of Theology* 25 (2014): 141–63.

“The Eschatological Value of Christ’s Heavenly Priesthood in the Theology of Geerhardus Vos.” *The Outlook* 64, no. 1 (Jan/Feb 2014): 10–15.

“An Evaluation of Some Aspects of Karl Barth’s Doctrine of Election.” *Mid-America Journal of Theology* 22 (2011): 161–73.

Encyclopedia Entries

Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception (EBR), vol. 23, s.v. “Penance.” Berlin: de Gruyter, forthcoming.

Book Reviews

Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove. *Revolution of Values: Reclaiming Public Faith for the Common Good*. Downers Grove, Ill: InterVarsity Press, 2019. *The Evangelical Review of Theology and Politics* 8 (2020): 25-27.

Coen Maas. *Medievalism and Political Rhetoric in Humanist Historiography from the Low Countries (1515–1609)*. Turnhout, Belgium: Brepols, 2018. *The Sixteenth Century Journal L*, no. 4 (Winter 2019): 1203-1205.

Peter J. Leithart. *The End of Protestantism: Pursuing Unity in a Fragmented Church*. Grand Rapids: Brazos Press, 2016. *Mid-America Journal of Theology* 28 (2017): 208-212.

Matthew J. Tuininga. *Calvin’s Political Theology and the Public Engagement of the Church: Christ’s Two Kingdoms*. Cambridge Studies in Law and Christianity. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017. *The Evangelical Review of Theology and Politics* 5 (2017): 21–23.

Jason Zuidema and Theodore Van Raalte. *Early French Reform: The Theology and Spirituality of Guillaume Farel*. St. Andrews Studies in Reformation History. 2011. Reprint, New York: Routledge, 2016. *Trinity Journal* 38, no. 1 (Spring 2017): 119–21.

Philip Walker Butin. *Revelation, Redemption, and Response: Calvin's Trinitarian Understanding of the Divine-Human Relationship*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1995. *Mid-America Journal of Theology* 26 (2015): 219–21.

Guenther H. Haas. *The Concept of Equity in Calvin's Ethics*. Waterloo: Wilfrid Laurier University Press, 1997. *Mid-America Journal of Theology* 25 (2014): 185–89.

Media Appearance/Interviews:

Interview on “Consciences and the Reformation,” with Camden Bucey and Daniel Ragusa. Christ the Center podcast, episode 847. Reformed Forum, Mar. 21, 2024.

LANGUAGES

Biblical Hebrew
Biblical Greek
Ecclesiastical Latin
French
German

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS

Calvin Studies Society
The Evangelical Theological Society
The Sixteenth Century Society

RESEARCH and TEACHING INTERESTS

Patristic, Medieval, and Reformation biblical commentary
History of Scriptural Exegesis
John Calvin's *Institutes of the Christian Religion*
Reformation readings of the Decalogue
The *Tertius Usus Legis* (Third Use of the Law)
Reformed Confessions
Oaths, Vows, and the Binding of the Conscience
Post-Reformation Reformed Dogmatics
Karl Barth's *Church Dogmatics*
Wolfhart Pannenberg's *Systematic Theology*

Christian (Reformed) Apologetics
Christ, the Church, and Culture

REFERENCES

Dr. John L. Thompson, Professor of Historical Theology and Gaylen and Susan Byker
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