

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Education

Brown University, MA, Ph.D. Philosophy 1984

--Dissertation: "Cartesian Dualism" under Chisholm, Sosa, VanCleve

Harvard University, Master of Theological Studies 1979

University of Rhode Island, MA Philosophy 1977

Goddard College, BA Philosophy and Literature 1975

### Academic Appointments

St. Olaf College, 1985-present

--Full Professor in 1998

--Acting Chair, 1996

University of Oxford, Fellowship, Trinity Term (HMC), 2005

Princeton University, Visiting Fellow, 1998-99

New York University, Visiting Scholar, 1998-99

Columbia University, Visiting Scholar, 1998-99

University of Oxford, Faculty Visitor (Oriel College), 1991-1992

University of Notre Dame, Instructor, 1984-1985

University of Massachusetts (Boston), Instructor, 1982-1984

Brown University, Teaching Fellow and Assistant, 1979-1984

University of Rhode Island, Teaching Fellow and Assistant, 1975-1977

### Fellowships, Grants

Visiting Fellowship, St. John's College, University of Durham (UK), Epiphany Term, 2010

Scots Philosophical Club (Scotland), Centenary Fellow, 2006

St. Olaf College, Sabbatical leave, 2004-2005

Templeton Grant, 2004-2006

St. Olaf College, Sabbatical leave, 1998-99

St. Olaf Grant, Faculty Tutorial, Summer 1997

NSF

--Under G. Comstock, #SBR-9254504

--ISU Model Bioethics Institutes

St. Olaf Grant, Research, Spring 1997

Pew Foundation, Research, Summer 1995

Pew Foundation & Brown University, Research, Summer 1993

National Endowment of the Humanities, Research, 1991-1992

St. Olaf College, Sabbatical leave, 1991-92  
 Bush Foundation, Research, Spring 1990  
 Bush Foundation, Research, Summer 1987  
 University of Notre Dame, Postdoctoral Fellowship, 1984-1985  
 Exxon Fellowship, Teaching Fellowship, 1982  
 Brown University, University Fellowship, 1979-1980

## **Representative Publications**

### **Books**

*The Routledge Companion to Theism.* Co-edited with Victoria Harrison and Stewart Goetz. London: Routledge, forthcoming.

*Aesthetics: A Beginners Guide.* Oxford: OneWorld, forthcoming.

*A Short History of the Soul.* Co-authored with Stewart Goetz. Oxford: Blackwell, forthcoming.

*Imagination and God; A New Book of Nature.* Co-edited with Jil Evans. Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

*The Image in Mind.* Co-authored with Jil Evans. London: Continuum Press, forthcoming.

*The Cambridge Companion to Christian Philosophical Theology.* Co-edited with Chad Meister. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming.

*The Golden Cord: A Short Book on Eternity.* Indiana: University of Notre Dame Press, forthcoming.

*A Dictionary in Philosophy of Religion.* Co-authored with Elsa Marty. London: Continuum Press, forthcoming.

*A Companion to Philosophy of Religion.* 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. Co-edited with Paul Draper. Oxford: Blackwell, forthcoming. Revised and expanded edition.

*Philosophy of Religion: A Beginners Guide.* Oxford: Oneworld Press, 2009.

*Dialogues About God.* Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield, 2008.

*Naturalism.* co-authored with Stewart Goetz. Grand Rapids: Eerdmanns, 2008.

*Evidence and Faith; Philosophy and Religion Since the Seventeenth Century.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005.

*Cambridge Platonist Spirituality.* Co-edited with Alison J. Tepley. New Jersey: Paulist Press, 2005. (Includes introduction and scholarly notes, preface by Joroslav Pelikean.)

*Philosophy of Religion Reader*. Co-edited with Paul Griffiths. Oxford: Blackwell, 2003.

*Contemporary Philosophy of Religion*. Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1998. (Chinese translation to be published by Peking University Press.)

*A Companion to Philosophy of Religion*. First Edition. Co-edited with Philip Quinn. Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1997.

*Consciousness and the Mind of God*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1994. (Released again in 2004.)

### Articles

“All Souls.” In *The Soul Book*. Edited by Stewart Goetz and Mark Baker. London: Continuum, forthcoming.

“In Defense of the Numinous.” In *Philosophy and the Christian Worldview*. Edited by David Werther and Mark Linville. London: Continuum, forthcoming.

“Naturalism and Theism Today.” *Revue Internationale de Philosophie*, forthcoming.

“The Anselmian ontological argument as the ultimate, anti-death argument; suggestions on how to reason from possible divine perfection to actual divine perfection.” *Death And Anti-Death, Volume 7: Nine Hundred Years After St. Anselm (1033-1109)*. Edited by Charles Tandy. Ria University Press, forthcoming

“Family Farms.” Co-authored with Stephen Carpenter. In *Life Science Ethics*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, edited by G. Comstock. Springer, forthcoming.

“Christian Rites.” In *The Cambridge Companion to Christian Philosophical Theology*, edited by Charles Taliaferro and Chad Meister. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming.

“Incorporeality.” In *A Companion to Philosophy of Religion*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, edited by Paul Draper and Charles Taliaferro. Oxford: Blackwell, forthcoming.

“Love.” In *Christian Virtues for Everyday Life*, edited by Michael Austin and Douglas Geivet. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, forthcoming.

“A Christian Perspective.” In *The Oxford Handbook of Religious Diversity*, edited by Chad Meister. Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

“Christology Today.” In *Giornale di Filosofia della Religione*. Forthcoming.

“Philosophy of Religion.” In *Religion Compass*. Forthcoming.

"Philosophical Critiques of Natural Theology." In *The Oxford Handbook of Natural Theology*, edited by Russell Re Manning. Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

Introduction to *Twentieth Century Philosophy of Religion*, In *History of Philosophy of Religion*, vol.5, edited by Graham Oppy and N. Trankakis. Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

“Lewis and Naturalism.” In *The Cambridge Companion to C.S. Lewis*, edited by Robert MacSwain and Michael Ward. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming.

“In Search of Beauty and Justice with Charles Darwin.” In *Touchstone*, co-authored with Jil Evans. November 2009

“The Virtues of Dualist Modal Thought Experiments.” In *Irreducibly Conscious*, edited Alexander Battyany. Universitätsverlag Winter of Heidelberg, 2009.

“Discovering Divine Revelation.” In *God is Great, God is Good*, edited by William Lane Craig and Chad Meister. Illinois: Inter-Varsity Press, 2009.

“The Coherence of Theism.” Co-authored with Elsa Marty. In *Contending with Christianity’s Critics*, edited by Paul Copan and William Lane Craig. Broadman and Holman, 2009.

“God and the Philosophers Revisited: A Review Essay on *Philosophers Without God*.” Edited by Louise Antony, *Philosophia Christi*, vol 11:1, 2009.

"The Project of Natural Theology." In *A Blackwell Companion to Natural Theology*, edited by William Craig and JP Moreland. Oxford: Blackwell, 2009.

“The Double-Movement Model of Forgiveness in Buddhist and Christian Rituals.” Co-authored with Paul Reasoner. In *The European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, vol 1:1, 2009.

“Explaining Religious Experience.” In *The Believing Primate: Scientific, Philosophical and Theological Reflection on the Origins of Religion*, edited By J. Schloss and M. Murray. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Religious Experience.” In *Oxford Companion to Consciousness*, edited T. Bayne, P. Wilken, and A. Cleeremas. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009.

"L'importanza di essere coscienti." In *L'uomo a due dimensioni*, edited by Andrea Lavazza Milano: Bruno Mondadori, 2008.

“A Shakespearean Account of Redemption.” In *The Psychology of Character and Virtue*. Virginia: The Institute for the Psychological Sciences Press, 2008.

- "The Prospects of Christian Materialism." Co-authored with Stewart Goetz. In *Christian Scholar's Review*. Online, 2008.
- "Feminism and Impartiality." *Philosophia*. 2007.
- "Burning Down the House: D. Z. Phillips and the Metaphysics of Theism." In *Philosophia Christi*. 2007.
- "Philosophy of Religion." In *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. 2007.
- "Comprehensive Explanations and Cumulative Arguments," *Philosophia Christi*, 2007.
- "The Virtues of Reason and Faith." In *Dialogue*. Scotland, 2006.
- "Theistic Argument from Consciousness." Co-authored with Stewart Goetz. In *Naturalism and Theism; Philosophers Debate the Evidence*, edited by Paul Draper. Online, 2007.
- "Prayer." In *The Routledge Companion to Philosophy of Religion*, edited by Paul Copan and Chad Meister. London: Routledge, 2007.
- "The Coherence of Theism." In *Philosophy of Religion: Contemporary Issues*, edited by Paul Copan and Chad Meister. Oxford: Blackwell, 2007.
- "Philosophy of Mind and Life after Death." In *Handbook on Eschatology*, edited by Jerry Walls. Oxford University Press, 2007.
- "Philosophy of Religion; the Analytic Tradition." Co-authored with E. Christopherson. In *Companion to 20th Century Philosophy*, edited by Constantin Boundas. University of Edinburgh Press, 2007.
- "Philosophy of Religion." In *The Blackwell Companion to the Study of Religion*, edited by R. Segal. Oxford: Blackwell, 2006.
- "Thomas Nagel." and "Ideal Observer in Ethical Theory." In *The Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. Macmillan, 2005.
- "Death." Co-authored with Rick Fairbanks. In *The Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. Macmillan, 2005.
- "Divine Virtues." In *Environmental Virtue Ethics*, edited by Ronald Sandler and Phil Daffaro. Rowman and Littlefield, 2005.
- "The Give and Take of Biological Naturalism." *Philosophia Christi*. 2005.
- "The Orthodoxy of Dualism." Co-authored with Stewart Goetz. In *First Things*. 2005.

“Rites and Christian Philosophy.” In *Ritual and Philosophy*, edited by Kevin Schilbrack. Oxford: Routledge, 2005.

“A God’s Eye View.” In *Faith and Analysis*, edited by H.A. Harris and C.I. Insole. Hampshire, United Kingdom: Ashgate, 2005.

“Natural Reason and the Trinity; Some Lessons from the Cambridge Platonists.” In *The Trinity; The Beginning of East-West Dialogue*, edited by Melville Stewart. Kluwer, 2004.

“Soul,” “Dualism,” and “Special Providence.” In *The Encyclopedia of Science and Religion*, edited by J.W.V. vanHuyssteen. New York: Macmillan, 2003.

“The Possibility of God.” In *The Rationality of Theism*, edited by P. Copan and P. Moser. London: Routledge, 2003.

“Theism.” In *A New Handbook for Christian Theology*, second edition, edited by D. Musser and J. Price. Abington Press, 2002. (Other miscellaneous entries: “Paradigm,” and “The Enlightenment,” for *IVP Dictionary*, “The Argument from Consciousness” and “Can God create a stone too heavy for God to lift?”.)

“Hume’s Racism and the Case Against Miracles.” Co-authored with Anders Hendrickson. In *Philosophia Christi*, 2002.

“Sensibility and Possibilia; A Defense of Thought Experiments.” In *Philosophia Christi*, 2002.

“Philosophy of Religion.” In *The Blackwell Companion to Philosophy*, second edition, edited by N. Bunnin and E. Tsui-James. Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 2002. (This is a revised version of the chapter in the first edition, 1995. Chinese translation available.)

“Family Farming.” In *Life Science Ethics*, edited by Gary Comstock. Ames: Iowa State University Press, 2001.

“Emergentism and Consciousness; Going beyond Property Dualism.” In *Soul, Body and Survival*, edited by K. Corcoran. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2001.

“The Virtues of Embodiment.” In *Philosophy*, 2001.

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“Early Modern Philosophy.” In *Companion to Environmental Philosophy*, edited by Dale Jamison. Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 2001.

“Mysterious Flames in Philosophy of Mind; Reflections on McGinn’s Naturalism.” In *Philosophia Christi*, 2000.

- “Land, Labor, and God in the Colonies.” In *The Agrarian Roots of Pragmatism*, edited by Paul Thompson. Nashville: Vanderbilt University Press, 2000.
- “Philosophy of God and Mind; Theism and the Queerness of Consciousness.” In *Theos, Christos, Anthropos*. New York: Peter Lang, 2000.
- “The Ideal Observer's Philosophy of Religion.” In *The Proceedings of the 20th World Congress of Philosophy*. Philosophy Documentation Center, 1999.
- “One Hundred Years among the Gods and Giants.” In *CSR*, 1999.
- “The Ethics of the Incarnation.” In *Anglican Theological Review*, 1999.
- “Attributes of God; Personality.” In *Philosophy of Religion: A Guide to the Subject*, edited by Brian Davies. London: Cresswell, 1998.
- “Taking Common Sense Seriously; The Philosophy of Roderick Chisholm.” In *Inquiry*, 1998.
- “The Perils of Subjectivity.” In *Inquiry*, 1997.
- “Possibilities in the Philosophy of Mind.” In *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 1997.
- “Saving Our Souls with Hacking's Archeology and Churchland's Neurology.” In *Inquiry*, 1997.
- “God's Natural Law.” In *Liberalism, Modernity, and Natural Law*, edited by R. George. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1996.
- “Animals, Brains, and Spirits.” In *Faith and Philosophy*. October, 1995.
- “Believing because it is not Absurd.” In *Soundings*, 17:5, 1995, p.19.
- “Taking Philosophy Personally.” In *The Cresset*, vol. LVII:7, 1994, pp.16-22.
- “Unknowable Truths and Omniscience,” *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, LXI:3, 1993, pp.701-713.
- “Imaginary Evil; A Skeptic's Wager,” *Philosophia*, vol. 21, nos. 3-4, April 1992, pp.221-233.
- “God's Estate,” *Journal of Religious Ethics*, vol. 20/1, Spring 1992, pp.69-92.
- “Theism,” *A New Handbook of Theology*, ed. Donald Musser and Joseph Price (Abington Press, 1992) pp.447-480.
- “The Intensity of Theism,” *Sophia*, vol 31:3, 1992, pp.61-73.

“Divine Agriculture; The Role of Philosophy and Theology in Agricultural Ethics,” *Agriculture and Human Values*, Fall 1992, pp.71-80.

“The Argument from Transposed Modalities,” *Metaphilosophy*, vol. 22:1,2, January/April 1991, pp.93-100.

“Philosophers, Red Tooth and Claw,” with Thomas Chance (Classics, University of California, Berkeley), *Teaching Philosophy*, 14:1, March 1991, pp.67-76.

“Philosophy of Mind,” *Christian Theism and the Problems of Philosophy*, ed. Michael Beaty (Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1990), pp.230-253.

“The Limits of Power,” *Philosophy and Theology*, 5:2, Winter 1990, pp.115-124.

“God and Concept Empiricism,” with Michael Beaty (Baylor University), *Southwest Philosophy Review*, 6:2, July 1990.

“The Ideal Aesthetic Observer,” *British Journal of Aesthetics*, 30:1, 1990, pp.1-13.

“Why We Need Immortality,” *Modern Theology*, 6:4, 1990, pp.367-379.

“The Jealousy of God,” *New Oxford Review*, Jan-Feb. 1990, pp.12-15.

“The View from Above and Below,” *Heythrop Journal*, 30:4, 1989, pp.385-402.

“The Vanity of God,” *Faith and Philosophy*, 6:2, 1989, pp.140-154; Reprinted in *Philosophy and Faith* ed. D. Shatz (McGraw Hill, 2002) and *Philosophers Speak of God* (OUP).

“The Passibility of God,” *Religious Studies*, 25, 1989, pp.217-224.

“Does God violate your Right to Privacy?” *Theology*, May 1989, pp.190-196.

“The Coinherence,” *CSR*, 18:4, 1989, pp.333-345.

“Relativizing the Ideal Observer Theory,” *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 49:1, 1988, pp.123-138.

“Nagel’s Vista or Taking Subjectivity Seriously,” *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, 26:3, 1988, pp.393-401.

“The Environmental Ethics of an Ideal Observer,” *Environmental Ethics*, 10:3, 1988, pp.233-250.

“The Proximity of God,” *New Blackfriars*, April 1988, pp.181-188.

“A Narnian Theory of the Atonement,” *Scottish Journal of Theology*, 41, 1988, pp.75-92.

“The Incorporeality of God,” *Modern Theology*, 3:2, 1987, pp.179-188.

“A Modal Argument for Dualism,” *Southern Journal of Philosophy*, 24:1, Spring 1986, pp.95-108.

“Dualism and the Problem of Individuation,” *Religious Studies*, 22, 1986, pp.263-276.

“Kenny and Sensing God,” *Sophia*, 25:2, 1986, pp.11-16.

“The Art of Creation and Conservation,” *New Blackfriars*, July/August 1986, pp.315-323.

“Pollock’s Body Switching,” *Philosophical Quarterly*, 36:4, October 1985, pp.57-61.

“Divine Cognitive Power,” *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 14, 1985, pp.133-140.

“The Magnitude of Omnipotence,” *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 14, 1983, pp.99-106.

“The Divine Command Theory of Ethics and the Ideal Observer,” *Sophia*, July 1983, pp.3-8.

### **Book Reviews**

Religion and Morality, by William Wainwright, *Faith and Philosophy*, forthcoming.

Realism and Religion, edited by A. Moore and M. Scott, *Ars Disputandi*, forthcoming.

The Ontological Argument from Descartes to Hegel, by Kevin Harrison, *Notre Dame Philosophical Review*, 2009.

Persons, edited by Peter van Inwagen and Dean Zimmerman, *Religious Studies*, 2008.

Immortality Defended, *Notre Dame Philosophical Review*, 2008.

The Divine Lawmaker, by John Foster, Why There Is Something Rather Than Nothing by Bede Rundle, and Is God Free? by William Rowe (all Clarendon Press), with Jen Dotson, *Philosophical Quarterly*, forthcoming.

Philosophy of Religion by L. Zagzebski, *Philosophia Christi*, 2007.

Religions, Reasons and Gods by Philip Clayton, *Notre Dame Philosophical Review*, 2007.

Various entries for Blackwell's *Religious Studies Review*.

Morality: Does “God” make a Difference? (University Press, 2005), *Review of Metaphysics*, 2006.

Divine Attributes, by Rosenkrantz and Hoffman (Blackwell), *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 2005.

Panpsychism (MIT Press, 2005), *Times Literary Supplement*, 2005.

Beyond Finitude, by Arjan Murkas, *Ars Disputandi*, 2004.

Consciousness; New Philosophical Perspectives, ed. Quentin Smith and Aleksandar Jokic, *Religious Studies*, 2004.

God, the Mind’s Desire: Reference, Reason, and Christian Thinking, by Paul Janz, *Notre Dame Philosophical Review*, 2004.

The Closing of the Western Mind, by Freeman, *The World and I*, 2004.

Religion in Radical Interpretation, ed. Nancy Frankenberry (Cambridge), *Notre Dame Philosophical Review*, 2003.

Augustine’s Memory, by G. Wills, *The World and I*, 2003.

A Middle Way to God, by G.L. Hallett, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 2003.

Philosophy of Religion; A Reader and Guide, ed. William Craig (Routledge), *Philosophia Christi*, 2002.

A Small Treatise on the Great Virtues, by Andre Comte-Sponville, *The World and I*, 2002.

Philosophy of Religion, by Keith Yandell, *Philosophia Christi*, 2002.

Vexing Nature, by Gary Comstock, *Ethics, Place, and Environment*, 2002.

The Problem of God in Modern Thought, by Philip Clayton (Eerdmans) *Ars Disputandi*, 2002.

Acts of Faith; Explaining the Human Side of Religion, by R. Stark and R. Finke (U. of California Press), *Anglican Theological Review*, 2002.

Philosophy of Religion, by Louis Pojman (Mayfield) and Philosophy of Religion; A Guide and an Anthology, ed. Brian Davies (Oxford) in *Philosophia Christi*, 2002.

Why Gods Persist, by R.A. Hinde (Routledge), *Contemporary Psychology*, 2002.

A Short History of Western Philosophy, by Anthony Kenny (Blackwell), *Review of Metaphysics*, 2001.

Coleridge, Philosophy and Religion, by Douglas Hedley (Cambridge), *International Philosophical Quarterly*, 2001.

God and Goodness, by Wren (London: Routledge), *Faith and Philosophy*, January 2000.

Finite and Infinite Good, by R.M. Adams (Oxford), *Times Literary Supplement*, Spring 2000.

Canon and Criterion in Christian Theology, by William Abraham (Oxford), *Journal of Religion*, Fall 2000.

Encyclopedia of Aesthetics, ed. Michael Kelly (Oxford), *International Philosophical Quarterly*, Fall 1999.

Providence and the Problem of Evil, by Richard Swinburne (Oxford), *The Philosophical Quarterly*, Fall 1999.

Philosophy of Religion: The Big Questions, ed. Eleanor Stump and Michael Murray (Blackwell), *Philosophia Christi*, 1999.

Divine Providence; The Molinist Account, by Thomas Flint (Cornell), *Journal of Religion*, Fall 1999.

Rationality and Religion, by Roger Trigg (Blackwell), *Times Literary Supplement*, October 1998.

Events of Grace; Naturalism, Existentialism, and Theology, by C.D. Hardwick (CUP), *Review of Metaphysics*, December 1998.

Whatever Happened to the Soul? Scientific and Theological Portraits of Human Nature, by W. Brown et al (Fortress), *CSR*, 1998.

God, Reason, and Theistic Proofs, by S.T. Davis (Eerdmans), *Theology Today*, Fall 1998.

Religious Experience, by Jerome Gellman (Cornell), *The Journal of Religion*, 1998.

Ontological Arguments and Belief in God, by Graham Oppy (Cambridge), *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, 1998.

Metaphysical Personalism; An Analysis of Austin Farrer's Theistic Metaphysics (Oxford), *The Journal of Religion*, 1998.

Reason and Religion: A Prolegomenon to a Critique of Passional Reason, by William Wainwright (Cornell), *The Journal of Religion*, 1997.

Religion, Science, and Naturalism, by William Drenn (Cambridge), *The Journal of Religion*, 1997.

Faith and Criticism, by Basil Mitchell (Oxford), *Anglican Theological Review*, 1997.

The Christian God, by Richard Swinburne (Oxford), *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 1997.

Divine Discourse: Philosophical Reflections on the claim that God Speaks, by Nicholas Wolterstorff (Cambridge), *Times Literary Supplement*, 1996.

Theology and Women's Ministry in Seventeenth-Century English Quakerism, by C. Wilcox (Mellon), CSR, Fall 1996.

The Concept of Faith: A Philosophical Investigation, by Lad Sessions (Cornell U. Press), *The Journal of Religion*, 1996.

The God who Acts, by T. F. Tracy (Penn State), *Faith and Philosophy*, 1996.

Life's Dominion, by Ronald Dworkin, and Healing Powers by Fred Frohock, co-authored with Ray deVries (Sociology, St. Olaf), *Qualitative Sociology*, 1995.

Body, Soul, and Life Everlasting, by John Cooper (Eerdmanns), *International Journal for the Philosophy of Religion*, 1995.

John Locke, by John Marshall, *Journal of Church and State*, 1996.

Body, Soul, and Life Everlasting, by John Cooper (Eerdmanns), *International Journal for the Philosophy of Religion*, 1995.

Confrontations with the Reaper, by Fred Feldman (Oxford), *Times Literary Supplement*, February 12, 1993.

Divine Action: Studies Inspired by the Philosophical Theology of Austin Farrer, ed. Brian Hebbelthwaite and Edmund Henderson, *Faith and Philosophy*, 10:1, January 1993.

Care of the Soul, by Thomas Moore (HarperCollins), *The World and I*, summer 1992.

Religion, Interpretation, and Diversity of Belief: The Framework Model from Kant to Durkheim to Davidson, by Terry Godlove (Cambridge), *Teaching Philosophy*, 14:4, 1991.

An Investigation of the Concept of Miracle, by Robert Larmer (McGill-Queen's), *Modern Theology*, 6:4, 1990.

The Possibility of an All-Knowing God, by Jonathan Kvanvig (Macmillan), *Modern Theology*, 6:4, 1990, pp.216-217.

The View From Nowhere, by Thomas Nagel (Oxford), *CSR*, 17:2, 1987.

God's World, God's Body, by Grace Jantzen (Westminster), *Faith and Philosophy*, 4:1, 1984, pp. 93-97.

Metaphysics: Its Structure and Function, by Stephen Korner (Cambridge), *CSR*, 15, 1986, pp.187-190.

## **Representative Lectures**

### **Papers at Conferences (not including being an APA commentator)**

Dualism and Religion Conference, Islamic Sciences and Culture Academy in Qom, Iran, under the direction of Yasser Pauresmail, September 2010.

"I am very, very sorry! A Shakespearean Account of Forgiveness and the Atonement," Keynote Address, Minnesota Undergraduate Philosophical Annual Meeting, April 18, 2009.

"Naturalism," Philosophy Club, Augustana College, Spring 2009.

"A Double Movement: Christian and Buddhist Models of Moral Repair," International Conference on Contemporary Philosophy of Religion: Eastern and Western Concepts, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong, February 2009.

"Philosophy of Mind and Virtue; Revisiting the Naturalistic Fallacy," Department of Philosophy, Purdue University, Fall 2008.

"The Virtues of Redemption," Department of Religious Studies, Purdue University, Fall 2008.

"All Souls," Department of Philosophy, Ursinus College, Fall 2008.

"Naturalism," Washington and Lee, Fall 2008.

"Naturalism: A Very Critical Introduction," The Grandeur of Reason Conference, Rome: Italy, September 2008.

Bethel Lectures in Philosophy, "Human and Nonhuman Minds" and "Religious Rites: A Neglected Area in Philosophy of Religion," Bethel College, March 25-26, 2008.

"Boston Personalism and the Future of Philosophy of Religion," Boston University, January 2008.

Authors Meet Critics, American Academy of Religion, November 2007.

Davis' Philosophical Theology, American Academy of Religion, 2007.

"90 Minutes on Beauty," Art Department, University of Minnesota, Spring 2007.

"The Reasons for Love," A conference on H.G.Frankfurt's Love's Reason, St. Olaf College, Spring 2007.

"Impartiality and Feminism: A Reply to Anderson," mini-conference on Models of God, Spring 2007.

"Redemption," Pennsylvania State University, Spring 2007.

"Problems of Evil and Redemption," Claremont Graduate University, Spring 2007.

"Virtues and Philosophy of Mind," University of Dundee, Scotland, Spring 2006.

"A Shakespearean Account of Redemption," University of St. Andrews, Spring 2006.

"Moral Regeneration," Marquette University, Spring 2006.

"The Importance of Being Conscious" and "Embodiment and Values..." Indiana University, Spring 2006.

"Human Consciousness and the Mind of God," North Central Program in Science and Theology, Spring 2006.

"Consciousness and Philosophical Inquiry," APA Pacific, 2006.

"The Virtues of Redemption," Oxford University, 2005.

"Descriptions and Explanations: Some Lessons from the Cambridge Platonists," The "Nature" of Belief Conference, Calvin College, 2005.

"Redemption in Theism, Naturalism, and Other Worldviews," The Christian Worldview Conference, 2005.

"A Double-Movement Model of Forgiveness in Buddhist and Christian Ritual," with Paul Reasoner, AAR, 2005.

"Theism and Cosmology," APA Pacific, 2005.

"The Virtues of Redemption," Institute of Psychology, January 2005.

"Consciousness and the Limits of Nature," Yale University, 2004.

- “Virtues and Philosophy of Mind,” Bethel College, 2004.
- “God, Minds, and Bodies,” University of Northern Illinois, 2004.
- “Theistic Environmental Ethics,” APA, Eastern Division, December 2003.
- “The Virtues of Psychoanalysis,” Contribution to the panel on “Boundary Issues: Contemporary Freudian and Contemporary Relational Perspectives,” Division of Pscyhoanalysis, American Psychological Association, Spring Meeting, 2003.
- “In Defense of a Romantic Education,” Mellby Lecture, St. Olaf College, Fall 2002.
- “A Divine Ethic,” Seventh Sino-American Symposium on Philosophy and Religious Studies, Tsinghua University, China, Fall 2002.
- “The Soul and Body,” The Lawrence Lecture , Saganaw State University, Fall 2002.
- “The World is not Enough; The Problem of Evil as a Problem of Redemption, not Justification,” Bethel College, 2002.
- “Hume’s Racism and His Case Against Miracles,” Minnesota Philosophical Society, Fall 2001.
- “The Virtues of Immortality,” Conference on philosophy of mind, Wheaton College, Fall 2001.
- “Feminist Philosophy of Religion,” American Academy of Religion, Fall 2001.
- “The Trinity and Natural Reason; Lessons from the Cambridge Platonists,” The Holy Trinity Conference, hosted by the Theological Commission of the Moscow Patriarchate, Moscow, Russia.
- “Natural and Unnatural Boundaries: Balancing Geography, Economics, and Politics” with Rebecca Judge (Economics, St. Olaf), The Thirteenth Annual Nobel Peace Prize Forum, Luther College, March 2001.
- “The Embodiment of Art,” Graduate Seminar, Art Department, University of Minnesota, Fall 2000.
- “Philosophy of Mind after Virtue,” Faculty of Divinity, Cambridge University, Spring 2000.
- “Philosophy of Art and Philosophy of Mind; Reflections on Descartes and Danto,” Aesthetics in the 21st Century, Beloit College, Winter 2000.
- “The Candle of the Lord in 17th Century England,” New York University, April 2000.
- “Philosophy of Mind in the Philosophy of Religion,” Symposium on Philosophy of Religion, Peking University, Beijing, China, October 1999.

“The Virtues and Vices of God,” The 1999 Edward Beavin Lectures, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Oct 1999.

“The Virtues of Embodiment,” The American Academy of Religion, Boston, Nov. 1999.

“Genetics and Religious Ethics,” Consultation on Bio-Ethics, National Cathedral, Washington DC, Summer 1999.

“Five Years After Consciousness and the Mind of God,” The Faculty of Philosophy, The Gregorian Institute, Rome, Italy, April 1999.

“Teaching Philosophy of Religion,” Department of Religion, Boston University, Winter 1999.

“Philosophy of Mind as an Art,” Cooper Union, Fall 1998.

“Revising Philosophy of Religion,” Columbia University, Department of Religion, Fall 1998.

“The Ideal Observer's Philosophy of Religion,” 20th World Congress of Philosophy, Boston, Summer, 1998.

“Contemporary Philosophy of Religion,” University of Minnesota, UEC, Spring 1998.

“The New Agrarianism,” Bioethics Institute, Michigan State University, also sponsored by Iowa State University, Spring 1997.

“Theories of Consciousness and God” and “Companions to Philosophy of Religion,” University of Chicago, Spring 1996.

“Consciousness and the Mind of God; A Reply to Critics,” St. Cloud State University, Spring 1996.

“Recent work in Philosophy of Religion and Philosophy of Mind,” Bethel College, Spring 1996.

“Modal Dualism,” Society of Christian Philosophers, Loras College, Spring 1995.

“Animals, Brains, and Spirits,” Philosophy of Mind Conference, University of Notre Dame, Fall 1994.

“Consciousness and the Mind of God,” Presentation and reply to critics, Society of Christian Philosophers meeting, Bethel College, Spring 1995.

“Materialist and Dualist Modal Arguments; What it's like to be identical with one's body,” Fall meeting, Minnesota Philosophical Society, 1994.

“Death: Normal but not Natural” and “Minds and Bodies,” Calvin College, Fall 1994.

“Reflections on Recent Philosophy of Mind” and “Death is Normal but not Natural,” University of Akron, Ohio, Department of Philosophy, Spring 1993.

“Environmental Ethics and Philosophy of Religion,” Oriol College, University of Oxford, Fall 1992.

“The Ransom Theory,” Pussey House, University of Oxford, Spring 1992.

“The Suffering of God Defense,” Joseph Butler Society, University of Oxford, Fall 1991.

“Science and Ethics,” Young Researchers Conference, National Science Foundation, Summer 1991.

“Environmental Policy and the Problem of Moral Pluralism,” Department of Politics, University of Iowa, Fall 1990.

“Divine Ownership; Problems from Job, Plato, and Locke,” The McMannis Lectures in Philosophical Theology, Wheaton College, Winter 1990.

“Imaginary Evil: A Skeptic’s Wager,” Minnesota Philosophical Society, Spring 1988.

“Language and Reality,” Department of Politics, Princeton University, Mellon Law Series, Spring 1987.

“A Narnian Theory of the Atonement,” National Endowment of the Humanities Institute of Philosophy of Religion, University of Western Washington, Summer 1986.

Respondent to different philosophers, APA meetings, annual commentator at Minnesota Philosophical Society meetings and other conferences. Regular contributions of papers to the St. Olaf College-Carleton College Philosophy Colloquium.

### **Publications for Popular Readership, Books:**

*What were we just talking about?* Edited by Dale Jacquette. Oxford: Blackwell, forthcoming.

*Is God Real?* Co-authored with William Craig. InterVarsity Press, 2007.

*Love. Love. Love. And Other Essays.* Cambridge, MA: Cowley Publications, 2006.

*Does the Idea of God Make Sense? Examining the Coherence of the Divine Attributes.* Norcross: Ravi Zacharias Press, 2002. This is a booklet in a series of contributions to philosophy of religion.

*Praying with C.S. Lewis.* Winona: St. Mary’s Press, 1999.

## **Contributions to Philosophy and Popular Culture, Projects:**

"Loyalty and Passionate Objectivity in the Lives of Sherlock Holmes." Co-authored with Michel LeGall. In *Sherlock Holmes and Philosophy*. Edited by Paul Tallon, University Press of Kentucky: Philosophy of Pop Culture Series, forthcoming.

"Serious Nonsense," Co-authored with Elizabeth Olson. In *Alice in Wonderland and Philosophy*. Edited by Richard Davis, Oxford: Blackwell, forthcoming.

"Justice versus Romantic Love in the Relationship of Spider-Man and MJ." Co-authored with Tricia Little. In *Spider-Man and Philosophy*. Edited by Jonathan Sanford, Oxford: Blackwell, forthcoming.

"The Great Escape." Co-authored with Michel LeGall. In *Cannabis and Philosophy*, forthcoming.

"The Glory of Bilbo Baggins." Co-authored with C. Lynfell-Urban. In *The Hobbit and Philosophy*, forthcoming.

"The Real Secret of the Phoenix: Regeneration Through Death." In *Harry Potter and Philosophy*, edited by Greg Basshan. Oxford: Blackwell, forthcoming.

"Boycott Olympic Ethics." Co-authored with Michel LeGall. In *The Olympics and Philosophy*. University of Kentucky Press, forthcoming.

"Real Ultimate Power: If you score it, don't flip out." Co-authored with Craig Lindahl-Urben. In *Supervillians and Philosophy*, edited by Ben Dyer. Blackwell, 2009.

"The Recovery of Childhood and the Absent Father." Co-authored with Michel LeGall. In *Stephen Spielberg and Philosophy*, edited by Dean Kowalski, University of Kentucky Press, 2009.

"Being J. R.." Co-authored with Craig Lindel-Urban. In *Johnny Cash and Philosophy*, edited by J. Huss and D. Werther. Open Court, 2008.

"Bond as Chivalric, Comic Hero." Co-authored with Michel LeGall. In *James Bond and Philosophy Volume*, edited by James South, 2007.

"The Soul of the Runner." Co-authored with Rachel Traugher. In *Running and Philosophy*. Oxford: Blackwell, 2007.

"The Power and the Glory." Co-authored with Craig Lyndell-Urban. In *Superheroes and Philosophy*, edited by T. V. Morris, 2005.

“The Atonement in Narnia.” Co-authored with Rachel Traugher. In *Narnia and Philosophy*, edited by J. Walls, 2005.

“The Passion of the Christ.” In *Mel Gibson’s Passion and Philosophy*, edited by J.E. Gracia. Blackwell, 2004.

Other essays: “Jury Duty with James Bond,” *The Challenger*; “The Conversation Cracked Merrily,” an essay on Mark Marth painting for exhibition in Grand Rapids pairing writers and painters; catalogue essay on Colin Brandt, NYC gallery.

### **Selected Titles of Courses and Seminars Taught**

Personal Identity  
 Modern Philosophy  
 Ethics and the Good Life  
 Philosophy of Religion  
 Locke and Leibniz  
 Metaphysics  
 Ethical Theory  
 Epistemology  
 Environmental Ethics  
 Philosophy of Mind  
 Law and Society  
 Logic  
 Philosophical Theology  
 Philosophy of Language  
 Introduction to Philosophy  
 Aesthetics  
 The Enlightenment  
 The View from Nowhere  
 Ways of Knowing  
 Moral and Social Problems  
 Vices  
 Ethics and Biology of Agriculture - (team taught with biologist)  
 Consciousness  
 War and Peace - (taught with historian)  
 Mind, Matter, and Meaning  
 Critical Thinking  
 Business Ethics  
 Philosophy of History  
 Continental Philosophy  
 Law, Politics, and Morality  
 History of Modern Philosophy  
 Hegel  
 Wittgenstein

Tutorials on different topics

The Great Conversation (2006-2008). St. Olaf's great books program (Western literature, philosophy, art, and history.)

## Editorial Positions

Member of the Editorial Board for:

*American Philosophical Quarterly*

*Philosophy Compass*

*Religious Studies Review*

*Religious Studies*

*The Philosopher's Annual*

*Continuum Studies in Philosophy of Religion*

*Sophia*

*Ars Disputandi*

Peter Lang Studies in Philosophy of Religion

Book Review Editor for the quarterly journal: *Faith and Philosophy*, seven-year appointment, beginning June 2000. Renewed for additional appointment 2014.

## Other

Reader: Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Blackwell, Cornell, Yale, Routledge, Wadsworth, Mayfield, Peter Lang, SUNY, Program Committee Minnesota Philosophical Society, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Religious Studies*, *Sophia*, *Faith and Philosophy*, *Inquiry*, the *Polish Journal of Philosophy*, and other journals. Invited in 2002 to serve on NEH panel for summer fellowships, but unable to accept due to scheduling.

Three year appointment to the APA Committee on Lectures, Publication, and Research, 2007-

Appointed to the panel that makes the yearly selections for best articles in philosophy: The Philosophical Annual, 2003-2006.

Philosophy of Religion Editor, *Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, MacMillan, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2005.

Program Committee, APA, Central Division 1999. Regular committee and administrative work at St. Olaf College, e.g. Committee for Minority Scholarships, Secretary to the Faculty, Program Director for Junior Year Abroad at the University of Oxford (Harris Manchester College and the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, attached to Keble College), Faculty Advisor to *The Messenger* (school newspaper). Successfully wrote two NEH grants for the Department of Philosophy, "The Visiting Distinguished Philosopher Grant." Successfully co-authored a grant, "Witnessing and Thinking about Genocide." Member of the Environmental Studies Concentration and member of committee to found a Public Policy Concentration, St. Olaf College, supported by the Lerass Foundation.

Participant in NEH Summer Institute in Philosophy of Religion, Summer 1986; Workshop on the Epistemology of Religious Belief under William Alston, Syracuse University, Summer 1985; Workshop on Religious Pluralism under Keith Yandell, University of Wisconsin, Summer 1985.

Languages: Greek and French

Steering committee, Philosophy of Religion, American Academy of Religion, appointed in 2002-2007.

Organizing Committee, Mini-Conference on Models of God, APA Pacific, 2007.

Super Course, Philosophy of Religion, Hong Kong, May 2004.

Invited by classes at St. Olaf (1998, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2009) to be “the last lecturer” on graduation weekend.

Review of Philosophy Department, Augustana College, Fall 2008.

Chair, External Reviewers, Philosophy Department, Hope College, 2010.

External reviewer for tenure decisions, different colleges and universities.

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