

C U R R I C U L U M V I T A E

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EDUCATION

Institution	Area of Study	Degree	Date Rec.
U. of Chicago Div. School	Theology and Ethics	Ph.D.	Spr., 1988
Calvin Theological Seminary	Divinity	M.Div.	Spr., 1980
Calvin College	Philosophy	B.A.	Spr., 1977

TEACHING POSITIONS HELD

St. Olaf College

Professor of Religion, 1998-present
Associate Professor of Religion 1992-1998
Assistant Professor of Religion, 1988-1992
Instructor, 1986-1988

Calvin College

Visiting Professor, Jan. - May, 1999
Fellow, Calvin Center for Christian Scholarship, 1989-1990
Instructor, 1984-1986
Teaching Assistant (Philosophy), 1976-1977, 1979-1980

COURSES TAUGHT (* - Team-taught courses)

In Theology and Ethics

Faith and Responsibility; Christian Ethics; Christianity and Culture; Vocation in Protestant Theology; Theological Ethics of Luther; Love, Justice, and Social Relations; Theological Ethics in a Postmodern Culture; Issues in Biomedical Ethics; Theology and Ethics in the NT*; The Bible in Culture and Community; Introduction to Biblical Theology; Essentials of Christian Theology; Christian Hope; Christian Theology and the Moral Life; Liberation Theology

Interdisciplinary Courses

20th Century Humanities Seminar*; Christian Perspectives on Learning*;
Perspectives on Gender*; Greeks and Hebrews*; Romans and Christians*;
The Medieval Synthesis*; New Forces of Secularization*; Tradition in Crisis*

HONORS, AWARDS, and SPECIAL INVITATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Lilly Vocation Scholar, St. Olaf College, June 2003–August 2005

Pergason Lecturer for annual endowed lecture series on "Religion and the Family" at Brevard College, SC, Oct. 27–28, 2002

Sabbatical Grant from the Louisville Institute to complete a book manuscript on the topic "Vocation: Discerning Our Callings in Life" for a sabbatical year, Jan. 1, 2001 – January 31, 2002

Invited participant for consultation on "Marriage, Health, and the Professions," The Religion, Culture, and Family Project, Feb. 25–27, 2000

Invited participant for colloquy on "Sin and Repentance in the Reformed Tradition," Institute for Reformed Theology, Union Theological Seminary (VA), series of eight meetings, once a month, from Sept., 1999 through Apr., 2000

Research Fellow, Centre for Science Development, South Africa, Summer, 1998

Lilly Summer Stipend, Louisville Institute, Summer, 1993

Mellon Seminar Participant, St. Olaf College, Spring, 1991

Visiting Scholar, Calvin Center for Christian Scholarship, 1989–90

Visiting Lecturer, Calvin Theological Seminary, Summer 1989

Individual Summer Research Grants, St. Olaf College, 1987, 1991

Divinity School Fellowship, Univ. of Chicago, 1982

Entering Fellowship, Univ. of Chicago, 1980

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION

PUBLICATIONS

1. Books

Vocation: Discerning Our Callings in Life, Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2004

After Eden: Facing the Challenge of Gender Reconciliation, (co-author, with M.S. Van Leeuwen, A. Knoppers, M.L. Koch, H.M. Sterk), Eerdmans Pub. Co., 1993

Creation, Eschaton, and Ethics: The Ethical Significance of the Creation-Eschaton Relation in the Thought of Emil Brunner and Jurgen Moltmann, New York: Peter Lang, Inc., 1991

2. Articles/Chapters in Books/Editing

"Vocation, Christendom, and Public Life: A Reformed Assessment of Yoder's Anabaptist Critique of Christendom," in Journal of Reformed Theology 1 (2007) 247-271

Entries on "Vocation," and "Work" for the Encyclopedia of Christianity, Eerdmans-Brill Publishers (forthcoming)

Entries on "Covenant," "Values," "Vocation," and "Work" for The New Westminster Dictionary of Christian Theology, Westminster John Knox Press (forthcoming)

"Can a Job Be a Calling in a Sinful Society?" in Work as Calling and Worship: Challenging Thoughts for Our Day, ed. Johan Botha (Western Cape, South Africa: Lux Verbi.BM, 2001):46-70, 86-92 (and response to respondents Russel Botman, Johan Botha, and Nico Koopman)

"The Gerasene Demoniac," chapter in Riglyne vir prediking on Vocation and Responsibility, eds. C.W. Burger, B.A. Muller, D.J. Smit, South Africa, Wellington, South Africa: Lux Verbi Press, 2003:75-80

"Work and New Creation" chapter in Riglyne vir prediking on Work as Vocation, eds. C.W. Burger, B.A. Muller, D.J. Smit, Wellington, South Africa: Lux Verbi Press, 2005

"Abuses and Proper Uses of Vocation I: Calling and Constrictions of Love," in Die Nederduitse Gereformeerde Teologiese Tydskrif, Deel XXXIX, Nommer 4 (December, 1998):344-354, South Africa

"Abuses and Proper Uses of Vocation II: Calling and Injustice," in Die Nederduitse Gereformeerde Teologiese Tydskrif Deel XXXIX, Nommer 4 (December, 1998):355-366, South Africa

"Professional Resources: Covenantal Ethics," edited with Douglas F. Ottati, The Annual of the Society of Christian Ethics (1996):243-310

"Religion and Feminism," chapter co-authored with Anne E. Carr for Religion, Feminism, and the Family, eds. Mary Stewart Van Leeuwen and Anne E. Carr, Louisville: Westminster/John Knox, 1996

"Creation, Eschaton, and Social Ethics: A Response to Volf," Calvin Theological Journal 30/1 (Spring, 1995):144-158

"Protestant Vocation Under Assault: Can It Be Salvaged?," Annual of the Society for Christian Ethics (1994):23-52

"Theological Anthropology in Reformed and Feminist Perspective," in Calvin Theological Journal 27/1 (Spring, 1992):68-90

"Calvinist and Feminist Worldviews: Collision or Correlation," in Partnership (Fall, 1990):8-14

"The Great Reversal: Ethics and the New Testament - A Critical Reassessment," Calvin Theological Journal, 23/2 (Nov. 1988):222-231

"Creation, Eschaton and Ethics: An Analysis of Theology and Ethics in Jurgen Moltmann", Calvin Theological Journal, 22/1 (Spring, 1987):42-67

"Principles or Virtues", The Reformed Journal, 33/9 (Sept. 1983):18-22

3. Reviews (750+ words)

Karl Barth's Christological Ecclesiology, by Kimlyn J. Bender, in the Bulletin of the Institute for Reformed Theology (forthcoming)

Politics as a Christian Vocation: Faith and Democracy Today, by Franklin I. Gamwell in the Journal of Religion (forthcoming)

The Moral Warrior: Ethics and Service in the U.S. Military, by Martin L. Cook in Political Theology 7.1 (Jan. 2006):108-110

Covenantal Ethics: A Study in Jewish Political Theory, by David Novak in University of Toronto Quarterly: A Canadian Journal of the Humanities, 71:1 (Winter 2001/2002) and in the Bulletin of the Institute for Reformed Theology, 2:3 (Winter 2002):12-13.

A Kind of Life Imposed on Man: Vocation and Social Order from Tyndale to Locke, by Paul Marshall in Calvin Theological Journal, 32/2 (Nov. 1997):505-507

The End of the World: A Theological Interpretation, by Ulrich H.J. Kortner in Interpretation: a Journal of Bible and Theology 54/4 (Oct. 1997):448-450

Liberating Reformed Theology: A South African Contribution to an Ecumenical Debate, by John W. de Gruchy in Modern Theology, 9/4 (Oct. 1993):424-425

God - The World's Future: Systematic Theology for a Post-Modern Era, by Ted Peters in The Cresset, 57/2&3 (Dec.-Jan. 1993/94):31-33

Remembering Esperanza: A Cultural-Political Theology for North American Praxis, by Mark Kline Taylor (Orbis, 1990) in The Cresset, 7/9 (Oct. 1992):30-32

Feminist Theology: A Reader, ed. Ann Loades (Westminster/John Knox, 1990) in Perspectives, 7/10 (Dec. 1992):30-31

The God Who Commands, by Richard J. Mouw (Notre Dame, 1990) in The Journal of Religion, 73/1 (Jan., 1993)

Freedom For Obedience: Evangelical Ethics For Contemporary Times, by Donald G. Bloesch (Harper and Row, 1987) in The Calvin Theological Journal, 24/1 (April 1989):144-150

Resurrection and The Moral Order: An Outline For Evangelical Ethics, by Oliver O'Donovan (Eerdmans, 1986) in The Calvin Theological Journal, 23/2 (Nov. 1988):254-258

Bonhoeffer's Ethic of Discipleship: A Study in Social Psychology, Political Thought, and Religion, by Kenneth E. Morris (Penn State, 1986) in The Calvin Theological Journal, 23/2 (Nov. 1988):251-254

4. Book Notes (250-500 words)

A dozen or so book review notes in journals including The Journal of Religion, Religious Studies Review, The Calvin Theological Journal, Ethics: An International Journal of Social, Political, and Legal Philosophy

5. Articles in Popular Periodicals and Media

Video interview about my book, Vocation: Discerning Our Callings in Life, with representatives from the Lilly foundation, on Feb. 21 in Chicago; transcript posted on website - <http://www.ptev.org>

Radio Interview on "Recovering Protestant Vocation," for Mars Hill Audio Journal aired May/June, CD and Cassette published in June, 2004

"Echoes of Mary's Call," a meditation published in My Heart I Offer (Grand Rapids: Calvin College Publishers, 2001)

"Work and Vocation: Practical Examples," in In Sy Spore: Nuus vir die Christen in die Werkplec Autumn/Herfs, 1999, South Africa

"Work and Vocation: A Christian Perspective," in In Sy Spore: Nuus vir die Christen in die Werkplec Spring/Lente, 1998, South Africa

"Breaking All the Roles," The Banner, January 9, 1995, 20-23.

Series of five "Theological Reflections" for Lectionary Homiletics (Oct. 1994), an ecumenical journal providing scholarly and homiletical helps for pastors and priests preaching from the Lectionary

"Heaven: What Do We Hope For? Why Do We Hope For It" in The Banner, 126/11 (March 25, 1991):8-9

"Heaven: Do We Plant Corn or Preach Christ?" in The Banner, 126/12 (April 1, 1991):6-7

PAPERS/TALKS (selected)

Papers

"Retrieving Luther's Idea of Vocation," lecture to pastors and church leaders in the Green Bay ELCA synod, and "Discovering a Sense of Vocation," workshop for Green Bay area ELCA lay members, Jan. 27 and 28, 2006

"Vocation and Pivotal Decisions," keynote speech and led a workshop on vocation at the DiscipleFest conference of the Florida Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, USA, Tallahassee, Jan. 28-29, 2005

"Perils and Prospects for Vocation in Contemporary Times," public lecture, "Vocation, Decisions, and the Moral Life," a workshop for Davidson students, and led a discussion on calling with career counselors and other staff at Davidson College, NC, Feb. 14-15, 2005

"Perils and Prospects for Vocation," lecture to the faculty, and "Vocation and Pivotal Decisions," lecture to the senior class at Concordia University, River Falls, IL, March 31, 2005

"Vocation for Luther and Lutherans Today," for conference of ELCA institutions receiving Lilly grants, Chicago, Feb. 21, 2004

"Vocation and Covenant," at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Christian Ethics, Chicago, Jan. 9, 2004

"Calling and Career Decisions," to a Lilly-funded conference helping students to discern whether they should consider academic careers, Owatonna, Oct. 24, 2003

"Ultimately Worthwhile," Convocation address, St. Olaf College, Sept. 4, 2003

"The Gerasene Demoniac: Returning Home or Following Christ--Or Both?" chapel talk/lecture at Covenant College, GA, March 31, 2003

"Reformed Vocation in the Modern World," public lecture, Covenant College, GA, March 31, 2003

"Creation, Eschaton, and the Theology of Jurgen Moltmann" lecture for religion majors at Covenant College, GA, March 31, 2003

"Hope, Vocation, and the Significance of Christian Work," chapel talk/lecture at Covenant College, GA, April 1, 2003

"Vocation and Family Obligations," keynote lecture for Pergason lecture series at Brevard College, SC, Oct. 28, 2002

"The Gerasene Demoniac and Vocation" homily at Brevard College, SC, Oct. 27, 2002

"Research Methodologies for Ethics," for advanced humanities students at Brevard College, SC, Oct. 28, 2002

"Vocation and Discernment," for area pastors and college administrators at Brevard College, SC, Oct. 28, 2002

"Faculty Development for Teaching Ethics Across the Curriculum," invited paper for panel at the annual conference for the International Society for Teaching Ethics Across the Curriculum, Greenville, SC, Oct. 25, 2002

"Theological Explorations of Vocation," invited lecturer and consultant at Washington and Lee University (May 23-25, 2002), St. Olaf College (May 28-30, 2002), and Covenant College (May 31-June 1, 2002)

"Is Procreation the Primary Purpose of Sex? Feminist Reconsiderations of the Catholic Natural Law Tradition," invited paper for a conference on Christian Scholarship: For What?, at Calvin College, Sept. 28, 2001

"Christian Vocation in Today's Society" theme for three presentations at Grace Luthern Church (ELCA) in Palo Alto, CA, May 18-21, 2001

"Vocation, Affections, and Ethics," invited seminar paper at Valparaiso University, Feb. 16, 2001

"Perils and Prospects for Vocation in Contemporary Society," seminar presentation for "Called to Serve" conference at St. Olaf College, April 8, 2000

"Vocation and Theology," lecture to Lilly grant seminar group, St. Olaf College, March 16, 2000

"Sin and Vocation," lecture sponsored by the Institute for Reformed Theology, Union Theological Seminary (VA), Feb. 7, 2000

"Sin and Repentance in the Theology of Emil Brunner," paper given at the Institute for Reformed Theology, Union Theological Seminary (VA), Nov. 8, 1999

"Is there a Biblical Foundation for Protestant Vocation?" lecture to the religion departments of Hope College and Calvin College, April 13, 1999

"Piety and Vocation," lecture at Calvin College, April 19, 1999

"Vocation, Love, and Justice," lecture at Calvin Theological Seminary, April 16, 1999

"Vocation and Industrial Work," keynote speech, with response to respondents, for conference on Work and Vocation in Paarl, South Africa, sponsored by Industrial Ministry & Ecumenical Foundation of Southern Africa, Aug. 3, 1998

"Ethics and the Academy," seminar presentation to the Faculty of Theology at the University of Stellenbosch, Aug. 3, 1998; and to members of the faculty and graduate students of the Department of Systematic Theology and Ethics at the University of Pretoria, Aug. 13, 1998

"Abuses and Proper Uses of Protestant Vocation," lecture given to members of the Theology Faculty and graduate students at the University of the Western

Cape, South Africa and to the Theological Society of Southern Africa, Western Cape Region, Aug. 7, 1998; and to members of the faculty and graduate students of the department of Biblical and Religious Studies at the University of Port Elizabeth, and to chaplains, clergy, and mission workers in the Eastern Cape region, Aug. 11, 1998; and to the planning group of the Theological Society of Southern Africa, Northern Region, and to graduate students and members of the Department of Systematic Theology and Ethics at the University of Pretoria, Aug. 14, 1998

"Preaching Biblical Texts on Vocation and Calling," seminar presentation for editors and contributors to two volumes in the series, Riglyne vir prediking (eds. C.W. Burger, B.A. Muller, and D.J. Smit), one on "Vocation and Responsibility," and a second on "Work as Vocation," at the University of Stellenbosch, Aug. 5, 1998, at the University of Port Elizabeth, Aug. 11, 1998, and at the University of Pretoria, Aug. 14, 1998

"Vocation and the Professions" presentation to members of the Centre for Professional Ethics at the University of Pretoria, August 14, 1998

Response to Owen Nankivell's book, Economics, Society and Values for colloquium in the social sciences, St. Olaf, April, 1997

Response to Katherine d'Amato's paper at "Spirituality and Social Work," conference at St. Olaf, Oct., 1997

"Protestant Vocation for the 20th Century," lecture given at the St. Olaf Theology and Music Conference, July, 1996

"Covenant in Contemporary Theological Ethics," paper presented at the Annual Meeting of The Society for Christian Ethics, Jan. 1994

"Protestant Vocation Under Assault: Can It Be Salvaged?" paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Christian Ethics, Jan., 1994

"Saints and the Christian Life: Contemporary Thinking," presented at Bethel Lutheran Church, November 1, 1992

"Reformed Vocation After Christendom," five lectures presented for Union Theological Seminary's Interpreting the Faith, an annual conference for pastors, Summer, 1992. Titles: 1) Vocation Under Assault: Can It Be Salvaged? 2) Theological Foundations for Reformed Vocation; 3) Can a Job be a Calling in This Sinful Society? 4) Weakness, Power, and Hearing God's Call; 5) Vocation, Decisions, and the Moral Life

"Reformed Vocation," lecture given at the Vriese Philosophy Conference on Ethics in the Reformed Tradition, Trinity Christian College, Chicago, March 12-14, 1992

"Humanity and God: A Reformed Appraisal of Feminist Proposals," paper presented at the University of Chicago Divinity School Ethics Writing Group's pre-meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics, L.A., CA, January 11, 1991

"Calvinist and Feminist Worldviews: Collision or Correlation?" paper presented to the Religion and Theology Department of Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI, May 7 & 8, 1990, and to the St. Olaf Religion Department, November 5, 1990

"Headship and the CRC: A Theological and Ethical Analysis," lecture given at the conference on Partnership in the Gospel, organized by the Committee for Women in the Christian Reformed Church, May 1, 1990

"Is God Our Mother? Reformed and Feminist God-Talk," presented at the Adult Education class of Eastern Avenue Christian Reformed Church, Grand Rapids, MI, April 29, 1990

"God and God-Language in Calvinist and Feminist Perspective," lecture given at a conference on Gender Roles: Stability and Change Within the Context of a Christian Worldview, Institute for Christian Studies, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, April 19, 1990

"Is the Bible a Hindrance to Women?" lecture presented for Adult Education at Fuller Avenue Christian Reformed Church, Grand Rapids, MI, March 18, for adult education at First Christian Reformed Church, Grand Rapids, MI, March 21, 1990, and for adult education at Church of the Servant, October, 1989

"Faith and Feminism: An Overview," lecture presented to the Adult Education class of 14th Street Christian Reformed Church, Holland, MI, March 4, 1990

"The Bible and Feminist Hermeneutics," lecture given at the 11th Annual Conference of Secondary Teachers of Bible and Religion, Grand Rapids, MI, March 20, 1990

"Reflections on Vocation and the Gerasene Demoniac," chapel talk at St. Olaf, April 1988

"Jobs, Professions and Pastors: the Significance of Vocation," lecture given at the spring meeting of the Northfield Area Pastors' Assoc., 1987

"Theology and Liberal Arts in Reformed Perspective," lecture at Trinity Christian College, Palos Heights, Illinois, Spring 1987

"Theology and Ethics in the New Testament: An Analysis of Verhey's The Great Reversal," paper presented to the Religion and Theology Department at Calvin College, 1986

"Eschatology and Ethics in the Pastorals," paper presented to the Religion and Theology Department, Calvin College, 1985

"After the Unity of Virtues," paper presented at the Eastern Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers, Winter 1984

OTHER RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Faculty Development

Co-taught (with Ed Langerak, Philosophy Department) three faculty seminars (eleven weeks each) treating classic and modern texts in philosophical and theological ethics

Co-taught (with Ed Langerak, Philosophy Department) two faculty seminars (two weeks each) on the theme of Vocation

Professional Memberships

Society of Christian Ethics; Offices – Program Committee, 2007; Editorial Board for the JSCE, 2008-2010; Coordinator of the "Covenantal Ethics" interest group, 1991 – present
Regional Representative of the "Association for Public Justice," Western Michigan Region, 1984-1986

Other Professional Activities

1. Reader for Dissertations and Masters Theses

Ph.D. dissertation committee member, Union Theological Seminary, VA, "The Public Theology of Max Stackhouse" 2004

Ph.D. dissertation committee member, Luther Seminary, "Theological Anthropology and Christian Social Ethics: The *Imago Dei* As Foundational Relational Ontology in the Political Thought of Emil Brunner and Douglas John Hall," 2001

Ph.D. dissertation outside reviewer, Andrews University, "Eschatology and Ethics in the Works of Thomas Ogletree and Stephen Mott," 1997

Masters Thesis outside reviewer, Calvin College, "Work and Vocation," 1990

Masters Thesis outside reviewer, University of Toronto, "The Woman will Overcome the Warrior: A Dialogue With the Christian/Feminist Theology of Rosemary Radford Ruether," 1991

2. Referee for book manuscripts

Inter Varsity Press, 1989; Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1989, 1997; the University Press of America, 1991, 1994, 2000; reviewer for article, "Collective Guilt" for the Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics, 1996

3. Referee and advisory work for scholarly journals

Referee for articles, Calvin Theological Journal, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1996, 1996; for the Journal of Religion, 1995, 2004, 2005; for the Journal of Religious Ethics, 2004, 2006, 2007; for the Business Ethics Quarterly, 1995, 1996; the Annual for the Society for Christian Ethics 1995, 1996, 1997, 2008

4. Consultant

Consultant for colleges applying for Lilly Endowment grants on the theme of "Theological Explorations of Vocation" at Covenant College (Spring 2004), Washington and Lee University (Spring 2003), and St. Olaf College (Summer 2003)

SERVICE ACTIVITY, COLLEGE AND COMMUNITY

1. Religion Department and Paracollege

Religion Department - Department Secretary, 1990-1991, fall 1998, fall 2000, spring 2002; Theology Forum Committee member, 1986-1988; Religion Department ad hoc committee drafting proposal for Summer Grant to review departmental curriculum, winter 1987; Major and Pre-Professional Committee, 1988-1989, 1992-93; Staffing Committee, 1988-1992; 1994-1996; Social Activities Contact Person, 1995-1996; Curriculum Committee, 1996-present Paracollege - Paracollege ad hoc committee reviewing Sr. Colloquium (Fall 1986); Interdisciplinary Colloquium Coordinator, Paracollege (1987-1989)

2. College

Faculty Regents Committee, 2002-2003; Great Con Steering Committee, 2001-present; Lilly Planning Committee, 2003-present; Review and Planning Committee, 1999-2000; "Assistant Director" for faculty development ethics workshop, spring 1996-present; Special Olympics Honor House Advisor, 1997-98; Ellefson Lecture Series Committee (1997-present); Regents-Faculty Conference Committee, 1996-1998; Subcommittee on implementing new course, "Ethical Issues and Normative Perspectives," spring 1995-present; Great Conversation Steering Committee, 1991-1997, 1998-present; EIN Committee, 1995-present; SEIN Committee, 1995-present; Faculty Development Committee, 1994-1996; helped Ed Langerak apply for a Bush Grant for implementing new ethics course, spring 1995; Ethics Capstone Course Planning Committee, Chair, 1992-93; Faculty Advisor, Viking Yearbook, 1992-93; Faculty Member, Student Media Board, 1992-93; Committee on Theology and Music Conference, 1992-93; Kierkegaard Library Committee, 1991-93; President's Ad Hoc Committee on Pre-Seminary Student, 1987-1988; Faculty Advisor, Mellon Fellowship and Fund for Theological Education Scholarships, 1988-1989; Pre-Seminary Committee, 1988-1992; Study/Service Program Advisor for Sumatra, Java, Japan, Korea, Papua New Guinea, 1986-1987; helped plan Black Gospel Concert, "The Gospel at St. Olaf," 1986

3. Community

Worship Committee, Bethel Lutheran Church, 1993-1996; Bethel Lutheran Church Personnel Committee, chair, 1993-1996, member 1998-2000; Ninth-grade Sunday school teacher, 1994-1995; Bethel Church Adult Choir member, 1994-1997; Organizer for Northfield Annual Cropwalk, 1994, 1995; Organizer for August food shelf distribution for Northfield, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995