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Degrees

B.A. magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Smith College, 1955

B.D. magna cum laude, Yale Divinity School, 1959

M.A. Yale University, 1960

Ph.D. Yale University, 1964

Litt.D. Smith College, 1977

Employment

Distinguished Theologian in Residence, Vancouver School of Theology 2000-

Carpenter Professor of Theology, Vanderbilt Divinity School, 1980-2000

Visiting Professor, Vancouver School of Theology (Summer School), 1991, 1993, 1995, 1997

Visiting Professor, Harvard Divinity School, Fall 1990

Dean, Vanderbilt Divinity School, 1975-1980

Associate Professor of Theology, Vanderbilt Divinity School, 1975-1980

Assistant Professor of Theology, Vanderbilt Divinity School, 1970-1975

Editor, Soundings: An Interdisciplinary Journal, 1967-1975

Lecturer in Christianity and Contemporary Culture, Yale Divinity School, 1962, 1965

Assistant in Instruction, Yale Divinity School, 1961-1963

Instructor, Department of Religion, Smith College, 1957-1958

## Memberships and Awards

Yale Divinity School Alumni/ae Award for Distinction, 1995  
1994 Midwest Independent Publishers Association Award for Best Religious Book: The Body of God (Fortress Press, 1993)  
Harvie Branscomb Distinguished Professor, 1989-1990, Vanderbilt University  
1988 American Academy of Religion Award for Excellence of Books in the Field: Models of God (Fortress Press, 1987)  
Visiting Fellow, Clare Hall, Cambridge, England, 1985-1986; Lifetime Member, 1986  
Member, Senior Commons Room, Mansfield and St. Hilda's Colleges, Oxford, 1980-1981  
Fellowship, National Endowment for the Humanities, 1980-1981 (Oxford, England)  
Kent Fellowship (Danforth Foundation), 1959-1964  
Member, Workgroup in Constructive Theology, 1975-  
Member, American Academy of Religion, 1970-  
Member, Society for Values in Higher Education, 1959-  
Member, Society for the Arts, Religion and Contemporary Culture, 1973-  
Member, American Theological Society, 1975-  
Member, The International Buddhist-Christian Theological Encounter, 1997-

## Board Memberships

Americans for Wilderness, Committee Member, 2004-  
Editorial Advisory Board, Theology and Science, 2002-  
Advisory Board, Forum on Religion and Ecology, 1998-  
Contributing Editor, Earth Ministry, 1995-  
Editorial Consultant, Science/Theology Series, Fortress Press  
Advisor, Center for Respect of Life and Environment, Washington, D.C., 1990  
Member, Advisory Board, Borderlands Theological Institute  
Member, Advisory Board, The Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences, 1988

## PUBLICATIONS

### BOOKS

A New Climate for Theology: God, the World, and Global Warming (Fortress, 2008; Korean and Danish editions forthcoming)

Life Abundant: Rethinking Theology and Economy for a Planet in Peril (Fortress, 2000; Korean ed. 2008).

Super, Natural Christians: How We Should Love Nature (Fortress, 1997; British edition, SCM Press, 1997).

The Body of God: An Ecological Theology (Fortress, 1993; British ed., SCM Press, 1993; Dutch ed., De Horstink, 1997)

Models of God: Theology for an Ecological, Nuclear Age (Fortress, 1987; British edition., SCM Press, 1988; Dutch edition, De Horstink, 1990; Danish edition, 1991; Spanish ed., 1994; Swedish ed., 1994; Korean ed., 2006).

Metaphorical Theology: Models of God in Religious Language (Fortress Press, 1982; British ed, SCM Press, 1983; Korean ed., 2001)

Speaking in Parables: A Study in Metaphor and Theology (Fortress Press, 1975; SMC Classics, 2002).

Literature and the Christian Life (Yale University Press, 1966)

Soundings: An Interdisciplinary Journal, editor of 3500 pp. of articles, 1967-1975

The Rediscovery of Ethnicity, editor (Harper and Row, 1974)

The Family, Communes and Utopian Societies, editor (Harper and Row, 1972)

ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS IN BOOKS (SINCE 1980)

Essay in For All Time: Witness from 100 of the World's Moral Leaders, ed. Kathleen Dean Moore and Michael P. Nelson (upcoming, July 2009).

“Toward a New Cascadian Civil Religion of Nature,” Cascadia: The Elusive Utopia, ed Douglas Todd (Vancouver, BC: Ronsdale Press, 2008), 157-172.

“Global Warming: A Theological Problem and Paradigm,” Shaping a Global Theological Mind, ed. Darren JC. Marks (Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishing, 2008), 109-112.

“Can These Dry Bones Live?” Earth and Word: Classic Sermons on Saving the Planet, ed. David Rhoads (New York: Continuum, 2007), 188-193).

“Intimations of Transcendence: Praise and Compassion,” Transcendence and Beyond: A Postmodern Inquiry, ed. John D. Caputo and Michael J. Scanlon (Bloomington, IN: Indiana Univ. Press, 2007), 151-168.

“The Body of God: An Ecological Theology,” What Does God Look Like in an Expanding Universe?, ed. Jim Schenk (Cincinnati, OH: ImagoEarth Publishing, 2006), 128-30.

“Consider the Lilies of the Field: How Should Christians Love Nature?” The Emerging Christian Way: Thoughts, Stories and Wisdom for a Faith of Transformation, Michael Schwartzentruber, ed. (Kelowna, BC: Woodlake Publishing, 2006), 77-99.

“Human Dignity and the Integrity of Creation,” Theology That Matters: Ecology, Economy, and God, Darby Kathleen Ray (Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2006), 199-212.

“The Church is Ecological,” The Many Marks of the Church, ed. William Madges and Michael J. Daley (New London, CT: Twenty-Third Publications, 2006), 124-28.

“Reflecting God,” After God, ed. John P. Manoussakis (New York: Fordham Press, 2006), 362-64.

- “Manifesto for North American Christians,” Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature, ed, Jeffrey Kaplan and Bron Taylor (Bristol, UK: Thoemmes Press, 2005).
- “Some Reflections on Kearney’s Hermeneutics of Religion,” Philosophy & Social Criticism, 30:7 (2004), 887-89.
- “A Song Which We Have to Sing,” The Journal of Korean Feminist Theology, 56, Spring 2004, 52-59.
- “The Scope of the Body: The Cosmic Christ,” This Sacred Earth: Religion, Nature, Environment ed. Roger S. Gottlieb (New York: Routledge, 1996), 286-296.
- “An Ecological Christology: Does Christianity Have It?” Worldviews, Religion, and the Environment: A Global Anthology, ed. Richard C. Foltz (Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Publishing, 2003), 334-341
- “The Earth is a Body: Seeking a New Paradigm,” Voices Across Boundaries (Fall 2004)
- “The Church and the Public Voice,” Earth Letter (May 2003)
- “Intimate Creation: God’s Body, Our Home,” Christian Century (March 13-20, 2002)
- “The World as God’s Body,” The Body and Religion, ed. Regina Ammicht-Quinn and Elsa Tamaz (London: SCM Press, 2002).
- “Is God in Charge? Creation and Providence,” Essentials of Christian Theology, ed. William C. Placher (Louisville: Westminster/John Knox, 2003), 93-116..
- “God’s Household: Christianity, Economics, and Planetary Living,” Subverting Greed: Religious Conscience and Global Economy, ed. Paul Knitter (Boston: Boston Research Center, 2002), 119-136.
- “The Body of God,” Concilium: Revue Internationale de Theologie, Vol. 2 (2002)
- “An Ecological Christology: Does Christianity Have It?” Christianity and Ecology: Seeking the Well-Being of Earth and Humans, ed. Dieter T. Hessel and Rosemary Radford Ruether (Cambridge: Harvard Univ. Press, 2001), 29-46.
- “A Manifesto to North American Middle-Class Christians” (excerpts), Making Waves, Women’s Inter-Church Council of Canada, Winter, 2000.
- “The Body of God,” God and the World: Christian Texts in Perspective, ed. William Madges (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 1999), 295-298.

- “The Loving Eye vs. The Arrogant Eye: A Christian Critique of the Western Gaze on Nature and the Third World,” Nature, People and Globalization, ed. Ahmed I. Samatar (St. Paul, MN: Macalester College, 1998), 77-97.
- “How Should We Love Nature?” Earth Light (Spring, 1997): 10-11.
- “Christians and Nature: Interview with Sallie McFague,” The Practice of Ministry in Canada, 13 (May, 1996): 5-8.
- “Ian Barbour: Theologian’s Friend, Scientist’s Interpreter,” Zygon, 31 (March, 1996): 21-28.
- “Faith in Embodiment,” True to This Earth: Global Challenges and Transforming Faith,” ed. Alan Race and Roger Williamson (Oxford: One World Publications, 1995), 179-189.
- “The Scope of the Body,” This Sacred Earth: Religion, Nature, Environment, ed. Roger Gottlieb (NY: Routledge, 1995).
- “An Earthly Theological Agenda,” Readings in Ecology and Feminist Theology, ed. Mary Heather MacKinnon and Moni McIntyre (Kansas City: Sheed & Ward), 327-333.
- “Dios como madre,” Del Cielo a la Tierra: Una Antologia de Theologia Feminista (Santiago: Sello Azul, 1995), 297-310.
- “Christianity and Ecology,” an article featuring my work in The Chronicle of Higher Education by Ellen Coughlin (July 20, 1994).
- “Human Beings, Embodiment, and Our Home the Earth,” Restructuring Christian Theology, ed. Rebecca S. Chopp and Mark Lewis Taylor (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1994), 141-169
- “A Theological/Ethical Response to Agenda 21,” Ethics and Agenda 21: Moral Implications of a Global Consensus, ed. Noel Brown and Pierre Quiblier (New York: UN Publications, 1994), 109-112.
- “The Theologian as Advocate,” The Making and Remaking of Christian Doctrine: Essays in Honour of Maurice Wiles, ed Sarah Coakley and David A. Pailin (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1993), 143-159.
- “Imaging a Theology of Nature: The World as God’s Body,” Liberation Theology: An Introductory Reader, ed. Curt Cadorette et al. (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1992), 269-289.
- “A Holistic View of Reality,” Readings in Science and Religion, ed. James G. Hutchingson (Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1992).

- “A New Sensibility,” Towards the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Critical Social Issues in American Education, ed. Svi Shapiro and David Purpel (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1992).
- “A Square in the Quilt: One’s Theologian’s Contribution to the Planetary Agenda,” Spirit and Nature: Why the Environment Is a Religious Issue, ed. John Elder and Steven C. Rockefeller (Boston: Beacon Press, 1992), 39-58.
- “Cosmology and Christianity: Implications of the Common Creation Story for Theology,” Theology at the End of Modernity: Essays in Honor of Gordon D. Kaufman (Philadelphia: Trinity Press, 1991), 19-41.
- “An Earthly, Theological Agenda,” Christian Century in series “How My Mind Has Changed,” 108 (January 2-9, 1991): 12-15.
- “An Earthly Agenda,” How My Mind Has Changed, ed. James M. Wall and David Heim (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1991), 135-143.
- “The Ethic of God as Mother, Lover, and Friend,” Feminist Theology: A Reader, ed. Ann Loades (London and Philadelphia: SPCK and Westminster/John Knox, 1990), 255-274.
- “Metaphorical Theology,” Classical and Contemporary Readings in Philosophy of Religion, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., ed. John Hick (Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice Hall, 1990).
- “Imaging a Theological of Nature: The World as God’s Body,” Liberating Life: Contemporary Approaches to Ecological Theology, ed. Charles Birch, William Eakin, and Jay McDaniel (Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 1990), 201-227.
- “The Parabolic in Faulkner, O’Connor, and Percy,” Critical Essay on Walker Percy, ed. Sue and J. Donald Crowley (Boston: G.K. Crowley Co., 1989).
- “Mother God,” Motherhood: Experience, Institution, Theology, ed. Anne Carr and Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza (Concilium, 1989).
- “The Theologian as Advocate: Commitment and Critical Inquiry,” Theological Education, 25 (Spring, 1989): 79-97.
- “God as Mother,” Weaving the Visions: New Patterns in Feminist Spirituality, ed. Judith Plaskow and Carol P. Christ (New York: Harper and Row, 1989), 139-150.
- “Favorite Books and How They Influence: Responses from 16 Prominent Individuals,” Christian Century, 104 (May 20-27, 1988): 493-494.

“Models of God for an Ecological, Evolutionary Era: God as Mother of the Universe,”  
Physics, Philosophy, and Theology: A Common Quest for Understanding, ed. Robert  
J. Russell, William R. Stoeger, S.J., and George V. Coyne, S.J. (Rome: Liberia  
Editrice Vaticana and Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1988), 249-272.

“Metaphorische Theologie,” Erinnern, um Neues zu Sagen: Die Bedeutung der Metaphor fur die  
religiose Sprache, Herausgegeben von Jean-Pierre van Noppen (Frankfurt am Main:  
Athenaum Verlag, 1988), 176-200.

“A Discussion of Sallie McFague’s Models of God “ by Mary Jo Weaver, Gordon Kaufman,  
Rosemary Radford Ruether, David Tracy, and James G. Hart with a response by  
McFague, Religion and Intellectual Life, 5 (Spring, 1988), 9-44.

“The World as God’s Body,” Christian Century, 105 (July 20-27, 1988), 671-673.

Article on “Parable,” A Dictionary of Religious Education, ed. John M. Sutcliffe (London:  
SCM Press, 1984), 252-253.

Articles on “Parable” and “Metaphor,” The Westminster Dictionary of Christian Theology, ed.  
Alan Richardson and John Bowden (Philadelphia and London: Westminster and SCM  
Presses, 1983), 359-361; 425-456.

“Metaphorical Theology,” Metaphor and Religion, ed. J.P. van Noppen (Brussels: Tijdschrift  
van de Vrije Universiteit van Brussel, 1983), 111-131.

“The Parabolic in Faulkner, O’Connor and Percy,” Notre Dame English Journal 15 (Spring,  
1983), 49-66.

“Epilogue: The Christian Paradigm,” Christian Theology: An Introduction to its Traditions  
and Tasks, ed. Peter Hodgson and Robert King (Fortress, 1982), 323-340 Revised  
and Enlarged ed., 1985.

LECTURES, ETC. SINCE 1980:

Lecture for series “Ecologies of Human Flourishing,” Center for the Study of World Religions,  
Harvard Divinity School, October 2009

Dudleian Lectureship, Harvard Divinity School, October 2009

Ann O’Hara Graff Lecturer, Dept. of Religious Studies, Seattle University, April, 2009



Two lectures for “This Good Earth,” Lutheran Tri-synodical Theological Leadership Conference, Dallas, Texas, January 2009.

“As the World Burns, Who Do We Think We Are?” St. Paul’s Anglican Cathedral, Kamloops, BC, June, 2008.

Keynote and workshop, “Conference on Greening Our Spirits,” Pathways Centre, Edmonton, Alberta, May 2008.

Keynote, “Conference on Healing Our Planet Earth,” Diocese of Olympia, Seattle, April 2008.

Keynote, “Conference on Faith and the Environment,” Langara College, Vancouver, April, 2008.

Two lectures on climate change, Episcopal Urban/Suburban Clergy Conference, Vancouver, April, 2008.

Keynote, “Conference: Renewal: America’s Emerging Religious Environmental Movement,” Yale Divinity School, Yale School of Forestry, and the Forum on Religion and Ecology, New Haven, CT, March 2008.

Two Lectures on climate change, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, January 2008.

Panel Member, “Sustainable Theological Education,” American Academy of Religion, San Diego, November, 2007.

Plenary, “Who Are We in the Scheme of Things?” Anglican Lutheran Synod, Winnipeg, June, 2007.

Series of five lectures on “Climate Change and Christian Faith,” Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver, February, 2007.

Conference on Cascadia, August 2006, at Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, with paper on “Toward a New Cascadian Civil Religion.”

United Church of Canada Conferences on worship and urbanization, Vancouver, June 2006.

“The Body of the World: Our Body, Ourselves,” Conference on “Without Nature: A New Condition for Theology,” University of Chicago, October 2005 and October 2006.

Atlantic Seminar Keynote Speaker, Atlantic Seminary in Theological Education, on topic: Reconnecting with Creation: Are We in Exile, June 2005

Two presentations from Life Abundant, Spirituality and Sustainability, Alton Collins Retreat Center, Portland, OR, April 2005.

Epiphany Explorations, First Metropolitan United Church, Victoria: “Who Are We: Where Do Human Beings Fit in Creation,” and “What Should We Do: Christian Life as Praise and Compassion,” January 2005

Reach Out 2004 Plenary: “Human Dignity and the Integrity of Creation,” Chalmers Institute and Shaughnessy Heights United Church, November, 2004

Panel on Food and Faith, Canadian Forum on Religion and Ecology, Center for Spirituality, Guelph, ON, October 2004.

Plenary for 2004 Challenge for Change, St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Kitchener, ON, October 2004

“Intimations of Transcendence: Praise and Compassion,” St. Michael’s College, University of Toronto, October 2004

“God’s Household: Christianity, Economics, and Planetary Living,” Teresa Dease lecture, St. Jerome’s University, Waterloo, ON, October 2004

Talk on Genesis 1 to Vancouver Jewish-Christian Dialogue group, September 2004

“Intimations of Transcendence: Praise and Compassion,” Religion and Postmodernism Conference on Transcendence and Beyond,” Villanova University, Radnor, PA, September 2003.

“Enough for All: Sustainable Living in a Global World,” Conference Keynote, Seattle, WA, June 2003.

Lectures on Ecology, Christianity, and Economics at Acadia University, Wolfville, NS and at the Atlantic School of Theology, Halifax, NS, October, 2003.

“Spirituality and the Environment,” Keynote speaker, Vancouver, 2003

“God’s Household: Christianity, Economics, and Planetary Living,” Regis College, Toronto March, 2002.

“Challenge for Change Ecumenical Social Justice Conference,” Toronto, October, 2002.

“Raising Planetary Christians: Children and Church Series,” Vancouver School of Theology, January, 2002.

“The Church and the Public Voice,” Vancouver School of Theology, January, 2002.

“The Work of Sallie McFague,” a forum with Sharon Welch, Elizabeth Johnson, John Cobb, and Deanna Thompson, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Nashville, November, 2000.

“God’s Household,” Stewardship Conference, Diocese of Cariboo, British Columbia, April, 2001.

“Life Abundant: Spirituality for a Planet in Peril,” Conference on the Birth of the Planetary Human, Sophia Summer Institute, San Francisco, 2001.

“Religion and Ecology: Discovering the Common Good,” United Nations Conference, October, 1998.

“Ecological Christology: Does Christianity Have It? Conference on Christianity and Ecology Harvard University, April, 1998

“Self and Nature in Christianity and Buddhism,” for the 1998 International Buddhist-Christian Theological Encounter, Indianapolis, April, 1998.

“Super, Natural Christians: How We Should Love Nature,” 4<sup>th</sup> Fosdick Convocation on Preaching and Worship, Riverside Church, NYC, April, 1997.

“The Loving Eye vs. the Arrogant Eye: A Christian Critique of the Western Gaze on Nature and the Third World,”

World Council of Churches Consultation on Climate Change and Sustainable Societies/Communities, Driebergen, The Netherlands, November 7-13, 1997.

“Down to Earth: Close Encounters with the Natural World,” workshop for the Association of Pastoral Counselors, Vancouver, BC, May, 1996.

Four Lectures on Christians and nature entitled, “Super, Natural Christians,” “The Arrogant Eye,” “The Loving Eye,” and “Down to Earth: Close Encounters with the Natural World,” G. Peter Kaye Lecture Series, Vancouver School of Theology, March, 1996.

“Living as if Bodies Mattered: Christians and the Natural World,” Georgia Harkness Lecture, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Chicago, April, 1995.

Keynote address, “Living as if Bodies Matter,” Conference on Ecofeminist Perspectives on Love and Justice, Spalding University, Louisville, November, 1994

“Theology and Nature,” Snugg Lectures, University of Tulsa, April, 1994.

Three lectures on “Theology and Science” for the Taylor Lectures, Yale Divinity School, February, 1994.

Presentation of The Body of God to the Religion and Ecology Group, American Academy of Religion, November, 1993.

“At Home on the Earth: A Christian Ecological View of Human Beings,” Amanda Kane Lecture, Smith College, Northampton, MA, February, 1993.

“How Should We Speak of God in an Ecological Era?” Conference on Eco-Justice, Eco-Peace, Ohio Conference of the United Church of Christ, October, 1992.

“At Home on the Earth: A Christian Ecological View of Human Beings,” Conference on Human Values and the Environment, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Oct., 1992.

“The Planetary Agenda and an Earthly Theology,” and “The Body of God: Sketches for an Ecological Theology,” Donald Mathers Memorial Lectureship, Queen’s Theological College, Kingston, Ontario, March 1992.

“The Body of God,” Institute for Creation Ministry, Seattle, February 1992.

“The Body of God: Sketches for an Ecological Theology,” 23<sup>rd</sup> National Conference of Trinity Church Institute, NYC, January, 1992.

“The Planetary Agenda and an Earthly Theology,” Vancouver School of Theology, Vancouver, BC, July, 1991; also at “Christianity and the Academic Vocation,” Lilly Fellows Program, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN, October, 1991; Institute for Servant Leadership, Hendersonville, NC, November, 1991; K. Brooke Anderson Memorial Lecture, Brown University, Providence, RI, December, 1991; the Michael Harrah Wood Memorial Lecture, University of the South, Sewanee, TN, April, 1991.

“Spirit and Nature,” a 90 minute PBS video documentary by Bill Moyers; premiere, June 5, 1991.

“Eco-Justice: Secular and Spiritual Perspectives,” Union Day ‘91, Union Theological Seminary, NYC, April, 1991.

“A Square in the Quilt: One Theologian’s Contribution to the Planetary Agenda,” Symposium on Spirit and Nature: Religion, Ethics, and the Environmental Crisis, Middlebury College, September, 1990.

Plenary address: “Cosmology and Christianity: Implications of the Common Creation Story for Theology,” Southeastern AAR/SBL/ASOR, Charlotte, NC, March, 1990.

“A Theological Response to the Challenge: Restoring the Future,” conference on Restoring the Future: Resources for Hard Choices, Cornell University, October, 1989.

Imaging a Theology of Nature: The World as God’s Body,” Consultation on A Theology of Nature and a Theocentric Ethic, World Council of Churches, Annecy, France, September, 1988.

“The Theologian as Advocate: Commitment and Critical Inquiry,” Association of Theological Schools Summer Seminar, Santa Barbara, CA, July, 1988.

“Truth-Searching: Avoiding Sandbars When Looking for the Ground of Being,” Harvard Divinity School, May, 1988.

“Imagination and Theology: The Model of the World as God’s Body,” 1988 Conference of the Isthmus Institute, “The Universe Within: Consciousness and the Physical World, Dallas, Texas, April, 1988.

Response to “A Discussion of Sallie McFague’s Models of God by Mary Jo Weaver, Gordon D. Kaufman, Rosemary Radford Ruether, David Tracy, and James G. Hart, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Boston, December 1987.

“Models of God for an Ecological, Evolutionary Era: God as Mother of the Universe,” Vatican Observatory Conference on Science, Philosophy, and Theology, Rome, September 21-26, 1987.

“Metaphor, Models and Concepts,” Workgroup in Constructive Theology, Nashville, May, 1987.

“Power and Control,” Workshop on Domestic Violence, Nashville, May, 1987.

“Models of God for an Ecological, Nuclear Age: The World as God’s Body,” Center for Process Studies, Claremont, March, 1987.

National Conference on Literature and Religion, "Narrative Theology in the U.S.A.," presented at a conference on Narrative Theology, Oxford, England, January, 1986.

"Models of God," conference on Women in Theology, Coventry, England, September, 1985.

National Conference on Literature and Religion, "Feminist Theology, the Nuclear Threat, and Models of God," presented at a conference entitled "Theology, Literature and the Bible: The Work of Professor Sallie McFague," Oxford, England, January, 1984.

"Models of God for an Ecological, Evolutionary Era: God as Mother of the Universe," Vatican Observatory Conference on Science, Philosophy, and Theology, Rome, September, 1987.

"Metaphor, Models and Concepts," Workgroup in Constructive Theology, Nashville, May, 1987.

"Power and Control," Workshop on Ministry and Domestic Violence, Nashville, May, 1987.

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"Narrative Theology in the U.S.A.," presented at the National Conference on Literature and Religion, Oxford, England, January, 1986.

"Models of God" conference on Women in Theology, Coventry, England, September, 1985.

"Feminist Theology, the Nuclear Threat, and Models of God," National Conference on on Literature and Religion Conference entitled "Theology, Literature and the Bible: The Work of Professor Sallie McFague" Oxford, England, January, 1984.

"Language and Community," The Vosburgh Lectures, Drew Theological School, November , 1984.

"Feminist Theology: A New Way of Seeing, A New Way of Being," Tenth Antoinette Brown Lecture, Vanderbilt Divinity School, November, 1983; also for the Goodspeed Lecture, Denison University, September, 1983.

"How Should We Speak of God?" Kellogg Lectures, Episcopal Divinity School, May, 1983; also for the Association of Professional Education for Ministry, June, 1982.

"Imagination and Theology," American Theological Society, Princeton Theological Seminary,

April 1983.

“Toward a Metaphorical Theology,” University of Edinburgh, Scotland, May, 1981; also for the Oxford Theological Seminar, Christ Church College, Oxford, England, March, 1981.

Commencement Address, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, June, 1980.