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**March 2009**

Guest Professor, Department of Theology, University of Exeter

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Full Professor of New Testament Studies, Vancouver School of Theology

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Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow, Wissenschaftlich-theologisches Seminar Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg

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Father Edo Gatto Chair in Christian Studies, St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia

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Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow, Wissenschaftlich-theologisches Seminar Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg

**1 April 1997—30 April 1998:**

Associate Professor of New Testament Studies, Vancouver School of Theology

**1 July 1995 -- 31 March 1997:**

Assistant Professor New Testament Studies, Vancouver School of Theology

**1993-June 1995:**

Interim Director of Church and Ministry Programs at Vancouver School of Theology (April 1993-June 1995)

**1991-1993:**

Post-doctoral SSHRCC Research Fellow, Vancouver School of Theology and Department of Classics, University of British Columbia

**1987-1990:**

Sessional Lecturer in Religious Studies Department, University of Saskatchewan

**1990-1991:**

Ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and served as Interim Pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church, Delta, BC

**1989-1990:**

Student intern pastor, Lutheran Church of the Cross, Victoria, BC

**EDUCATION:**

**Oxford University, 1983 - 87:**

D.Phil. in New Testament and Early Christian Origins (Supervisors: Maurice Wiles; Robert Morgan; Bryan Wilson)

**Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon 1982-1983, 1987-89:**

Master of Divinity

**University of Alberta, 1981:**

Year of independent study in Latin, Musicology and Art History

**Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA, 1979-1981:**

B.A. (Magna Cum Laude) Majors: English, History, Psychology

**PUBLICATIONS:****MONOGRAPHS AND EDITED VOLUMES:**

*La costruzione dell'eretico nel cristianesimo delle origini* (Bologna: Edizioni Dehoniane Bologna, 2015).

*Picturing Paul in Empire: Imperial Image, Text and Persuasion in the Writing of Colossians, Ephesians and the Pastoral Epistles* (London/New York: Bloomsbury, 2013).

*The Calling of the Nations: Exegesis, Ethnography, and Empire in a Biblical-Historic Present*, Mark Vessey, Harry O. Maier, Sharon V. Betcher, Robert Daum, eds. (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2011).

*Apocalypse Recalled: The Book of Revelation after Christendom*, Minneapolis: Fortress, 2002.

Winner of the Canadian Christian Writers Association Award for Best Book in Philosophy and Christian Leadership, 2003.

*The Social Setting of the Ministry as Reflected in the Writings of the Shepherd of Hermas, Clement and Ignatius*. Kitchener: Wilfred Laurier University Press, 1991 (reprinted 2002 in *Studies in Christianity and Judaism/ Etudes sur le christianisme et le judaisme* 11).

Winner of the Canadian Corporation of Religion Award for Best Dissertation in Religion, 1990.

**Forthcoming:**

*Seeing the God: Image, Space, Performance and Vision in the Religion of the Roman Empire*, Politics, Culture and Religion in the Greco-Roman World, ed. Marlis Arnold, Harry O. Maier and Jörg Rüpke (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2017).

*New Testament Christianity in the Roman World*, Essentials of Biblical Studies (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017).

*Colossians and Philemon Through the Centuries*, Blackwell Bible Commentary (Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell), Under Contract.

**ARTICLES/ COLLECTED ESSAYS:**

75. "Business Women, Hospitality and Diverse Teachings in the Pastoral Epistles." In *Women, Christianity and Judaism*, edited by Ilaria Ramelli and Joan Taylor (Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2017).

74. “Lived Religion and Multiple Affiliation in the Lycus Valley.” In *The First Urban Churches 2: The Lycus Valley*, edited by James R. Harrison and L.L. Welborn (Atlanta: SBL Press, forthcoming, 2017).
73. “Paul, the Greek Old Testament and the Promotion of the Flavian Order in *1 Clement*.” In *The Early Reception of the Paul the Second Temple Jew*, edited by Isaac W. Oliver, Gabriele Boccaccini and Eric Noffke (New York/ London: Bloomsbury, forthcoming, 2017).
72. “Paul’s Alternative Mediterranean.” In *Mediterranean Studies in Antiquity: Setting the Agenda*, edited by Rubina Raja (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming, 2017)
71. “Early Christian Martyrology, Imperial Thirdspace and Mimicry: Taking the Spatial Turn to the Arena.” In *Space Time of the Imperial, Spatio Temporality/Raumzeitlichkeit 1*, edited by Susanne Rau, Holt Meyer and Katharina Waldner (Berlin: De Gruyter Oldenbourg, 2016), 354-84.
70. “Seeing the Blood of God: The Triumphant Charade of Ignatius of Antioch the God-Bearer.” In *Seeing the God: Image, Space, Performance and Vision in the Religion of the Roman Empire*, Politics, Culture and Religion in the Greco-Roman World, edited by Marlis Arnold, Harry O. Maier and Jörg Rüpke (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, forthcoming, 2017).
69. “Paul, Imperial Situation, and Visualization in the Epistle to the Colossians.” In *The Art of Visual Exegesis: Rhetoric, Texts, Images*, Emory Studies in Early Christianity 16, edited by Vernon K. Robbins, Roy R. Jeal and Walter S. Melion (Atlanta: SBL Press, forthcoming 2016).
68. “1/2 Clement,” *Oxford Bibliographies On-line* (Oxford University Press, 2016).
67. “The Shepherd of Hermas,” *Oxford Bibliographies On-line* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2016).
66. “‘For here we have no lasting city...’: Flavian Iconography, Roman Imperial Sacrificial Iconography, and the Epistle to the Hebrews.” In *Hebrews in Context*, Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity 91, ed. Gabriella Gelardini and Harold W. Attridge (Brill: Leiden, forthcoming 2015), 133-54.
65. “San Pablo, Certeau, tácticas y estrategias,” *Michel de Certeau: Una Herencia. La Torre del Virrey. Revista de Estudios Culturales* 17 (2015): 36-47.
64. “Marcion the Circumcizer,” in Markus Vinzent, ed., *Marcion as Religious Entrepreneur*. *Studia Patristica Supplement* (Leiden: Brill, forthcoming 2017).

63. “*Histoire Croisée*, Entangled Bodies, Boundaries, and Socio-Political Geography in the letter to the Colossians.” In *Borders: Terminologies, Ideologies, and Performance*, WUNT, edited by Annette Weissenrieder (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2016), 77-94.
62. “The Apostolic Fathers,” “Ignatius of Antioch.” In *The T&T Clark Companion to the Atonement*, edited by Adam Johnson. (New York/London: T&T Clark, Bloomsbury, forthcoming 2016).
61. “Space, Body and Church in Ignatius of Antioch: Toward a Spatial Treatment.” In *Studies on the Text of the New Testament and Early Christianity in Honor of Michael W. Holmes. New Testament Tools, Studies, and Documents*, edited by Dan Gurtner, Juan Hernández, and Paul Foster (Leiden: Brill, 2015), 517-36.
60. “Public and Private in Emergent Christian Discourse.” In *Public and Private in Ancient Mediterranean law and Religion*, Religionsgeschichtliche Versuche und Vorarbeiten 65, edited by Jörg Rüpke and Clifford Ando (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2015), 143-64.
59. “Images, Rites, Text and the Apostle Paul.” In *Questions d’interpretation: images, rites, textes / The Problem of Interpretation: Images, Rites, Texts*, edited by Philippe Hoffmann, Jürg Rüpke, and Carlo Altini (Publisher TBA, forthcoming, 2017).
58. “Colossians, Ephesians, and Empire.” In *An Introduction to the New Testament and Empire*, Resources for Biblical Study, edited by Adam Winn (Atlanta: SBL Press, 2016), 185-202.
57. “Territorializing Space and Imagination: Uses of Roman Imperial Urban Ideals and Iconography in Imagining Right and False Teaching in Emergent Christian Discourse.” In *Constructions of Space VI: Body and Experience in "This World" and "Other Worlds" in Ancient Mediterranean Spatial Imagination*, edited by Gert Pinsloo (London/ New York: Bloombury/T&T Clark, forthcoming 2017).
56. “Come and See: The Promise of Visual Exegesis,” *Colloquium: The Australian and New Zealand Theological Review* 47 (2015): 152-57.
55. “Ignatius of Antioch,” “Bishop,” “Deacon,” “Deaconness,” “Colossians,” “Ephesians,” “1,2 Thessalonians.” In *Dictionary of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*, edited by Jennifer Knust, Eric Oberlin, Michael Satlow, and Lizbeth Fried (New York and London: Routledge, 2015).
54. “Kleidung II,” [The Social Meaning of Clothing in Greek, Roman, Jewish and Christian Antiquity] *Das Reallexikon für Antike und Christentum* 21(2004): cols.1-59.
53. Review Essay of *The Rise of Christianity. A Sociologist Reconsiders History* (Rodney Stark) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 49(1998): 328-34.

52. “Vision, Visualisation, and Politics in the Apostle Paul” *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion* 7.1 (2015): 1-21.
51. “Nero.” In *Dictionary of Ancient Mediterranean Religions*, edited by Eric M. Oberlin et al. (New York/London: Routledge, 2016).
50. “The Household Rule in the New Testament and Early Christianity.” In *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, edited by Dale C. Allison, Jr., Volker Leppin (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2016).
49. “The Use of the New Testament in Ignatius of Antioch.” In *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, edited by Dale C. Allison, Jr., Volker Leppin (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2016).
48. “The Use of the New Testament in the Shepherd of Hermas.” In *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception*, edited by Dale C. Allison, Jr., Volker Leppin, et al. (Berlin: De Gruyter, 2016).
47. “Betwixt and Between: A Canadian Reading of Robert Jewett’s Commentary on Romans.” In *From Rome to Beijing: Symposia on Robert Jewett’s Commentary on Romans*, edited by K.K. Yeo, and Robert Jewett (Lincoln, NE: Prairie Muse, 2013), 243-54.
46. “Soja’s Thirdspace, Foucault’s Heterotopia and de Certeau’s Practice: Space-time and Social Geography in Emergent Christianity” *Historical Social Research* 38.3(2013): 76-92.
45. “Paul, Ignatius and Thirdspace: A Socio-geographic Exploration,” in Todd Still and David E. White, eds., *The Apostolic Fathers and Paul*. Pauline and Patristics Scholars in Debate 2 (London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2016), 162-80.
44. “From Material Place to Imagined Space: Emergent Christian Community as Thirdspace in the *Shepherd of Hermas*.” In *Christian Communities in the Second Century: Between Ideal and Reality*, edited by Mark Grundken and Joseph Verheyden (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2015), 66-89.
43. Hebrews as Thirdspace.” In *Jesus - Gestalt und Gestaltungen. Rezeptionen des Galiaers in Wissenschaft, Kirche und Gesellschaft*, FS Gerd Theissen, edited by David Horrell (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2013), 285-98.
42. “The Shepherd of Hermas.” In *The Oxford Encyclopaedia of Books of the Bible*, edited by Michael D. Coogan (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012).

41. "Family in the Bible." In *The Oxford Encyclopaedia of the Bible and Ethics*, edited by Robert Brawley (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015).
40. "Tailoring the Christian Self in Clement of Alexandria." In *Individual and Self in the Second Century*, edited by Jörg Rüpke and Greg Woolf (Tübingen: Mohr/Siebeck, 2013), 66-89.
39. "1, 2 Clement." In *The New Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible*, Vol. 1, edited by Catherine Doob Sakenfield (Nashville: Abingdon, 2006).
38. "Nero in Jewish and Christian Tradition." In *Blackwell Companion to the Neronian Age*, edited by Martin Dinter and Emma Buckley (Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell, 2013), 385-404.
37. "Clement of Rome, 1,2 Clement." In *The Encyclopedia of Ancient History*, edited by Roger Bagnall, Kai Brodersen, Craig Champion, Andrew Erskine, Sabine Huebner (Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell, 2012).
36. "Bishop." In *The Encyclopedia of Ancient History*, edited by Roger Bagnall, Kai Brodersen, Craig Champion, Andrew Erskine, Sabine Huebner (Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell, 2012).
35. "Green Millennialism: American Evangelicalism, Environmentalism, and the Book of Revelation." In *The Bible and Ecotheology*, edited by David Horrell, Cheryl Hunt, Christopher Southgate (London/ New York: T&T Clark/ Continuum, 2010).
34. "Reading Colossians in the Ruins: Roman Iconography, Moral Transformation, and the Construction of Christian Identity in the Lycus Valley." In *Colossae in Space and Time: Linking to an Ancient City*, NOTA 94, edited by Alan Callahan and Michael Trainor (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2012), 212-31.
33. "Roman Imperial Iconography and the Construction of Early Christian Identity" *Consensus* 34(2008): forthcoming.
32. "A Response to Stephen Moore, Laura Donaldson, and Jace Weaver." In *The Calling of the Nations: Exegesis, Ethnography, and Empire in a Biblical-Historic Present*, edited by Mark Vessey, Harry O. Maier, Sharon V. Betcher, Robert Daum (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2011).
31. "On Making the Familiar Strange: An Orientation to Biblical Study in Vancouver," *Teaching Theology and Religion* 10,2(2007): 80-86



30. "Suspect Millennium: Remembering Apocalypse," *Reflections Yale Divinity School*, 92,1 (2005): 55-59.
29. "Picturing Paul Against Empire: The Gospel of Apostle to the Gentiles in Imperial Perspective," *Consensus* 31,1(2006): 109-34.
28. "Coming Out of Babylon: A First-World Reading of Revelation amongst Immigrants," in David Rhoads, ed., From Every Tribe and Nation: Reading Revelation in Context (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2005), 82-109.
27. "The President's Revelation: The Apocalypse, American Providence, and the War on Terrorism" *Word and World*, 25,3 (2005): 294-307.
26. "The Politics of Discord and Concord in Paul and Ignatius of Antioch." In *The New Testament and the Apostolic Fathers*, edited by Andrew Gregory and Christopher Tuckett (Oxford: Clarendon, 2005): 307-24.
25. "Domestic Christianities: The Disciplining of Diversity in the Ancient Church." In *A People's History of Christianity*, vol. 2 of *A People's History of Christianity*, edited by Virginia Burrus and Douglas Janz (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2005): 213-33.
24. "Jesus and Empire." In *Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature*, edited by Jeffrey Kaplan and Bron Taylor (New York: Continuum, 2005).
23. "Dominion from Sea to Sea: Eusebius, Constantine, and the Exegesis of Empire." In *Title in the Text, Biblical Hermeneutics and Colonial and Post-Colonial Pre-Occupations*, edited by Sharon V. Betcher, Robert Daum, Mark Vessey, Harry O. Maier (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2008).
22. "Barbarians, Scythians and Imperial Iconography in the Epistle to the Colossians." In *Picturing the New Testament* WUNT 2.193, edited by Annette Weissenrieder, Friederike Wendt, Petra von Gemünden (Tübingen: Mohr, 2005): 385-406.
21. "A Sly Civility: Colossians and Empire," *JSNT* 27(2005): 323-49.
20. "The Politics of the Silent Bishop: Silence and Persuasion in Ignatius of Antioch," *The Journal of Theological Studies* 55(2004): 503-19.
19. "Kleidung II," *Das Reallexikon für Antike und Christentum* 21(2004):1-59.
18. "The War of the Lamb," *Christian Reflection: A Series in Faith and Ethics* Fall 24 (2004): 30-45.

17. "This is the Feast of Victory" *Worship + Matters*, ed. Andre Lavergne (Winnipeg: ELCiC, 2002 www.worship.ca)
16. "There's a New World Coming! Reading the Apocalypse in the Shadow of the Rockies." In *New Testament*, vol. 5 of *Earth Bible: Readings from the Perspective of Earth*, edited by Vicky Balabanski and Norman C. Habel (Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 2002): 156-84.
15. "The Apocalypse, *The X Files*, and the Secular Imagination," *Consensus* 29(2000): 29-46.
14. "The End of the City and the City Without End: Augustine's *City of God* as Revelation," *Augustinian Studies* 30,2 (1999): 153-64.
13. "Staging the Gaze: Early Christian Apocalypses and Narrative Self-Representation," *Harvard Theological Review* 90,2 (1997): 131-54
12. "Ignatius Ephesians 19.1-3." In *Prayer from Augustus to Constantine*, edited by Mark Kiley (London: Routledge, 1997), 267-72.
11. "1 Clement and the Rhetoric of *Hybris*," *Studia Patristica* 31 (1997): 136-42.
10. "Manichee!": Leo the Great and the Orthodox Panopticon," *The Journal of Early Christian Studies* 4,3 (1996): 441-60.
9. "Clement of Alexandria and the Care of the Self," *The Journal of the American Academy of Religion* 62,3(1995):719-45.
8. "Religious Dissent, Heresy and Households in Late Antiquity," *Vigiliae Christianae* 49,5 (1995): 49-63.
7. "The Topography of Heresy and Dissent in Late-Fourth-Century Rome," *Historia* 44,2 (1995): 232-49.
6. "Private Space as the Social Context of Arianism in Ambrose's Milan," *The Journal of Theological Studies* 45 (1994): 72-93.
5. "Purity and Danger in Polycarp's Epistle to the Philippians: The Sin of Valens in Social Perspective," *The Journal of Early Christian Studies* 1 (1994): 1-35
4. "The Uses of Nicaea: Horizons of Interpretation in Fifth Century Christological Disputes," *Consensus* 16(1990):9-25.
3. "The Charismatic Authority of Ignatius of Antioch," *Theology Digest* 37 (1990): 235-40.

2. "The Charismatic Authority of Ignatius of Antioch," *Studies in Religion/Sciences Religieuses* 18 (1989):185-99.
1. "1 Clement 40-44: Apostolic Succession or Legitimation?" *Studia Patristica* 21 (1989): 137-41.

**REVIEWS:**

*The Origin of Heresy: A History of Discourse in Second Temple Judaism and Early Christianity.* (Robert Royalty) forthcoming in *Church History*

*Stone and Dung, Oil and Spit: Jewish Daily Life in the Time of Jesus* (Jodi Magness) forthcoming in *Near Eastern Archaeology*

*Meals in the Early Christian World: Social Formation, Experimentation and Conflict at the Table* (edited by Dennis E. Smith and Hal Tausig) forthcoming in *Anglican Theological Review*

*Priscillian of Avila: The Complete Works* (Marco Conti) forthcoming in *The Classical Review*

*Ignatius of Antioch: A Martyr Bishop and the Origin of the Episcopacy* (Allen Brent) forthcoming in *The Catholic Historical Review*

*The Revelation of John: A Narrative Commentary* (James L. Resseguie) forthcoming in *Toronto Journal of Theology*

*God and Power: Counter-Apocalyptic Journeys* (Catherine Keller) forthcoming in *Ecotheology*

*From Paul to Valentinus: Christians at Rome in the First Two Centuries* (Peter Lampe) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 56,2(2005):655-57.

*The Apostolic Tradition.* Hermeneia (Paul F. Bradshaw, Maxwell E. Johnson, and L. Edeward Phillips) forthcoming in *Religious Studies Review*

"Concord and Peace": *A Rhetorical Analysis of the First Letter of Clement with an Emphasis on the Language of Unity and Sedition* (Odd Magne Bakke) *Review of Biblical Literature* [www.bookreviews.org](http://www.bookreviews.org) and in Marvin A. Sweeney, *Review of Biblical Literature 2003* Society of Biblical Literature 5(2003):504-9.

*Words, Imagery, & the Mystery of Christ: A Reconstruction of Cyril of Alexandria's*

*Christology* (Steven A. McKinion) *The Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 54,1(2003):112-13.

*Proclus Bishop of Constantinople: Homilies on the Life of Christ* (Jan Harm Barkhuizen) forthcoming in *The Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 54,1(2003):111-12.

*Introducing the New Testament* (John Drane) *Anglican Theological Review* 85,1(2003):193-94.

*The Message and the Kingdom: How Jesus and Paul Ignited a Revolution and Transformed the Ancient World* (Richard A. Horsley and Neil Asher Silberman) *Anglican Theological Review* 84,3(2002):774-75.

*Polycarp and John: The Harris Fragments and Their Challenge to the Literary Tradition* (Frederick W. Weidman) *Journal of Religion* 81,3(2001):453-54.

*The Shepherd of Hermas Hermeneia* (Carolyn Osiek) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 52,1(2001):342-46.

*Das Martyrium Polykarp* Kommentar zu den apostolischen Vätern 6 (Gerd Buschmann) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 52,1(2001): 516.

*Der erste Clemensbrief* Kommentar zu den apostolischen Vätern 2 (Horacio E. Lona) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 52,1(2001):339-42.

*Der Barnabasbrief* Kommentar zu den apostolischen Vätern 8 (Ferdinand R. Prostmeier) forthcoming in *The Journal of Theological Studies*

*The Ladies and the Cities: Transformation and Apocalyptic Identity in Joseph and Aseneth, 4 Ezra, the Apocalypse and The Shepherd of Hermas* (Edith McEwan Humphrey) *Studies in Religion/Sciences Religieuses* 27,1(1998):159-60.

*Montanism: Gender, Authority and the New Prophecy* (Christine Trevett) forthcoming in *The Toronto Journal of Theology*

*Archetypal Heresy: Arianism Through the Ages* (Maurice Wiles) *Church History: Studies in Christianity and Culture* 67,3(1998):629-30.

*Church, Book and Bishop. Conflict and Authority in Early Latin Christianity* (Peter Ivan Kaufmann) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 49(1998):348-52.

*The Rise of Christianity. A Sociologist Reconsiders History* (Rodney Stark) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 49(1998): 328-34.

*Sage, Saint, and Sophist: Holy Men and Their Associates in the Early Roman Empire* (Graham Anderson) *The Toronto Journal of Theology* 13/2(1997):263-65

*After the Apostles: Christianity in the Second Century* (Walter H. Wagner) *The Toronto Journal of Theology* 13(1997):123-24.

*Who Are the People of God? Early Christian Models of Community* (Howard Clark Kee) *The Journal of Early Christian Studies* 4(1996):555-58.

*Die Polykarpbriefe, Kommentar zu den Apostolischen Vätern, 5* (Johannes Bapt. Bauer) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 47(1996):642-45.

*Martyrium Polycarpi — Eine formkritische Studie. Ein Beitrag zur Frage nach der Entstehung der Gattung Märtyrerakte*, Beihefte zur Zeitschrift für die neutestamentliche Wissenschaft, 70 (Gerd Buschmann) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 46,2(1995).

*La christologie chez Clément de Rome et dans le Pasteur d'Herma* Paradosis, 33 (Philippe Henne) *The Journal of Theological Studies* 45,2(1995).

*Die Clemensbriefe, Handbuch zum Neuen Testament, 17* (A. Lindemann) in *The Journal of Theological Studies* 44(1993):338-41.

*Pastoral Life and Practice in the Early Church* (Carl A. Volz) *Religious Studies and Theology* 11(1991):102-105.

*From Jewish Prophet to Christian God. The Origins and Development of New Testament Christology.* (Maurice Casey) *Consensus* 19(1993):143-45.

*Christianity: A Cultural Perspective* (James B. Wiggins and Robert S. Ellwood) in *Consensus* 15(1990):131-32.

*The Science of Theology, The History of Christian Theology, Vol. I* (Gillian R. Evans, Alistair McGrath, Allan D. Galloway) *Religious Studies and Theology* 10(1990):98-101.

*The Study and Use of the Bible* (John Rogerson, Christopher Rowland, Barnabas Linders) in *Religious Studies and Theology* 10(1990):98-101.

## CONFERENCE COMMUNICATIONS/ INVITED LECTURES

“Paul, the Greek Old Testament and the Promotion of the Flavian Order in *1 Clement*,” The Early Reception of the Paul the Second Temple Jew, Nangeroni Seminar, Rome, 27 June 2016.

“Four Gospels, Many Resurrections,” St. Paul Lutheran Church, Bellingham, WA, 8 October 2016.

“Paul and Universalism, Continued,” Christ Church Cathedral Men’s Breakfast, 18 September 2016.

“Paul and Universalism,” Christ Cathedral Men’s Breakfast, 15 May 2016.

“Reading the New Testament Like Your Life Depended On It,” Hilhurst United Church, Calgary, AB, 15 February 2016.

Book Panel Respondent of Harry O. Maier, *Picturing Paul in Empire: Imperial Image, Text and Persuasion in Colossians, Ephesians and the Pastoral Epistles*, Socio-Rhetorical Criticism and Contested Paulines sections, SBL, 19 November 2015.

Paul and Empire and Lenten lectionary study for ELCA cluster of pastors, Faith Lutheran Church, Bellingham, 4 February, 2015.

“Space and Early Christian Identity,” ELCiC Study Group, Canmore, AB 18-22 September 2015.

“Seeing the Blood of God: The Triumphant Charade of Ignatius of Antioch the God-Bearer,” Seeing the God: Image, Space, Performance and Vision in the Religion of the Roman Empire, Bonn 27 May 2015.

Book Panel Respondent of Ulrich Huttner’s book, *Early Christianity in the Lycus Valley* (Leiden: Brill, 2013), SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations in Urban Christianity, 18 November 2014.

“Space, Imagination and Early Christianity,” Fondazione San Carlo, Modena, 24-30 May 2014.

“Colossians and Lived Religion,” Max Weber Centre for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies, Erfurt, Germany, June 20, 2014.

“Imagined and Real Space in Paul,” International SBL, Vienna, Austria 5 July 2014.

“Secret Spaces and Hidden Pratices: The Social Construction of Heresy in Early Christianity,” Fondazione San Carlo, Modena, 30 May 2014.

“Paul and Space” Chicago Divinity School, 15 April, 2014.

“Paul and Jesus” Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver BC 5 November 2013.

“Violence, Memory, and Family Trauma”: A Dialogue with Rabbi Jonathan Infeld, Beth Israel Synagogue at the Jewish Community Centre, Vancouver, BC, 4 November, 2013,

“Individualisation and Visualization in Emergent Christianity,” Individualisierung Kolleg

Forscher Gruppe Tagung, 15 July 2013.

“Image, Imagination, and Emergent Christianity” Interpretazione seminar, Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Modena, 26 June 2013.

“Ephesians as Thirdspace” SBL, Baltimore 20 November 2013.

Respondent to Social Rhetorical Session, SBL, Baltimore 20 November 2013.

“Roman Iconography, Imperial Situation and Paul,” invited speaker, Sawyer Seminar, Emory University, 16-18 September 2013.

“Faith and Empire,” invited speaker, Waterloo Lutheran Seminar, 11 September 2013.

“Paul and Empire,” Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver, BC, 27 May 2013.

“Ekphrasis, Imagination and Paul” CSBS, University of Victoria 30 May 2012.

“Nero in Christian Reception” invited speaker, University of Regensburg, 15 April 2012.

Respondent to David Horrell, SNTS Leuven, 4 August 2012.

“Clement of Alexandria, Clothing Ideals, and the Christian Self in Second Century Alexandria,” invited for Max Weber Kolleg, University of Erfurt seminar on Religious Individualization in Historical Perspective, 19-21 June 2010.

“Clothing and the Self in Second Century Christianity” Canadian Society of Patristic Studies, Montreal, May 2010.

“Pictures of Harmony: Iconography, Imperial Concord, Imperial Wives, and Ecclesial Harmony in the Pastoral Epistles” Society of Biblical Literature, New Orleans, November, 2009.

“Reading with Pictures” Senior New Testament Seminar, Oxford University, May 23, 2009.

“Iconography, Exegesis and Empire in the New Testament” Classics, Near Eastern, Religious Studies, UBC, March 12, 2009.

Response to *How Jesus Became a Christian* (Toronto: Random House, 2008), United Church of Canada Women’s Study Group, December 12, 2008.

“Jesus, Paul, and Empire,” Point Grey United Church, January 24, 2009.

“Jesus and Paul Location: Putting Empire in its Place” Public Lecture, Vancouver School of Theology, January 27, 2009.

“For here we have no lasting City”: Roman Imperial Iconography, Sacrificial Iconography, and

the Epistle to the Hebrews” Society of Biblical Literature, Boston, November, 2008

“Marcion is Dead; Long Live Marcion!” Society of Biblical Literature, Boston, November, 2008.

““He has broken down the dividing wall of hostility”: Ephesians and Empire in the Light of Roman Iconography” Canadian Society of Biblical Literature, May, 2008

“Conversations with Apocalypse”, 3 week mini-course, St Andrews Wesley United Church, Vancouver, BC, January-February 2008

““Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Hearts’: Roman Imperial Military Iconography, Moral Transformation, and the Construction of Christian Identity in Colossians” Society of Biblical Literature, San Diego, November, 2007

“Christian Responses to Empire in the New Testament: Resistance, Transformation, Paradox” United Church of Canada Burrard New Westminster Presbytery, North Vancouver, July 1, 2007

“George W. Bush’s War on Terror, American Foreign Policy, and the Book of Revelation” Society of Biblical Literature, Washington, DC, November, 2006

“Roman Imperial Art and the Social Construction of Early Christianity” Society of Biblical Literature, Washington, DC, November, 2006

“Images of Victory in Roman Imperial and Early Christian Art” Canadian Society of Patristic Studies, York University, May 29, 2006.

“Reading Like a Laodicean: John’s Apocalypse in Empire Then and Now” Sheldon Jackson College, Sitka, Alaska, April 21, 2006.

“Paul, Economics, and Justice” ELCiC Pastors Study Conference, Banff, Alberta, February, 2006.

“Millennium, Apocalypse, America” Native Ministries Consortium, Fairbanks, Alaska, December 8, 2005.

“Iconography and the Theology of Victory in Roman Imperial and Early Christian Art” AAR/SBL Philadelphia, November, 2005.

“Preaching Revelatoin” Vancouver School of Theology, October 17, 2005.

“Paul and Politics” 1 Day Conference Southern Interior Conference of the BC Synod, ELCiC October, 2005.

“Selling the War on Terror: George W. Bush, Civil Millennialism and the Book of Revelation” October 1, 2005, Thompson River University College, Kamloops, BC



“Paul and Iconography” The Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, London, Ontario, May 30, 2005.

“Paul and Empire” 3-Day ELCiC Study Conference, Victoria, BC, February, 2005.

“Colossians and Aphrodisias,” Sozietät des Neuen Testaments, Heidelberg, 2004.

“Family Quarrels: The Politics of Discord and the Representation of Household Division in Greco-Roman Literature and the Pastoral Epistles,” SBL Seminar in Early Christian Families, SBL/AAR San Antonio, Texas, 2004.

“The Politics of Discord and Concord in Paul and Ignatius of Antioch,” Oxford Conference on the New Testament and the Apostolic Fathers, Oxford, England, April 5-8, 2004.

“The Apocalypse, New Religious Movements, and Millennialism,” St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, November 18, 2003.

“St. Paul the Subversive Roman Citizen: Reading Paul Against the Backdrop of Roman Imperial Globalization and Military Domination,” Coady International Institute, St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, November 13, 2003.

“Reading Revelation Again as if for the First Time: The Challenge of the Apocalypse to Contemporary Identity,” St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, October 15, 2003.

“Theories of the Origins of Apocalyptic,” St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, September 30, 2003.

“Leaving Left Behind Behind: The Meaning of the Book of Revelation in Contemporary Society,” Highlands United Church, June 11, 2003.

“The Politics of the Silent Bishop: Silence and Persuasion in Ignatius of Antioch” Canadian Society of Patristic Studies, Halifax, Nova Scotia, May 28, 2003.

Seminar Discussion of *Apocalypse Recalled: The Book of Revelation After Christendom*, Canadian Society of Patristic Studies, Halifax, Nova Scotia, May 27, 2003.

“Sex and Antiquity,” Respondent for Ancient Construction of Sex in Antiquity Seminar, American Academy of Religion, Toronto, Ontario, November 19, 2002.

“Retrieving Revelation: The Apocalypse, Popular Culture, and the Call to Discipleship” Simon Fraser University, October 16, 2002.

“Making Noise after Christendom: The Secular State, Christianity and Resisting the Privatisation of Religion,” Keynote Speaker for Church Depot II: Christian Formation – Blueprint for Faith,

Diocese of New Westminster and BC Synod, ELCiC, Vancouver, BC, October 5, 2002.

“What a Revelation! The Apocalypse’s Call to World-Ending Discipleship” Lecturer for “Cry Out!” ELCiC National Youth Gathering, Vancouver, BC, August 15, 2002.

“The Contribution of Religion to Secular Society,” Philosopher’s Café, Anglican Cathedral, Vancouver, BC, 28 April 2002

“The Secular Deal, the New Deal, and the Book of Revelation in Contemporary Society,” Invited evening lecture, St. Mary’s Kerrisdale Anglican Church, Vancouver, BC, 26 August 2001.

“The Challenge of the Book of Revelation to the Church at the End of Christendom,” Speaker’s Address to annual meeting of the Lutheran Student Centre, Vancouver, BC, 5 June 2001.

“The Book of Revelation and Jesus, the Church and Contemporary Culture,” 3 Keynote addresses, The Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Fellowship of the Cross, Camrose, Alberta 4-5 June 2001.

“Telling Stories: Religious Differentiation in a Pluralistic Culture,” Keynote address, North Shore International Conference on Bowen Family Theory, North Vancouver, BC, 6 April 2001.

“I John: Autobiography and Authorial Construction in the Book of Revelation,” Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, Laval, PQ, 25 May 2001.

“Revelation at the End of Christendom: Practising the End of the World,” 1 week course at Sorrento [Anglican Retreat] Centre, BC, August 3-8, 1998.

“The Economy of Caesar and the Economy of God: Christian Discipleship in a Global Economy,” an evening lecture delivered to the Southern Alberta Stewardship Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, May 7, 1998.

“The Living End: The Book of Revelation as Protest at the End of the Millennium,” 3 lectures delivered to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, British Columbia Synod Pastors’ Conference, Rosemary Heights Retreat Centre, Langley, BC, February 2-4, 1998.

“Practising the End of the World: The Challenge of the Apocalypse,” a one-day work shop on the Apocalypse conducted at Ryerson United Church, Vancouver, BC, January 26, 1998.

“The Remembrance of Places Past: The Contest for Topography and History in Early Christian Conflict,” Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Consultation, American Academy of Religion, San Francisco, November 22-25, 1997.

“The End of the City and the City Without End: The City of God as Revelation,” History, Apocalypse and the Secular Imagination: An Interdisciplinary Symposium on Augustine’s City

of God, 27th Annual Medieval Workshop, University of British Columbia, Green College, 18-20 September, 1997.

“Apocalyptic Panopticism,” by Invitation of the Center for the Study of Culture and Religion, University of California, Berkeley, October, 1996.

“Apocalypse Now: Ancient Apocalyptic and its Audience” Resident Speaker’s Series, Green College, University of British Columbia, November, 1996.

“Staging the Gaze: Narrative Representation in Early Christian Apocalyptic,” North American Patristics Society, Chicago, June, 1996.

“1 Clement and 1 and 2 Corinthians and the Rhetoric of Hybris,” Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, St. Catherines, Ontario, May, 1996.

"The Violent Gaze of John's Apocalyptic Eye," Seminar on the Representation of Violence and the Violence of Representation in Early Christianity, The Canadian Society of Patristic Studies and the Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, Montreal, June, 1995.

"The Topography of Heresy and Dissent in Antiquity," The Canadian Society of Patristic Studies, Calgary, May, 1994.

"The End of the Early Catholicism Thesis," The Canadian Society of Patristic Studies, Calgary, May 1994.

"Manichee!": Leo the Great and the Orthodox Panopticon," The North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 1994.

"Private Space as the Social Context of Arianism in Ambrose's Milan," The North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 1992.

"Private Life and the Care of the Self in Clement of Alexandria," Canadian Society of Patristic Studies, Victoria, June 1990.

"The Sociology of Sectarianism in New Testament Christianity," The Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, Victoria, June 1990.

#### **AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS:**

2015 – co-recipient with Marlis Arnold and Jörg Rüpke, 8000 Euro Fritz Thyssen Foundation Grant in support of “Seeing the God, Being Seen by the God: Space, Performance, and Vision in the Religions of the Roman Empire,” Bonn, 27-29 May 2015.

2013 – 3-month Max Weber Research Grant, University of Erfurt

2012 – Alexander von Humboldt Resumption of Fellowship Award for 3 months (October-December)

2012 – 9-month (January – September) Max Weber Fellowship at The Max Weber Centre for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies, Erfurt University

2009/10 – awarded ATS Collaborative Research Grant with Robert Daum to research “Disturbing Images: Reading Civic Ideals in early Judaism and Ancient Christianity against the Backdrop of Roman Imperial Iconography” (for details see: [www.vst.edu/pdfs/FacultyCVs/ATS%20Project%20Description%20\\_2\\_x.pdf](http://www.vst.edu/pdfs/FacultyCVs/ATS%20Project%20Description%20_2_x.pdf))

2008 – May-July, appointed guest Lecturer and Researcher, University of Essex, “The Apocalypse, American Fundamentalism, and Ecotheology”

2007 – May-August, Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship, to be taken up at the Institut für Christentum und Antike, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

2004 -- Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship, taken up at the wissenschaftlich-theologisches Seminar, University of Heidelberg

2003 -- Father Edo Gatto Chair in Christian Studies, Saint Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia

1999-2000 --- Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship, taken up at the wissenschaftlich-theologisches Seminar, University of Heidelberg

1997-2000 --- member of the Editorial Advisory Board of *Studies in Religion/Sciences Religieuses*

1995 -- present --- elected Faculty Member of Green College, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C. for a two-year term (40 faculty elected as fellows per year, on the basis of interdisciplinary publication and excellence of scholarship)

1995 – 97 --- elected President of the Canadian Society of Patristic Studies for a two year term.

1993 --- winner of competition to provide Prayers of the Church for lectionary year C in 1994-95 (one of four invited by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada to submit prayers for adjudication).

1991-93 --- Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada to research the social setting of heresy from the New Testament period to late antiquity.

1989 — winner of the first Religious Studies doctoral dissertation competition sponsored by the Canadian Corporation for the Study of Religion, a prize being awarded once every two years. The prize included publication of my dissertation by Wilfred Laurier University Press.

1984-87 —Commonwealth Scholarship, Oxford University, awarded on the basis of academic excellence and promise and which included full tuition, living and travel expenses, etc.

1983,87 — various academic awards from the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon

1981 —Magna Cum Laude from Pacific Lutheran University and awarded entry to Arete, an academic fraternity, on the basis of academic achievement.

1979,80 — winner of prizes for poetry at the Seattle Bumbershoot Festival and the Tacoma Arts Guild.

### **CONFERENCES ORGANIZED AND FORTHCOMING**

“Faces of the Apocalypse,” co-organized with Rabbi Dr. Laura Duhan Kaplan, Vancouver School of Theology, 23-25 May 2017.

“Locating Martyrs and Space/Time,” co-organized with Prof. Dr. Katharina Waldner, Erfurter Raumzeit-Gruppe, University of Erfurt, 3-5 February 1017.

“Religious Constructions of the Other,” co-organized with Rabbi Dr. Laura Duhan Kaplan, Vancouver School of Theology 10-12 May 2016.

“Seeing the God, Being Seen by the God: Space, Performance, and Vision in the Religions of the Roman Empire,” co-organized with Marlis Arnold and Jörg Rüpke, Bonn, 27-29 May 2015.

Organizer and Co-Chair of The Greater Vancouver Biblical Colloquium, 2008- present.

“The Title in the Text: Biblical Hermeneutics and Colonial and Post-Colonial Preoccupations” co-hosted with Sharon Betcher, Robert Daum, and Mark Vessey, Green College, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC Sept-May 2002/03.

“Consultation on the Teaching and Interpretation of the Bible in the United Church of Canada” sponsored by the Wabash Foundation, co-hosted with Jim Lindenberger, Richard Ascough, and Leif Vaage, Vancouver, BC 18-22 April 2002.

### **EDITORIAL POSITIONS:**

2016—present --- assistant editor, *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*

2015—present --- editorial board, *Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity*

2001—present --- international editorial advisor to *The Journal of Ecclesiastical History*

1997—2000 --- member of editorial advisory board *Studies in Religion/ Sciences Religieuses*

## **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

Society of Biblical Literature  
 Canadian Society of Biblical Studies  
 Canadian Society of Patristic Studies  
 North American Patristics Society  
 Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas

## **COURSES TAUGHT:**

The Historical Jesus in Scholarship, Film, and Literature  
 Synoptic Gospels  
 Paul  
 The Gospel of John  
 New Testament Christologies  
 De/Colonizing Christ: Jesus Against the Backdrop of the Roman Empire  
 Revelation in Exegesis and the History of Interpretation  
 “Christianity” and “Judaism” in the First Five Centuries of the Common Era  
 Second Century Christianities  
 Body, Sex, and Society in the New Testament and Early Christianity  
 Wisdom Theology (Team Taught)  
 Preaching Apocalyptic (Team Taught)  
 From Text to Interpretation: Methods in Biblical Interpretation  
 Research Methods (Team Taught)  
 Emergent Judaism and Christianity against the Backdrop of the Roman Empire (team taught with Robert Daum)