

Curriculum Vitae
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PERSONAL DATA

Denomination: Mennonite
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EDUCATION

PhD University of Southern California (Religion & Social Ethics)
MA in Theology Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA
BA, *cum laude* Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA (American Studies, Political Science emphasis); Phi Beta Kappa, Uhlman Scholar

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2006–present Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics, Fuller Theological Seminary
2003–2006 Adjunct Professor, Fuller Theological Seminary
1999–2005 Teaching Assistant, University of Southern California, School of Religion: Rachel Adler, “The World of the Hebrew Bible”; William May and Al Rudisill, “Religion and Moral Issues”
1996–1998 Research Assistant, University of Southern California, Center for Religion & Civic Culture
1991-1996 Fuller Theological Seminary, full-time staff member in several offices including Admissions and Student Services.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Embodiment (diversity, medical ethics, mental illness, and sex/uality)
Narrative theory and virtue ethics
Sociology of religion
Juvenile delinquency and justice
Creation care

COURSES TAUGHT

Christian Ethics
Discipleship in Secular Society
The Ethics of Life and Death (medical ethics)
The Ethics of Diversity in Unity
Sexuality and Ethics
The Practices of Christian Community

TEACHING AWARDS

- 2010 All Seminary Council Faculty Award
2002 Award for Excellence in Teaching, The Center for Excellence in Teaching,
University of Southern California
2002 General Education Teaching Assistant Award, University of Southern California

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

- 2018-present. Board member and acting board chair, Ekklesia Project
2016-present Consulting editor, *The Conrad Grebel Review*
1996-present Member of American Academy of Religion
2005-present Member of Society of Christian Ethics
2007-present Regularly review conference papers for publication in *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics*

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2018 Visiting Research Fellow, Biola University Center for Christian Thought, Spring
2017-18 Co-director Association of Theological Schools Innovation Grant (\$45,660.00).
The overall goal of this grant was to equip seminary faculty within the Integrative Studies curriculum and broadly with the content and tools needed to promote embedded and embodied pedagogy for their students. Included designing and running three workshops for faculty, writing an article on pedagogy, and developing teaching resources (e.g., a series of short film clips interviewing faculty & students) on embodied cognition, embedded learning, and teaching specific Christian practices.
2015 Scholar in Residence, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, Fall

PUBLICATIONS

Books

The Transformative Power of Faith: A narrative approach to conversion. Lexington Books, 2012.

Edited volumes

Shalom, Health, and Healing: Frontiers and Challenges in Christian Health Care Missions. Edited with Bryant Myers and Isaac Voss. William Carey Publishing, 2015.

Refereed journal articles

“Human Flourishing and Chronic Suffering in the Body of Christ: the Aching Beauty of Vulnerable Communion.” *Conrad Grebel Review*, forthcoming.

“The Downside of Getting it Up: How Viagra Reveals the Persistence of Patriarchy and the Need for Sexual Character.” *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* 32 (2012): 57-74.

Book chapters

“Never merely victims,” in *Liberating the Politics of Jesus*. Edited by Darryl Stephens; T & T Clark, 2020.

“Reading Tragedy Through the Christian Story: A Mennonite Perspective,” in *Religion and Ethics in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit*. Edited by Ronald M. Green and George A. Little; Oxford University Press, 2019.

“‘Sex is about God’: Sarah Coakley and the Transformation of Desire,” in *Love Human and Divine: Contemporary Essays in Systematic and Philosophical Theology*. Edited by James Arcadi, Jordan

Wessling, and Oliver Crisp; T & T Clark, 2019.

“A Letter from the Arch-Demon of Racialization to her Angels in the Churches of the United States: How Whiteness Secures our Success in Overcoming the Enemy,” in *Can “White” People be Saved? Triangulating Race, Theology, and Mission*. Edited by Love L. Sechrest, Johnny Ramirez-Johnson, and Amos Yong; IVP Academic, 2018.

“Chastity’s Helping Hand? How Masturbation Can Serve Virtue,” in *Venus and Virtue*. Edited by Jerry Leroy Walls, Jeremy Neill and David Baggett; Cascade, 2017.

“‘Jesus Wept’: Why Healing and Hope Require Practices of Lament,” in *Shalom, Health, and Healing: Frontiers and Challenges in Christian Health Care Missions*. Edited by Bryant Myers, Erin Dufault-Hunter and Isaac Voss; William Carey Publishing, 2015.

“Anabaptism,” in *It All Fits Together – Forming Christian Habits in Post-Christendom*; Herald Press, 2011.

Articles in reference works

“Mark 1:14-20, Third Sunday after the Epiphany,” in *Connections 2: A Lectionary Commentary for Preaching and Worship: Connecting the Reading to the World, Year B*. Joel B. Green, Thomas Long, Luke Powery, Cynthia Rigby, Carolyn Sharp, general editors. WJK Press, 2019.

“Mark 1:21-28, Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany,” in *Connections 2: A Lectionary Commentary for Preaching and Worship: Connecting the Reading to the World, Year B*. Joel B. Green, Thomas Long, Luke Powery, Cynthia Rigby, Carolyn Sharp, general editors. WJK Press, 2019.

“Mark 1:29-39, Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany,” in *Connections 2: A Lectionary Commentary for Preaching and Worship: Connecting the Reading to the World, Year B*. Joel B. Green, Thomas Long, Luke Powery, Cynthia Rigby, Carolyn Sharp, general editors. WJK Press, 2019.

“Individualism,” in *The Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*. General editor Joel B. Green, Baker Academic, 2011.

“Orphan,” in *The Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*. General editor Joel B. Green, Baker Academic, 2011.

“Pornography,” in *The Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*. General editor Joel B. Green, Baker Academic, 2011.

“Sex and Sexuality,” in *The Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*. General editor Joel B. Green, Baker Academic, 2011.

“Sexual Ethics,” in *The Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*. General editor Joel B. Green, Baker Academic, 2011.

“Sociology of Religion,” in *The Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*. General editor Joel B. Green, Baker Academic, 2011.

“Spousal Abuse,” in *The Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*. General editor Joel B. Green, Baker Academic, 2011.

“Secularism,” with Ralph Watkins, in *The Global Dictionary of Theology*. Edited by William

Dyrness, Veli-Matti Karkkainen and Juan Francisco Martinez. IVP Academic; 2008.

“Sociology of Religion,” in *The Global Dictionary of Theology*. Edited by William Dyrness, Veli-Matti Karkkainen and Juan Francisco Martinez. IVP Academic; 2008.

Book reviews

Review of *Pilgrimage as Moral and Aesthetic Formation in Augustine’s Thought* by Sarah Stewart-Kroeker. (New York: Oxford University Press, 2017). *Journal of the Society of Christian Ethics* (Spring/Summer 2019).

Review of *Jean Bethke Elshtain: Politics, Ethics, and Society* edited by Debra Erickson and Michael Le Chevallier (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2018), [Modern Theology \(October, 2018\)](#).

Review of *Love Your Enemies: Discipleship, Pacifism, and Just War Theory* by Lisa Sowle Cahill. The Center for Christian Ethics at Baylor University, *Christian Reflection* 12 (2004).

Web-based and other publications (selected)

“Ready, Aim, Fire: Shaming via Technology,” Center for Christian Thought, September 9, 2016 (<http://cct.biola.edu/blog/ready-aim-fire-shaming-technology/>)

“Confessions of a Reluctant Evangelical (or why I often want to be cool more than I want to be Christian).” *Fuller Magazine* (Winter 2015); (<http://www.fullermag.com/confessions-reluctant-evangelical>).

“Shame, Scars, and Resurrection Hope,” Ekklesia Project Blogos lectionary reflection, April 26, 2014 (<http://www.ekklesiaproject.org/blog/2014/04/shame-scars-and-resurrection-hope/>).

“Why grace doesn’t fit on a bumper sticker,” Ekklesia Project Blogos lectionary reflection, February 15, 2014 (<http://www.ekklesiaproject.org/blog/2014/02/why-grace-doesnt-fit-on-a-bumpersticker/>).

“Why I need the terrible justice of God,” Ekklesia Project Blogos lectionary reflection, October 25, 2013 (<http://www.ekklesiaproject.org/blog/2013/10/why-i-need-the-terrible-judgment-of-god/>).

“The Danger of Charity.” *Caring*, publication of the Salvation Army 19 (2013).

“Interfaith Dialogue and the Narrative of Kenosis: A Response.” *Evangelical Interfaith Dialogue*, Issue 1 (Winter 2010).

“Anabaptist and Evangelical?” *Missio Dei*, a publication of the Mennonite Mission Network, Volume 19 (2010).

“Purple People: Unity of the Body in the Divisive Age of Red and Blue,” *Theology News and Notes*, Spring 2008 (<https://fullerstudio.fuller.edu/purple-people-unity-divisive-age-red-blue/>).

Manuscripts in process

Sex, Shame, and Salvation: How the Erotic Matters for our Life with God. Baker Academic; anticipated completion Fall 2020.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY/PARTICIPATION

Panels and Seminars Organized

2015 “Sharing Communion but Not Convictions: Making Peace over the Same-Sex Marriage Divide in Local Churches,” Summer Institute for Reconciliation seminar, Duke Divinity School, June 1-6.

2008 “Human Embryonic Stem Cells and Christian Faith: A Roundtable Discussion,” Fuller Theological Seminary and the DePree Leadership Center, organizer and presenter, December.

Papers Presented

“Being right can be wrong: Why Christian ethics is more about enacting the beautiful than taking a stand,” Last Lecture Series, Fuller Theological Seminary, April 24, 2019. [Available online at FULLER Studio.](#)

“A Victim but Never Just a Victim: Sexual Oppression and the Power of the Cross,” Liberating the Politics of Jesus Conference, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, March 14-17, 2019.

“Human Flourishing and Chronic Illness in the Body of Christ: Testifying to the Beauty of Vulnerable Communion,” Center for Christian Thought Roundtable, March 2018.

“Dropping the H Bomb: Humility and Humiliation in a Technological Age,” The Table Conference, Biola University Center for Christian Thought, September 17, 2016.

“Just Married! So Now What? Same Sex Unions and the Future of Christian Witness,” Society of Christian Ethics National Meeting, January, 2015.

“Being present with those who have no future: How faith can open a sacred space for shared lament,” The Gravens Conference on the Physical & Developmental Environment of the High Risk Infant keynote address, March, 2015.

“Learning to Receive the Other: Practicing the Politics of Diversity-in-Unity,” Christians on Diversity in the Academy keynote address, March, 2015.

“Consumption vs. Care: Rediscovering our Calling as the Imago Dei amidst Ecological and Agricultural Crisis,” Santa Barbara Missions Conference, January, 2014.

“LUGS (‘Lesbian Until Graduation’) and Other Apparent Anomalies: How Female Fluidity Challenges Both Traditional and Progressive Frameworks of Christian Sexual Ethics,” Religion and Sexuality Section of the American Academy of Religion, Baltimore, November 22, 2013.

“The implications of PTSD in returning soldiers for congregational ministry,” War and Peace interest group, national meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics, January, 2013.

“Welcoming secularization as an opportunity to be a contrast society through worship,” Church Life in an Urban, Secular, and Multi-religious Context Conference, sponsored by the Protestant Theological University of the Netherlands, Hong Kong, Fall, 2012.

“‘Porn Again’: What Pornography can Teach Christians about Good Sex,” national meeting of the American Academy of Religion, November, 2011.

“The Downside of Getting it Up: How Viagra Reveals the Persistence of Patriarchy and the Need for Sexual Character,” national meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics, January, 2011.

“Parenting as Hopeful Vulnerability: Welcoming Children in an Age of Reproductive Technology,” Pacific Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Ethics, February 2008.

“The Habitual Center: William James’ Antidote to Simplistic Visions of Conversion,” Western Regional of the American Academy of Religion, Person, Culture and Religion Section, March 2007.

“Do Converts to Deeply Religious, Alternative Communities Promote or Destroy Social Capital?” AAR National Meeting, Ethics Section, November 2001.

“Narrative Psychology Meets Ethics: Toward a Practice of Transformation,” AAR National Meeting, Religion and Social Sciences Section, November, 2001.

“The Ethics of Reconstruction: The Role of Religion in Overcoming our Crisis of Disruption,” AAR National Meeting, Religion and Social Sciences Section, November, 2000.

“Storytelling, Parenthood, and the Face of the Other: A Woman’s Way to Juvenile Justice Reform,” *Thinking Gender* Conference, University of California at Los Angeles, February 1998.

Invited talks (selected)

Panelist, “Love: Divine and Human,” American Academy of Religion and Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 2020.

Panelist, “Beyond Capitalism: Radical traditions for a new economy,” American Academy of Religion and Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November 2020.

Respondent to Eleonore Stump on “Perseverance: Eucharist and Suffering,” Suffering & the Good Life: Center for Christian Thought Academic Conference at Biola University, April 20, 2018.

“Taking Tamar: How Two Tales of Desperate Sex Reveal our Need for Redeeming Shame,” public lecture, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, Fall 2015.

“Re-storying the Lives of Patients and Those who Care for Them: A Reflection on Mark 5,” annual Westcoast Healthcare Missions Conference plenary speaker, October, 2013.

“‘Jesus Wept’: Why Christian Care Necessitates Embrace of Tragedy,” Christian Healthcare and Missions Conference at Fuller Theological Seminary plenary speaker, Fall 2012.

“Why Christian Hope Necessitates an Embrace of the Tragic,” West Coast Healthcare Missions & Ministry Conference 2011.

“The Best—and Worst—of Evangelical Christian Moral Sensibilities in Bioethics,” Wilshire Boulevard Temple’s Interfaith Center for Religious Inquiry, Series on Life in the Balance, March 2007.

Guest lecturer in “Religion and Moral Issues,” University of Southern California, 2006-

2008.

Campus talks (selected)

Respondent to the Rt. Rev. Rowan Williams, “Theology and Human Rights: Tension or Convergence?” Payton Lectures, April 2018 [<https://youtu.be/E4mlcEUCPsc>; response minute 1:23]

Respondent to “Decentering ‘Whiteness,’” in “Missiology Lectures 2018: Race, Theology, and Mission,” <https://youtu.be/XCVzMN1z2io>

“ ‘Sex is about God’: Sarah Coakley and the Transformation of Desire,” paper presented to the Analytic Theology seminar, Fuller Theological Seminary, April 2017.

Dialogue on Race, published February 2017 (<https://youtu.be/qW58zE2hNII>)

“Witnessing to God's Good Future: Why Christians Tend and Attend to Creatures and Creation,” N. T. Wright Conference seminar, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2014.

Respondent, “The Ethics of Humanitarian Intervention...or Not,” by Jean Bethke Elshtain, Winter 2013.

“Death By Sex: How Heteroerotic Love Can Shape us Toward Christ-likeness,” theological colloquium at Fuller Theological Seminary, Winter 2012.

Respondent, Symposium on the Integration of Faith and Psychology, “Psychology Of, With, and For the Poor,” Fuller Theological Seminary, February 17, 2010.

Respondent to Mark Regnerus “Forbidden Fruit,” lecture sponsored by Fuller’s School of Psychology and Center for Youth and Family Ministry, Spring 2008.

Opening address, Anabaptist Association of Missiologists, Fuller Theological Seminary, Fall 2008.

“What is a faithful, biblically-informed response to human embryonic stem cell research?” Consultation at Fuller Theological Seminary, April 2007.