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Academic Positions

Associate Professor of Theology, Saint Paul School of Theology, Kansas City, Missouri. 1998-present.
Assistant Professor of Theology, Saint Paul School of Theology, Kansas City, Missouri. 1992-1998.
Adjunct Instructor of Systematic Theology, Candler School of Theology, Emory University. 1991-1992.
Director of Women's Studies and Adjunct Instructor of Systematic Theology, Candler School of Theology. 1990-1991.
Adjunct Instructor, Candler School of Theology's Institute for Women in Ministry. Summer 1990.
Research and Teaching Assistant to Dr. Otto Hermann Pesch, Woodruff Visiting Scholar from the University of Hamburg, Germany. Spring 1989.
Adjunct Instructor, Candler School of Theology. "Feminist Theologies," team taught with Dr. Elisabeth Moltmann-Wendel, Visiting Scholar from Tübingen, Germany. Spring 1986.
Research Assistant to Dr. Walter Lowe, Professor of Systematic Theology, Emory University. 1984-1985.
Teaching Assistant to Dr. Eugene Bianchi, Department of Religion, Emory College. "Modern Christianity." 1984.
Colloquy Leader, Candler School of Theology. "Systematic Theology," 1983. "History of Christian Thought," 1982-1983.

Education

Ph.D., 1992. Theological Studies, Graduate Division of Religion, Emory University
Dissertation: "Luther, Eve, and Theological Anthropology: Re-assessing the Reformer's Response to the 'Frauenfrage' [Woman Question]." Director: Walter Lowe, Graduate Division of Religion, Emory. Committee: Rebecca Chopp, Manfred Hoffmann, and Don Saliers of Emory. Otto Hermann Pesch of the University of Hamburg, Germany.
Doctoral Exams: Martin Luther, Karl Barth, and Paul Tillich. Scriptural Hermeneutics in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Theological Anthropology. Christian Theological Ethics. Historiography and Hermeneutics.
S.T.M., 1985. Yale University. Thesis: "Sophia, Christology, and Inclusive Language." Adviser: Margaret Farley Reader: Letty Russell
M.Div., 1981. Yale University
B.A., 1976. St. Olaf College. Magna cum laude.

Awards and Scholarships

Semifinalist with Bishop Fritz Mutti in the 2006 Faith as a Way of Life Theological Education Awards Program of the Yale Center for Faith and Culture, Yale Divinity School for the course "Ecumenical Theology and the Unity of the Church."
Christian Faith and Life Sabbatical Grant, 2004-2005. The Louisville Institute. "Being Human—Equality and Mutuality Between Male and Female: Reading the Story of Adam and Eve with Luther."
Honorary Canon of the Titular Cathedral of Saint Nicholas in Apulia. Proclaimed on December 13, 2001 for "generously and heroically aiding the reconciliation of the Schism of the Reformation" by the Bishop of the Titular Diocese of Castro in Apulia, Italy, Richard Sklba,.

General Grant Award, The Louisville Institute, 2000-2002 "Hope Deferred: Theological Reflections on Reproductive Loss." With Mary T. Stimming, Nadine Pence Frantz, Serene Jones, Linda Mercadante.

Planning Grant Award, The Louisville Institute, 1998. "Hope Deferred: Theological Reflections on Reproductive Loss." With Mary T. Stimming, Nadine Pence Frantz, Serene Jones, and Linda Mercadante.

1996-1998. Selected for the Consultation on Teaching Theology, sponsored by the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Ph.D. Fellowships. Graduate Division of Religion, Emory University. 1982-1984.

Scholarship Grants. Division of Theological Education, American Lutheran Church. 1983-1985.

Woman Theologian of the Year Scholarship. American Lutheran Church Women. 1982-1983.

Day Fellowship. Yale Divinity School. 1982.

Scholarship Grants. Yale Divinity School. 1979-1981.

Publications

"God's Heart Revealed in Eden: Luther on the Character of God and the Vocation of Humanity." Chapter in Transformative Lutheran Theologies: Feminist, Womanist, and Mujerista Perspectives. Mary J. Streufert, Editor. Fortress Press, 2010.

"Relationship Between Episkope and Apostolic Succession: Continuity In, Through, and Across Time." Call To Unity, Issue 7 (December 2006): 40-44.

"Comfort." Chapter in Hope Deferred: Heart-Healing Meditations on Reproductive Loss. Mary Stimming and Dena Pence Frantz, editors. Forward by Miroslav Volf. Pilgrim Press, 2005.

"A Critique of Adamic Language." Interrogative Dialogue for "Sin and Evil" Chapter in Constructive Theology: A Contemporary Approach to Classical Themes, A Project of the Workgroup on Constructive Theology, edited by Serene Jones and Paul Lakeland. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2005. Pages 122-124.

"Confession of Sin." Interrogative Dialogue for "Sin and Evil" Chapter in Constructive Theology: A Contemporary Approach to Classical Themes, A Project of the Workgroup on Constructive Theology, edited by Serene Jones and Paul Lakeland. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2005. Page 136.

"Equality in Eden?: Gender Dynamics and Luther's Lectures on the Creation of Adam and Eve." Seminary Ridge Review 6/2 (Spring 2004):5-18.

"The Significance of Luther's Ideas for the Churches of the 21st Century: A Feminist Perspective." Lutherjahrbuch: Organ der internationalen Lutherforschung 71 (2004): 65-71.

"Do Jews, Christians, and Muslims Worship the Same God?" A Response. Questions of Faith Column in the Kansas City Star, Faith and Values Section, p. 1,3. . August 29, 2003.

Review of The Creation of Man and Woman: Interpretations of the Biblical Narratives in Jewish and Christian traditions, ed. Gerard P. Luttikhuisen. Review of Biblical Literature. <http://www.bookreviews.org>. 2002 (November 4, 2002 as date of posting).

"The Sweat of the Brow is of Many Kinds': Luther on the Duties of Adam and His Sons." Luther Digest. 10 (2002): 30-32.

Eve and Adam: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Readings on Genesis and Gender Co-edited with Linda S. Schearing (Gonzaga University) and Valarie H. Ziegler (DePauw University). Bloomington, Indiana: Indiana University Press, 1999.

"The Sweat of the Brow is of Many Kinds': Luther on the Duties of Adam and His Sons" in Currents in Theology and Mission 24 (February, 1997): 44-49.

"Anthropology, Theological" for Dictionary of Feminist Theologies, ed. Letty M. Russell and J. Shannon Clarkson (Louisville, Kentucky: Westminster John Knox Press, 1996), 10-12.

"Honoring God's Handiwork': Challenges of Luther's Doctrine of Creation" in A Reforming Church: Gift and Task, Essays from a Free Conference, ed. Charles P. Lutz (Minneapolis: Kirk House Publishers, 1995), 173-186.

"Commentary on Paragraphs 10-13 [Actions of Both Churches]" in A Commentary on "Concordat of Agreement", [a proposed bilateral agreement of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and

the Episcopal Church (USA)], ed. James E. Griffiss and Daniel F. Martensen (Minneapolis: Augsburg, 1994; Cincinnati: Forward Movement, 1994), 100-107.
Review of Assertive Biblical Women by William Phipps (Contributions in Women's Studies, no. 128, Greenwood Press, 1992) in Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology 48 (July, 1994): 305-306.

Collaborative Publications and Other Media

Transformative Lutheran Theologies: Feminist, Womanist, and Mujerista Perspectives. I am one of six ELCA theologians interviewed for this video. I also was involved in reviewing the video as it was in production. It is available at <http://www/elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Justice/Justice-for-Women/Resources/video.aspx>.

The Apostolicity of the Church: Study Document of the Lutheran-Roman Catholic Commission on Unity. The Lutheran World Federation and the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity. Minneapolis: Lutheran University Press, 2006.

The Church as Koinonia of Salvation: Its Structures and Ministries. Lutherans and Catholics in Dialogue X; edited by Randall Lee and Jeffrey Gros, FSC. Washington DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2005.

"Sin and Evil" Chapter in Constructive Theology: A Contemporary Approach to Classical Themes, A Project of the Workgroup on Constructive Theology, edited by Serene Jones and Paul Lakeland. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2005.

Lectures and Presentations for Conferences and Academic Audiences

"Speaking About Eden: A Contextual Analysis." Presentation in Dr. Valarie Ziegler's course on Genesis and Gender at DePauw University. April 29, 2011.

"Transformative Lutheran Theologies: Feminist, Womanist, and Mujerista Perspectives." A book discussion with Religion and Women Studies majors and faculty at St. Olaf College. An event for the theme "Liberal Learning and Religion," sponsored for the Centennial Year of the St. Olaf Religion Department. March 14, 2011.

"Transforming the Reformer: Lutheran Sisterhood and Brother Martin." A panel discussion at St. Olaf College with three of my co-authors: Deanna A. Thompson of Hamline University, Marit Trelstad of Pacific Lutheran University, and Cynthia Moe-Lobeda of Seattle University; Lori Pearson of Carleton College, respondent. March 14, 2011.

"Lutheran Theology and New Perspectives on Paul." 2009 Convocation of Teaching Theologians (ELCA and ELCIC). "The New Perspectives on Paul." St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN. August 12-14, 2009.

"Inter-Religious Theology: An Approach Through Scripture." The 2007 Luce Hall Conversations: The Future of Theological Inquiry in the Academy, Church, and Media. Center of Theological Inquiry. Princeton, New Jersey. April 20, 2007.

"From Generation to Generation: A Conversation about Ministry and the Changes in Our World." 2007 Convocation of Yale Divinity School. October 11, 2006.

"Relationship between Episkope and Apostolicity: Continuity In, Through, and Across Time." Churches Uniting in Christ's 2006 Consultation on Episkope. St. Louis, Missouri. October 3, 2006.

"Wisdom Resources for Christology." Women Clergy Peer Group. Prairie Baptist Church, Prairie Village, Kansas. May 17, 2006.

"Faithful and Relevant: Christian God-Talk." Retreat for ELCA Women in Ministry. Nprth/West Michigan Synod of the ELCA. Leaven Center Lodge, Lyons, Michigan. May 4-5, 2006.

"Challenges and Wisdom for Christian Faith and Life." Presenter in the Opening Panel, Christian Faith and Life Consultation of the Louisville Institute. Feb 9, 2006. Indianapolis.

"Tradition, Shapes of Living, and Luther's Eve." Essay for the Christian Faith and Life Consultation, Feb 9-10, 2006. Indianapolis.

"Scripture, Myth, and History." Great Lakes Theological Academy. Traverse City, Michigan. July 25-29, 2005.

- "Church Life in the United States." Presentation to the Lutheran-Roman Catholic Commission on Unity in Baltimore, Maryland. July, 2004.
- "Women in Islam: A Christian Theologian's Perspective." Women in Islam: A Panel Discussion sponsored by the International Relations Council in Collaboration with Johnson County Community College. With Dr. Fatma Hassan Al-Sayegh. April 20, 2004.
- "Equality in Eden?: Gender Dynamics and Luther's Lectures on the Creation of Adam and Eve." The Carl C. Rasmussen Lecture at the 2003 Luther Colloquium. Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg. October 29, 2003.
- "Ordinary Time Outside of Eden," an intensive theology seminar at St. Olaf's Theology, Worship, and the Arts Conference. St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota. July 14-18, 2003.
- "Exploring Evil in God's Good Creation." Keynote for The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia's Spring Convocation. Two lectures: The Temptation and Fall of Eve and Adam; Christ Made Known in the Garden. April 28-29, 2003.
- "Luther's Teaching on the Temptation of Eve (and Everyone): Resources for Constructing Contemporary Doctrine." Paper delivered at The Future of Lutheran Theology: Charisms and Contexts Conference. Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark. January 17, 2003.
- "The Significance of Luther's Ideas for the Churches of the Twenty-first Century." Plenary Presentation at the International Congress for Luther Research. University of Copenhagen, Denmark. August 7, 2002.
- "Tradition, Normativity, and Ecumenism." Constructive Theology Working Group. Nashville, TN. April 27, 2002.
- "Reception of the 'Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification' in the ELCA." Opening Panel Presentation for Lutheran World Federation's conference on Justification in Today's Contexts. Wartburg Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa. April 14, 2002.
- "Theological Rhythms of Christian Belief." Network for Christian Educators, Heartland Presbytery. Kansas City, MO. April 9, 2002.
- "The Process and Prospects for Bilateral Dialogues in the ELCA." Summit Conference on Ecumenism in the ELCA. Chicago, Illinois. February 8, 2002.
- "A Letter of Comfort: Martin Luther and Reproductive Loss." Fifth Annual Luther Lecture. Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Berkeley, California. October 19, 2001.
- "Luther's Genesis Lectures and Theological Anthropology." Graduate Text Seminar for Doctoral Students at PLTS and GTU. Berkeley, California. October 18, 2001.
- "Prospects for an International Conference of Reformed and Lutheran Teaching Theologians." Consultation of German and USA Professors of Theological Education. Wittenberg, Germany. July 1, 2001.
- "Lutheran Understandings of Authority." Conference of Reformed and Lutheran Teaching Theologians. John Knox Center, Geneva, Switzerland. June 29, 2001.
- "Doctrine and Discipleship: Systematic Theology for the Twenty-First Century." Workshops given at Synod Assembly, Central States Synod of the ELCA. Kansas City, Missouri. June 9, 2001.
- "Ecumenical Perspectives and the Tasks of Constructive Theology." Working paper for Sin and Evil subgroup of the Workgroup on Constructive Christian Theology meeting, 5-12-01.
- "Where Are We Going Ecumenically?" Bishop's Convocation, Central States Synod of the ELCA. Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri. October 25, 2000.
- "Inside and Outside the Garden: Martin Luther and the Reform of Christian Anthropology." 2000 Luther Lecture Series at the Northern Rockies Institute of Theology. Chico Hot Springs, Montana. October 19-20, 2000.
- "Challenges of Ministry and Boundaries." Respondent to Marie Fortune's Ensign Lecture at Yale Divinity School's Fall Convocation. October 13, 2000.
- "Authority and Doctrinal Decisions in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America." Paper for the international Lutheran--Roman Catholic Commission on Unity. Comunita Monastica di Bose, Magnano, Italy. September 9, 2000.
- Respondent to panel review of Eve and Adam at the Pacific Northwest Regional meeting of the American Academy of Religion and Society of Biblical Literature. Gonzaga University, Spokane. April 29, 2000.

- Respondent to Robert Bertram's "Sain Sex: Saving Marriage By Crossing It." Third Annual Conference of S.A.L.T.: Setting an Agenda for Lutheran Theology. Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis. April 23, 1999.
- "Teaching Across Canons: Eve and Adam in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam." 1999 Joint Meeting of Central States Region, Society of Biblical Literature and Midwest Region, American Academy of Religion. Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. March 21, 1999.
- "The Significance of The Promise of Lutheran Ethics for Constructive Lutheran Ethics." Plenary Presentation with Gary Simpson (Luther Seminary) and Brent Sockness (Stanford University) at the 1999 Gathering of Lutheran Ethicists. Mercy Center, Burlingame, California. January 7, 1999.
- "Criticism and Confessionalism: Eve and Adam in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Scriptures." Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Group, Society of Biblical Literature. Orlando, Florida; November 1998.
- "Eve and Adam: An Introductory Course in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Understandings of Genesis and Gender." Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section, American Academy of Religion. Orlando, Florida; November 1998.
- "I Believe in One Apostolic Church." Lecture at Conception Abbey and Seminary, Conception, MO. January 20, 1998 (in Christian Unity Week).
- "Construing Professional Life and Constructing Pedagogy." Panel presentation at the Conference of Lutheran Women in Theological Studies, San Francisco. November 21, 1997.
- "Gender Issues and Pedagogy: Biblical Studies in the Classroom," presenter and panel moderator, Central States SBL/ASOR Meeting. Kansas City, MO. April, 1997.
- "Genesis and Gender: The Promise and Perils of Bridging the AAR/SBL Divide," presenter and panelist, joint regional meeting of the Central States SBL/ASOR and the Midwest AAR. St. Louis, MO. March, 1996.
- "Ecumenism and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America." Paper at the first meeting of the Lutheran/Catholic Commission on Unity. Karis, Finland. September, 1995.
- "Luther and Creation" at "Breaking Open the Jar: Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Ordination of Lutheran Women." Minneapolis. August, 1995.
- "Christ Made Known in Eden: Luther on Fear and Hope." Central States Synod Assembly, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Overland Park, KS. June 10, 1995.
- "Honoring God's Handiwork': Challenges of Luther's Doctrine of Creation." Paper at "A Reforming Church: Gift and Task," a Conference for Pastors and Lay People in the ELCA. Minneapolis. November 18, 1994.
- "The Grimke Sisters on Genesis 1-3." Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion annual meeting. Atlanta, GA. March, 1994.
- "What Makes Ethics Lutheran?" Panel presentation for Consultation of Lutheran Ethicists, sponsored by the Department of Studies of the Division for Church in Society of the ELCA. Chicago. January, 1994.
- "The Sweat of the Face is of Many Kinds': The Duties of Adam and His Sons According to Luther." History of Christianity Section of the American Academy of Religion, 1993 National Meeting. Washington, D.C.
- "The Grimke Sisters on Genesis 1-3: 'The Only Firm Basis of Human Rights.'" Paper for an Experimental Session of the American Academy of Religion, 1992 National Meeting. San Francisco.
- "Where is the Trinity Located on the Earth?" Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C. January, 1992.
- "Sophia, Christology, and Inclusive Language." Feminist Hermeneutics Section of the American Academy of Religion, Southeastern Region. Chattanooga, TN. March, 1986.
- "Christian Feminism as a Reforming Movement." Candler School of Theology for "History of Christian Thought" course. April, 1987; April, 1986; April, 1985.
- "Images of God and Humanity: Reassessing Proverbs 1-9." Lecture, Columbia Theological Seminary for "Imagery in Hebrew Scripture" course taught by Dana Fewell and David Gunn. Decatur, GA. May, 1986.
- "Sexist Language: The Problem, The Solutions." Moderator of University Symposium sponsored by the President's Commission on the Status of Women at Emory, University. April, 1986.

Presentations in Congregations

- "In the Name of God the Father: A Provocative Discussion." Immanuel Lutheran Church, Kansas City, MO. May 16, 2010.
- "The Prophet and the People: Insights into the Gospel of Luke, according to Luke Timothy Johnson." Immanuel Lutheran Church, Kansas City, MO. March 14, 2010.
- "Scripture and the Christian Life: Insights from Dr. Luke Timothy Johnson." Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS. March 7, 2010.
- Church Speak 101. The Presbyterian Church of Stanley, Kansas. Three sessions. Fall, 2006.
- "Where on Earth is the Image of God?: Trinitarian Implications." Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Overland Park, Kansas. June 4, 2006.
- "Where on Earth is the Image of God: Christian Theology and Daily Life." Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Overland Park, Kansas. Feb 26, 2006.
- "Equality in Eden? Christian and Muslim Readings of Scripture." Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village KS. January 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2005.
- "Luther and Women." Immanuel Lutheran Church, Kansas City Mo. April, 2005,
- "Peoples of the Book: Christian and Muslim Theological Relations." Atonement Lutheran Church, Overland Park, Kansas. Feb 8 and 22, 2004.
- "Vocation and Profession." Presentation for Southminster Presbyterian Women. Prairie Village KS.
- "Ecumenism, Reformed Theology, and Geneva." Seekers Class, Southminster Presbyterian Church. Prairie Village, KS. Nov. 4 and 11, 2001.
- "Christians in Global Communities." Seekers Class, Southminster Presbyterian Church. Prairie Village, KS. January 28, 2001.
- "Embodiment in Christian Theology." Adult Education series at Second Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, Missouri. July 23 and 30, 2000.
- "Worship and Doctrine." Seekers Class. Southminster Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS. 5-7-2000.
- "I Believe in God the Father: A Provocative Workshop." Spring Fling of the Heartland Presbyterian Women. Parkville, Missouri. February 26, 2000.
- "Ecumenism and the New Millennium." Atonement Lutheran Church, Overland Park, Kansas. 2-6-2000.
- "Partners in Dialogue: Insights from the Lutheran-Roman Catholic Commission for Unity." Immanuel Lutheran Church, Kansas City, MO. October 31, 1999.
- "Justification and the Lutheran Dialogue with Roman Catholics." Presentation at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Kansas City, MO. 10-25-1998.
- "Reassessing Church Division: Lutheran Relationships with Roman Catholicism." Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Prairie Village, KS. 3-16-1997.
- "Ecumenism and the ELCA." Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Prairie Village, KS. 3-2-1997.
- "Ecumenical Dialogues and Christian Unity." Adult education series at Second Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO. January 19 and 26, 1997.
- "Lifting Old Condemnations." St. James Lutheran Church, Kansas City, MO. 11-10-1996.
- "Church Unity and the ELCA: Ecumenical Decisions Facing Us in 1997." St. James Lutheran Church, Kansas City, MO. 10-13-1996.
- "Ecumenism, Tradition, and Reform" at Kairos, Kansas City, MO. 2-4-1996.
- "Who Is Jesus?" Women's Evening Fellowship, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO. 4-20-1995.
- "Sophia and the Historic Christian Faith." Women's Evening Fellowship, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO. 5-8-1994.
- "Christian Language about God." Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO. 4-14-1994.
- "One Body, Many Members: Controversies in Contemporary Theology." Agnes Tengdin Memorial Lecture Series at St. James Lutheran Church, Kansas City, MO. Four sessions; January, 1994.
- "Creeds, Controversies, and the Christ." Two session series at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Kansas City, MO. October-November, 1993.
- "Male and Female God Created Them." Four session series for The Forum at The Village Church (PCUSA), Prairie Village, KS. October, 1993.
- "Creeds, Controversies, and the Christ." Three session study for adults at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City during September, 1993.

“Sex, Lies, and Advertising.” Women’s Evening Fellowship, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO. September, 1993.
“Male and Female God Created Them.” Four session series at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, Kansas City, MO. October, 1992.

Related Professional Activities and Experience: On-going

Justice for Women Consulting Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Chair, 2006—present.
Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies. Member. 1992-present.
Workgroup on Constructive Christian Theology. Member. 1999--present.

Related Professional Activities and Experience: Previous

Chapel Speaker, “Seeing and Living: The Vision of Hagar” at the St. Olaf Chapel in Honor of Women’s History Month. March 14, 2011.
Christian Systematic Theology Section of the American Academy of Religion, Steering Committee member, 2004—2007..
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America’s Church Council. Advisor. 2006—2010.
Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies. Planning Committee: 2001—2004.
Presider, “God’s African Households,” session of the Christian Systematic Theology Section of the American Academy of Religion. November 19, 2006.
Preacher for Lutheran-Roman Catholic Worship of the Lutheran/Roman Catholic Commission on Unity, Bari, Italy. September, 2005.
Member, Lutheran/Roman Catholic Commission on Unity. Appointed by the Lutheran World Federation, Geneva, Switzerland. 1994-2005.
Member, Lutheran--Roman Catholic Dialogue, USA. Appointed by the Presiding Bishop of the ELCA. 2001-2004.
Member, Theological Education Coordinating Committee of the ELCA. Appointed by the Division for Ministry of the ELCA, 1995-2004.
Chair, Advisory Board for the Department for Ecumenical Affairs of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Appointed by the Church Council of the ELCA. January 2000--2003. Member: 1996-2003..
Chair, USA National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation. January 2000-2003. Member:1996-2003.
Elected Delegate, Lutheran World Federation Ninth Assembly. Winnipeg. July, 2003. Declined.
Invited Participant and Chair of a Plenary Session. “Lutheran Consultation on the Episcopal Ministry.” Sponsored by Lutheran World Federation. Sliema, Malta. November 16-21, 2002.
Search Committee for the Director and Assistant to the Bishop of the Department for Ecumenical Affairs of the ELCA. June and July, 2002.
Consultant for Youth Grant Project for Saint Paul School of Theology. 2001-2002.
Discussion Convener; “Ecumenism and Constructive Christian Theology.” Constructive Theology Work Group. April 27, 2002.
Seminar Leader on the Doctrine of God. Justification in Today’s Contexts Conference. Wartburg Theological Seminary. Dubuque, Iowa. April 14-18, 2002.,
Participant, American Theological School Workshop on Diversity. Pittsburgh, PA. March 1-3, 2002.
Invited Participant, Convocation of Bishops and Teaching Theologians of the ELCA. McDonalds Training Center, Oak Brook, IL. January 4-7, 2002.
Invited Participant., Consultation on “Lutheran Identity” sponsored by Lutheran World Federation’s Department for Studies at Lutheran Southern Theological Seminary, Columbia SC. December 2-4, 2001.
Co-chair, with Bishop Christopher Epting, a joint meeting of the ECUSA’s Standing Committee on Ecumenical Relations with the ELCA’s Ecumenical Affairs Advisory Board. Chicago, IL. October 25, 2001.

Invited Participant, Installation of Mark Hansen as ELCA Presiding Bishop. Rockefeller Chapel, University of Chicago. October 6, 2001.

Invited Guest, ELCA Church Wide Assembly. August 10-12, 2001. Indianapolis, Indiana.

Invited Participant. Conference of Reformed and Lutheran Teaching Theologians. John Knox Center, Geneva, Switzerland. June 21-28, 2001.

Extension Tour to Berlin and Wittenberg, June 28-July 2, 2001.

Liturgical Participant: Intercessor. "Celebration of Full Communion." Cathedral Church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Washington National Cathedral, Washington DC. January 6, 2001.

Preacher, Communita Monastica di Bose, Magnano, Italy. September 7, 2000. Sermon: "Unity and Protection."

Preacher and Liturgist, St. James Lutheran Church. June 4, 2000. Sermon: "Prayer and Protection."

Delegation Member, Bishop H. George Anderson's Ecumenical Journey to Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, and Germany. March 9-30, 2000.

ELCA Representative, Parliament of the World's Religions. Capetown, South Africa. December 1-8, 1999.

Consultant on Ecumenical Proposals at the Churchwide Assembly of the ELCA in Denver, August 17-21, 1999.

Member, Consultation on Teaching Theology, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion. 1996-1998.

Member, Program Committee, 1998 Conference of Lutheran Women in Theological Studies.

Elected Delegate, Lutheran World Federation Ninth Assembly. Hong Kong. July, 1997. Declined.

Appointed Member of the Drafting Team on "Apostolicity" for the Lutheran/Roman Catholic Commission on Unity. 1996-1997.

Convener, Study Group preparing the North American Region's Bible study presentation for the Ninth Assembly of Lutheran World Federation in Hong Kong. Toronto, November 19-21, 1996.

Member, Program Action Team of the Strategic Thinking Group of the ELCA's Department for Theological Education/Division for Ministry, 1995.

Appointed to Emory University's Women's Resource Center Committee. 1991.

Chair, Women's Studies Committee, Candler School of Theology. 1990-1991.

Member, Board of Directors, Center for Creative Community Living, Atlanta, GA. 1988-1990.

Lay Associate, University Lutheran Church, Clemson, SC. 1987.

Elected to the Executive Committee of the President's Commission on the Status of Women at Emory. 1985-1987.

Appointed to the President's Commission on the Status of Women at Emory, 1983-87.

Co-coordinator, Women's Caucus, Yale Divinity School. 1979-1980.

Summer Intern, Division for the Life and Mission of the Congregation, American Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, MN. 1979.

Program Director, Creation Learning Center, an environmental education center for Lutheran primary and secondary schools of Metro New York. Koinonia, Highland Lake, NY. 1977-1980.

Member, Lutheran World Federation Ad Hoc Committee on the Role and Status of the American Woman in Church and Society. 1977-1978.

Member, American Lutheran Church Council. 1975-1978.

Professional Affiliations

American Academy of Religion
 Association of Teaching Theologians—ELCA
 Constructive Christian Theology Work Group
 International Congress for Luther Research
 Lutheran Ethicists
 Lutheran Women in Theological and Religious Studies
 North American Academy of Ecumenists
 Society of Biblical Literature

Professional Meetings and Conferences Attended

The 2007 Luce Hall Conversations: The Future of Theological Inquiry in the Academy, Church, and Media. Center of Theological Inquiry. Princeton, New Jersey. April 18-21, 2007

American Academy of Religion and Society of Biblical Literature, Annual Meeting: Atlanta 2010; Washington DC 2006; Philadelphia 2005; San Antonio 2004; Toronto 2002. Denver 2001. Nashville 2000; Boston 1999; Orlando, 1998; San Francisco 1997; Philadelphia 1995; Chicago 1994; Washington, DC, 1993; San Francisco 1992; Kansas City 1991; Anaheim 1989; Chicago 1988; Boston 1987; Atlanta 1985; Chicago 1984.

Christian Faith and Life Consultation. The Louisville Institute. Feb 8-10, 2006.

"Christian Discipleship and Witness in the Twenty-First Century." Conference of Bishops and Association of Teaching Theologians (ELCA). Jan 7-10, 2005.

Church Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Advisor. April 9-10, 2010; November 13-15, 2009; April 14-16, 2007. November 10-12, 2006.

Church Council of the ELCA's Planning and Evaluation Committee. Member. April 9, 2010; November 13, 2009.

ChurchWide Assembly of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. August 20-23, 2009, Minneapolis.

Churches Uniting in Christ's 2006 Consultation on Episkope. St. Louis, Missouri. October 2-4, 2006.

Consultation on "The Concordat of Agreement" sponsored by the Office of Ecumenical Affairs of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Office of Ecumenical Concerns of the Episcopal Church (USA). June, 1993.

Consultation on Teaching Theology, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Crawfordsville, Indiana. July 25-29, 1998; July 27-31, 1996.

Convocation of Teaching Theologians in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Invited Participant. "The New Perspective on Paul," August 11-14, 2009. "Renewing Biblical Authority: A Challenge for the ELCA," August, 12-14, 1994.

Department for Ecumenical Affairs Advisory Board of the ELCA: Chicago, 10-27-2001; Chicago, 10-28-2000; Chicago, 10-23-99; Chicago, 11-7-98; Chicago, 10-12-97; Toronto, 11-22-96.

The Future of Lutheran Theology: Charisms and Contexts Conference. Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark. January 11-20, 2003.

International Congress for Luther Research: Copenhagen, 2002. Minneapolis, August, 1993.

"Just Love: Feminism, Ethics, and Theology in a Global Context." A Conference and Celebration in Honor of Margaret A. Farley. Yale Divinity School. April 15-16, 2005.

Justice for Women Consulting Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. February 4-5, 2011; September 2010; May 7, 2010; February 19-20, 2010; August 28-29, 2009; March 9-10, 2007. October 29-30, 2006.

Luther and Thomas Aquinas Conference, Hickory, North Carolina. November 6-8, 1999.

Lutheran Ethicists: Burlingame, California, 1999; Chicago, 1994.

Lutheran Identity in Ecumenical Relationships: North American Meeting. December 2-4, 2001. Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Columbia, SC.

Lutheran/Roman Catholic Commission on Unity: Baltimore, Maryland, 2004; Wurzburg, Germany, 2003; Refugium Smidstrup Strand in Gileleje, Denmark, 2001. Comunita Monastica di Bose, Magnano, Italy, 2000; Evangelische Akademie, Tutzing, Germany, 1999. Opole, Poland, 1998. Rottenburg am Necke, Germany, 1996. Karis, Finland, 1995.

Lutheran--Roman Catholic Dialogue (USA): April 21-25, 2004; December 3-7, 2003 at Saint Paul's College, Washington, DC. December 6-9, 2001 in Baltimore (Morning Devotions on St. Ambrose). Saint Paul's College, Washington, DC, March 28-April 1, 2000.

Lutheran Women in Theological Studies, Annual Conference: 2005; 2004; 2002; 2001; 2000; 1999; 1998; 1997; 1995; 1994; 1993; 1991; 1988.

North American Pre-Assembly Consultation. For the Tenth Assembly of Lutheran World Federation: Denver, January 23-25, 2003. For the Ninth Assembly of Lutheran World Federation: Toronto, November 19-20, 1996.

North American Regional Committee of the Lutheran World Federation: Toronto, 11-18-96.

North American Women's Pre-Assembly Consultation. For the Tenth Assembly of Lutheran World Federation: Denver, January 22-23, 2003. For the Ninth Assembly of Lutheran World Federation: Toronto, November 16-17, 1996.

Parliament of the World's Religions: Capetown, South Africa, December 1-8, 1999.
 Regional AAR/SBL Meeting: Joint meeting of the Central States SBL/ASOR and the Midwest AAR, St. Louis, MO. March, 1999; March, 1996. Central States SBL/ASOR Meeting: Kansas City, 2001; 1997. Southeastern Commission for the Study of Religion, Annual Meeting: 1994; 1992; 1990; 1986; 1984.
 St. Olaf Conference on Worship, Theology, and the Arts. July 14-18, 2003.
 Theological Education Coordinating Committee of the ELCA: Oct.4-6 and Feb.8-10, 2003. Feb.10-11, 2002; Oct.7-8 and Feb.11-12, 2001; Sept.17-18 and Feb.13-14, 2000; Sept. 20-21 and Feb. 7, 1999; Sept. 21-22, 1998; Feb. 9-10 and Sept.15-16, 1997; Sept. 30-October 1 and Feb. 14-15, 1996; Nov., 1995.
 Theological Education Strategy Task Force for the Central States Synod of the ELCA: 3-8-99; 10-5-98; 5-28-98; 4-2-98; 3-5-98; 1-22-98; 1-8-97.
 USA National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation: 10-26-2001; 10-27-2000; 10-22-99; 11-6-98; 10-10-97; Toronto, 11-18-96.
 Workgroup on Constructive Christian Theology. April 30-May 2, 2010; April 21-23, 2006. May 2-4, 2003; Planning Committee: February 20-23, 2003; April 26-28, 2002. May 11-13, 2001. May 12-14, 2000. November 22, 1999.
 Yale Divinity School Convocation. October 9-13, 2006.

Courses Taught at Saint Paul School of Theology

Interdisciplinary (IN) and Advanced Praxis Seminars (APS):

Advanced Praxis Seminar: Ecumenical Theology and the Unity of the Church (MIN 421), with Bishop Fritz Mutti: Fall 2010 (with Rockford Johnson as Teaching Fellow at Oklahoma City University); Spring 2008; Fall 2006.
 The Church as Prophetic Community (IN 280), with C. Jarrett Gray, Jr.: Spring 2002; Spring 2001. With Tex Sample: Spring1999; Spring1994.
 The Church as Prophetic and Missional Community (IN 252), with Tex Sample: Spring 1993.
 The Church as Educating and Enabling Community (IN 210), with Sondra Matthaei: Spring 2003. Fall 1998; Spring 1998; Spring 1997; Spring 1996; Spring 1995; Fall 1992.
 Engaging World Religions: People of the Book. (EWR 313): Fall 2010; Fall 2008; Fall 2007.
 Introduction to Systematic Theology (THL 301). With John Starkey of Oklahoma City University. Spring 2011; Spring 2010.
 Introduction to Systematic Theology. Spring 2007; Spring 2006.
 Introduction to Christian Tradition (IN 102) with James Brandt: Fall 2003; Fall 2002; Fall 2000; Fall 1999; Fall 1996.
 Texts, Traditions, and Interpretations (MDiv 150), with James Brandt: Spring 1995.
 Theology and the Church's Ministry THL 512 (TH 510): January 2008; Jan. 2006; Jan. 2004; Jan., 2001; Summer 1994.
 Women, Society, and Church Studies seminar. (MIN 340 and 341): January 2011; January 2011; January 2010; Fall 2008; Spring 2008.

Theology Electives:

Christ and Salvation (TH 410):Spring 2008; Spring 2006; Fall 2001; Fall 1997; Fall 1994; Fall 1993.
 Christian Theological Anthropology (TH 340): Fall 2005; Spring 2004; Fall 2001; Spring 1999; Spring 1994; Fall 1996.
 Christian Scripture and Feminist Hermeneutics (TH 448): Fall 2006; Spring 2002; Spring 1998; Spring 1996; Fall 1993.
 Feminist and Womanist Theologies (TH 345): Fall 1994; Spring 1993.
 Introduction to Systematic Theology (THL 301;TH 305): Spring, 2006;Spring 2004.
 Martin Luther and Theological Anthropology:Summer 2011; Fall 2008; Spring 2007.
 Theological Studies (TH 423): Fall 2003; Fall 1999: The Theology of Elizabeth A. Johnson.
 Theology in Context (TH 311): Christian Doctrine in Women's Contexts: The Theology of Serene Jones. Spring 2011; Fall 2005; Fall 2000.
 Theology in Context (THL 424): The Theology of Elizabeth Johnson. Spring 2010.

Lectures in Courses at Saint Paul School of Theology

- "Feminist Hermeneutics and Christian Scripture." A Lecture in Prof. Israel Kamudzandu's Women in the New Testament course. January, 2010.
- "Church, Scripture, and Authority: Teachings of the Radicals of the Protestant Reformation." Lecture for Introduction to Christian Traditions. April, 2007.
- "Ecclesiology: The Nature and Purpose of the Church." Guest Lecture in Introduction to Ministry (MIN 101). October 6, 1998.
- D.Min.: "Ministry and Theology" for Exploratory Immersion: January 1998; January 1997; January 1996; January 1995; January 1994; January 1993.
- D.Min.: "Researching Doctrines and Issues" for Exploratory Immersion, January 1995.
- D.Min.: "Theological Method" for Exploratory Immersion: January 2001; January 1998, with Young Ho Chun; January, 1997; January, 1996; January 1993, with Larry Wagley.
- D.Min.: "Theological Perspective" for Exploratory Immersion: January, 1994 with Hal Knight.

Additional Teaching at Saint Paul School of Theology

- "D.Min. Praxis Credo Committees: Sally Haynes, 4-3-02, with Jim Brandt. Sharon Howard, 11-5-99, with Harold Washington. Laura Bartels, 2-5-99, with Ed Kail. Jane Smith, with Karen Scheib. Patricia Hunter, with Emilie Townes. Lucinda Holmes, with Sondra Matthaehi.
- D.Min. Field Project Committees: Sally Haynes, 2-14-03, with Jim Brandt. Julie Buzbee, 1-3-01, with C. Jarrett Gray; Laura Bartels, 10-27-00, with Ed Kail; Jane Smith, 2-27-98, with Karen Scheib; Patricia Hunter, with Emilie Townes.
- Independent Studies: "The Doctrine of Sin from the Feminist Perspective" with Kathy Brown, Spring 2011. "The Intersection of Feminist Theology and Historical Christian Thought on Childhood/Children" with Denise Dugan, Spring 2011. "Motherhood and Womanist Theology" with Lia McIntosh, Spring, 2010. "Lutheran Theology" with Donna Ann Vaughn, Spring 2010. "Systematic Theology and Ministry" with E. Rook, Spring, 2007. "The Hermeneutics of Fiorenza and McFague" with M. Mann, Fall, 2001. "Feminist Theology and Theological Doctrines" with K. Riegelman and B. Wittmayer, Fall, 1999. "Contemporary Ecclesiologies" with Cheryl Linn (DMin student), Spring, 1997.
- Directed Reading Courses: "Christian Theological Anthropology" with David Clewell (DMin student), Spring, 1999. "Feminist and Womanist Theologies" with Jane Smith (DMin student), Fall, 1994.
- Faculty Panel for Credo Writing Workshop: 10-03; 10-01; 10-00; 10-99; 10-98; 10-97; 10-96; 10-94; 10-93; 10-92.
- YouTheology session. "Islam and Christianity." April 3, 2004.

Presentations at Saint Paul School of Theology

- "Children of Hagar, Sarah, and Abraham: People of the Book and Their Scriptures." Laity School at Saint Paul School of Theology. February 26, 2011.
- "Women, Society, and Church Studies: The Proposed Specialization." Presentation with Jeanne Hoeft to Women in Ministry. March 13, 2007.
- "Re-forming Christian Anthropology: Reading the Story of Eve and Adam with Luther." Faculty Forum. 5-10-2006.
- "Sin, Silence, and the Doctrine of the Church." Response to James Cone's "Theology's Great Sin: Silence in the Face of White Supremacy." March 6, 2003.
- "Hope Unborn: Miscarriage and the Life of Faith." Faculty Forum Lecture. 5-3-01.
- Respondent to Dr. Geoffrey Wainwright's Lecture: "Schisms, Heresies, and the Gospel: Wesleyan Reflections on Evangelical Truth and Ecclesial Unity." 11-3-99.
- Respondent to Dr. Emilie Townes's lecture: "Girlfriend, You Can't Do That, and Here's Why." 2-25-98.
- Moderator, Panel Discussion responding to lectures by Dr. Kristine A. Culp. 9-14-96.
- Lecture, "Something About Eve." Faculty Forum Lecture. 4-25-96.
- Member, Panel Discussion responding to lectures by Prof. Delores S. Williams. 2-15-95.
- Moderator, Panel Discussion responding to lectures by Prof. Judith Plaskow. 2-14-94.

“Luther’s Legacy on Eve and Eden.” Presentation for the Graduate Gathering, 9-14-93.
“Appropriation and Reciprocity: Welcoming Dialogue, Embracing Difference.” Moderator of discussion sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center. 3-26-93.
Presentation, “All About Eve.” Invited presentation to the Women’s Resource Center. February, 93.
“The Garden of Eden and Gender Equality.” Invited presentation to the Graduate Council. January, 93.

Community Service at Saint Paul School of Theology

Academic and Professional Development Committee: Fall 2008.
Ad Hoc Committee on the KC Nuclear Weapons Plant. Served on the committee and moderated the panel about this plant, nuclear disarmament, and war. November 17, 2010.
Ad Hoc Committee on designing and implementing a specialization in Women, Society, and Church Studies.
Advanced Studies Committee. Chair: 2003-4.
Chapel Participant, Women in Ministry Chapel Service, March 10, 2010.
Chapel Preacher: “Are You My Mother? At the Women’s Remembrance Service, March 10, 2011. “Hope Unborn” At the Celebration of All Saints Day, November 1, 2000.
Cokesbury Bookstore Advisory Committee: Member, 2001-2002; 2000-2001; 1993-96.
Curriculum and Assessment Committee: Chair: 2010-2011; Member: Spring 2010; 1998-99.
Diversity and Equity Committee: 2003-4.
Educational Enrichment Committee: 2006-7.
Faculty Council Steering Committee: Member, 2000--2002; chair for 2002 Spring semester. 1998-99; 1994-95; 1993-94.
Faculty Personnel Committee, Chair: 2005-2006.
Faculty Scribe: 2006-7.
Financial Aid Committee: Chair, 1996-97; 1993-94. Member, 1992-94; Spring 1996-Spring 1998.
Introduction of Lecturers: Joerg Rieger, 2010 Harrington Lecturer. William Placher.
Library Committee: Chair, 1996-97; Spring 1996-Spring 1998.
KCATS Representative: 2010-2011; Spring 1994.
Participant, Celebration of Full Communion between the ELCA and the UMC at St. James Lutheran Church in Kansas City, MO. April, 2010.
Personnel Committee: 2000--2002.1998-99.
Saint Paul School of Theology Board of Trustees, Faculty Representative: 1999-2001.
Search Committees: Christian Ethics: 1998-99. Church and Society: 1998-99. Preaching and Worship: 1994-95. Church History: 1993-94. Interim Academic Dean, 2001-2002. Oubri A. Poppele Chair in Health and Welfare Ministries: 2000-2002; 1993-94. Pastoral Care and Counseling: 2000-2001. Town and Country Ministries: 2000-2002. Worship and Preaching: 2001-2002. Early Christian History: 2002-2003. Health and Welfare Ministries: 2002-2003.
Self Study Subcommittees: Institutional Resources of the 2010-2011 Self Study; Mission and Governance Sub-Committee of the SPST Self-Study: 2000-2001.
Women In Ministry, Faculty Adviser: 2010-2011; Fall 2008, 2006-7
Women’s Resource Center, Faculty Adviser: 1998-99; Spring 1996-Spring 1998, 1994-95, 1993-94.
Worship and Arts Committee: Chair, Spring, 1993. Member, Fall, 1992.
Youth Grant Consultant, 2001-2002.

Community Service Activities

Citizens for Justice in the Middle East. Member, 2004-present.
Crop Walk for Church World Service. Walker, 1992-present.
National Organization for Women. Member, 2000-present.
Planned Parenthood of Kansas and Missouri. Member, 1995-present.
True Blue Women: Member, 2004—present. Health Care Committee of True Blue Women. Member, 2005—2008.

Future Projects, Presentations, and Events

The Psalms, a book co-authored with Don E. Saliers for the *Belief: A Theological Commentary on the Bible* series of Westminster John Knox Press. Forthcoming, 2014.

Re-forming Christian Anthropology: Reading the Story of Eve and Adam with Luther. Major research and writing project concerning resources offered by Luther's so-called "Great Lectures on Genesis" for reshaping theological anthropology in ways that endorses equality and mutuality as what God intends for being human, male and female. Fortress Press has expressed interest.

"Something Old, Something New: Apostolicity Then and Now." Constructive theology essay on ecclesiology, ecumenism, and the ordination of women to sacramental ministries.

Second Edition of *Eve and Adam: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Readings on Genesis and Gender*.

Revision might include a chapter on twenty-first century interpretations, with an emphasis on the story's presentations in popular culture. Baylor Press has expressed interest.

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