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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Birthdate: January 31, 1960

Marital Status: Married to Ricka Long, R.N.

Children: Lindsey (Nov. 29, 1986); Rebecca (July 15, 1989);

Jonathan (May 22, 1991)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015-	Cary M. Maguire University Professor of Ethics, Southern
	Methodist University
2007 -2015	Professor of Systematic Theology, Marquette University
2001-2007	Associate Professor of Systematic Theology, Garrett-Evangelical
1998-2001	Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology, Garrett-Evangelical
1995-1998	Assistant Professor of Theology, St. Joseph's University
1990 -1995	Director of Continuing Education, Duke Divinity School

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	DUKE UNIVERSITY, Graduate Program in Religion, 1991
M.Div.	Duke University Divinity School, summa cum laude, 1987
B.A.	Taylor University, cum laude, 1982

HONORS/FELLOWSHIPS

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Editor, Theopolitical Visions Series (Cascade), Ekklesia Series (Eerdmans)

2006-2008 President, Christian Theological Research Fellowship

2006 – founding member, North Shore Theology Association

Society of Christian Ethics Member

American Academy of Religion Member

Wesleyan Theological Society Member

Congregation Formation Initiative participant, Lilly Grant

Founding Member, Ekklesia Project

GRANTS/AWARDS

Ford Research Award, Southern Methodist University, 2019

Templeton Religious Trust, Center for Christian Thought, Biola University, 2015

"Theological Seminar: Barth, Ethics and Modernity," University of Basel,

Schweizerischer Nationalfonds zur Förderung der Wissenschaftlichen Forschung, April, 2011

Director, "Ekklesia House," Valparaiso Practices Grant, 2006

Director, "Faith and Academy Partnership in Teaching Ethics," Louisville Institute Grant, 2001-2002

ACADEMIC SERVICE (SELECTED)

Chair, Theology Area, (1995-8, Garrett-Evangelical)

Co-director, Center for Ethics and Values, (1995-1998, Garrett-Evangelical)

Director, Forum for Evangelical Theology (2004-2007, Garrett-Evangelical)

Member, Committee on Faculty (elected, Garrett, 2005-2008)

Member, Pére Marquette Lecture Committee (Marquette, 2007-2010)

Chair, Pére Marquette Lecture Committee (Marquette, 2009-2012)

Member, Graduate Admissions and Faculty Committee (Marquette, 2008-2010)

Member, Academic Advisory Committee (elected, Marquette, 2009-2010)

Member, Committee on Faculty Welfare (Marquette 2011-2013)

Member, Library Board (2013-2015)

Chair, Library Board (Marquette University, 2014 -2015)

Editorial Board, Society of Christian Ethics Journal, 2015-2019

Graduate Program Religions in Religious Studies, SMU, steering committee 2016 – Academic Program Review, 2018 –

University Distinguished Professor Review Committee, SMU 2019

PUBLICATIONS

A. Books:

- 1. *Truth Telling in a Post-Truth World* (Foundry Books, 2019)
- 2. Augustinian and Ecclesial Christian Ethics: On Loving Enemies (Fortress, 2018)

- 3. The Perfectly Simple Triune God: Aquinas and His Legacy (Fortress, 2016)
- 4. Saving Karl Barth: Hans Urs von Balthasar's Preoccupation (Fortress, 2014)
- 5. Keeping Faith: An Ecumenical Commentary on the Articles of Religion and Confession of Faith in the Wesleyan Tradition (Cascade Press, 2012)
- 6. *Hebrews: A Theological Commentary on the Bible* (Westminster John Knox Press, 2011)
- 7. Christian Ethics: Very Short Introduction (Oxford University Press, 2010)
- 8. *Speaking of God: Theology, Language and Truth* (William B. Eerdmans, 2009)
- 9. *God's Sovereignty: an evangelical and catholic exploration* ed. with George Kalantzis, (Cascade Press, 2008)
- 10. Theology and Culture (Cascade Press, 2008)
- 11. Calculated Futures: Theology, Ethics and the Politics of Faith with Nancy Fox (Baylor University Press, Oct., 2007)
- 12. John Wesley's Moral Theology: The Quest for God and Goodness (Nashville: Kingswood Press, 2005)
- 13. The Goodness of God: Theology, Church and the Social Order (Grand Rapids: Brazos Press, 2001) in Chinese:《上帝之善》史芾芬·朗著,段素革、李晨旭译。楊克勤、花威主編经典与文明丛书。上海:人民出版社 trans. Duan Shuge. The Classics and Civilization Series (K. K. Yeo and Hua Wei, editors). Shanghai: Renmin, 2017.
- 14. *Divine Economy: Theology and the Market*, in Radical Orthodoxy Series (London, New York: Routledge Press, 2000)
 Spanish translation, 2008 *Nuevo Inicio*Chap. 14 was published in "Logos and Pneuma: The Chinese Journal of Theology," No. 23, Fall, 2005, pp. 65-103.
- 15. Tragedy, Tradition, Transformism: The Ethics of Paul Ramsey (Boulder, Oxford: Westview Press, 1993; Eugene, Oregon: Cascade Press, 2007; London, Routledge, 2018)
- 16. Living the Discipline: United Methodist Theological Reflections on War, Civilization, and Holiness (Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmanns, 1992)

B. Essays in Refereed Journals and Invited Contributions:

- 1. "Humanizing Economics Theologically: *Expositions: Interdisciplinary Studies in the Humanities* vol. 13, No. 1 (2019) 81-92.
- 2. "Thomas Aquinas' Divine Simplicity as Biblical Hermeneutic," *Modern Theology*, vol. 35, no.3, July, 2019, 496-507.
- 3. "Ralph Del Colle 1954-2012" in *Pro Ecclesia*, vol. XXI, Feb., 2013, 249-255.
- 4. "Opposing or Ignoring Metaphysics? Reflections on Kevin Hector's Theology without Metaphysics," in *Journal of Analytical Theology*, Feb., 2013, vol. 1, pp. 95-106.
- 5. "Sources as Canons: The Question of Canonical Coherence," *Modern Theology* Vol. 28, No. 2, April 2012, pp. 229-251.
- 6. "From the Hidden God to the Glory of God: Barth, Balthasar and Nominalism," *Pro Ecclesia*, vol. XX No. 2, Spring, 2011, pp. 167-185
- 7. "Metaphysics and the Principle of Economy" in *Anglican Theological Review*, 92.4, fall, 2010, pp. 669-685.
- 8. "Making Sense of Christian Worship: Language, Truth and Metaphysics," *Liturgy* vol. 25, Issue 2, April 2010, pp. 62-71.
- 9. "Democracy and Mammon in Christian Perspective," *God and Mammon:* Selected Papers from the 2007 Annual Conference of the Villanova University Theology Institute, ed. Darlene Fozard Weaver, Villanova University, 2009.
- 10. "How to Read Charles Taylor," *Pro Ecclesia*, vol xviii, no. 1, Winter 2009, pp. 93-107.
- 11. "Abraham's Threshold: Crossing with Caution," in *Philosophia Christi*, vol. 10, no. 12, 339-345.
- 12. "The Way of Aquinas, *Studies in Christian Ethics*, vol. 19, no. 3, Dec. 2006, pp. 339-357.
- 13. Corporations and the Common Good," *Ave Maria Law Journal*, vol. 4, no. 1, Winter, 2006, pp. 77-103.
- 14. "Judgment: By Whose Authority?" *Ex Auditu: An International Journal for the Theological Interpretation of Scripture* volume 20, 2004, pp. 106-124.
- 15. "What Makes Theology Political?" *Journal of Political Theology*, vol. 5, no. 4, Oct., 2004, pp. 393-409.

- 16. "William Abraham's Canon: A Response" Ex Auditu, vol. 19, 2003, pp. 76-81.
- 17. "Radical Orthodoxy and Methodism," in *Quarterly Review*, Summer 2003, pp. 173-189.
- 18. "Fetishizing Feuerbach's God: Contextual Theology as end of Modernity," *Pro Ecclesia*, vol. XII, no. 4, Fall, 2003, pp. 447-472.
- 19. "Prophets and Profits: Theology and Economics in Conflict" with Nancy Fox, *Review of Social Economy*, 1999
- 20. "Making Theology Moral," Scottish Journal of Theology, fall, 1999, pp. 306-325.
- 21. "Humility: The Violence Vice," *Studies in Christian Ethics*, vol. 12, no. 2, winter, 1999, pp. 31-47.
- 22. "Alasdair MacIntyre and the Economy of Ethics," *The Journal for Peace and Justice Studies*, vol. 9 no. 2, pp. 1-15.
- 23. "Charity and Justice: Christian Economy and the Just Ordering of Commanments" *Communio International Catholic Review* Spring, 1998, pp. 14-28. reprinted in 1999 as "Caridad y justicia: la economia cristiana y el justo orden de los mandamientos, Communio, tercera epoca, ano 20, octubre-diciembre, 1999, 394-407.
- 24. "A Dilemma for Faith Communities?" Symposium on Ronald F. Thiemann, *Religion in Public Life: A Dilemma for Democracy? The Journal of Peace and Justice Studies*, vo. 7, no. 2, 1997, pp. 81-87.
- 25. "Bernard Dempsey's Theological Economics: Usury, Profit and Human Fulfillment," *Theological Studies* 57, 1996, pp. 690-706.
- 26. "A Global Market/A Catholic Church: The New Political (Ir)Realism," *Theology Today*, Oct. 1995, pp. 356-366
- 27. "The Advantages of the Course of Study," *Asbury Theological Journal*, vol. 47, no. 2, Spring, 1992, pp. 5-15.
- 28. "Ramseyian Just War and Yoderian Pacifism: Where is the Disagreement?" *Studies in Christian Ethics*, vol. 4, 1991, pp. 58-72.
- 29. "Interpreting the Bible as a Political Act," co-authored with Stanley Hauerwas, *Religion and Intellectual Life*, Spring/Summer 1989, pp. 134-142.

C. Chapters in Books

- 1. "Christian Ethics and Tradition," in *The T & T Clark Companion to Christian Ethics*, ed. Tobias Winright (New York: Bloomsbury/T & T Clark, forthcoming)
- 2. "Reinhold Niebuhr's Christology," in *The Oxford Handbook of Reinhold Niebuhr*, eds. Robin Lovin and Joshua Maldin (London: Oxford, forthcoming).
- 3. "Barth and von Balthasar: Saving Us from Secular Misery" in *Wiley Blackwell Companion to Karl Barth*, eds., George Hunsinger and Keith Johnson, 2019)
- 4. "Work of Christ," in *T & T Clark Companion to Pneumatology*, eds., Dainel Costelo and Kenneth Loyer (New York: Bloomsbury/T & T Clark, forthcoming).
- 5. "The Wolf of Wall Street and Economic Nihilism," in *Scorsese and Religion*, eds. Christopher Barnett and Clark Elliston. (Leiden: Brill 2019), 269-287.
- 6. "Christian Ethics and Economic Inequality," in *Economic Inequality and Morality*, ed. Richard Madsen (Washington, D.C.: Brookings Institution Press, , 2019), 119-153.
- 7. "Eschatology, Apocalyptic, Ethics and Political Theology," in *All Things New: Eschatology in Majority World Theology*, eds., Gene Green, Steven Pardue, and KK Yeo (Cambridge: Langham Press, 2019), 11-33.
- 8. "Knowing God," in Jordan Hillebert ed., *T&T Clark Companion to Henri de Lubac* (London: Bloomsbury, 2017), 269-289.
- 9. "Way(s) to God: William Desmond's Theological Philosophy," with Joseph K. Gordon in Christopher Ben Simpson and Brendan Thomas Sammon, eds., *William Desmond and Contemporary Theology* (Notre Dame, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2017), 139-165.
- 10. "The Non-Catholicity of a Catholic Spirit," in Daniel Castelo, ed., *Embodying Wesley's Catholic Spirit* (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2017), 51-67.
- 11. "Symphonic Theology and the Cacaphonous World: Barth and Solovyev on Political Theology," with Richard J. Barry IV, in Ashly John Moyse and Scott A. Kirklaned, eds., *Correlating Sobernost: Conversations between Karl Barth and the Russian Orthodox Tradition* (Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2016) 241-273.
- 12. "Foreword," to Scott A. Kirkland, *Into the Far Country: Karl Barth and the Modern Subject* (Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2016), ix-xii.

- 13. "Justice and Diversity: A Homogenous Protestant Project?" in *Justice Through Diversity? A Philosophical and Theological Debate*, ed. Michael J. Sweeney, (Lanham: MD, Rowman & Littlefield, 2016) 373-395.
- 14. "Protestant Social Ethics," in eds., Craig Hovey and Elizabeth Phillips, *The Cambridge Companion to Christian Political Theology*, (Cambridge University Press, 2015) 88-110
- 15. "Wesley's Theopolitical Reading of the Bible," in eds. Matthew Taipe and Daniel McClain, *Reading Scripture as a Political Act*, (Fortress Press, 2015) 241-261.
- 16. "Forgiveness and Reconciliation," in eds Kent Eilers & Kyle Strobel, *Sanctified by Grace: A Theology of the Christian Life* (London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2014) 235-248.
- 17. "Does God Have a Future? Theology and the 'Future' of God" in eds Trevor Cairney and David Starling, *Theology and the Future: Evangelical Assertions and Explorations* (London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2014) 27-44.
- 18. "Radical Orthodoxy" in *The Routledge Companion of Modern Christian Thought* (Routledge, 2013)
- 19. Foreword to Kimlyn Bender's *Karl Barth's Christological Ecclesiology* (Cascade, 2013) 1-4.
- 20. "Yoderian Constantinianism?" in ed. John Roth, *Constantine Revisited: Leithart, Yoder and the Constantinian Debate* (Pickwick, 2013) 100-123.
- 21. "The Work and Witness of Ralph Del Colle: Ecumenical Friendship," in ed. Michel Barnes, A Man of the Church: Honoring the Theology, Life and Witness of Ralph Del Colle (Pickwick, 2012) 65-82.
- 22. "Can Analytic Philosophers Tell Theologians The Truth?" in *Rorty and the Religious*, eds. Jacob Goodson and Bradley Stone (Cascade, 2012) 23-45.
- 23. "What about the Protection of Third-Party Innocents? On Letting Your Neighbors Die," in *A Faith Not Worth Fighting For* ed., Tripp York and Justin Bronson Barringer (Cascade, 2012) 18-31.
- 24. "Cost Benefit Analysis," Debt," Ecclesiology and Ethics," and "Markets," in *Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*, Joel Green, editor (Baker Academic, 2012) 179-180, 209-210, 251-255 and 507-508.
- 25. "Is Anything Worth Dying For? Martyrdom, Exteriority, and Politics After Bare Life," with Geoff Holsclaw, in *Witness of the Body: The Past, Present, and*

- Future of Christian Martyrdom (Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Pub., Co., 2011) 171-190.
- 26. "Why Read Wesley Reading the Fathers?: A Response to Jeffrey Barbeau," in *Evangelicals and the Early Church* (Eugene, Oregon: Cascade Books) 77-85.
- 27. "A Balthasarian Theological Economics: Making Sense of David Schindler's Happy Baker," in *Being Holy in the World: Theology and Culture in the Thought of David Schindler (*Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Pub., Co., 2011, pp. 213-232)
- 28. "Community: To What End?" in *The Great Tradition A Great Labor* eds., Philip Harrold and D. H. Williams (Eugene, Oregon: Cascade Books, 2011) 70-81.
- 29. "Capitalism and Fetishizing the Particular: Is Hauerwas a Nominalist?" in *Unsettling Arguments: A Festschrift on the Occasion of Stanley Hauerwas's 70th Birthday*, eds., Pinches, Johnson and Collier (Eugene, Oregon: Cascade Books, 2010) 42-60.
- 30. "Desire and Theological Politics," in *The Gift of Difference: Radical Orthodoxy, Radical Reformation*, eds., Chris K. Huebner and Tripp York, (CMU Press, Winnipeg, Manitoba, 2010) 130-146.
- 31. "Foreword: Atheism's Resurgence and Christian Responses," in *God is dead and I don't feel so good myself* eds., Andrew David and Christopher J. Keller, (Wipf and Stock, 2009) xiii-xxii.
- 32. "Theological Ethics," with Stanley Hauerwas in *The Oxford Handbook of Methodist Studies*, eds., William J. Abraham and James E. Kirby (Oxford University Press, Dec., 2009) 635-647.
- 33. "Performing the Truth: Wesley in conversation with von Balthasar," in *Via Media: Holiness Unto Truth: Intersections between Wesleyan and Roman Catholic Voices*, ed. L. Bryan Williams, Cambridge Scholars Press. 2009
- 34. "Democracy and Mammon in Christian Perspective: Foundations of a Nonreactive Politics," in *Cynicism and Hope*, ed., Meg Cox, Cascade Books, 2009 (a revised version of the essay in *God and Mammon*)
- 35. "Two Augustinianisms: Augustinian Realism and the Other City," in *Ancient Faith for the Church's Future*, ed. Mark Husbands and Jeffrey P. Greeman (Downers Grove, IL: IVP, 2008)
- 36. "Justification and Atonement," *Cambridge Companion to Evangelical Theology*, ed's. Tim Larsen and Dan Treier, 2006

- 37. "Moral Theology," ed. John Webster, Oxford Handbook of Systematic Theology, 2006
- 38. "God is Not Nice," in Brent Laytham, ed., *God is Not* (Brazos Press, 2004) pp. 39-55.
- 39. "Offering our Gifts: The Politics of Remembrance," with Tripp York, eds. Stanley Hauerwas and Samuel Wells, *Blackwell Companion to Christian Ethics* (Blackwell Pub. 2004) 332-345.
- 40. "Ecclesial Disobedience or Ecclesial Subordination to Liberal Institutions?" in *Staying the Course*, eds., Dunnam, Maloney (Abingdon Press, 2003) 41-56.
- 41. "Catholic Social Teaching and the Global Market," in *Wealth, Poverty and Human Destiny*, eds. Bandow and Schindler (ISI Books, 2003) 77-102.
- 42. "What I learned from James Cone," ed., Linda Thomas, *Living Stones* (Orbis, 2003)
- 43. "The Language of Death: Economics and Theology in Conflict?" in Hauerwas, Stoneking, Meador, Cloutier ed's, *Growing Old in Christ* (Eerdmanns, 2003) 129-151.
- 44. "Radical Orthodoxy" in *A Cambridge Companion to Postmodern Theology*, ed. Kevin Vanhoozer (Cambridge University Press, 2003) 26-145.
- 45. "A Christian Economy," in *Narrative, Virtue and Practices: Christian Ethics after MacIntyre*, (Trinity Press, 1997) 343-360.
- 46. "Leo XIII, the Holy Family and Greed," in *The Holy Family in Art and Devotion*, (St. Joseph's University Press 1997) 94-104.

D. Other Publications

- 1 "My Church Loyalties: Why I Am Not Yet Catholic," *Christian Century*, August, 2014
- 2 "Protestants and the Papacy: In need of a pope?," *Christian Century*, May 17, 2005, pp. 10-11.
- 3 "The Theological Danger of Church Marketing," Discernment: Newsletter of the Center for Applied Christian Ethics, Wheaton, Spring/Summer 2005 volume 10 no. 1/2

- 2. "The Theology of Economics: Adam Smith as 'Church' Father," The Other Journal, issue 5: Capitalism, 2005
- 3. "God Bless America?," Liturgy, (guest editor) November, 2004, pp. 1-3.
- 4. "The Facts about Values," in Roundtable Papers 1997-1998, *The Faith-Justice Institute*, Saint Joseph University, pp. 1-8.
- 5. "Called to Take Up Arms? The Service of the Other," *Word and World: Theology for Christian Ministry* (Fall 1995) pp. 483-5.
- 6. "Prophetic Preaching," in *Concise Encyclopedia of Preaching* (Westminster/John Knox Press, 1995)
- 7. "Foreword" to Paul Ramsey's *Basic Christian Ethics*, co-authored with Stanley Hauerwas (Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993) pp. xii-xxix.
- 8. "Christian Ethics," co-authored with Stanley Hauerwas, in *New Handbook of Christian Theology* (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1991) pp. 161-167.

E. Reviews (selected):

- 1. Bernard Haering's "The Healing Power of Peace and Nonviolence," *Virginia Episcopal Seminary Journal*, 1989
- 2. Paul Giurlanda's "Faith and Knowledge," Cross Currents, 1998
- 3. C. Stephen Layman's "The Shape of the Good: Christian Reflections on the Foundation of Ethics," *Theology Today*, January 1993
- 4. Nancy Duff's "Humanization and the Politics of God: The Koinonia Ethics of Paul Lehmann," *Christian Century*, fall, 1994
- 5. Henry Clark's "Serenity, Courage, and Wisdom: The Enduring Legacy of Reinhold Niebuhr," *Duke Magazine*, 1995
- 6. Lisa Sowle Cahill's "Love Your Enemies: Discipleship, Pacifism and Just War Theory," *Pro Ecclesia*, 1997
- 7. L. Gregory Jone's "Embodying Forgiveness: A Theological Analysis," *Studies in Christian Ethics*, Spring, 1997
- 8. Michael Warner's "Changing Witness: Catholic Bishops and Public Policy (1917-1994)" *Cross Currents*, summer, 1997

- 9. William Werpehowski and Stephen D. Crocco, ed's. "The Essential Paul Ramsey," *Pro Ecclesia*, fall, 1998
- 10. Reinhard Hütter and Theodore Dieter, ed., "Ecumenical Ventures in Ethics, Pro Ecclesia," *Scottish Journal of Theology*, 1999
- 11. Robert Fogel, "The Fourth Great Awakening," *Protestants for the Common Good*, 2000
- 12. Stanley Hauerwas' "Sanctify Them in the Truth," *Scottish Journal of Theology*, 2001
- 13. Andrew K. Adam, "Handbook of Postmodern Biblical Interpretation," *Anglican Theological Review*, Summer 2001.
- 14. Catherine Pickstock's "After Writing: On the Liturgical Consummation of Philosophy," *Anglican Theological Review*, 2001
- 15. Reinhard <u>Hütter's</u> "Suffering Divine Things," Scottish Journal of Theology, 2001
- 16. Ellen Charry's "Inquiring After God," Anglican Theological Review, 2001
- 17. Emmanuel Katongole's "Beyond Universal Reason," *Pro Ecclesia*, 2001
- 18. Stanley Hauerwas' "With the Grain of the Universe," *Scottish Journal of Theology*, 2002
- 19. Fergus Kerr's "After Aquinas: Versions of Thomism," Modern Theology, 2003
- 20. Laurance Mitchell, "Corporate Irresponsibility" America's Newest Export, *Anglican Theological Review*, Winter, 2003.
- 21. Jeffrey Stout's "Democracy and Tradition," Contemporary Pragmatism, 2004
- 22. Roger Olson, "A-Z of Evangelical Theology," *Expository Times*, 2006.
- 23. Kathryn Tanner's Economy of Grace, *Modern Theology*, 2006
- 24. Christopher Insole's "The Politics of Human Frailty: A Theological Defence of Political Liberalism" *Modern Theology*, 2007
- 25. Hudnut-Beumler, "In Pursuit of the Almighty's Dollar: A History of Money and American Protestantism," *Journal of Church and State*, Spring 2007
- 26. Paul Molnar, "Resurrection and Incarnation," *Theological Studies*, Nov. 2008.

- 27. Kevin Twain Lowery, "Salvaging Wesley's Agenda: A New Paradigm for Wesleyan Virtue Ethics, *Studies in Christian Ethics*, Spring, 2009.
- 28. Oleg V. Bychkov and James Fodor, "Theological Aesthetics After von Balthasar," *Expository Times*, p. 593, September, 2009.
- 29. Jay Richards, "Money, Greed and God: Why Capitalism is the Solution and not the Problem," *SETS Bulletim*, 28/1, Spring, 2010.
- 30. Lieven Boeve, "God Interrupts History," *Modern Theology*, vol. 26, April, 2010.
- 31. Kevin Vanhoozer, "Remythologizing Theology: Divine Action, Passion, and Authorship," *Christian Century*, August 10, 2010.

PAPERS TO THE ACADEMY, INVITED LECTURES & OTHER PRESENTATIONS

- 1. "On Teaching Ethics," Washington and Jefferson College, Feb. 2019
- 2. Religious and Secular Ethics," Center for Islamic Law and Ethics, Hamad Bin Khalifa University, Doha, Qatar, Nov. 2018
- 3. Faithful Citizenship, Center for Faith and Learning, SMU, Feb. 2018
- 4. "From Mirror to Window:" Hans Urs von Balthasar's reflections on theology, modern science, and creation," "Science and the Doctrine of Creation Conference, Trinity University, Feb. 2018.
- 5. "Eschatology, Apocalyptic, Ethics and Political Theology," at the Scripture in Global Context at the American Academy of Religion, 2017.
- 6. "Being Good Pharisees: The Joy of Inauthentic Community," Taylor University Academic Symposium, Presidential Inauguration, Oct., 2017
- 7. "A Way Forward: A Catholic Neo-Anabaptist Ecclesiology?" Wheaton College Theology Conference, Apr. 6, 2017.
- 8. "Will the Truth Set You Free in a Post-Truth Political World?" Maguire Chair Public Lecture, Southern Methodist University, Feb. 21, 2017.
- 9. "The Church's Witness after Trump," United Methodist Campus ministers conference, Bethune Cookman University, Feb., 2017
- 10. "Keeping Faith: Remembering the legacy of the Evangelical United Brethren Church," University of Indianapolis, Nov. 1, 2016.

- 11. "Let's Get Speculative: The Importance of the Doctrine of God for Everyday Life," Smith-Willson Lecture, Southwestern University, Feb. 22, 2016.
- 12. "The Theopolitics of the Priest-King in Hebrews," Society of Biblical Literature, Hebrews section, Atlanta, GA, 2015.
- 13. Strauss Lectures: "The Perfectly, Simple Triune God," Lincoln Christian University, Oct. 7-8, 2014
- 14. "Aquinas's Legacy: on not distinguishing de deo uno and de deo trino," Ramsey Colloquium, University of Durham, UK, June 19, 2014
- 15. "Wesleyan Catholicity," Wesley Studies Centre, University of Durham, UK, June 17, 2014
- 16. "A Match Made in Heaven? Theology and Economics," Carl Henry Center, Trinity International University, April 15, 2014
- 17. Respondent to Egardo Colon-Emeric, *Perfection in Dialogue*, John Wesley Theological Institute, Darien, Illinois, Feb. 9-11, 2014
- 18. Response to David Moffit's *Logic of Atonement and Resurrection in Hebrews*, AAR/SBL, Baltimore, Nov. 25, 2013.
- 19. "Saving Karl Barth," for Karl Barth in Dialogue Conference, Princeton Theological Seminary, June 17, 2013
- 20. "Why Jesus Isn't Ethical, "Thirty-First Annual C.S. Lewis Lecture, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, April 11, 2013
- 21. "The Seduction of Wittgenstein's anti-Metaphysics Metaphysics," Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 23, 2013
- 22. "The Non-Catholicity of Wesley's Catholic Spirit," Wesleyan Theology Society, Seattle, WA, March 22, 2013
- 23. "Can Theology and Economics Get Along?" Belmont College, Nashville, TN, Feb. 25, 2013
- 24. "What Makes Jesus Political?" Catholic Global Studies Lecture, Depaul University, April 30, 2012
- 25. "Yoderian Constantinianism?" for "Constantinianism and Its Critics" Conference, Providence College, April 21, 2012

- 26. "The Dangers of Interfaith Dialogue," Wesleyan Theology Society, Nashville, TN, March 2, 2012
- 27. "What Theologians Wished Economists Knew about Theology," at the Christian Economics Association meeting of the Allied Social Sciences Annual Conference, Chicago, Il, Jan. 6, 2012.
- 28. "The History and Culture of Western Christianity," University of Beijing, Beijing China, July 2-21, 2011
- 29. "Historical Development of Karl Barth's Ethics," University of Basel Theology Department Basel, Switzerland, April 26, 2011.
- 30. "Die Ente und der Hase. Ein neuer Anlauf auf die Diskussion über Karl Barth und Hans Urs von Balthasar," Staatsunabhängige Theologische Hochschule, Basel, April 4, 2011.
- 31. "What is Christian Ethics?," Athens and Jerusalem Address, Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN, March 15, 2011.
- 32. "Ecclesiology and the Call to Ordination," Tennessee Annual Conference Clergy Retreat, March 1, 2011
- 33. "Wesley, Methodism and Peace," Perkins School of Theology, Annual Convocation, Dallas, TX, Feb. 7, 2011
- 34. "Christian, Ethics and the Good," Graduate and Faculty Christian Forum at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia, Jan. 25, 2011
- 35. "Feed us First then Ask for Virtue: The Temptation in Alleviating Poverty," Society of Christian Ethics, Jan 7, 2011
- 36. "Being a Christian when the World is Flat," Seton Hall University Law School, "Faith, Law and Culture Speaker Series," Newark, New Jersey, Sept. 15, 2010
- 37. "Canon(s) as Criteria for Biblical Interpretation," Christian Systematic Theology Section, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, Georgia, Oct. 31, 2010.
- 38. "A Discussion of James K. A. Smith's *Desiring the Kingdom*, Christian Theological Research Fellowship, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, Georgia, Oct. 30. 2010.
- 39. "From Analogia Entis to Overcoming Nominalism: Von Balthasar on Karl Barth," Karl Barth Society of North America, Atlanta, Georgia, Nov. 19, 2010.

- 40. "God has spoken in the Son: Communication and Communion," Ekklesia Project, 2010.
- 41. "Profit Maximization and the death of God," Depaul University, April 2010
- 42. "Theology and Economics in Benedict XVI's "Charity in Truth:" A Protestant Response, Regent College, "God and the Global Economy Conference," April 2010
- 43. "God, economy and desire," invited lecture jointly sponsored by Wheaton College's economics and theology department, March 2010.
- 44. "Why read Wesley reading the Fathers? A Response to Jeffrey W. Barbeau's "John Wesley and the Early Church: Antiquity, History, and the Spirit of God" Wheaton College, March, 2010
- 45. "Arguing with Anselm," to Lumen Christi Institute and The Catholic Students Association, University of Chicago, Jan. 7, 2010
- 46. "Turn these Stones into Bread: The Temptation in Alleviating Poverty," Willis Lecture, Florida Southern College, Nov. 19. 2009
- 47. "The History and Culture of Western Christianity," Peking University, Beijing, China, July 8-18, 2009.
- 48. "The End of Community," Ancient Wisdom/Anglican Future's Conference, Trinity Episcopal Seminary, June 2, 2009
- 49. "Unity of Interpretation: Augustine's understanding of language in light of Mignolo's post-colonial theory," Hermeneutics Seminar, Marquette University Philosophy Department, Apr. 2009.
- 50. "Building God's House," Memphis Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, Mar. 3-5, 2009.
- 51. "The Economy of Scripture," delivered to the Society for Christian Ethics, January 5, 2009.
- 52. "John Wesley: The Two Tables," delivered to the Decalogue Conference, Wheaton, Illinois, Nov. 7, 2008
- 53. "Metaphysics, Politics and Economics," delivered to the American Academy of Religion, Nov. 3, 2008
- 54. "The Truth about Mary: Bridging the Analytic and Continental Divide," Catholic University of America, Oct. 24, 2008

- 55. "The Truth of Politics and the Politics of Truth," Grandeur of Reason Conference, Rome, Italy, sponsored by Center for Philosophy and Theology, University of Nottingham, Sept. 4, 2008
- 56. "Christians and Politics," Lecture at Center for Applied Christian Ethics, Wheaton College, March 3-5, 2008
- 57. "William Abraham's Threshold: A Response to <u>Crossing the Threshold of Revelation</u>," Society of Christian Philosophy, San Diego, American Academy of Religion, Nov., 2007.
- 58. "Christ and Horrors: A Response to Marilyn McCord Adams," Christian Theological Research Fellowship, Society of Biblical Literature, San Diego, Nov. 2007
- 59. "Democracy and Mammon in Christian Perspective," The Fortieth Annual Conference of the Villanova University Theology Institute: God and Mammon, Oct., 2007
- 60. "Witness versus Protest: toward a non-reactive theological politics," Hope and Cynicism Conference, Reba Place Mennonite Church, Oct., 2007
- 61. "Liturgical Identities," Calvin College Seminars in Christian Scholarship, July 2007
- 62. "Embodying Fides et Ratio: Holiness as Truth," and "Performing the Truth: Wesley in Conversation with von Balthasar," Keynote Addresses, Wesleyan Philosophy Society, Olivet Nazarene University, March 2007
- 63. "Two Augustinianisms: Augustinian Realism and the Other City," Ancient Faith for the Future Church Conference, Wheaton College, April 2007
- 64. "Economic Justice For All: Its Influence Twenty Years Later," Society of Christian Ethics, Catholic Ethics Session, Jan. 2007
- 65. Breakfast with an author, *John Wesley's Moral Theology*, Society of Christian Ethics, Jan. 2007
- 66. Book Panel on John Wesley's Moral Theology, Wesleyan Historical Society, American Academy of Religion, Nov. 2006.
- 67. "Buying the Future: What Credit is that to you?," Faith and Life Conference, Baylor University, Nov. 2006.

- 68. Congregation Formation Initiative, Clinton Baptist Church, Clinton, MS, Oct. 2006
- 69. "Toward a Wesleyan Theology of Peace," United Methodists for Peace and Justice, San Francisco, CA, Sept. 2006
- 70. "Modern Theology's Discontents: Against Fideism" and "Following Christ Through General Rules: John Wesley's Moral Theology," Grant V. Graver Endowed Lectures: Garrett-Evangelical and Grace United Methodist Church, Naperville, Illinois, March and May, 2006
- 71. Film, Faith and Justice: A Forum Exploring the Theology of Social Justice," The Other Journal and Seattle Pacific University, April, 2006
- 72. "Theology and Post-Secular Philosophy: beyond the division between faith and reason," Central Methodist University, Fayette, Missouri, April, 2006
- 73. "The Kantian Subordination of Christian Morality," Meeting for a New Beginning, Granada Spain, September, 2005.
- 74. "Building God's House," Transgeneration Convocation, Korean-American Methodists, Chicago, August, 2005
- 75. "Radical Orthodoxy," Polycarp Institute, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, July 2005
- 76. "John Wesley's Moral Theology," Duke Summer Wesleyan Institute, Durham, North Carolina, June, 2005
- 77. Wittenburg Door Interview: May/June 2005
- 78. "John Wesley's Model of Ethics," Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas, April, 2005
- 79. "What is Truth?" Wester Lecture, Oklahoma State University, April, 2005
- 80. "John Wesley's Moral Theology" University of Dubuque Seminary, Wesley roundtable, March, 2005
- 81. "Connecting with our Call," Academy for Spiritual Formation, Louisiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, Dec. 9-11, 2004.
- 82. "What Makes Theology Political?" AAR, CTRF, November, 2004
- 83. John Wesley and Stewardship, Tennessee Wesleyan College, October, 2004

- 84. "The Principle Commandments of Christian Faith," Symposium on the Abrahamic Faiths, East-West University, Spertus Institue and Loyola University, Chicago, Sept. 2004
- 85. "Usury: A Capital Vice," Rimini Conference, Rimini, Italy, August, 2004
- 86. "Can Analytical Philosophers Tell Theologians the Truth?" American Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Pragmatism Section, May 2004
- 87. "Theology and Economics," University of Dayton, April, 2004
- 88. Penner Debate, Wheaton College, "Church Growth in a Consumer Culture," Sept. 2003
- 89. "Connecting with the Bible," Discerners Academy, Louisiana Annual Conference, June, 2003
- 90. Wesleyan Virtues, Midwest Retreat, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, Indianapolis, April, 2003.
- 91. "The Dissolution of Niebuhrian Realism," Jan. 2002, Point Loma University
- 92. "What has Jerusalem to do with Wall Street?" Michigan State University Wesley Foundation, Feb., 2003
- 93. "Church and Culture Conference," Church of the Servant King and Valley Covenant Church, Feb. 2002, Eugene, Oregon
- 94. "A Theological Question Concerning Technology," The Eleventh Oxford Institute for Methodist Theological Studies, Aug., 2002, Oxford, England
- 95. "God is Not Nice," North Park Theological Seminary, Nov., 2002
- 96. "The Goodness of God," Matthews House Project, Deerfield, Illinois, Oct., 2002
- 97. Forker Lecture, Mount St. Mary's, Fall, 2002
- 98. "Radical Orthodoxy: What is it?" Feb. 2001, faculty development day, Northern Baptist Theological Seminary
- 99. Basic Christian Doctrine, Oklahoma City First United Methodist Church, Feb., 2001
- 100. "Following Christ at the end of modernity" Mattingly Distinguished Visiting Scholar Lecture, Nebraska Wesleyan University, September, 2001

- 101. "Following God in a Culture of Nihilism," Truman State University, October, 2001
- 102. "Radical Orthodoxy: Theology at the End of Modernity" Northern Indiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, Tipton Retreat Center, Aug. 2001
- 103. "Meeting Jesus Again" Oct., 2001, Northern Illinois Conference Evangelical Association
- 104. Respondent to Laura Nash,'s "Spirituality, Yes; But What About Religion? Challenges of Bringing Faith to the Marketplace," Oct. 2001, Birmingham United Methodist Church, Birmingham MI
- 105. "Gregory VII as Public Theologian," presented to John Wesley Fellows' Christmas Conference, Dec. 2001, The Woodlands, TX
- 106. "The call to ministry" Exploration 2000, Houston, Texas
- 107. "What has Jerusalem to do with Wall Street" at the "University of Life," First United Methodist Church, Birmingham, Michigan, winter 1999 and Winnetka Presbyterian Church, January, 2000.
- 108. "Corporate Loyalty: A Noble Lie?" Corporate Responsibility and the Community Hampden Sydney College, Feb. 1998
- 109. "Prophets and Profits: Theology and Economics in Conflict," Congress of Social Economics, July, 1998
- 110. "Why Virtue? Aquinas, Wesley and the Recovery of Moral Theology," Wesleyan Studies, American Academy of Religion, Nov., 1997
- 111. "The Facts about Values," St. Joseph University, Faith and Justice Institute, Conference on the Bishops' Pastoral, "Economic Justice for All" A Decade Later, Nov. 1997
- 112. "Making Systematic Theology Moral," Christian Theological Resource Fellowship at the American Academy of Religion, Nov., 1996
- 113. "Leo XIII and The Holy Family as Economic Alternative," Holy Family Symposium, St. Joseph's University, April, 1996
- 114. "Humility: The Violent Vice," Peace Studies Association, Earlham College, April, 1996

- 115. "Bernard Dempsey: Theological Economics and Human Fulfillment," College Theological Society, May, 1996
- 116. Crime, Punishment and Repentance, Fort Myers District of the United Methodist Church laity continuing education, January, 1994
- 117. The Role of the Military Chaplain, 2nd Army Division Chaplain corps., Spring, 1995
- 118. Crime, Punishment and Repentance, North Indiana Annual Conference Continuing Education, January, 1996
- 119. "How Far Have We Really Come In Race Relations?," North Carolina Human Relations Commission's workshop in response to the Z. Smith Reynolds Report on Race Relations in North Carolina, 1994
- 120. "The Usefulness and Uselessness of the Social Principles," a presentation to the Board of Church and Society, Virginia Annual Conference, March, 1994
- 121. "The Place of the Local Pastor," delivered at the national meeting of the National Fellowship of Associate Members and Local Pastors, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Sept. 1993
- 122. Child Sexual Abuse, Association of Mental Health Care Workers, Edenton, NC, May 1992
- 123. Sexual Ethics: Patient-Client Relations, Duke University Medical Center, 1992
- 124. The Role of the Chaplain, Duke University Pastoral Services, 1992
- 125. Mandatory Child Abuse Reporting Laws, North Carolina Psychological Association, Raleigh, NC, September, 1991
- 126. "Women in War," a presentation to the President's Commission on the Assignment of Women in the Armed Forces, Dallas, TX, Sept. 1991

DISSERTATIONS DIRECTED

(Garrett Evangelical)

Tripp York, The Purple Crown: The Politics of Martyrdom (2009)

Rustin Brian, Covering Up Luther: How Barth's Christology Challenged the Deus Absconditus that Haunts Modernity (2010)

Cynthia Anderson, Reclaiming Participation: Christ as God's Life for All (2010)

Chanon Ross, Gifts Glittering and Poisoned: Spectacle, Empire and the Exorcism of the Lost Generation (2011)

Elizabeth M. Mosbo Verhage, Re-Membering an Evangelical Ecclesiology: How John Howard Yoder Informs Twenty-first Century Evangelical Ecclesial Ethics and Theology (2010)

Felicia Howell LaBoye, Personal and Social Holiness: The Sacraments and the Mandate of Christian Community and Economic Development for the Black Church (2011)

Matthew Charleton, A Wisdom Theology of the Cross (2011)

Andy Brubaker-Kaethler, *Language, Body Politics and the Ecclesial Social Imaginary* (2013)

(Marquette University)

Braden Anderson, Chosen Nation: Scripture, Theopolitics, and the Project of National Identity (2010)

Christine Wood, *The Metaphysics and Intellective Psychology in the Natural Desire for Seeing God: Henri de Lubac and Neo-Scholaticsim* (2011)

Katy Leamy (with Danielle Nussberger), A Comparison of the Kenotic Trinitarian Theology of Hans Urs Von Balthasar and Sergei Bulgakov (2011)

Anne Carpenter (with Danielle Nussberger), *Theo-Poetics: Metaphor and Metaphysics in the Thought of Hans Urs von Balthasar* (2011)

Paul Caldwell, Yves Congar: Theologian, Historian and Reformer (2011)

David Luy (with Mickey Mattox), Dominus Mortis: Martin Luther on the Incorruptibility of God in Christ (2012)

Geoff Holsclaw, Transcending Subjects: Hegel, Augustine, and the Conversion of Politics (2013)

Jacob Shatzer, "A Spreading and Abiding Hope": A. J. Conyers and the Role of Theology in Navigating Modern Culture (2013)

Darren Henson, A Theology of Palliative Care: Reason, Faith, Hope, and Love (2014)

Christopher Hadley, SJ., *The All-Embracing Frame: Distance in the Trinitarian Theology of Hans Urs von Balthasar* (2015)

Andy Alexis-Baker, The Word Became Flesh: On Jesus's Particularity and Non-Human Animals (2015)

Andrew Kuzma, *Theo-Dramatic Ethics: A Balthasarian Approach to Moral Formation* (2016)

Nathan Willowby, Sanctification as Virtue and Mission: The Politics of Holiness (2016)

David Horstketter, Gary Dorrien, Stanley Hauerwas, Rowan Williams, and the Theological Transformations of Sovereignties

Ben Suriano, From Modes of Production to the Resurrection of the Body: Towards a Critical Labor Theory of Religious Ideas and Revolutionary Subjectivity (2016)

Joseph Gordon, Scripture in History: A Systematic Theology of the Christian Bible (2016)

Richard J. Barry IV, The Two Goats: A Christian Yom Kippur Soteriology (2017)

Duane Loynes, A God Worth Worshiping: Toward a Critical Race Theology (2017)

Jeffrey Walkey, Infideles et Philosophi: Assent, Untruth, and Natural Knowledge of the Simple God (2018)

Chris Gooding, Beyond Slavery: Christian Theology and Rehabilitation from Human trafficking (2019).

Kirsten Guidero, Filled with 'the Fullness of the Gifts of God: towards a Pneumatic Theosis (2020)

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS (SELECTED)

Undergraduate courses:

Introduction to Theology

This course examines key texts in Christian tradition, both ancient and modern, in order to gain a foundation in both Christian scripture and tradition. The purpose will be to guide students to "seek the truth about God and the world" by gaining knowledge of Catholic beliefs and practices within an ecumenical outlook. This will include a discussion of various rejections of the Christian faith as well as works by those who reject the existence of God. The course unfolds through an examination of three questions: First, Does God exist? Second, Who is God? Third, What is the relationship between God and creation?

Christian Social Thought:

Basic issues in Christian ethics are addressed through examining Protestant and Catholic social teachings.

Christology:

This course addresses the question, "Who is Jesus and what has he done?" It does so by examining five moments in his life: the incarnation, his life and teachings, crucifixion, resurrection and Ascension. Texts from Scripture, the church fathers, medieval theologians, Reformers and contemporary theology will provide the context allowing students to develop an answer to the question.

Church and State

This course begins with a quick historical survey of the relationship between the church and the 'state' from Scripture through Vatican II. This then sets the stage for a discussion of contemporary theological ethicists approach to this relationship.

Explorations in Christian Theology: God: pre-modern, modern and post-modern

This course examines who God is and how God functioned in three different "epochs:" pre-modernity, modernity and post-modernity. What each of these terms means will be explained. Then theologians and philosophers from each period will be read in an attempt to discover how the understanding of God shifted and/or remained continuous through significant transitions in western culture. Students will gain knowledge of some basic doctrines of theology, especially the doctrine of God and its relation to culture, politics and social formations. They should be able to address these specific questions:

- 1. How did an understanding of God affect conceptions of space and time and vice versa?
- 2. What claims to truth and/or metaphysics were assumed or denied so that speaking of God was either meaningful or not?
- 3. How did each epoch relate faith and reason?
- 4. How was God related (or rendered irrelevant) to politics, ethics, culture, art?

God and Pilgrimage (summer travel course, Camino de Santiago)

This course addresses the following questions while students engage in a two hundred and ten mile pilgrimage in Northern Spain, Camino de Santiago.

- 1. How did diverse cultural spaces and times consider language and other signs to be references to, and or expressions of, 'God,' and who God was thought to be?
- 2. How do the differing eras relate theology to culture, relics, art, architecture and travel?
- 3. How were space and time conceived so that God could or could not be expressed in such diverse cultural settings?
- 4. What was the role of nature, faith and reason in theology in each era?

War and Peace

An examination of the history, theology and ethical significance of Christian responses to war and peace.

Master's courses:

Christian Ethics

This course examines Christian thought in relationship to the various social, communal and biological formations that make up everyday life: family, sex, gender, race, economics, nation-state, military, police, corporation and technology. We will seek to "discern the times" in which we live. Given these times we will ask what difference does being a Christian make in thinking though, and living within and among, these various formations? We will first examine the moral life and see how it can be brought into conversation with the Christian life. Then we will focus on the Christian life by examining Christ's ministry as it is repeated in the Church through Word and Sacrament.

Systematic Theology

This course is a survey of theological (and philosophical) ideas about God, the relationship between God and creation, and creation. Students should leave this course with an understanding of the Christian doctrines of Trinity, Christology, pneumatology, ecclesiology, eschatology, creation and anthropology as they are explained by theologians within the philosophical and cultural milieu of antiquity, modernity and post-modernity. Students should also come to an awareness of the basis and authority for Christian doctrine, including an understanding of the relationship between faith and reason, grace and nature.

Doctoral seminars:

Barth and von Balthasar: a theological investigation of their moral theology

This course examines the moral theology of two of the greatest twentieth century theologians. It will begin by setting forth their theology, dogmatic and moral. Then it will relate that theology to moral and political topics such as gender, economics, and politics.

Christology: The Incarnation

The doctrine of the Incarnation may be the most difficult Christian claim to affirm in the modern era. Theologians as diverse as Hick, Pannenberg, McClendon, McFague and Macquarrie find the traditional Chalcedonian rendering unconvincing and in need of reinterpretation, often for moral reasons. Does the doctrine need revision? Much depends upon our answer to that question; for the relationships between God and creation, faith and reason, theology, ethics and politics are all inextricably connected to the relationship between the divine and human in the Person of Jesus. This course begins by examining the biblical basis for the doctrine, followed by an analysis of its traditional developments at the Councils of Ephesus and Chalcedon, and then in Scholasticism and the Reformation. All this will prepare us for an evaluation of modern theologians' development and/or revision of the doctrine.

Hermeneutics and Theological Method

Central to all theological endeavors, theoretical and practical, is the interpretation of Scripture. Since the rise of historical criticism and the use of scientific hermeneutical tools in the modern era, the manner and method of biblical interpretation has been fiercely contested in both the church and the academy. With the development of post-modern sensibilities, modernist scientific hermeneutics has itself come under fire. This course will explain and explore these conflicting manners and methods of biblical interpretation. It will do so by examining pre-modern, modern and post-modern hermeneutical approaches. But the purpose of the course is not simply to engage with the theoretical controversies over biblical interpretation. Primary attention will be given to actual reading practices and the possibility of examining each reader's hermeneutical assumptions and implications.

Protestant Social Ethics

This course seeks to provide students with a general understanding of the development of modern Protestant social ethics and the state of the questions it currently addresses. Students will be familiar with the rise of "social ethics" and its contemporary inheritors/contestants.

Speaking of God: Theology and Language

This course examines the theological significance of the linguistic turn in culture and philosophy. Students will be introduced into the work of the philosopher Wittgenstein and how his philosophy has made a profound impact on theology, particularly when it comes to questions of epistemology. The central question this course examines is if it is possible to speak of God after the linguistic turn. How does theology relate to "reality," imagination, culture, language and experience? In other words what does it mean to "think" (and therefore "speak") theologically?

Theology and Economics

The purpose of this course is to provide students with skills for a theological evaluation of economic theories and practices, particularly as they bear on the rise and ascendancy of the global market. First a history of economic thought will be traced from Adam Smith to John Maynard Keynes. We will pay particular attention to their moral theory and underlying philosophy. Then the tradition of economic thought within Christian theology will be traced. We will then examine theologians who use Weber, Marx and/or Aquinas and Scripture to construct a theological response to economics.

Theology and Postmodernity

This course examines the theological implications of postmodernity in philosophical and theological discourses. We will address the question, What is post-modernity and how are theologians responding to it? We will begin by examining three accounts of postmodernity from Graham Ward, Francois Lyotard and Gianni Vattimo. We will then examine "postmodern philosophers" asking what makes their work "post-modern." We will look at Emmanuel Levinas, Rene Girard, Michel Foucault, Jacques Derrida, Luce Irigaray and Julia Kristeva. Then we will discuss theological responses, appropriations and critiques of postmodernity.

Theological Ethics

The purpose of this course is to introduce students to the principal historical, theological, and philosophical sources of Christian moral theology.

Twentieth Century Contemporary Theology

This course is a genealogical inquiry into the work of some contemporary theologians — James Cone, Gustavo Gutierrez, Elizabeth Johnson and John Milbank. Their work continues, affirms, reacts against and rejects the work of an earlier generation -- Paul Tillich, Karl Barth, Hans Urs von Balthasar and Karl Rahner. We will first observe the contemporary theologians affirmation and rejection of that earlier generation, and then assess the continuities and discontinuities between these theological generations. We will do so through a careful examination of (at least) four themes. The first deals with the question of theology proper — how can and do human creatures use language to speak about God? The second theme will examine the connection between a theological use of language and assumptions about God's hiddenness or revealedness. A third theme will be the relationship between form and content, what is the style theologians use to structure or pattern central themes? Finally, what order results from theological responses to the above three concerns? What role is present in each theologian's narrative for the Trinity, Christology, Pneumatology, Ecclesiology and Anthropology?