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EDUCATION

University of Chicago
SUNY Buffalo
Harvard Divinity School
University of Notre Dame
Goethe-Institut

Ph.D., 1986 History of Christianity
1974-75 Classics (Non-matriculating)
M.T.S., 1975 Church History, Theology
B.A., 1969 Theology
Summers 1969, 1977 (German language study)

DISSERTATION: "The Godly Polity in the Light of Prophecy: A Study of the *Commentary on Isaiah* of Eusebius of Caesarea." University of Chicago, 1986. *Advisor:* Prof. Robert M. Grant. *Readers:* Prof. Bernard McGinn, Prof. Arnaldo Momigliano.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Instructor, Dept. of Theology, University of Notre Dame, 1980-83
Lecturer, Religious Studies Dept., St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, 1983-84
Instructor, Religion Department, Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, 1984-86
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Religious Studies, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, California, 1986-93
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Theology, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota, 1993-2001; Associate Professor, 2001-2010; Professor, 2010-

ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATION: History of Christianity in general, specialization in early Christianity. Research interests include Christian historiography, early Christian exegesis, political theology, the writings of Eusebius of Caesarea, and twentieth century German Catholicism.

TEACHING COMPETENCIES

Primary: History of Christianity (all periods, with specialization in ancient Christianity and modern Catholic history), theology and politics

Courses taught:

At University of St. Thomas (1993-2020)
Christian Theological Tradition
Early Christian Theology
Christianity and Politics
History & Theology of the Papacy (M.A. course)

History of Christianity (Murray Institute; also archdiocesan diaconate certification program)
Patristics (M.A. course)
Church in the Age of Constantine (M.A. course)
Augustine and His Age (M.A. course)
History of the Christian Tradition I (ancient and medieval - M.Div. course)
American Catholic History (Murray Institute)
The Reformation and After (M.A. course)
German Churches & the Third Reich (undergraduate and M.A. course)
Catholicism & Orthodoxy in Ukraine
[Plus M.A. theses, M.A. directed readings, and undergraduate directed readings]

HONORS AND AWARDS

Fr. Matthew Walsh Valedictorian Scholarship, U. of Notre Dame, 1965-69
Phi Beta Kappa, University of Notre Dame, 1969
German Academic Foreign Exchange Fellowship, Summer, 1977
Terry Teaching Grant, Santa Clara University, \$1500, 1986-87
University Research Grant, Santa Clara University, \$1300, 1988-89
National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend, \$3500, 1990
National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar for College Teachers, \$4000, 1993
Faculty Partnerships, University of St. Thomas, \$500, 1996, 1999
Aquinas Foundation Grant, University of St. Thomas, \$6600, 1998-99
Faculty Development Grant, University of St. Thomas, \$3,500, Summer 2000
Lilly Grant, University of St. Thomas, \$4,000, Spring 2002
Lilly Grant, University of St. Thomas, \$4,000, Summer 2003
Aquinas Foundation Grant, University of St. Thomas, \$8400, 2004
Sabbatical leave, Spring 2004
Lilly Fellow, Rosemont College, \$2500, May-June 2005
Faculty Development Maxi-Grant, \$8200, Spring 2009
Faculty Partnership, \$1500, 2011-2012
University Scholars Grant, 2013-2016
Full-year sabbatical leave, 2017-2018

PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENT

Peer-reviewed scholarship:

2021

Making Christian History: Eusebius of Caesarea and His Readers. Christianity in Late Antiquity, 11. Berkeley, Calif.: University of California Press, 2021.

2020

“Total War and Limited Government: the German Catholic Debate at the Dawn of the Nuclear Age.” In Vassilios Paipais, ed., *Theology and World Politics: Metaphysics, Genealogies, Political Theologies*, 237-263. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020.

<https://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9783030376017>

2019

- “Carl Schmitt.” In Peter Manley Scott and William T. Cavanaugh, eds., *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Political Theology*, 111-124. 2nd rev. ed. Hoboken, N.J.: Wiley, 2019.
- “Scripture and a Christian Empire.” In Paul M. Blowers and Peter Martens, eds., *The Oxford Handbook on Early Christian Biblical Interpretation*, 473-491. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019.
- “Eusebius’ Moses: Hebrew, Jew, and Christian.” In Philip Rousseau and Janet A. Timbie, eds., *The Christian Moses: from Philo to the Qur’an*, 116-135. Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2019.

2015

- “Eusebius of Caesarea and his *Commentary on Isaiah*: Isaiah as Evangelist and Apostle.” In F. Wilk and P. Gemeinhardt, eds., *Transmission and Interpretation of the Book of Isaiah in the Context of Intra- and Interreligious Debates*, 185-214. Bibliotheca Ephemeridum Theologicarum Lovaniensium, 280. Leuven: Peeters Publishing, 2015.

2013

- “‘Existence in Christ’: Erik Peterson and the Crisis of Postwar Humanism.” *Logos* 16, no. 3 (2013), 148-174.
- “Eusebius of Caesarea.” In James Carleton Paget and Joachim Schaper, eds., *The New Cambridge History of the Bible: From the Beginnings to 600*, 529-553. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013.
- “Eusebius of Caesarea and his *Commentary on the Psalms*: Its Place in the Origins of Christian Biblical Scholarship.” In Aaron Johnson and Jeremy Schott, eds., *Eusebius of Caesarea: Tradition and Innovations*, 151-167. Hellenic Studies Series, 60; Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press/Center for Hellenic Studies, 2013.

2012

- “Catholic Anti-Liberalism in Weimar: Political Theology and its Catholic Critics.” In Rudy Koshar and Len Kaplan, eds., *The Weimar Moment: Political Theology, Liberalism, and Law*, 17-46. Lanham, Md.: Lexington Books, 2012.
- “Taking Exception: Paul Kahn Rocks the Liberal Boat.” *Political Theology* 13, no. 6 (December 2012), 689-692. (Invited review article)

2011

- Erik Peterson, *Theological Tractates*. Edited, translated, and with an introduction, by Michael J. Hollerich. Palo Alto, Calif.: Stanford University Press, 2011.
- “A Syriac Life of Athanasius of Alexandria: Its Contribution to the Athanasian Biographical Tradition in Greek and Syriac Literature.” In Robin Darling Young and Monica Blanchard, eds., *To Train His Soul in Books: Essays in Honor of Sidney H. Griffith*, 99-121. Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press, 2011.

2007

- “The Anti-Secular Front Revisited: Catholics and Politics in Hitler’s Germany.” *Pro Ecclesia* 16, no. 2 (2007), 141-164.
- Isaiah: Interpreted by Early Christian and Medieval Commentators*. Trans. and edited by Robert Louis Wilken, with Angela Russell Christman and Michael J. Hollerich. In the series *The Church’s Bible*, ed. Robert L. Wilken. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2007.

2004

- “Carl Schmitt.” In William Cavanaugh and Peter Scott, eds., *Blackwell Companion to Political Theology*, 107-122. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing, 2004.

2002

“Hebrews, Jews, and Christians: Eusebius of Caesarea on the Biblical Basis of the Two States of the Christian Life.” In Paul M. Blowers, Angela R. Christman, David G. Hunter, and Robin D. Young, eds., *In Dominico Eloquio, In Lordly Eloquence: Essays on Patristic Exegesis in Honor of Robert Wilken*, 172-184. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2002.

1999

“Eusebius of Caesarea.” In John H. Hayes, ed., *Dictionary of Biblical Interpretation*. 2 vols. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1999. 1:356-357.

Eusebius of Caesarea's Commentary on Isaiah: Christian Exegesis in the Age of Constantine. Oxford Early Christian Studies. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1999.

“John Milbank, Augustine, and the ‘Secular.’” *Augustinian Studies* 30:2 (1999): 311-326. Also in Mark Vessey, Karla Pollman, and Allan Fitzgerald, O.S.A., eds. *History, Apocalypse, and the Secular Imagination*, 311-326. Philosophy Documentation Center: Bowling Green, O., 1999.

1993

“Augustine as a Civil Theologian?” In Roland Teske and Earl Muller, eds., *Collectanea Augustiniana III*, 321-33. New York: Peter Lang, 1993.

“Erik Peterson’s Correspondence with Adolf von Harnack: Retrieving a Neglected Critique of Church, Theology, and Secularization in Weimar Germany.” *Pro Ecclesia* 2 (1993): 305-44.

1992

“Eusebius as a Polemical Interpreter of Scripture.” In Harold W. Attridge and Gohei Hata, eds., *Eusebius, Christianity, and Judaism*, 585-615. Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 1992. [Also published in Japanese in *Eusebian Studies*, ed. Hata and Attridge, 3 vols, 3:125-178. Tokyo: Lithon Press, 1992.]

“The Origenist Exegetical Heritage in the Early Fourth Century: the Evidence of Eusebius.” In Robert Daly, ed., *Origeniana Quinta*, 542-48. Leuven, Belgium: Peeters Press, 1992.

1990

“The Sources of Pseudo-Amphilochius’ *Vita Athanasii Syriaca* (MS. Mard. 269).” *Quintum Symposium Syriacum*, 1988. Edited by René Lavenant. *Orientalia Christiana Analecta* 236 (Rome, 1990): 273-83.

“Religion and Politics in the Writings of Eusebius of Caesarea: Reassessing the First ‘Court Theologian.’” *Church History* 59 (1990): 309-25.

1989

“The Comparison of Moses and Constantine in Eusebius’ *Life of Constantine*.” *Studia Patristica* 19 (1989): 80-95.

“Myth and History in Eusebius’s *De Vita Constantini: Vit. Const.* 1.12 in its Contemporary Setting.” *Harvard Theological Review* 82 (1989): 421-45.

1982

“The Alexandrian Bishops and the Grain Trade: Ecclesiastical Commerce in Late Roman Egypt.” *Journal for the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 25 (1982): 1-21.

Book reviews:

- Elizabeth Clark, *The Fathers Refounded: Protestant Liberalism, Roman Catholicism, and the Teaching of Ancient Christianity in Early Twentieth-Century America* (Commonweal, online: October 7, 2019).
- James Corke-Webster, *Eusebius and Empire: Constructing Church and Rome in the Ecclesiastical History*. *Acta Classica*, 63 (2020), 264-267.
- Nicholson, Oliver, ed., *The Oxford Dictionary of Late Antiquity*, 2 vols. *Church History*, 88,2 (2019), 481.
- Hazel Johannessen, *The Demonic in the Political Thought of Eusebius of Caesarea*. *Church History* 87,1 (2018), 175-177.
- James Chappel, *Catholic Modern: The Challenge of Totalitarianism and the Remaking of the Church*. *Political Theology*, 2018, 751-752:
<https://doi.org/10.1080/1462317X.2018.1505373>).
- Stefana Dan Laing, *Retrieving History: Memory and Identity Formation in the Early Church*. *Catholic Historical Review* 104,1 (2018), 141-143.
- Charles Marsh, *Strange Glory: A Life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer*. *First Things* (November 2014), 57-59.
- Aaron P. Johnson, *Eusebius*. *Marginalia Review of Books* [July 22, 2014, online channel of *Los Angeles Review of Books*].
- Natalie B. Dohrmann and Annette Yoshiko Reed, eds., *Jews, Christians, and the Roman Empire: The Poetics of Power in Late Antiquity*. *Catholic Historical Review* 100 (2014): 800-801.
- Adele Monaci Castagno, ed., *L'Archivio "Erik Peterson" all'Università di Torino. Saggi critici e Inventario*. *Catholic Historical Review* 98 (2012): 593-595.
- Sabrina Inowlocki and Claudio Zamagni, eds. *Reconsidering Eusebius: Collected Papers on Historical, Literary, and Theological Issues*. *Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 63 (2012): 802-803.
- Huub van de Sandt and David Flusser, *The Didache: Its Jewish Sources and its Place in Early Judaism and Christianity*. *Theological Studies* 64 (2003): 842-843.
- Justus George Lawler, *Popes and Politics: Reform, Resentment, and the Holocaust*. *Pro Ecclesia* 12 (2003): 246-248.
- Norbert Brox, *A Concise History of the Early Church*. *Theological Studies* 58 (1996): 564-65.
- Everett Ferguson, ed., *Studies in Early Christianity: A Collection of Scholarly Essays*, Vol. VII: *Church and State in the Early Church*. *Journal of Church and State* 37 (1995): 163-64.
- Giovanni Reale, *A History of Ancient Philosophy*, vol. 5: *The Schools of the Imperial Age*. *Religious Studies Review* 21 (1995): 51.
- Barbara Nichtweiß, *Erik Peterson: Neue Sicht auf Leben und Werk*. *Theological Studies* 56 (March, 1995): 170-71.
- John Courtney Murray, *Religious Liberty*. *Religious Studies Review* 20 (1994): 134.
- Averil Cameron, *Christianity and the Rhetoric of Empire*. *Theological Studies* 54 (December, 1992): 782.
- Jonathan Lear, *Love and Its Place in Nature: A Philosophical Interpretation of Freudian Psychoanalysis*. *Religious Studies Review* 18 (1992): 125.
- Harry O. Maier, *The Social Setting of the Ministry as Reflected in the Writings of Hermas, Clement and Ignatius*. *Theological Studies* 53 (June, 1992): 383-84.

Richard J. Neuhaus, *The Catholic Moment. Horizons* 16 (1989): 181-82.
Colin Wells, *The Roman Empire. Religious Studies Review* 10 (1985).
Paul Kadicheeni, *The Mystery of Baptism. Religious Studies Review* 7 (1982): 356.

Translations:

Rafiq Khoury, "Die theologischen Implikationen der aktuellen Situation im Heiligen Land. Aus der Sicht eines christlichen Palästinensers", in Harald Suerman, ed., *Zwischen Halbmond und Davidstern: Christliche Theologie in Palästina Heute* (Freiburg: Herder, 2001), 139-160. "The Theological Implications of the Current Situation in the Holy Land: From the Point of View of a Christian Palestinian." In William Cavanaugh, Craig Hovey, and Jeff Bailey, eds., *The Eerdmans Reader in Contemporary Political Theology*. Grand Rapids, Mich.: Eerdmans, 2011.

Greek and Latin translations for readings to accompany Theo 101 Christian Theological Tradition: Irenaeus, *Against Heresies*, bk. 1, pref.1-3, 10.1-3, and bk. 3 pref., 1.1-4; *Martyrdom of Perpetua* (I supervised translation of this text by Kirstine Wynn); Arius of Alexandria, "Letter to Eusebius of Nicomedia" and "Letter to Alexander of Alexandria"; Eusebius of Caesarea, "Letter concerning the Synod at Nicaea"; and Cyril of Alexandria, "Second Letter to Nestorius" (Summer, 2008).

Textbook/Instructional material:

Video interview with Paul Wojda, director of the Catholic Studies M.A. program, on Augustine's *On the City of God*, for use in Catholic Studies' distance-learning program (Spring 2009).

The Christian Theological Tradition. Co-edited with Catherine A. Cory. 3rd ed. Saddle River, N.J.: Pearson/Prentice-Hall, 2008. Author: "The History of Christianity," "Christianity after the Apostles," "The Age of the Imperial Church," "The High Medieval Period," "Christianity in America," "The Second Vatican Council in Context" (pp. 135-180, 252-272, 399-440).

The Christian Theological Tradition. Co-edited with Mark McInroy. 4th ed. Routledge, 2019. Author of sections on "The History of Christianity," "Christianity after the Apostles," "The Age of the Imperial Church" (with Mark DelCogliano), "Eastern Christianities" (with Paul Gavrilyuk), "The High Medieval Period," "Christianity in the Age of Global Exploration: Conversion, Conquest, and Colonialism," "Christianity in America," "From the French Revolution to Vatican I." "The History of Christianity," "Christianity after the Apostles," "The Age of the Imperial Church," "The High Medieval Period," "Christianity in America," "The Second Vatican Council in Context." In Catherine A. Cory and David T. Landry, eds., *The Christian Theological Tradition*. 2nd ed. Saddle River, N.J.: Prentice-Hall, 2002. Pp. 108-140, 196-214.

"Theology and Historical Method." Working paper for workshop on theological methods course for undergraduate theology majors (Summer 2010).

Popular:

- “Catholic-Orthodox Relations in Ukraine.” *Pro Ecclesia* 10 (2001): 395-400.
- “Academic Freedom and the Catholic University: One Generation after *Land O’Lakes*.” In John Wilcox and Irene King, eds., *Enhancing Religious Identity: Best Practices from Catholic Campuses*. Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 2000, pp. 200-210.
- “Arthur Vööbus Remembered.” *Aram* 1 (1989): 290-93.
- “Eusebius of Caesarea.” In *The Literary Encyclopedia*, www.litencyc.com (London: The Literary Encyclopedia Company, 2013).
- “The Enemy Within,” *Commonweal* 143 (no. 19; December 2, 2016), 10-11.
- “Three in One: Letter from a Catholic university campus in Minnesota,” *Commonweal* (online, April 19, 2017) <https://www.commonwealmagazine.org/three-one>.
- “The Böckenförde Paradox: What a German Jurist Can Teach American Catholics.” *Commonweal*, 144 (December 1, 2017), 21-25.
- “The Future of Catholic Academic Theology: A Response to Massimo Faggioli.” *Commonweal* 145 (no. 9; May 18, 2018), 9-11.
- “Newman and Theological Conflict: Response to Philip Porter.” *Commonweal* 145 (no. 16; October 5, 2018), 27-28.
- “Controlling the Narrative: Protestant Liberalism and Catholic Modernism.” *Commonweal* 147 (January 2020), 32-35. (also online, October 7, 2019, <https://www.commonwealmagazine.org/controlling-narrative>)

Blogging

- “On Erik Peterson (and Carl Schmitt)”, November 1, 2011: <http://www.politicaltheology.com/blog/?p=1097>.
- “Taking Exception: Paul Kahn Rocks the Liberal Boat” (November 7, 2011): <http://www.politicaltheology.com/blog/?p=1156>.
- “Review of *The Weimar Moment*” (two parts, March 4 and 6, 2012): <http://www.politicaltheology.com/blog/?p=1917>.

Academic papers, academic and popular presentations, participation at conferences:

2020

“The Theological Roots of Nationalism.” Six-part lecture webinar, October-November, 2020. Basilica of St. Mary, Minneapolis, Minn.

2019

- “Lutheran Christians in the Third Reich.” Presentation to St. Paul Reformation Lutheran Church, Saint Paul, Minn., March 10.
- “Reading Eusebius as Political Theologian: The Peterson-Schmitt Debate.” 18th International Conference on Patristics Studies, Oxford University, Oxford, The Theology Department looks at the composite of a candidate’s scholarship. Regarding the phrase in the Faculty Handbook, “The candidate should document peer review of at least two pieces of substantive work from the following,” the Department views substantive as articles in peer-reviewed journals (*there are peer-reviewed journals that appear only in online form*) or books from publishers that have a professional, standardized review-process. This does not generally include

conference presentations, “notes” in journals, or book reviews. The Department notes that the following do not normally meet the substantive criterion, although it recognizes that particular publications from the following list can indeed be substantive and invites candidate to make the case based on the review process and/or the nature of the writing itself in comparison to journal articles: encyclopedia articles, dictionary articles, chapters in books, *blogs, or other online publications*. All of these do, however, count to the composite picture of a candidate’s scholarship. Department recognizes co-authored articles and books to fit the substantive definition particularly when the candidate describes her or his contribution to the project in the personal statement. August 20, 2019.

2018

“The Venerable Bede and Movsēs Xorenac`i: Ecclesiastical History and Ethnogenesis in Eighth-Century Anglo-Saxon England and Armenia.” Invited presentation to First Millennium Workshop, University of Minnesota, December 7, 2018.

2017

“When Politics Becomes Worldview Competition: Ernst-Wolfgang Böckenförde, Culture Wars, and the Secular in American Catholicism.” Theology Department, University of St. Thomas, February 22.

“The First Fifty Days: What We Should Expect.” Panel presentation, Institute for Catholicism and Citizenship, March 9.

“Eusebius’ *Ecclesiastical History* as an Ecumenical Document.” Invited paper for “Ecumenical Conference on the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation,” St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity, St. Paul, Minn., July 13, 2017.

2016

“Carl Schmitt and Political Theology.” Presented to Department of Theology, University of St. Thomas, Saint Paul, Minn., April 13.

“The World Spirit on Horseback? Eusebius of Caesarea on History and Universal Revelation.” Presented at session on “Salvation in Early Christianity,” Annual Meeting of North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 24.

“Syriac Historiography and Eusebius’ *Ecclesiastical History*.” Presented to Minnesota Association of Patristics Studies, University of St. Thomas, Saint Paul, Minn., April 19.

“The Christian churches of the Middle East.” St. Rose of Lima parish, Roseville, September 14; also Theology Night Live, University of St. Thomas, November 15.

“When Politics Becomes Worldview Competition: Ernst-Wolfgang Böckenförde, Culture Wars, and the Secular in American Catholicism.” Invited paper for conference on “Ernst-Wolfgang Böckenförde’s Contributions to Theorizing the Relation between Law and Religion,” Center for Interdisciplinary Research, University of Bielefeld, Germany, September 29-October 1. Respondent to paper by Mary Anne Casey at same meeting.

2015

“The Traditionalist Reception of *Dignitatis Humanae*: Orderly Withdrawal or Counter-attack?” Paper presented at conference on “The Church in the Modern World: Teaching and Understanding *Gaudium et Spes* after Fifty Years.” University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minn., March 13, 2015.

- “Three Moments in the History of the Papacy.” Lecture series at Corpus Christi Parish, Roseville, Minn., October 5, 12, and 19, 2015.
- “Limited Government and Total War: the German Catholic Debate at the Dawn of the Nuclear Age.” Invited paper for workshop on “Political Theology of the International,” School of International Relations, St. Andrews University, Scotland, May 1-2, 2015. (Also presented paper to Theology Department, April 15.)
- “Incest and Moral Universalism in Montesquieu’s *The Persian Letters*.” Panel presentation on *The Persian Letters*, University of St. Thomas, September 29, 2015.
- “Valesius and Eusebius’ *Ecclesiastical History*: Scholarship, Religion, and Politics in the Republic of Letters.” 17th International Conference on Patristics Studies, Oxford University, Oxford, England, August 11, 2015.

2014

- “Jesus in Early Christianity: God and Man.” Paper presented to conference on Jesus/Isa in Christianity and Islam. Dokuz Eylül University, Izmir, Turkey, January 29-31, 2014.
- “The Legacy of Eusebius’ *Ecclesiastical History*.” Paper presented to Minnesota Association of Patristics Studies, St. Paul, April 23, 2014.
- “‘God Wills All to Be Saved’: Eusebius of Caesarea and the Universal Pedagogy of the Logos.” Paper for session on universalism in early Christianity at annual meeting of North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 23, 2014.

2013

- “‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself’: But Who Is My Neighbor? Christianity and ‘Others’ in Early Christianity.” Paper presented at conference on “Christianity, Islam, and Others”, with Muslim theologians from Dokuz Eylül University (Izmir, Turkey), University of St. Thomas, February 1-2, 2013.
- “Papal Elections in Ancient and Modern Times,” for “Habemus Papam: We Have a Pope.” Panel presentation, University of St. Thomas, February 27, 2013.
- “Creating a Christian Culture: Eusebius of Caesarea, Globalization, and Empire,” public lecture in New Frontiers in Theology series, University of St. Thomas, March 14, 2013.
- “Catholics in Hitler’s Germany,” presentation in Theology Night Live series, University of St. Thomas, April 8, 2013.
- “Eusebius’ Authority: The Continuator of the Ecclesiastical History.” Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 24, 2013.
- “The Last Things: Early Christian Views on Death and the Afterlife.” Paper presented at conference on “Salvation and the Afterlife in Christianity and Islam”. Al-Mustafa International University, Qum, Iran, August 18-19, 2013.
- “Eastern Christian Diversity: the Non-Chalcedonian Churches and Their Origin.” Presentation to Theology Club, University of St. Thomas, October 21, 2013.
- Moderator of panel, “Pope Francis: Discussion of a New Pontificate,” University of St. Thomas, November 14, 2013.
- “Pius XII and the Third Reich: The July 1933 Concordat,” for Quaerentes Veritatem lecture series, Catholic Studies Department, University of St. Thomas, November 19, 2013.

2012

“Catholicism and Religious Freedom: the Long and Winding Road.” At Workshop on Religious Freedom in Christianity and Islam, Dokuz Eylül University, Izmir, Turkey, January 16-18, 2012 (also delivered at inter-religious dialogue with Iranian representatives from Al-Mustafa International University, Qom, Iran, in Rome, June 6-8, 2012).

Invited paper on “Eusebius of Caesarea’s *Commentary on Isaiah*,” for conference on “Transmission and Interpretation of the Book of Isaiah in the Context of Intra- and Inter-Religious Dialogue,” Göttingen University, Germany, May 10-12, 2012.

Presentation of paper on “Eusebius’ Moses: Hebrew, Jew, and Christian,” for conference on “The Christian Moses: from Philo to the Qur’an,” Catholic University of America Center for Early Christian Studies, Washington, D.C., May 31-June 3.

2011

“‘A Universal Bishop Appointed by God’: Constantine and the Catholicity of the Church.” Invited presentation to session on “Catholicity in the Church Fathers” for World Catholicism Week, DePaul University, Chicago, April 13, 2011.

2010

Presentation of paper, “Eusebius of Caesarea and Early Christian Exegesis,” Minnesota Association of Patristics Studies, St. Paul, Minn., November 16, 2010.

2009

Invited presentation on “Eusebius of Caesarea, the Psalter, and the Origins of Christian Biblical Scholarship” for the SBL Eusebius and the Construction of a Christian Culture Consultation, Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, New Orleans, November 22, 2009

2008

Invited paper on “Catholic Anti-Liberalism: Political Theology and its Catholic Critics,” delivered at conference on “The Weimar Moment: Political Theology, Liberalism, and the Law,” University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 25, 2008.

2007

Invited participant at Liberty Fund colloquium on “Religious Dissent and Liberty,” Charleston, S.C., October 11-14, 2007.

Invited participant at Fides et Ratio Seminar, “The Catholic Intellectual Tradition in the 20th and 21st Centuries,” Ft. Wayne, Ind., July 22-28, 2007.

2005

Lilly Fellow, Seminar on American Global Power and the Churches, Rosemont College, Rosemont, Pa., May 16-June 9, 2005

2003

Invited presentation, “‘The Usages of Freedom in Their Full Range’: Catholicism, Political Theology, and Liberal Democracy,” at conference on “Globalization and Political Theologies,” Center for Study of World Religions, Harvard University, May 4, 2003.

Invited participant at Liberty Fund colloquium on “Conscience and Liberty: from Aquinas to Joseph Butler,” New Orleans, May 29-June 1, 2003.

1999

“Political Theology in the Shadow of the Third Reich: Erik Peterson and Carl Schmitt on Politics and Religion.” Paper presented at conference on “Christian Life and Thought: Responses to Totalitarianism/Authoritarianism in the Twentieth Century,” Boston College, September 16-17, 1999.

“Eusebius of Caesarea on the Two Ways of Life in the Church: *Dem. Ev.* 1.8 in its Apologetic Setting.” Presented at the Thirteenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, August 16-21, 1999.

1998

Invited participant in conference on 1998 Erasmus Lecture by Oliver O’Donovan, “Government As Judgment,” sponsored by the Institute on Religion in Public Life, New York City, September 23-24, 1998.

1997

“John Milbank, Augustine, and the ‘Secular’.” Presented at “History, Apocalypse and the Secular Imagination: An Interdisciplinary Symposium on Augustine’s *City of God*,” University of British Columbia, Vancouver, September 18, 1997.

“Martyrdom and Suicide in Early Christian: A Critique of A. Droge and J. Tabor, *A Noble Death*.” Invited presentation to Moral Theology Group panel on “Perspectives on Physician-Assisted Suicide,” Annual Convention of the Catholic Theological Society of America, Minneapolis, June 7, 1997.

1996

Invited participant in symposium on “Lord Acton, Christianity, and Liberty,” organized by the Institute of Political Economy, Utah State University, Jackson Hole, Wyoming, September 26-29, 1996.

Invited respondent to two papers at session on patristic theology, Annual Convention of the Catholic Theological Society of America, San Diego, June 7, 1996.

“Erik Peterson and the Recovery of Christian Asceticism.” Presented in session on “The Historiography of Asceticism” at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Church History, Atlanta, January 6, 1996.

1995

“*Rex Gloriae: The Christian Church and the Roman Empire*.” Lecture in the series *Two Millennia of Christianity*, Wethersfield Institute, New York City, April 6, 1995.

1994

Invited respondent to papers at the “Conference on the Church and Voluntary Organizations,” Vanderbilt University, September 23-25, 1994.

1994 Distinguished Guest at the 3rd Annual Midwestern Colloquy on the Christian Life, June 16-17, 1994, St. Paul, Minn.

“Severus of Antioch and the Christology of the *Philalethes*.” Presented in session on post-Chalcedonian Christology at the New York/Middle Atlantic Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, New York City, March 18, 1994.

“Monotheism and Monarchy after Constantine: the Evidence of the *Oration to the Assembly of the Saints*.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Catholic Historical Association in a session co-sponsored by the American Society of Church History, on “Monotheism, Monarchy, and the Papacy in the Christian Roman Empire,” San Francisco, January 7, 1994.

1993

Invited participant at semi-annual meeting of the Dogmatics Colloquium, Center of Catholic and Evangelical Theology, for discussion of my *Pro Ecclesia* article on Erik Peterson and Adolf Harnack, Northfield, Minn., October 31, 1993.

1992

“Monotheism and Politics Before and After Constantine.” Presentation at Brandeis University, January 28, 1993.

Invited participant at planning session for conference on “Voluntary Associations in the Churches,” Vanderbilt University, March 13-14, 1992.

1991

“*The Life of Symeon the Stylite the Younger* as a Source for Chalcedonian Christianity in Sixth Century Syria.” Presented at a session on Chalcedon and oriental Christianity, National Meeting of American Society of Church History, Chicago, December 28, 1991.

Invited participant at symposium on “Man, Nature, and Liberty,” sponsored by Utah State University and the Liberty Fund, Jackson Hole, Wyoming, September 26-29, 1991.

“The Pseudo-Ephremic *Story of Joseph*: Tradition and Creativity in an Early Syriac Haggadic Cycle.” Presented at the Syriac Studies Symposium, “Edessa from the Fourth Century to the Arab Conquest,” Brown University, Providence, June 29, 1991.

1990

“Augustine and Varro on Civil Theology.” Presented at the Augustine Conference, Marquette University, November 9, 1990.

1989

“The Origenist Exegetical Heritage in the Early Fourth Century: the Evidence of Eusebius.” Presented at the Fifth Origen Colloquy, Boston College, August 16, 1989.

“Early Christian Piety and the Martyrdom of Perpetua.” Spring Lecture Series, Newman House, Palo Alto, April 11, 1989.

1988

“Erik Peterson and *Der Monotheismus als politisches Problem*. Re-examining a Classic Work on Politics and Theology in the Early Church.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Church History, Cincinnati, December 29, 1988.

“Pseudo-Amphilochius’ *Vita Athanasii Syriaca* (MS. Mard. 269): Sources and Significance.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May

27, 1988, and the Fifth Syriac Symposium, Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium, August 29, 1988.

1987

“New Approaches to Eusebius of Caesarea: Reinterpreting the First ‘Court Theologian’.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Boston, December 8, 1987.

“Eusebius’ Comparison of Moses and Constantine in the *Life of Constantine*.” Presented at the Tenth International Conference on Patristic Studies, Oxford, August 27, 1987.

1986

“Augustine’s *On the City of God*: Introducing a Classic Text.” NEH Public Lecture for Paideia Program, Luther College, April 20, 1986.

1985

“Origen’s Doctrine of Creation.” Presented at a session on Christian conceptions of nature, Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Anaheim, CA, November 23, 1985.

“Eusebius’ Use of the Hebrew Column of Origen’s Hexapla.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, Chicago, Ill., May 20, 1985.

1982

“Church and Eschatology in Eusebius of Caesarea’s *Commentary on Isaiah*.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society, Chicago, May 18, 1982.

