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EDUCATION

Drew University Theological School, Madison, New Jersey
Ph.D., Biblical Studies and Early Christianity, certificate in Women's Studies, 2013
M.Phil., 2011
Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, Virginia
M.A., Christian Education, 2007
Greensboro College, Greensboro, North Carolina
B.A. Religion, minor in Psychology, 2004

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2019 – present
Associate Professor of Theology and Religious Studies, St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI

Fall 2014 – Spring 2019
Assistant Professor of Theology and Religious Studies, St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI

Fall 2012 – Summer 2014
Part-time Lecturer in Religion, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Mary, Mother of Martyrs: How Motherhood Became Self-Sacrifice in Early Christianity.
Feminist Studies in Religion Books, 2018. Reprinted Wipf & Stock, 2020.

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

“The Jews as ‘Children of the Devil’ (John 8:44) in Nazi Children’s Literature,” *Biblical Interpretation*, forthcoming 2022.

“Becoming a Trauma-Informed Bible Professor.” Pages 139-151 in *Teaching the Bible with Undergraduates*, edited by Sylvie Raquel and Joceyln McWhirter. SBL Press, 2022.

“Boundaries, Intersections, and the Parting of Ways in the Letter of James” with Thomas M. Bolin. *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 74.4 (October 2020): 335-343.

“Feminist Studies as the Mother of Childist Approaches to the Bible.” Pages 20-34 in *Children and Methods: Listening To and Learning From Children in the Biblical World*, edited by

Kristine Henriksen Garroway and John W. Martens. Brill's Series on Jewish Studies, vol. 67. Brill, 2020.

"Children and the Memory of Traumatic Violence." Pages 181-197 in *T & T Clark Handbook to Children in the Bible and the Biblical World*, edited by Sharon Betsworth and Julie Faith Parker. T & T Clark, 2019.

"Children in Biblical Narrative and Childist Interpretation" with Julie Faith Parker. Pages 422-433 in *The Oxford Handbook to Biblical Narrative*, edited by Danna Nolan Fewell. Oxford University Press, 2016.

"Roundtable Response: Biblical Studies and Childhood Studies: A Fertile, Interdisciplinary Space for Feminists." *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 29:2 (Fall 2013): 148-55.

Book reviews

The Passion of Perpetua and Felicitas in Late Antiquity, L. Stephanie Cobb, with translations by L. Stephanie Cobb and Andrew S. Jacobs. *Journal of Orthodox Christian Studies*, forthcoming 2022.

Rediscovering the Marys: Maria, Mariamne, Miriam, edited by Mary Ann Beavis and Ally Kateusz. *Review of Biblical Literature*, May 2021.

Children in Ancient Israel: The Hebrew Bible and Mesopotamia in Comparative Perspective, by Shawn W. Flynn. *Journal of Religion*, April 2021.

For Theirs Is the Kingdom: Inclusion and Participation of Children in the Gospel According to Luke, by Amy Lindeman Allen. *Currents in Theology and Mission*, 2021.

The Bible and Feminism: Remapping the Field, edited by Yvonne Sherwood with Anna Fisk. [Ancient Jew Review](#), 2019.

Dynamic Lecturing: Research-Based Strategies to Enhance Lecture Effectiveness, by Christine Harrington and Todd Zakrajsek, *Reflective Teaching*, 2018.

Missoula: Rape and the Justice System in a College Town, by Jon Krakauer, *Reflective Teaching*, 2016.

Other publications

"A Response from FSR, Inc" with Deborah Whitehead. *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 38:1 (Spring 2022): 73-74.

"Motherhood, Martyrdom, and Us: The Author Responds." Response to a special section about my book in *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 37:1 (Spring 2021): 185-190.

"Teaching Tactic: Using *Lectio Divina* for Non-Scriptural Texts." *Teaching Theology and Religion* 22.2 (April 2019), p128.

“Reckoning with Challenging Truths: White College Women Read *Lynched* by Angela D. Sims.” Blogger, [Ecclesio.com](https://www.ecclesio.com), November 2017.

“Teaching Tactic: Drawing Theoretically Complex Ideas,” *Teaching Theology & Religion* 20.1 (January 2017), p69.

“James, Protevangelium of (film).” Pages 742-743 in Volume 13 of *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. Walter De Gruyter Publishing House, 2016.

“Infanticide (film).” Pages 1150-1152 in Volume 12 of *The Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. Walter De Gruyter Publishing House, 2016.

“Social Interaction: Early Church.” Pages 406-411 in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Bible and Gender Studies*, edited by Julia M. O’Brien. Oxford University Press, 2014.

“Location, Direction, and the View from a Former Submissions Editor’s Chair.” *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 30:2 (Fall 2014): 144-45.

PAPERS PRESENTED (Peer-reviewed abstracts)

“Becoming a Trauma-Informed Professor.” Presented in the Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context section of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 2018.

“Mother Abraham: Ancient Christian and Jewish Mothers Valiantly Sacrificing Their Children.” Presented in a joint session of the Children in the Biblical World section of the Society of Biblical Literature and the Childhood and Religion section of the American Academy of Religion, November 2014.

“The Jews as ‘Children of the Devil’ (John 8:44) Post-Shoah.” Presented in the Children and the Biblical World section at the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 2010.

“The Woman Clothed with the Sun, Her Son, and the Apocalypse of Women.” Presented in the Second Temple Writings/Apocalyptic Literature section at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, March 2010.

INVITED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

“Mary of Nazareth and the Traumas of Motherhood in the Biblical World.” Panelist for Yale University and Hebrew Union College’s Renewed Philology panel on Biblical Conceptions of Childbirth and Miscarriage, August 2022.

“Consent or Resistance in Luke 1?” Paper response in Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World section, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 2021.

“*Mary, Mother of Martyrs: How Motherhood Became Self-Sacrifice in Early Christianity* book discussion.” Interview about my book, [New Books Network podcast](#), March 2020.

“*Mary, Mother of Martyrs: How Motherhood Became Self-Sacrifice in Early Christianity* book review panel.” Respondent to panel discussion about my book, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 2019.

“Relationships Between Childhood Studies and Feminist/Gender Studies.” Presented at Listening To and Learning From Children in the Biblical World Conference, Hebrew Union College, California, February 2018.

“Book Session on Children in the Biblical World: Research Shaping a New Field.” Respondent to three recent books/authors, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 2015.

“Children in Biblical Narrative and Childist Interpretation” (with Julie Faith Parker). Panelist, The Oxford Handbook to Biblical Narrative: A Select Preview, Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, March 2014.

“The Future of Feminist Biblical Studies Across Disciplines and Communities.” Panelist, Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion meeting, Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 2012.

“Children in New Testament Studies.” Drew Graduate Division of Religion Interdisciplinary Colloquium, “Children Questioning Subject and Method,” February 2012, invited facilitator with Drs. Morris Davis and Kathryn Ott.

INVITED COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

“Town Hall: What Does Scripture Say about The Family?” With Derek Elkins. Resurrection Parish, Green Bay, Wisconsin, October 2022.

“Reading the Bible with Children in Mind: What Do We Do with a Bible that Harms Children?” “Model of Faithfulness or Abusive Father? Abraham and His Sons,” and “Children in Revelation and at the End.” Summer Scripture Conference, Institute for Pastoral Leadership at University of Saint Mary of the Lake and Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois, June 2022.

“What Does the Bible Say About Homosexuality?” Panelist, St. Norbert College’s Coming Out Week, October 2021.

“Children and Violence in the Bible.” Summer Scripture Conference, Institute for Pastoral Leadership at University of Saint Mary of the Lake and Mundelein Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois, June 2020 (rescheduled to 2022 because of COVID-19).

“What Does the Bible Say About Homosexuality?” Panelist, St. Norbert College’s Coming Out Week, October 2020.

- “Luke-Acts As Idealizing Narratives.” *Communio* and the Norbertines course, St. Norbert College, De Pere, Wisconsin, September 2020.
- “Mary, Mother of Martyrs: How Motherhood Became Self-Sacrifice in Early Christianity.” Book talk for WATER (Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual), June 2020.
- “The Acts of the Apostles: One Vision of Church.” Norbertine Center for Spirituality, De Pere, Wisconsin, April 2020 (cancelled for COVID-19).
- “Holy Week and Lent in Scripture.” Facilitator, RCIA program, St. Norbert College Parish, February 2020.
- “Holy Week in Scripture.” Facilitator, RCIA program, St. Norbert College Parish, March 2019.
- “The New Testament and the Roots of Anti-Semitism.” Panelist, Honoring the Victims of the Tree of Life Synagogue: Jewish-Christian Relations Past and Present, November 2018.
- “On the Third Day He Rose Again From the Dead.” Panelist, Pilgrim Forum, St. Norbert College, May 2018.
- “Women’s Roles in the Church: Early Perspectives on Motherhood.” Speaker, UntitledTown Book and Author Festival, Green Bay, Wisconsin, April 2018.
- “Following the Matriarchal Line.” Faith Formation Series, Resurrection Parish, Green Bay, Wisconsin, March 2018.
- “Jesus Was Bad For Business: Reflections on John 2:13-35.” With Derek Elkins, Lenten Series, Norbertine Center for Spirituality, De Pere, Wisconsin, March 2018.
- “How I Met My Spouse.” Panelist, Emmaus Center for Spiritual Life and Vocation, St. Norbert College, November 2017.
- “Reformation Sunday Discussion.” Panelist, First United Presbyterian Church, De Pere, Wisconsin, October 2017.
- “What does the Bible say about LGBTQ relationships?” Speaker, St. Norbert College Parish, De Pere, Wisconsin, October 2017.
- “Women, Waffles, and Wisdom: International Women’s Day.” Panelist, Oxfam America Club, St. Norbert College, March 2017.
- “Women’s Roles in the Church: Historical Perspectives.” Panelist, Theology & Religious Studies Majors dinner, October 2015.
- “Women, Waffles, and Wisdom: International Women’s Day.” Panelist, Oxfam America Club, St. Norbert College, March 2015.

“Sacrificing Mothers: Martyrdom and Motherhood in the Early Church and Today.” Speaker, Morning of Spiritual Renewal for Women, Norbertine Center for Spirituality, De Pere, Wisconsin, January 2015.

“Moms and Dads Who’ve Made It.” Panelist, Academic Ladder Webinar, May 2014.

“Women of Faith in the Modern World: Christian Women and History.” Panelist, Interfaith Women’s Initiative, Tenafly, New Jersey, April 2013.

“The Women at the Tomb in Mark and Matthew.” Exegetical Skills II course, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, March 2012.

“Let the Little Children Come to Me: Children in the Gospel of Matthew.” Drew Continuing Education Webinar Series, “The Gospel of Matthew: New Insights and Perspectives,” March 2011.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2022	Faculty Development Fund, St. Norbert College
2021	Donald B. King Distinguished Scholar Award, St. Norbert College
2021	Faculty Development Fund, St. Norbert College
2020-2021	Intercultural Dialogue and Equity Cohort, Cassandra Voss Center, St. Norbert College
2019	AAC&U Institute, Civic Prompts in the Major
2019	Faculty Development Fund, St. Norbert College
2019	Merit Bonus, St. Norbert College
2018-2019	Global Fellow, Center for Global Engagement, St. Norbert College
2018	Faculty Development Fund, St. Norbert College
2018	Merit Bonus, St. Norbert College
2017	Faculty Development Fund, St. Norbert College
2016	Summer Fellowship, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning
2015-2016	Workshop for Pre-Tenure Religion Faculty at Colleges and Universities, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning
2015-2016	Faculty Fellow for Community Engagement, Sturzl Center, St. Norbert College
2015	Faculty Development Fund, St. Norbert College
2014	Faculty Development Fund, St. Norbert College
2014	Part-time Lecturer Professional Development Fund Award, Rutgers University
2007-2013	Graduate Division of Religion Merit Award, Drew University
2007-2008	Ann E. Dickerson Scholarship, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
2006-2007	American Baptist Home Mission Society Scholarship
2004	Theta Alpha Kappa Undergraduate Achievement Award, Greensboro College
2004	Hardee Christian Service Award, Greensboro College
2000-2004	Presidential Scholarship, Greensboro College

COURSES TAUGHT

St. Norbert College – undergraduate
THRS 117 Theological Foundations

THRS 280	Introducing Christian Traditions
THRS 309	Biblical Exegesis and Research
THRS/WMGS 324	Women in the Bible; also taught as a Community Engaged course
THRS 329	The New Testament
THRS 331	Judaism and Christianity: The Holocaust; also taught as a Community Engaged course
THRS 460	Advanced Seminar: Religion, Violence, and Non-Violence

St. Norbert College – graduate

THEO 502 Historical Development of Christian Traditions

THEO 503 Scripture and Biblical Interpretation

THEO 505 Christology

Rutgers University, School of Arts and Sciences

REL 202 New Testament (cross-listed with Jewish Studies)

REL 307 Jesus (Online)

Drew University, Theological School

BIBST 116 Exegetical Skills II

INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH DIRECTION & TUTORIALS

Research Fellow advisor, “Teaching and Trauma in a Liberal Arts Context,” 2019-2020

Master of Theological Studies thesis director

“The Rise of Anti-Semitism and the Catholic Church’s Response,” 2020-2022

“The Diaconate and the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick,” 2019-2020

“Care for God’s Creation and a Vegan Diet,” 2017-2020

“The Sacred Liturgy: Fostering Relationship Within the Ritual,” 2016-2017

“Stations of the Crib: A Journey Through Advent,” 2015-2016

Honors Tutorials

“Transformative Experience” (Killeen Chair theme), Fall 2017

“Transformative Experience” (Killeen Chair theme), Spring 2018

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

St. Norbert College

Certified in Mental Health First Aid, 2022-2025

Interim director of Academic Service-Learning, spring 2022

Women and Gender Studies Advisory Committee, 2021-2024

Mission criterion chair for Higher Learning Commission reaccreditation visit, 2020-2022

Title IX Coordinator Search Committee, 2020

Discipline Coordinator, 2019-2021

Writing Across the Curriculum Advisory Committee, 2019-2022

Advisor for SNCheese Club, 2019-2021

Search Committee, Comparative Theology, 2018-2019

Search Committee, Christian Ethics, 2018-2019

Mentor for incoming faculty member, 2018-2019
Search Committee, Coordinator for Interdisciplinary Graduate Programs, 2018
Mentor for Navigate Vocation student, 2018
Academic Service-Learning Advisory Committee, 2017-2021
Search Committee, Philosophy (Social and Political/20th C. Continental), 2017-2018
Search Committee, Philosophy (Metaphysics and Epistemology), 2017-2018
Norbertine Pedagogy Working Group, 2017-2018
Assessment Leader for Theology and Religious Studies, 2017
Mentor for Navigate Vocation student, 2016
Advisor for Equality Project student club, 2016-
Faculty Welcoming Committee, 2016-2019
Master of Theological Studies Advisory Committee, 2016-2018
Search Committee, Contextual Theology, 2016-2017
Harassment Resource Committee, 2015-2017
Communications Board, 2015-2017
Humanities Advisory Council, 2015-2017
Killeen Chair for Theology and Philosophy Committee, 2015-2019, 2021-2022
Search Committee, Ritual/Liturgical Studies, 2014-2015

Children in the Biblical World Section, Society of Biblical Literature
Steering Committee Member, 2013-

Feminist Studies in Religion, Inc.

Editorial board member, *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion*, 2016-2022
Treasurer and Officer of the corporation, 2013-
Submissions Editor, *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion*, 2008-2012

Drew University

Member, Library and Information Technology Team, University-Wide Organizational Review, 2011-2012
Theological School Student Representative, University Library Committee, 2011-2012
Co-Chair, Graduate Division of Religion Student Association, 2010-2011
Doctoral Student Representative, Library Self-Study Committee for the Association of Theological Schools Re-Accreditation, 2009-2010
Research Assistant, Prof. Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, 2008
Research Assistant, *Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture*, 2007-2008

Union Presbyterian Seminary

Final Level MA Representative, Student Government Association, 2006-2007
Advisory Committee for Advancing Multicultural Diversity, 2006-2007
Service Committee, Richmond Theological Consortium, 2006
Service Committee, 2005-2007
Research Assistant, Prof. Gwen Hawley, 2005-2007

Greensboro College

Student Ethics Committee, 2002-2004

OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Biblical Literature I & II, Drew University Theological School (2008-2010)
Summer Intern, Catholic Social Services Refugee Office, Charlotte, NC (Summer 2006)
English Instructor, Lord Jesus Korean Church, Richmond, VA (Spring 2006)
Congregational Coordinator, Christians for Peace in El Salvador, Boston, MA (Spring 2005)
Tutor, StudySmart, Inc., Boston, MA (Aug 2004 – Jun 2005)
Tutor, Greensboro College, Greensboro, NC (Aug 2002 - May 2004)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society of Biblical Literature
American Academy of Religion
Feminist Studies in Religion
Theta Alpha Kappa, National Honor Society for Religious Studies/Theology
Sigma Tau Delta, International English Honor Society

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCIES (READING)

Koine Greek
Biblical Hebrew
Latin
Spanish
German

REFERENCES

Available upon request