

# Curriculum Vitae

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## **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS:**

- Assistant Professor of Biblical and Systematic Theology, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL (2021–present).
  - Since May 2022: Department Chair

## **EDUCATION:**

- PhD., Southern Methodist University, Graduate Program in Religious Studies, Systematic Theology (2021)
  - Dissertation: “Gender as Love: A Theological Account”
  - Awarded the “Schubert M. Ogden Fellowship for Academic Excellence in Theology,” 2019–2020
  - Fellowships: Dean’s Fellowship, University Fellowship
  - Committee: William J. Abraham (Chair), D. Stephen Long, James K.H. Lee, Beth Felker Jones (external, Wheaton College)
- Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (2017)
  - Master of Arts: Systematic Theology
  - Master of Arts: Church History
  - Thesis Title (done jointly for both degrees): “The Ontology of Gender”
    - Supervisors: Thomas H. McCall, Douglas A. Sweeney
    - Winner of the Prof. C.B. Bjuge Award for an outstanding master's thesis focused on Biblical and Systematic Theology
- Calvin University (2014)
  - Bachelor of Arts: Philosophy, Gender Studies

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### Books:

1. *Gender as Love: A Theological Account of Human Identity, Embodied Desire, and Our Social Worlds* (forthcoming with Baker Academic, November 2023).
2. *Teologia de gênero: amor e identidade humana* (contracted with The Pilgrim/Thomas Nelson Brazil)

### Peer-Reviewed Articles and Chapters:

1. “Gender Identity: To Infinity and Beyond,” *Pro Ecclesia* (forthcoming).
  - Part of a proposed special symposium on resurrection and human identity, accepted alongside essays by Daniel Lee Hill and Matthew Jenson.
2. “Practicing Resurrection with Nagini: the Coming Redemption of All Creatures, Great and Small,” *Ex Auditu* (forthcoming).
3. “Gender and Theological Tradition: On How to Retrieve the Irrecoverable,” *Journal of Reformed Theology* (forthcoming).

4. "Divine Action," in *William J. Abraham: A Theological Biography*, ed. Michael Gehring and Andy Kinsey (Waco, TX: Baylor University Press) (forthcoming).
5. "Divine Action, Theological Method, and Scripture's Narrative," in *Divine Action in Hebrews, and the Ongoing Priesthood of Jesus*, ed. Craig Bartholomew, Gareth Lee Cockerill, and Benjamin Quinn (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan) (forthcoming).
6. "Justice, Grace, and Love: A Theological Commendation," *Trinity Journal*, Vol. 42 (2021): 185–200.
7. "Divine Action is Constitutive of Theology: William Abraham, John Webster, and Theological Theology" *Irish Theological Quarterly*, Vol. 86, No. 4 (2021): 388–403.
8. "A Teologia do Amor Humano no Pensamento do Santo Agostinho: Uma Maneira Para Entender a Identidade Humana," *Concilium Teologicum* (Brazil), Vol. 2 (Feb. 2021): 7–31.
9. "Can a Male Savior Save Women? The Metaphysics of Gender and Christ's Ability to Save," *Philosophia Christi*, Vol. 21, No. 2 (Winter 2019): 309–324.
10. "Cappadocian or Augustinian? Adjudicating Debates on Gender in the Resurrection," *International Journal of Systematic Theology*, Vol. 21, No. 2 (April 2019): 182–198.
  - Winner of the annual "Colin Gunton Memorial Essay Prize" for 2018.
11. "On Thomas Aquinas's Rejection of an 'Incarnation Anyway,'" *TheoLogica: An International Journal for Philosophy of Religion and Philosophical Theology*, Vol. 2, No. 3 (2018/19).
12. "Anselm on the *Rectus Ordo* of Creation," *The Saint Anselm Journal*, Vol. 14.1 (Winter 2018): 93–109.

#### Book Reviews:

1. Susannah Cornwall, *Constructive Theology and Gender Variance*, *Journal of Biblical and Theological Studies* (forthcoming).
2. Christa McKirland, *God's Provision, Humanity's Need*, *International Journal of Systematic Theology* (forthcoming).
3. Amy Peeler, *Women and the Gender of God*, *Bulletin of Biblical Research* (forthcoming).
4. Adrian Thatcher, *Gender and Christian Ethics*, *Anglican Theological Review* (Winter 2022).
5. Simeon Zahl, *The Holy Spirit and Christian Experience*, *Journal of Reformed Theology*, Vol. 15 (2021): 361–362.
6. Carl R. Trueman, [\*The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self: Cultural Amnesia, Expressive Individualism, and the Road to Sexual Revolution\*](#), *The London Lyceum Ledger*.
7. Oliver D. Crisp, James M. Arcadi, and Jordan Wessling, eds., *Love, Divine and Human: Contemporary Essays in Systematic and Philosophical Theology*, *Trinity Journal* Vol. 42 (2021).
8. John Webster, *The Culture of Theology*, *Trinity Journal* Vol. 41 (2020).
9. Todd Breyfogle, *On Creativity, Liberty, Love and the Beauty of the Law* & Ian Clausen, *On Love, Confession, Surrender and the Moral Self*, *Studies in Christian Ethics* Vol. 33, No. 1 (February 2020).
10. Ruben Rosario Rodríguez, *Dogmatics After Babel: Between Theologies of Word and Culture, Perspectivas: The Journal of the Hispanic Theological Institute* (Issue 16, 2019).
11. Linn Marie Tonstad, *God and Difference: The Trinity, Sexuality, and the Transformation of Finitude*, *The Journal of Analytic Theology*, Vol. 6 (2018).

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND COURSES TAUGHT:**

- Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL
  - ST 8000: Great Female Theologians of Church History
  - ST 8200: Theological Investigations in Human Identity: Disability
  - ST 8200: Theological Investigations in Human Identity: Race

- ST 7200: Theological Ethics
- ST 8200: Doctrine of Creation
- ST 7715: Political Theology
- ST 5201: God of the Gospel (first section of the systematic theology series)
- ST 5202: Gospel of God (second section of the systematic theology series)
- ST 8200: Theological Investigations in Human Identity: Gender
- Reformed Theological Seminary, Dallas, TX
  - *Biblical Theology*: The Kingdom of God in Biblical Theology; The People of God in Biblical Theology; The New Heaven and New Earth
  - Guest Lecture – *Ethics*: The Ethics of Thomas Aquinas
- Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX
  - Systematic Theology Series, Perkins School of Theology (as TA for William Abraham and Natalia Marandiuc) – lectures on Christology and Theological Anthropology; weekly lectures for breakout groups; grading papers and exams
- Continued professional development training on teaching and classroom experience through the Hispanic Theological Initiative’s Professional Development Conference.

#### **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS:**

- “Practicing Resurrection with Nagini: the Coming Redemption of All Creatures, Great and Small,” North Park University Theological Interpretation of Scripture Symposium.
- “Sex and Gender: To Infinity and Beyond,” 2022 Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society (Denver, CO).
- “What God has Joined Together, Let No One Separate: Bodies and Culture in the Metaphysics of Gender,” Carolina Analytic Theology Workshop, May 2022 (Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina).
- “Sexual Assault: A Theological Diagnosis,” 2021 Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society (Fort Worth, TX).
- “Desire, Gender and Love: Transforming Sarah Coakley’s Vision,” 2020 Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society
- “Response to *Aquinas, Original Sin, and the Challenge of Evolution* by Daniel W. Houck,” 2020 Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society
- “Can a Male Savior Save Women?” 2020 *Helsinki Analytic Theology Conference*, (University of Helsinki, Finland).
- “What Does it Mean to Give a Theological Account of Gender?” 2019 Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society (San Diego, CA).
- “Unity and Epistemic Disagreement: An Approach from Reformed Catholicity,” *Paths to Unity: Christian Ecumenism and Interreligious Dialogue Today*, Southern Methodist University, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (Dallas, TX).
- “Cappadocian or Augustinian? Adjudicating Debates on Gender in the Resurrection,” 2018 Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society (Denver, CO).
- “Cappadocian or Augustinian? Adjudicating Debates on Gender in the Resurrection,” Oct. 2018, ‘Imagining the Last Things: Eschatology and Apocalypticism, 1500–Present’ (British School at Rome, Rome, Italy).
- “Can a Male Savior Save Women?” 2018 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI).

- “Is Analytic Theology Biblical? A Way Forward from Calvin and Vermigli,” 2017 Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society (Providence, RI).
- “Gender is a Function of the Sexed Body: A Theological Ontology of Gender,” Oct. 2017 Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers (Houston Baptist University, Houston, TX).
- “The Birds and the Bees Out There in the World: A Proposal for Gender Realism,” 2014 Calvin College/Grand Valley State University Philosophy Conference

#### **POPULAR ARTICLES, TALKS, INTERVIEWS, ETC.**

- Regularly leading workshops on gender and theology in churches and in schools, both collegiate and grade school.
- Article for *Intersections: Everyday Bioethics* at the Center for Bioethics and Human Dignity: [“Friendship with the Body and Gender Dysphoria”](#)
- Talk at Mosaic Ministries: [“Desiring a Better Country: Pilgrimage and Immigration as Paradigms of the Christian Life”](#)
- Talk for the Diocese of Christ Our Hope, Anglican Church in North America: [“Gender, Identity, and Love”](#)
- TEDS Chapel Message: [“What if Augustine Had a Twitter Account?”](#)
- From August 2021 to May 2022, cohost of *Foreword*, a podcast hosted by Trinity Evangelical Divinity School faculty and featuring faculty and alumni.
- [Interviewed](#) on the *Church Coffee Podcast* on published articles, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
- [Interviewed](#) on the *London Lyceum Podcast* on theology, gender and the church, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

#### **MINISTRY EXPERIENCE:**

- Board Member for Mosaic House Ministries, North Chicago, IL (February 2023–current).
- Director of Youth Ministries, Trinity Presbyterian Church (Plano, TX) (January 2019–June 2020)
  - Responsible for weekly preaching to 11–18 year-olds, as well as planning and facilitating events and cooperating with other church ministries.
  - Paid staff position.
- Sunday School Teacher, Trinity Presbyterian Church (Plano, TX): Church History, Theology
- High School Sunday School Teacher, St. Mark Lutheran Church (Lindenhurst, IL)
- High School Youth Group Leader, St. Mark Lutheran Church (Lindenhurst, IL)
- Teaching, Preaching and Scripture Reading, St. Mark Lutheran Church (Lindenhurst, IL)
- Hope Network Resident Assistant (Paid, full-time), 2014–2015
  - Responsibilities included daily care for individuals with behavioral disabilities, as well as spiritual guidance and counseling.
- Small Group leader, Crossway Community Church (Grand Rapids, MI) (2014–2015)

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FIELD:**

- Steering Committee Member, Analytic Theology Section at the Evangelical Theological Society (January 2019–Present)

- Responsibilities: Work alongside other scholars to select and facilitate papers on Analytic Theology at the annual meeting of the ETS.

***AWARDS:***

- Schubert M. Ogden Fellowship for Academic Excellence in Theology, Southern Methodist University (2019–2020).
- Hispanic Theological Initiative Third-Year Exam Year Professional Development Workshop Attendee (June 2019)
- Hispanic Theological Initiative Second-Year Doctoral Scholar and Professional Development Workshop Attendee (June 2018).
- University Fellowship, Southern Methodist University, 2017–2021
- Dean’s Fellowship, Dedman College of Arts and Sciences, Southern Methodist University, 2017–2022
- Carl F.H. Henry Scholarship, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, 2015–2017
- L’Abri January Term Fellowship, Calvin College, 2014
- Entrada Multicultural Scholarship, Calvin College, 2012–2014
- *Coram Deo* Scholarship, Calvin College, 2012–2014
- President’s Scholarship, Calvin College, 2012–2014

***RESEARCH INTERESTS:***

- Theology of Gender, Theological Anthropology, St. Augustine of Hippo, Christology, Atonement Theology

***RESEARCH LANGUAGES:***

- Portuguese
- Spanish
- French
- Koine Greek
- Latin

***PERSONAL:***

- Born: Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brazil (Dual citizenship)
- Married: Karla do Vale (née Nyhuis), May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- Children: Eliza Gloria, Oscar William

***AFFILIATIONS:***

- American Academy of Religion
- Society of Christian Ethics
- Hispanic Theological Initiative
- Institute for Biblical Research
- Evangelical Theological Society
- Evangelical Philosophical Society
- Society of Christian Philosophers

***REFERENCES:***

- Daniel Castelo, Duke Divinity School
- D. Stephen Long, Southern Methodist University
- Thomas McCall, Asbury University
- David Luy, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
- Douglas Sweeney, Beeson Divinity School
- Beth Felker Jones, Northern Seminary