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EDUCATION

PhD. Systematic Theology. Princeton Theological Seminary. May 2017
M.Div. Princeton Theological Seminary. May 2010
BA. English. Minor in Religion and Philosophy. John Brown University. May 2006.
Honors Scholars' Semester in Oxford. Wycliffe Hall, Oxford University and the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities. Spring 2005.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor of Theology, Northwestern College, Orange City, IA. August 2023 and following.
Assistant Professor of Theology, Northwestern College, Orange City, IA. 2017-2023.

PUBLICATIONS

Current Research Projects

Book project: *Karl Barth on Friendship with God*
Invited essay contribution to symposium on *Christ the Logos of Creation: An Essay in Analogical Metaphysics* by John Betz, *International Journal of Systematic Theology*, 2025

Book Chapters

- "Karl Barth's Critique of Deification," in Paul Gavriluk, Andrew Hofer, and Matthew Levering, eds., *The Oxford Handbook of Deification* (Oxford University Press, August 2024).
- "Kenosis and the Mutuality of God," in Paul T. Nimmo and Keith L. Johnson, eds., *Kenosis: The Self-emptying of Christ in Scripture and Theology* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2022).
- "At the Zero-Point' of Faith: The Clash of Old Man and New in the *Römerbrief* and Barth's Later Doctrine of Sanctification," in Christophe Chalamet, Andreas Dettwiler, and Sarah Stewart-Kroeker, eds., *Karl Barth's Epistle to the Romans: Retrospect and Prospect* (Berlin, De Gruyter, May 2022).
- "Karl Barth on Death" in George Hunsinger and Keith Johnson, eds., *The Wiley Blackwell Companion to Karl Barth* (West Sussex: Wiley, 2020).
- "'Transforming Encounters': The Friendship of Karl Barth and John Mackay" in Clifford B. Anderson and Bruce L. McCormack, eds., *Karl Barth and the Making of Evangelical Theology* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015), 178–193.

“Assessing the Christological Foundation of Kuyper’s Doctrine of Common Grace” in John R. Bowlin, ed., *Kuyper Center Review* vol. 2, (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2011), 200–220.

Journal Articles

“Theology as Friendship in the Barth Conversations,” *Journal of Reformed Theology*, forthcoming 2024.

“‘The Omnipotence of Mercy’: Jesus’s Miracles as the Light of Grace in §64.3 ‘The Royal Man,’” *Zeitschrift für Dialektische Theologie* 33, no. 1 (2017): 113–128.

Translations

Karl Barth, “The General Strike in November 1918” (part). *The Early Barth—Lectures and Shorter Works, Volume 3: 1914–1921*, eds. Hans-Anton Drewes and Hinrich Stoevesandt (Louisville: WJK, forthcoming 2026).

Karl Barth, “From One Plate, 1910,” “A Strange Misunderstanding, 1910,” “On the Two Poems, 1910,” “Died with Christ, 1910,” “Did Jesus Live? A Retrospective Easter Meditation, 1910,” “Confirmation Evenings, 1910,” and “Protestant Mission Proclamation, 1910,” “The Worker Question, 1913/14” (part). *The Early Barth—Lectures and Shorter Works, Volume 2: 1909–1914*, eds. Hans-Anton Drewes and Hinrich Stoevesandt (Louisville: WJK, forthcoming 2025).

Peter Zocher, “Introduction to the English Edition,” in Karl Barth, *The Early Barth—Lectures and Shorter Works, Volume 1: 1905–1909*, eds. Hans-Anton Drewes and Hinrich Stoevesandt (Louisville: WJK, 2023).

Karl Barth, “Paul’s Missionary Activity According to Its Portrayal in the Acts of the Apostles, 1907” (part), *The Early Barth—Lectures and Shorter Works, Volume 1: 1905–1909*, eds. Hans-Anton Drewes and Hinrich Stoevesandt (Louisville: WJK, 2023).

Karl Barth, “Conversation with Members of the Tübingen ‘Stift,’ 1964” (part), and “Interview with Manfred Linz, 1966” (part), *Karl Barth in Conversation, Volume 3: 1964–1968*, ed. Eberhard Busch (Louisville: WJK, November 2019).

Book Reviews

The Oxford Handbook of Karl Barth by Paul Dafydd Jones and Paul T. Nimmo, eds, *Horizons*, June 2022.

God and Creation in the Theology of Thomas Aquinas and Karl Barth by Tyler Wittman, *Theological Studies*, June 2020.

Participation in Christ: An Entry in Karl Barth’s Church Dogmatics by Adam Neder, The Center for Barth Studies website, Princeton Theological Seminary. Available URL: <https://barth.ptsem.edu/participation-in-christ/>

Other Publications

Four guest blog posts at ReformedJournal.com: “Easter: God’s Ultimate Subversion,” “What We Mean When We Say ‘Resurrection,’” “Who’s In and Who’s Out,” and “We Don’t Know How to Pray,” April 2023. Available URL: <https://blog.reformedjournal.com/author/cambria-kaltwasser/>

“The Life You Save May Not Be Your Own: Loving Our Distant Neighbors During a Time of Pandemic” *Reformed Journal*, June 17, 2020. Available URL: <https://reformedjournal.com/the-life-you-save-may-not-be-your-own-loving-our-distance-neighbors-in-a-time-of-pandemic/>

“Karl Barth on What Makes Us Human.” The Thread. Princeton Theological Seminary Office of Continuing Education, November 2017. Archived URL: <https://web.archive.org/web/20181213141708/https://thethread.ptsem.edu/culture/karl-barth-on-what-makes-us-human>

Devotional series, *These Days*, devotional magazine, Presbyterian Publishing Corporation, March 2013.

“Meeting Christ in the Shadow of Death: A Reflection” in *Princeton Theological Review* 13:2 (Fall 2007). Available URL: <http://ptspr.wpengine.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/37.pdf>

AWARDS AND HONORS

Northwestern College Sabbatical Award for completion of book manuscript, *Karl Barth on Friendship with God*, Spring semester 2025.

Northwestern College Summer Scholarship Grant for work towards book project, *Responding to Grace: The Covenantal Shape of Human Agency in the Theology of Karl Barth*, 2018, 2021, and 2023.

Graduate Student Instructor Award, a competitive fellowship awarded by the Office of PhD Studies at Princeton Theological Seminary for the best course proposals, 2015.

Fulbright Grant for yearlong research in affiliation with Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Germany, supervised by Christoph Schwöbel, 2013–2014.

George S. Green Doctoral Fellowship, 2010–2015.

Goethe-Institut, Full Scholarship and Living Stipend for eight-week Intensive Language Course, Göttingen, Germany, Summer 2011.

Senior Fellowship in Theology, awarded by the faculty of Princeton Theological Seminary for the best master’s thesis in theology: “Karl Barth on the Limits of Creaturely Life,” supervised by George Hunsinger, May 2010.

Archibald Alexander Hodge Award in Systematic Theology, awarded by the faculty of Princeton Theological Seminary, May 2009.

Teaching Ministry Internship Award, a competitive stipend awarded by the Field Education Office at Princeton Theological Seminary. Faculty mentor: John Bowlin, 2008–2009.

PRESENTATIONS

“Karl Barth on Prayer within the Providence of God” National Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Karl Barth Society of North America, San Diego, November 2024.

Panel response to *Who is a True Christian? Contesting Religious Identity in American Culture* by David W. Congdon, National Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Evangelical Studies Unit, San Diego, November 2024

“Theology as Friendship in Barth’s *Gespräche*,” National Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Co-sponsored session by the Karl Barth Society of North America and the Barth Translators’ Seminar of the Center for Barth Studies in partnership with Westminster John Knox Press, San Antonio, November 2021.

- “Command and Petition: Covenantal Friendship as a Paradigm for Divine and Human Agency in Barth’s Doctrine of Prayer,” online presentation for the Systematic Theology Research Seminar, Kings College, University of Aberdeen, October 14, 2021.
- Panel response to *The Crucifixion: Understanding the Death of Jesus Christ* by Fleming Rutledge, Christ Among the Disciplines online conference, forthcoming November 18–24, 2020 <https://www.christamongthedisciplines.com/>
- Panel response to *Dogmatics after Babel: Beyond Theologies of Word and Culture* by Rubén Rosario Rodríguez, National Meeting of the American Academy of Religion: Karl Barth Society of North America and Comparative Theology Unit co-sponsored session, San Diego, November 24, 2019
- “At the “Zero-Point” of Faith: The Clashing of Old Man and New in the *Römerbrief* and Barth’s Later Doctrine of Sanctification,” Karl Barth Colloque, Université de Genève, June 6, 2019
- “Command and Petition: Prayer as Friendship with God,” faculty lecture, Northwestern College, March 27, 2019
- “Command and Petition” – Presentation to Western Seminary– Hope College Faculty Theology Seminar, Feb 1, 2019
- “Time-bound Subjects: Responsibility, Death, and Christian Hope,” LA Theology Conference, Fuller Theological Seminary, January, 2018
- “Teach us to Count Our Days: The Covenantal Dimension of Death in the Theology of Karl Barth,” religion department lecture, Hope College, January, 2017.
- “Covenant Time: Karl Barth on Judgment, Responsibility, and Time in CD §47.2–4,” Barth Graduate Student Colloquium, Princeton Theological Seminary, August, 2016.
- “Karl Barth on Grace and the Humanity of the Human Being,” theology department lecture, Notre Dame University, February, 2016.
- “‘The Omnipotence of Mercy’: Jesus’ Miracles as the Light of Grace in §64.3 ‘The Royal Man,’” Protestantse Theologische Universiteit (Netherlands)–Princeton Seminary Barth Consultation, Princeton Theological Seminary, August, 2015.
- “The Measure of Our Days: Assessing the Aims of Radical Life Extension in Conversation with Karl Barth’s Theology of Human Temporality,” National Meeting of the American Academy of Religion: Christian Systematic Theology and Transhumanism and Religion co-sponsored session, San Diego, November, 2014. Available URL: https://www.academia.edu/19626766/The_Measure_of_Our_Days_Assessing_the_Aims_of_Radical_Life_Extension_in_Conversation_with_Karl_Barth_s_Theology_of_Human_Temporality
- “The God Who Takes Responsibility,” Doctoral student colloquium of Prof. Christoph Schwöbel, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Germany, April, 2014.
- “Verantwortung und Autorität nach der Bundestheologie Karl Barths,” Doctoral student colloquium, Albrecht-Bengel-Haus, Tübingen, Germany, April, 2014.
- “The Priority of Death: Mortality and Self-Sacrifice in Recent Christian Ethics,” Virginia Graduate Colloquium on Theology, Ethics, and Culture, April, 2013.
- “Religious Interiority and Self-knowledge in Light of Wittgenstein’s Later Philosophy,” Graduate Conference on Religion at Harvard Divinity School, October, 2012.
- “Transforming Encounters: The Friendship of Karl Barth and John Mackay,” Annual Conference of the Center for Barth Studies, Princeton Theological Seminary, June, 2012.

“Humanity in Motion: The Significance of Karl Barth’s Historicized Christology for Human Subjectivity,” Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, New Brunswick, NJ, March, 2012.

“Assessing the Christological Foundation of Kuyper’s Doctrine of Common Grace,” Annual Conference of the Abraham Kuyper Center for Public Theology, Princeton Theological Seminary, April, 2010.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record, “First-Year Seminar,” “Christian Story II: Introduction to the Theological Tradition,” “Christian Spirituality,” “Topics in Theology: Predestination,” “Bible, Theology, Vocation: Eschatology and Christian Hope,” “Theology of Worship,” “Topics in Theology: Karl Barth,” “Topics in the History of Christianity: St. Augustine,” and “Topics in Theology: Prayer,” Northwestern College, IA, 2017–2023.

Instructor of Record, “Humanity, Creation, and Covenant,” Princeton Theological Seminary, Spring 2016.

Graduate Teaching Fellow, “Holy Scripture and Modern Criticism” (co-taught with George Hunsinger), Princeton Theological Seminary, Spring 2015.

Program Coordinator and Teaching Fellow, Certificate in Theology and Ministry, Princeton Theological Seminary, Fall 2016.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Friendship with God

Prayer

Sanctification and the Christian life

Divine judgment, grace, and human responsibility

Theological anthropology

Doctrine of God

Eschatology

Karl Barth

Ecumenical theology

Theology and literature

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCY

Systematic theology

History of doctrine

Theology of worship/spiritual formation

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Project Editor (2022–present), Translator (2016–present), Barth Translators’ Seminar.

Co-president (2023–present), Steering committee member (2021–present), Karl Barth Society of North America, 2021.

Steering committee member, Reformed Theology and History Unit of the American Academy of Religion, 2022–present.

Trustee, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, June 2020–present.

Peer reviewer, *International Journal of Systematic Theology*, September 2020.

Peer reviewer, *Modern Theology*, August 2019.

Conference organizer, Barth Graduate Student Colloquium, August 2016.

Associate Editor, *Koinonia*, 2011–2012.

Theology Editor, *Koinonia*, 2010–2011.

Editorial Assistant to Ellen Charry, 2010–2011.

General Editor, *Princeton Theological Review*, 2008–2010.

Associate Editor, *Princeton Theological Review*, 2007–2008.

SERVICE TO NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

Director of the Northwestern Core, fall 2021-present

Member, Northwestern Core Committee, fall 2020-present

Member, Strategic Planning Committee, 2019-2021

Member, Academic Program Prioritization Taskforce, 2018-2019

SERVICE TO PRINCETON SEMINARY

Co-moderator, Theology and Religion & Society Doctoral Workshop, 2014-2016.

Principal Author, “Childbirth and Adoption Accommodation Policy Proposal” (2011),
progenitor of the policy since adopted by the Princeton Seminary Board of Trustees,
May 2014.

Presidential Appointee, PhD Studies Committee, 2012.

Member, Presidential Imperatives PhD Studies Working Group, 2012.

Co-moderator, Koinonia Graduate Student Fellowship, 2012.

Alternate PhD Representative to the Theology Department, 2010-2011.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Minister of Word and Sacrament, Prospect Hill Presbytery, Presbyterian Church (USA),
August 2017-present.

Member, the Committee for Preparation for Ministry, Prospect Hill Presbytery, Presbyterian
Church, 2019-present.

Adult Discipleship Teacher, Models of Christs Work for Us, January-March, 2024.

Adult Discipleship Teacher, The End of the World (As We Know It), January-March, 2023.

Member, American Reformed Church, Orange City, IA, 2018-present.

Storyteller, Children and Worship, American Reformed Church, Orange City, IA, 2018-2021.

Member of the Albrecht-Bengel-Haus, theological study house, Tübingen, Germany, 2013-
2014.

Church School Teacher, Lawrence Road Presbyterian Church, Lawrenceville, NJ, 2009–2013.

Pastoral Intern for the Teaching Ministry, Lawrence Road Presbyterian Church,
Lawrenceville, NJ, 2008–2009.

Chaplain Intern, Trenton Psychiatric Hospital, Trenton, NJ, June–August 2008.

LANGUAGES

German (Advanced listening, speaking, reading, and writing)

French (Reading)

Koine Greek (Reading)
Biblical Hebrew (Reading)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion
Karl Barth Translators' Seminar
Karl Barth Society of North America
Society of Dialectical Theology

REFERENCES

Available upon request