

REV. BRENT D. PETERSON, PH.D.



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EDUCATION

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy-Liturgical Studies

Institution: *Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary*

Title of dissertation: "A Post-Wesleyan Eucharistic Ecclesiology: The Renewal of the Church as the Body of Christ to be Doxologically Broken and Spilled Out For the World."

Date awarded: 10/02/09

Concentrations: in ecclesiology, sacramental and liturgical theology.

Awards: Held doctoral fellowship, with half-tuition. Vogel fellowship in Liturgical Studies of \$5000 annually. Director of the Contemporary Worship Chapel at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary.

Degree: Master of Divinity (Summa Cum Laude)

Institution: *Nazarene Theological Seminary*

Date awarded: May 2000

Awards: Taylor-Stephenson three-year full-tuition scholarship. Senior Bible Award.

NTSSA President (1999-2000), Student representative for NTS accreditation committee.

Degree, Major: BA: Religious Studies: (Summa Cum Laude)

Institution: *Northwest Nazarene University*

Minor area: Biblical Literature Emphasis

Date awarded: June 1997

Awards: Teacher's Assistant to Ralph Neil in Division of Philosophy and Religion 1994-1996.

1996 Sanner Senior Sermon co-winner. Received Religion Department Top GPA Award for Sophomore, Junior, and Senior Year (1994-1996).

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Dean, College of Theology and Christian Ministries, Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (2016-Present).

Professor of Theology, School of Theology and Christian Ministry, Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (2007-Present).

Courses Taught: Undergraduate

Introduction to Christian Theology

Theology of the Church

Christian Theology II

Missional Growth and Health

Cornerstone

God and Person in American Film (topics)

Worship Theory and Development

Worship Leadership and the Sacraments

Pastoral Theology

Communicating the Gospel

The Church in Postmodernity (topics)

Graduate School of Theology

Christian Theology I: Contemporary Theology

Christian Theology II: Contemporary Theology

Engaging With Prophetic Voices from the Margins

Nazarene Theological Seminary-Doctoral of Ministry Advisor; Branson Roberts, Matthew Rudio, Jay Sunberg, Jeff Crowder

PASTORAL EXPERIENCE:

(Ordained Elder in the Church of the Nazarene, Kansas City District, August 2001)

2016- Present Pastor of Spiritual and Liturgical Formation, College Church of the Nazarene, Nampa, ID.

Responsibilities: Help organize and lead a service of Word and Table. Also help with the ongoing spiritual formation and worship practices at College Church through teaching and preaching.

2019 (June-December) Interim Senior Pastor, Mountain Home, Church of the Nazarene, Mt. Home, ID

Responsibilities: Provide pastoral leadership for staff and board. Work with staff to plan communal worship and outreach activities. Worked with Board to get better financial accounting. Assisted in the calling of next pastor.

2014 (May-December) Interim Senior Pastor, Mountain Home, Church of the Nazarene, Mt. Home, ID

Responsibilities: Provide pastoral leadership for staff and board. Work with staff to plan communal worship and outreach activities. Worked with Board to make strategic campus improvements. Also restarted Faith Promise, received 15 new members by profession of faith and performed one baptism.

2005 to 2007 Senior Pastor, Chicago Northside Church of the Nazarene, Chicago, IL.

Responsibilities: Provide the pastoral and administrative leadership for an urban multi-cultural church (4 congregations).

2001-2004 NYI President, Kansas City District Church of the Nazarene

Responsibilities: Lead District Council in the planning and organization of NYI activities on the district including JH and SH camps, NYC (the largest district in North America), Quizzing, and Regional Activity Days at MNU.

1999-2004 Pastor of Student Ministries, First Church of the Nazarene of Kansas City, Kansas City, MO.

Responsibilities: Direct the programming, organization, and planning of ministry to families with students from the 7th grade through College level. Duties also included church worship and service planning for the largest worship service and serving on the preaching team for Sunday morning worship (I would regularly preach twice a month in one of our 3 services.)

1997-1999 Youth Pastor, Belton Church of the Nazarene, Belton, MO.

Responsibilities: Build the Youth program from its inception. Organize youth calendar, mission trips, camps, fundraisers, and retreats.

1995-1997 Youth Intern, Valley Shepherd Church of the Nazarene, Meridian, ID.

1994-1995 Youth Intern, Nampa First Church of the Nazarene, Nampa, ID

NON-PASTORAL EXPERIENCE

2018-Present. Co-Chair Healthy Nampa Food Access Committee. We run a monthly food distribution and a weekly grocery shuttle in North Nampa. Serving with over 25 individuals from the broader Nampa Community. Specifically the *Traveling Table* and *Grocery Shuttle*

2014-Present. Founder and Operator of Canyon County Flag Football, LLC. This is an NFL Flag Play 60 league that is for boys and girls kg-8th grade with 2 seasons annually. See

fridaynightflag.com for more information.

2004-2007. Pre-Load Manager at United Parcel Service, Chicago, IL. I managed 15-25 employees who loaded approximately 15,000-20,000 packages daily.

AWARDS

2011 Wesleyan Theological Society Dissertation of the Year. Presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion

Wesleyan Theological Society

Officer: Secretary/Treasurer (2014-Present) *This position is the CFO of this society.

Promotional Secretary (2010-2014)

Wesleyan Philosophical Society

North American Academy of Liturgy: Eucharist Prayer and Theology Seminar

ACADEMIC INTERESTS

My primary interests lie in the dialectical relationship between communal worship, belief, and ethics. I am persuaded that all of the Church must be centered around the Trinity, encountered chiefly in the sacraments which offer the Church vocation and empowerment in, with, and for the world. This sacramental foundation shapes and grounds ecclesiology as its political posture and citizenship in the world.

I plan to do further research and writing in the areas that include:

Eucharist and Eschatology

Christology

Sacramental and Liturgical Theology

Ecclesiology

Political Theology

Atonement for the Sinned Against

PUBLICATIONS

Books

(Forthcoming Winter 2022) *One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism One Table: The Lord's Supper-* in contract negotiations with Baker Publishing)

(Forthcoming Winter 2022) *The Church: The Body of Christ*-contracted with NPH as part of Centennial Initiative of the Articles of Faith)

(Forthcoming Summer 2022) Edited vol. with Stephen Hoskins *Pastor as Worship Leader*-still looking for publisher)

(Forthcoming Summer 2021) *The Backside of the Cross*- written with Diane Leclerc

Created to Worship: God's Invitation to Become Fully Human. Kansas City, MO: Nazarene Publishing House, (2012).

Akkerman, Jay Richard, Oord, Thomas Jay, and Peterson, Brent D. editors. *Postmodern and Wesleyan: Exploring the Boundaries and Possibilities*. Kansas City, MO: NPH, 2009.
See conversation [<http://www.graceandpeacemagazine.com/videos/mediaitem/214-ldquo-postmodern-and-wesleyan-rdquo-discussion>]

Refereed Publications and Submissions (arranged chronologically)

“Sacraments in a Pandemic” in *Didache Faithful Teaching* Vol. 20, No, 1, Kansas City, MO: IBOE, 2020, <http://didache.nazarene.org/index.php>.”

“The Eucharist as Linguistic Iconic Bodily Encounter,” in *In Spirit and Truth: Philosophical Reflections on Liturgy and Worship*.” Eds. Wm. Curtis Holtzen & Matthew Nelson Hill. Claremont, CA; CST Press, 2016, 53-70.

“Eucharist and Eschatology,” in *A Wesley Theology of the Eucharist: The Presence of God for Christian Life and Ministry*. Ed. Jason E. Vickers. Nashville, TN: General Board of Higher Education and Ministry-The United Methodist Church, 2016, 101-117.

“If John Wesley Could Speak to Nazarenes Today About Holiness?” in *Renovating Holiness*. Eds. Joshua Broward and Thomas J. Oord. Nampa, ID: Elevate Press, 2015.

“Unifying the Church: A Theological Understanding of Ordination,” In *Essential Church: A Wesleyan Ecclesiology*. Eds Mark Maddix, and Diane Leclerc. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press, 2014, 199-208.

“The Church’s Sacraments.” In *Essential Church: A Wesleyan Ecclesiology*. Eds Mark Maddix, and Diane Leclerc, Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press, 2014, 107-114.

“Worship as Relational Renewal and Redemption for the World.” In *Relational Theology: An Introduction*, Eds. Bring Montgomery, Thomas Jay Oord, Karen Winslow. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2012, 76-79.

“The Church’s Political Allegiance: The Present and Coming Kingdom of God.” in *Nurturing the Prophetic Imagination*. Eds Jamie Gates and Mark Mann. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2012, 179-188.

“A Post-Wesleyan Eucharistic Ecclesiology: The Presence of Christ in the Eucharist as the Memory of the Facing Event Between Christ and the Church.” In *Proceedings of the North American Academy of Liturgy*, January 6-9, 2011. Notre Dame, IN: NAAL.

“Listening and Ethical Formation in Worship: in *Developing Ears to Hear: Listening*

- in Pastoral Ministry, the Spiritual Life, and Theology*. Lexington, KY: Emeth Press, 2011.
- “Created for Worship: God’s Gift of Communal Worship and the Sacraments,” in *Spiritual Formation: A Wesleyan Paradigm*. Eds. Diane Leclerc and Mark Maddix. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press, 2011: 97-106.
- “What is the Point of God’s Mission?” in *Missio Dei: A Wesleyan Understanding*. Eds. Keith Schwanz and Joseph Coleson. Kansas City, MO: NPH, Spring 2011.
- Book Review *Holiness and Ecclesiology in the New Testament*, in *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 46, Spring 2011.
- “What Becomes of the Consummation of the Kingdom of God, and Christian Hope?” in *God Reconsidered: The Promise and Peril of Process Theology*. ed. Al Truesdale. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press, 2010.
- “How Does the Eucharist Continually Renew and Remake the Church?” in *Postmodern and Wesleyan: Exploring the Boundaries and Possibilities*. Kansas City, MO: NPH, 2009.
- “Holiness in the 21st Century: Lost in Translation?” in *Postmodern and Wesleyan: Exploring the Boundaries and Possibilities*. Kansas City, MO: NPH, 2009.
- “The Sacraments as Ritualization: The Being and Becoming of Persons and Community,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 44 (Spring 2009), 180-199.
- “Eucharist: The Church’s Political Response to Suffering and Vocational Empowerment to Suffering Love,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 43, (Spring 2008), 146-164.
- “Eucharistic Ecclesiology: A Community of Joyful Brokenness” in *Didache* Vol. 5. No 2 (www.didache.nts.edu).
- “How Does the Eucharist Continually Renew and Remake the Church?” in *Postmodern and Wesleyan: Exploring the Boundaries and Possibilities*. Kansas City, MO: NPH, 2009.
- “Holiness in the 21st Century: Lost in Translation?” in *Postmodern and Wesleyan: Exploring the Boundaries and Possibilities*. Kansas City, MO: NPH, 2009.
- “The Science of the Sacraments: The Being and Becoming of Persons in Community,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Vol. 44, No. 1, Spring 09, pp. 181-199.
- “Eucharist: The Church’s Political Response to Suffering and Vocational Empowerment to Suffering Love,” in *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Vol. 43. No 1, Spring 2008, pp146-164.
- Epiphany Sermons in *Preacher’s Magazine*, Advent /Christmas 2007-2008, pp. 18-32.

“Eucharistic Ecclesiology: A Community of Joyful Brokenness” in *Didache* Vol. 5. No 2
(www.didache.nts.edu).

Frequent contributor of articles, devotionals, and Sunday School curriculum to Barefoot Ministries– the youth publishing arm of Nazarene Publishing House.

GRANTS, CONTRACTS, AND SCHOLARLY-RELATED CONSULTATION

NU Doceo Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning

Nampa, ID Academic Year, Spring 2014

Grant: \$2226

Project Title: Intro to Theology Video Journal Project

Northwest Nazarene University

Nampa, ID Academic Year 2013-2014

Professional Development II \$1200

Funds to participate in the Oxford Institute of Methodist Theology Studies August 2013, presenting “Life Through Denial: Jewish Teshuvah, Christian Lent, and Islamic Ramadan in Conversation.”

Calvin College

Grand Rapids, MI, Calvin Summer Seminar - June 26 - July 24, 2013

Communitas Scholar

The research emphasis is a book project looking at the Lord’s Supper through the Roman Catholic, Orthodox, Reformed, and Wesleyan Tradition.

Northwest Nazarene University

Nampa, ID, Academic Year 2012-2013

Professional Development II- \$500. Funding to acquire resources for a book project “On the Back Side of the Cross” with Diane Leclerc.

Calvin College

Grand Rapids, MI, Calvin Summer Seminar - June 20 - July 8, 2011

“From Worldview to Worship: The Liturgical Turn in Cultural Theory”

Seminar Director – Dr. James K.A. Smith, Calvin College

\$1500 honorarium

Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary/Wabash Center for Teaching Excellence

Evanston, IL

Consultation on GETS effectiveness in training educators in their Ph.D. program.

\$500 honorarium

Northwest Nazarene University

Nampa, ID, Academic Year 2010-2011

Watson Fellowship- \$4000.

Dr. Steve Shaw and I received the Watson Fellowship to continue our interdisciplinary research into the area of Political Theology. This year we plan to attend and present at several conferences as well as begin the research and outline of a formal book

Northwest Nazarene University

Nampa, ID, Academic Year 2009-2010

Professional Development II and Riley-Woodward Fellowship- \$2700.

Dr. Steve Shaw and I received a combination of the Professional Development II and Riley-Woodward Fellowship. Our project is titled, "*Political Orthodoxy: The Matrix of Faith and Politics.*" This is a multi-year interdisciplinary project which attempts to argue how theology is a form of politics and how politics is always done from a certain theological point of view.

Duke Divinity School, Duke University

Durham, NC, Summer Wesley Seminar 2007

Seminar Facilitators: Drs. Randy Maddox and Richard Heitzenrater.

PRESENTATIONS

National Conference Papers/Presentations (arranged chronologically)

"A Theologian of Love: An Assessment of Mildred Wynkoop's Impact on the Wesleyan/Holiness Movement and the Church of the Nazarene." Presented at the Wesley Studies session of the American Academy of Religion Nov 23-24, 2019, San Diego, CA.

"Wesleyan Renewal and Revival as Eucharistic and Eschatologically Theotic" Presented in the *Practical Theology, Worship, and Spirituality* (served as co-convenor of this group) working group at the Oxford Institute of Methodist Theology Studies, Pembroke College, Oxford, England August 14-18, 2018.

"Ecclesiology: The Church as Open Wound" Presented on March 3rd, 2017 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society. (Theme: The Church: The People of God), Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY.

"Implicitly Explicit: Doing Ecclesiology In The 21st Century Holiness Church." Panel with Scott Daniels, Steve Hoskins, Dwight Gunter, and Brent Peterson. Presented on March 3rd, 2017 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society. (Theme: The Church: The People of God), Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY.

"Luther's Sacramental Theology and View of Presence in the Eucharist: Word of Power." Presented on January 7th, 2017 at the North American Academy of Liturgy (Eucharist Prayer and Theology Seminar) annual meeting. Washington DC.

"Baptism: God's Work of New Birth for the Believer and Infant." Presented on March 12th, 2016 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society. (Theme: New Birth), Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, CA.

“Flying to the Bosom of God: The Gift and Hope of Death in Charles Wesley.” Presented on January 8th, 2016 at the John Wesley 225th Conference, Nassau Bahamas. A joint conference with WTS and the Bahamas Wesleyan Fellowship.

“The Eucharist as Linguistic Iconic Bodily Encounter.” Presented on March 5, 2015 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Philosophical Society (Theme: In Spirit and Truth: Philosophical Reflections on Worship and Liturgy), Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Mount Vernon, OH.

“Voluntary Association or the Body of Christ.” Presented on March 27, 2015 at the Global Theology Conference III: Exploring Ecclesiology Conference with Mark Mann. Johannesburg, South Africa.

“Communion and Doxological Mission of the Martyr-Church.” Presented in April 2014 at the John A Knight Theology and Bible Conference at Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Mount Vernon, OH.

“John Calvin’s Sacramental Theology and View of Presence in the Eucharist: Feeding on Christ.” Presented on January 7th, 2014 at the North American Academy of Liturgy (Eucharist Prayer and Theology Seminar) annual meeting. Orlando, FL.

“Life Through Denial: Jewish Teshuvah, Christian Lent, and Islamic Ramadan in Conversation.” Presented in the *Practical Theology, Worship, and Spirituality* working group at the Oxford Institute of Methodist Theology Studies, Christ Church, Oxford, England August 12-19, 2013.

“Beyond Fear and Loathing: Implications for a Theology of Holiness in a Wesleyan Hermeneutics of the Old Testament.” Co-presented with Stephen Riley on March, 22, 2013, at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: “Holiness”), Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA.

“The Irruption of Hope: Eucharist and Eschatology.” Presented May 17, 2012, at the “Theology, Eucharist, and Ministry Conference,” at United Theological Seminary, Dayton, OH.

“Life Through Denial: A Comparison of the Holy Seasons of Christian Lent and Islamic Ramadan.” Co-presentation with Rebekah and Daniel Fleming March 2nd, 2012, at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: "On Faith(s): The Wesleyan Tradition and the World's Religions"), Trevecca Nazarene University, Nashville, TX.

“Our God is Reconciled: Wesleyan Imaginations of the Atonement for Victims of Violence and Abuse.” Co- presented with Dr. Diane Leclerc on March 1st, 2012, at the annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Psychology and Wesleyan Thought (Theme: “Whatever Happened to Integration? Exploring New Perspectives on Integrating Psychology and Christian Faith”), Trevecca Nazarene University, Nashville, TX.

"The Eschatological Imagination of the Eucharist: Being Released from Fear By Encountering the Hope of What is and What will Be." Presented January 7th, 2012, at the annual meeting of the North American Academy of Liturgy: Eucharist Prayer and Theology Seminar, Montreal, QC.

"The Missio-Dei: Broken Bodies and the Body that was Broken." Co-presentation with Dr. Eric Severson March 4th, 2011, at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: "Empire, Church, *Missio Dei*"), Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX.

"A Post-Wesleyan Eucharistic Ecclesiology: The Presence of Christ in the Eucharist as the Memory of the Facing Event Between Christ and the Church." Presented January 7, 2011, at the annual meeting of the North America Academy of Liturgy, San Francisco, CA.

"The Church's Political Allegiance: The Present and Coming Kingdom of God." Co-presentation with Dr. Steve Shaw (as part of the NNU Riley-Woodward Grant) on March 25th, 2010 at Nurturing the Prophetic Imagination Conference, Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, CA. *Also presented on November 12, 2010 as part of the Oxford Fellowship on the campus of Northwest Nazarene University.*

"Scripture, Sacrament, and Ethics: How the Word and Table Shapes the Economic and Political Life of the Church as Gift in a Spirit of Hospitality." Co- presented March 4th, 2010, with Nell Becker Sweeden (Boston University) at the annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Psychology and Wesleyan Thought (Theme: Gift and Economy: Ethics, Hospitality, and the Market), Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA.

"Word and Table: Encountering the Holy to be Renewed as the Body of Christ." Presented March 6th, 2010 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: "The Future of Scripture"), Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA.

Presented two workshops at the "Missional Communities in a Changing Culture" conference held at Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO, October 21-23, 2009. The two workshops were titled, "The Telos of God's Mission is God" and "The Word and Table as the Source and Summit of a Missional Church."

"Christ's Presence and Sacrifice in the Eucharist: A Reconstruction of The Eternal Priest-Victim in the Wesleyan Tradition." Presented March 7th, 2009 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: "All the Treasures of Wisdom and Knowledge: The Centrality of Christ") Anderson University, Anderson, Indiana.

"Why Communal Worship is Necessary to Love." Presented February 6th, 2009 at the 2009 Wesley Center for Applied Theology Conference (Theme: "Christian Love: Theory and Practice"), Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID.

"The Sacraments as Ritualization: The Being and Becoming of Persons and Community." Presented March 15th, 2008 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: "Sighs, Signs, and Significance: Pentecostal and Wesleyan Explorations of Science and Creation"), Duke Divinity School, Durham, North Carolina.

“Eucharist as Political Worship: A Response to Suffering and a Vocation to Suffer.” Presented March 2, 2007 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: “Suffering and the Holy Life”), Olivet Nazarene University, Bourbonnais, IL.

“Wholistic Orthodoxy: Liturgical Hospitality for the Han-ridden.” Presented March 4th, 2006 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: Friendship and Hospitality: Wesleyan Perspectives), Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO.

“Eucharistic Ecclesiology: A Community of Joyful Brokenness.” Presented March 5, 2005 at the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Theological Society (Theme: The Church: Working Out the Body and Blood of Christ on the 8th day of Creation), Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA.

OTHER SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY

- “Not the Separation of Church and State, But the State as a Religious Institution and Politicians as Religious Proselytizers.” Presented September 27, 2012 at The College of Idaho/NNU Colloquium on Faith and Religion: Faith and Politics. See http://youtu.be/bTN93yTSc_Y
- Respondent to Dr. Joseph Bankard’s 2010 Northwest Nazarene University Faculty Award Lecture, February 16, 2010.
- “Theology and the Bible,” Presented on November 8th, 2007 in the Northwest Nazarene University Science and Religion Faculty Sharing Dialogue.

TELEVISION AND RADIO APPEARANCES:

- “Religion and Society,” on Idaho Public Television’s show *Dialogue*. September 30th, 2010.
- Reflections on Worship
 - <http://www.graceandpeacemagazine.org/videos/mediaitem/204-brent-peterson-on-ldquo-what-is-worship-rdquo>
- Jay Akkerman, Tom Oord, and Brent Peterson reflecting on our book *Postmodern and Wesleyan*.
 - <http://www.graceandpeacemagazine.org/videos/mediaitem/218-postmodern-and-wesleyan-discussion>

PANELS:

- Panel on “Open Communion: Borders and Challenges” as part of the Wesleyan Liturgical Society on March 8th, 2018 on the campus of Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Cleveland, TN with Heather Daugherty and Steve Bruns.
- Participant in Inter-Faith Dialogue Panel: Nazarene and Mormons, September 25, 7:00 p.m. on the campus of Northwest Nazarene University.
- Panel in the Practical Theology Section of WTS “A Conversation on Atonement and Spiritual Formation (three theologians share how atonement theories influence their

spiritual lives), on March 8, 2014.

- Moderator of Panel: “The First 100 Years of Theology at NNU.” November 9th, 2012 at Northwest Nazarene University with Drs. Harold Raser, Edwin Crawford, and Rhonda Crawford.
- Moderator of Panel: “A Conversation on Diane Leclerc’s *Discovering Christian Holiness*.” November 4th, 2011 at Northwest Nazarene University with Drs. Thomas Jay Oord, K. Steve McCormick, and Diane Leclerc.
- Moderator of Systematic Theology section, 2011 Wesleyan Theological Society Meeting
- “Sacraments: Why do them? What do they do? How should we do them?” November 5th, 2010 at Northwest Nazarene University with Dr. Doug Hardy.
- Moderator of Panel: “Scripture in the 21st Century.” November 6th, 2009 at Northwest Nazarene University with Drs. Roger L. Hahn, Wendell Bowes, and George Lyons.
- “Holiness, Love, and Christlikeness: Identical, Similar, or Different?” on February 6th, 2009 at Northwest Nazarene University at the 2009 Wesley Center for Applied Theology Conference “Christian Love: Theory and Practice” with Drs. Rhonda Carrim, Michael Lodahl, and Richard Thompson.
- “On Living Voices,” on January 20th, 2009, at Northwest Nazarene University as part of the Beloved Community 2009 Events, with Drs. Maime Phillips and Diane Leclerc.
- “Recent Trends in Holiness Theology,” on November 7th, 2008 at Northwest Nazarene University, with Dr. Steve McCormick and Dr. Diane Leclerc.
- Moderator Systematic Theology section, 2008 Wesleyan Theological Society Meeting

INVITED SERVICE WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS

Plenary speaker for MidSouth District Church of the Nazarene Theology Conference. “The Rhythm of Worship, Theology, Sacraments, and Mission,” October 7-8, 2019, Dickson, TN.

Created and organized “Worship, Preaching, and the Mission of God” Conference. February 8th, 2015. This was a pre-m15 conference, Kansas City, MO, 2015.

Organized the Worship tract for M15 Conference for the Church of the Nazarene, (Theme: Honoring the Past, Shaping the Future), February 9-11, 2015, Kansas City, MO.

Presentation on my chapter, “Created for Worship: God’s Gift of Communal Worship and the Sacraments,” in *Spiritual Formation: A Wesleyan Paradigm*.” December 11, 2011 at College Church of the Nazarene, Nampa, ID; March 11th, 2012 at Canyon Hill Church of the Nazarene, Caldwell, ID; March 18th, 2012 at Karcher Church of the Nazarene, Nampa, ID; March 21st,

Emmett Church of the Nazarene, Emmett, ID; October 24th, 2012 at Cathedral of the Rockies, Boise, ID.

Presented and had a book signing of *Created to Worship* at Epworth Chapel on the Green, in Boise ID on September 21, 2012.

Presentation on my chapter “What Becomes of the Consummation of the Kingdom of God, and Christian Hope?” in *God Reconsidered: The Promise and Peril of Process Theology*, at the Pastor and Spouse Retreat of the Intermountain District Church of the Nazarene, September 29, 2010, Trinity Pines, McCall, Idaho.

“The Gift of the Sacraments: A Means of Grace.” Presented July 28th, 2010 at Pastor and Leader’s Conference of the Church of the Nazarene, Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID.

“Worship That is Christian.” Presented April 9-10, 2010 at the Northwest District Church of the Nazarene District Assembly, Kennewick, WA.

“Why Communal Worship Matters.” Presented April 9-10, 2010 at the Northwest District Church of the Nazarene District Assembly, Kennewick, WA.

“Postmodern and Wesleyan.” Presented at the General Assembly of the Church of the Nazarene, NYI Workshops, June 26-27, 2009, with Dr. Jay Richard Akkerman.

“Postmodernity: What is it? Should we be afraid of it? Should we embrace it? Are we already it?” and “Holiness: How can we believe it, preach it, live it, And sing it.”(April 11-12, 2008) Presented at the Northwest District Church of the Nazarene District Assembly

“Holiness: How Can We Believe It, Preach It, Live It, and Sing It.” Presented April 11th, 2008, at the Northwest District Assembly, Church of the Nazarene in Kennewick, WA.

Research Languages

Ancient: Hebrew, Biblical Greek, Latin

Modern: German as Research Tool