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Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
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EXPERIENCE

Professor of Church History and Historical Theology, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Tenured since 2012, Full Professor 2018

Associate Professor of Church History, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, 20012-2018

Assistant Professor of Church History, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, 2008-2012

Adjunct Professor, Chicago Archdiocese Institute for Diaconal Studies, since 2009

Director of Adult Faith Formation, Holy Family Parish, Inverness, Illinois, 2004-2008
Responsible for Adult Catechesis, Spiritual Formation, Retreats, Young Adults and Marriage Ministries

Adjunct Instructor, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, 2005-2007

Adjunct Instructor, Loyola University Chicago Institute of Pastoral Studies, 2005-2007
Site Director for Satellite Campus, Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies

Adjunct Instructor, Elmhurst College, 1995-2005

Project Manager, Discover Financial Services, 1999-2004

Teaching Assistant, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, 1993-1994

Ordained Deacon, United Methodist Church, Minnesota Conference, 1989-1993
General Pastoral Ministry, Preaching, Choir Direction, Youth Ministry

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, 1998
Historical Theology, Early Christianity, New Testament Interpretation
Dissertation: *"Between Two Thieves": The Christology of Novatian as "Dynamic Subordination,"
Influenced by His Historical Context and His New Testament Interpretation.*
(Including a new English translation of Novatian's *De Trinitate*).

Certificate in Classical Studies, American Academy in Rome, Rome, Italy, 1995
History of the Roman Empire, Topography and Archaeology of the City of Rome

M.Div., Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, California, 1989
Theology, Youth and Young Adult Ministry

B.A., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 1985
Music Theory and Composition, Audio Production, Theatre Arts

ACADEMIC BOOKS

The Early Church (33-313): St. Peter, the Apostles, and Martyrs
(Vol. 1 of the *Reclaiming Catholic History Series*, Ave Maria Press, 2019)
First Place, 2020 Catholic Press Association Book Awards, Best New Religious Book Series

The Earliest Christologies: Five Images of Christ in the Postapostolic Age
(InterVarsity Press / IVP Academic, 2016)

Novatian: On the Trinity, Letters to Cyprian of Carthage, Ethical Treatises
Translation with Introduction (Brepols, *Corpus Christianorum in Translation Series*, 2015)

Reading the Early Church Fathers: From the Didache to Nicaea
(Paulist Press, 2012)

Novatian of Rome and the Culmination of Pre-Nicene Orthodoxy
(Princeton Monograph Series, Pickwick Publications, 2011)

The Wedding of the Lamb: A Historical Approach to the Book of Revelation
(Pickwick Publications, 2011)

The Trinitarian Theology of Novatian of Rome: A Study in Third Century Orthodoxy
(Published Dissertation, The Edwin Mellen Press, 2008)

BOOKS FOR A GENERAL AUDIENCE

Praying a Christ-Centered Rosary: Meditations on the Mysteries
(Ave Maria Press, 2021)

What Really Happens After We Die: There WILL be Hugs in Heaven
(Sophia Institute Press, 2019)

A Week in the Life of Rome
(InterVarsity Press / IVP Academic, 2019)

How Christianity Saved Civilization... And Must Do So Again
(with Mike Aquilina, Sophia Institute Press, 2018)

From Star Wars to Superman: Christ and Salvation in Science Fiction and Superhero Films
(Sophia Institute Press, 2017)

Handed Down: The Catholic Faith of the Early Christians
(Catholic Answers, 2015) Also published in Polish as *Depozyt wiary...*

Seven Revolutions: How Christianity Changed the World, and Can Change it Again
(with Mike Aquilina, Random House / Doubleday / Image Books, 2015)

The Adventures of the Space Boys (Vol. 1): The Space Boys Meet the Moon Bully
(with illustrator Joe Groshek, 220 Publications, 2015)

Rome: A Pilgrim's Guide to the Eternal City
(Cascade Books, 2012)

Trinity 101: Father, Son, Holy Spirit
(Liguori Publications, 2012)

Spiritual Blueprint: How We Work, Live, Love, Play and Pray
(Liguori Publications, 2010)

ARTICLES and CONTRIBUTIONS

"Novatian" in *Brill Encyclopedia of Early Christianity* (Brill, forthcoming, 2022)

"De Bono Pudicitiae" in *Brill Encyclopedia of Early Christianity* (Brill, forthcoming, 2022)

"Paul in Novatian: The Christ Hymn of Philippians 2" in *The Apologists and Paul* (T&T Clark, forthcoming, 2021)

"The Number One Fear," in *Crisis Magazine* (Catholic Answers Press, 2020)

"Loaning and Borrowing: Deification in Novatian of Rome" in *Deification in the Latin Patristic Tradition*, ed. Jared Ortiz (edited volume of papers from the 2015 Oxford Patristics Conference workshop, The Catholic University of America Press, 2019)

REVIEW of *The Gospel According to Heretics* by David E. Wilhite, in *Journal of Early Christian Studies* (2017)

REVIEW of *Irenaeus on the Trinity* by Jackson Lashier, in *Journal of Early Christian Studies* (2017)

"Why do the Church Fathers Matter?" in *Catholic Answers Blog* (Catholic Answers, 2016)

"The Pillars of the Western Church" in *Liguorian Magazine* (October 2013)

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" in *Seminarium Blog* (Fortress Press, 2013)

"Sound Bites from the Past" in *Seminarium Blog* (Fortress Press, 2013)

"One in Being: The Significance of the Incarnation" in *Liguorian Magazine* (December 2012)

"Stepping Back from Easter: The Meaning of the Incarnation" in *Lay Witness Magazine* (November/December, 2012)

"Novatian" in *Encyclopedia of Ancient History*
(Wiley-Blackwell, 2012)

"What Does *Consubstantial* Mean?" in *Lay Witness Magazine* (May/June, 2012)

At Home With the Word, Scripture Commentary Contributor, 2011 Lectionary Year Edition
(Liturgy Training Publications, 2010)

"Between Two Thieves: Novatian of Rome and Kenosis Christology" (chapter) in *If These Stones Could Speak... Studies on Patristic Texts and Archaeology: Essays in Honor of Dennis E. Groh*
(The Edwin Mellen Press, 2009)

SELECT ACADEMIC PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, and PANEL PARTICIPATION

2021. "The Treasures of Mary's Heart" webinar on *Praying a Christ-Centered Rosary*
2020. "A Robust Anthropology: The Human Body as Interface with Reality," Paper presented at HawaiiCon Science Fictions, Popular Cultures Academic Conference, and published in their annual proceedings journal.
2019. "Christology," Paper response to "Christ as Healer and Ancestor in Africa," in *Global Theologies* by Timothy Tennent, at Northside Chicago Theological Institute fall seminar.
2019. "Two Kinds of Gnosticism: A Way Forward in the Definition(s) of Gnosticism Based on Christology," Presented at Oxford Patristics Conference.
2019. "The Memoirs of the Apostles: How the Church Got it's Bible and How the Church Fathers Read it," Fulness of Truth Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas
2019. "The Turbulent Third Century: Lions and Martyrs and Schism - oh my!" Fulness of Truth Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas
2018. "Why Ecumenism and Evangelization are Indissolubly Linked," Lecture delivered at the Springtime of Faith Foundation Unity Conference in Nashville.
2017. "Christian Unity in Light of the Early Church Fathers," Lecture delivered at the Springtime of Faith Foundation Ecumenical Summit in Rome.
2016. "The Earliest Christologies: Orthodoxy, Integrity, and the Boundaries of an Identity," Sabbatical lecture delivered at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary.
2016. "The Inevitable Counter-Revolution: How & Why the Church was Persecuted" and "The Revolution of Religious Liberty: Myth and Reality" St. Lambert Patristics Conference.
- 2016 - 2018. Weekly Appearance on the "Sonrise Morning Show," Sacred Heart Radio
2015. Keynote speaker, "Seven Revolutions Conference," Indianapolis, IN
2015. "Loaning and Borrowing: Novatian's Concept of the *Communicatio Idiomatum* and its Place in the Development of the Doctrine of *Theosis*." Presented at Oxford Patristics Conference.
2015. Appearance on EWTN Live, October 28, 2015.
2015. Panelist, Chicago "Book Brunch" Book Expo, "Author's Panel."
2014. Panelist, University of Wisconsin Writers' Institute, "Success Panel."
2013. Speaker/Facilitator at ATS Conference for Newly Appointed Faculty.
2013. "Writing as a Teacher, Teaching as a Writer: Juggling Vocation, Passion and Contribution," Lecture delivered to faculty and guests of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary.
2012. "The Early Church and the Culture of Life," St. Lambert Annual Patristics Conference.

- 2012. Workshop Speaker /Facilitator, University of Wisconsin Writers' Institute.
- 2011. "Teaching the Trinity," Catechist Institute Workshop, Diocese of Joliet, Illinois.
- 2010. "Looking Back on the Future," Keynote speaker at *Making Peace with Revelation* Conference, sponsored by The Raven Foundation.
- 2009. "The History of Ordination," Speaker and panelist, United Methodist Ministry Study Symposium, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary.
- 2009. "Between Two Thieves: The Legacy of Novatian of Rome," Lecture delivered to faculty and guests of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary.
- 2008. "Novatian of Rome: Redeeming and Reclaiming an Anti-Pope," Paper presented to North American Patristics Society annual conference.

INVITED LECTURES and LECTURE SERIES

- 2019. Guest Lecture with Concert, Hanna United Methodist Church, Hanna, Indiana.
- 2018. Parish Mission, St. Eugene Parish, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2017. Parish Mission, Christ the Servant Parish, Downers Grove, Illinois
- 2017. Lecture /Discussion leader, RCIA, St. Norbert Parish, Northbrook, Illinois.
- 2016. "How to Find Peace," Year of Mercy Lecture Series, St. Francis de Sales, Lake Zurich, IL
- 2016. "The Catholic Faith of the Early Christians," St. Peter's Chicago Speaker Series.
- 2016. Study Series on "The Seven Revolutions," Holy Family Parish, Inverness, Illinois.
- 2016. Lecture /Discussion leader, RCIA, Holy Family Parish, Inverness, Illinois.
- 2015. "The Seven Revolutions," St. Anne Parish, Barrington, Illinois.
- 2014. "You CAN Understand the Trinity," Barrington Area Men's Breakfast, Barrington, Illinois.
- 2014. "God Breaking Through," Confirmation Kick-off, St. Thomas, Naperville, Illinois.
- 2014. "Christianity Changed the World, and Can Change it Again," St. Peter's Chicago Speaker Series.
- 2014. "From the Fish to the Cross: A Visual Tour of the Earliest Christian Art and Symbols," St. Peter's Chicago Speaker Series.
- 2013. Bible Study series on the Letters of John, Holy Family Parish, Inverness, Illinois.
- 2013. Speaker series on Prayer and Spirituality, St. Anne Parish, Barrington, Illinois.
- 2013. "Fundamentalism, Evangelicalism, and Catholicism: Is There Common Ground?" St. Peter's Chicago Speaker Series.

2013. "Two Kinds of Faith, Two Kinds of Peace," Lenten Parish Mission, Holy Name Cathedral, Chicago, Illinois.
2013. "Understanding the Trinity," Holy Family Parish, Inverness, Illinois.
- 2012-2013. "Bible Journey: The Book of Acts and the Early Church," Holy Family Parish, Inverness, Illinois.
2013. "Looking Back on the Future: The Meaning of the Book of Revelation," Parish Lecture.
2012. "How to Be a Saint," St. Ann Parish, Barrington, Illinois.
2012. "Trinity 101," St. Peter's Chicago Speaker Series.
2012. "What Does *Consubstantial* Mean?" Theology on Tap Speaker Series.
2012. "The Fathers of the Church," St. Peter's Chicago Speaker Series.
2012. "Spiritual Blueprint," Barrington Area Men's Breakfast, Barrington, Illinois.
2012. Parish Bible Study Series, St. Ann Parish, Barrington, Illinois.
2012. "You Are What You Eat: The Eucharist and the Body of Christ," Holy Name Cathedral, Chicago, Illinois.
2012. "The Book of Revelation and the Church," Northwestern University Sheil Center Series.
2011. "What Are We Saying When We Say the Creed?" Theology on Tap Speaker Series.
2011. "Spiritual Blueprint: Building the Five Homes of Your Life," Parish Lecture Series.
2011. "The Gospel of John and Revelation," Chicago Catholic Scripture School.
2011. "Questions from the Shadows: Illuminating the Church in the Middle Ages," St. Peter's Chicago Speaker Series.
2010. "Questions from the Shadows: Illuminating the Early Centuries of Christianity," St. Peter's Chicago Speaker Series.
2010. "Salvation in the New Testament," Parish Lecture Series.
2010. "The Sacraments: Mysteries that will Change Your Life," Theology on Tap Speaker Series.
2010. "Spiritual Blueprint," Theology on Tap Speaker Series.
2010. "Joshua, Judges and Kings," Chicago Catholic Scripture School.
2009. "Christology in the New Testament," Parish Lecture Series.
2009. "St. Paul on Resurrection," Parish Lecture.
2009. "Eating is Believing: The Meaning of the Eucharist," YACHT (Young Adult Catholics Hanging Together) Young Adult Meeting, Chicago Archdiocese.

2009. "What Everyone Needs to Know About Paul in the Year of St. Paul," Parish Lecture.

2009. "How the Early Church Interpreted Scripture," Parish Lecture Series.

2008. "What Are We Saying When We Say the Creed?" Theology on Tap Speaker Series.

2008. Adult Faith Formation Consultant, San Jan del Rio Parish, Jacksonville, Florida.

2008. "How to Be Newlyweds Forever," Theology on Tap Speaker Series (for Couples).

2008. "Eating is Believing: The Meaning of the Eucharist," Parish Mission, Sandwich, Illinois.

GRADUATE and DEACON FORMATION COURSES TAUGHT

The A-Team of the Western Tradition: From Augustine to Aquinas

Applied Historiography

The C-Team of the Eastern Tradition: From Nicaea I to Nicaea II

Christian Doctrine and Its History (Loyola Institute of Pastoral Studies)

Christian Thought and Practice I

Christian Thought and Practice I (online)

Christianity and Culture in the Early Church (History of the Early Roman Empire)

Christology (Institute for Diaconal Studies)

Christology and the Trinity in the Early Church

Early and Medieval Christianity in Rome (Annual Travel Course, Rome, Italy)

Early and Medieval Church History (Institute for Diaconal Studies)

Ecclesiastical Latin

Life in the Early Church

Life in the Medieval Church

New Testament and Christian Origins (Loyola Institute of Pastoral Studies)

Pre-Nicene Orthodoxy: Doctrine and Practice in the Third Century

The Roots of Diversity: Authority, Unity and Uniformity in the Early Church

The Sub-Apostolic Age: Doctrine and Practice in the Second Century

UNDERGRADUATE and LAY FORMATION COURSES TAUGHT

Applied Music Composition: Songwriting

Bible Journey: The Synoptic Gospels (Three Year Long Weekly Bible Study)

Biblical Faith and Our World Today

Catholic Answers to Protestant Questions

Catholic Identity and Community

Christology ("Called and Gifted" Lay Formation Program, Archdiocese of Chicago)

Christology and the Creed

Church History: The Early & Medieval Church

The Dormition and Assumption of Mary

The Emergence of Christian Thought

Interpreting the Parables of Jesus

Introduction to the New Testament

Mane Nobiscum Domine and the Meaning of the Eucharist

Movies and God: Religion Through the Eyes of Filmmakers

The Old Testament Background of the Apocalypse

The Roots and Branches of the Christian Phenomenon

Understanding the Trinity

What the Book of Revelation Really Says

COMMITTEE SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Chair of Church History Department
PhD Committee
Committee on Faculty (Past Secretary)
Distance Learning / Digital Learning Committee
Human Subjects Committee
Institutional Assessment (Accreditation) Committee
Master's Degrees Committee
Parity Committee (Committee on Racial / Ethnic Diversity and Equity)
Faculty Search Committee
Past Director of M.Div. Program and Chair of Master's Degrees Committee
Past Chair of Biblical Studies / Church History Area
Past Membership Director, Catholic Association of Musicians

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS and RECOGNITIONS

Theological Consultant for television series, "The Heresies," EWTN Television
First Place, 2020 Catholic Press Association Book Awards, Best New Religious Book Series
Springtime of Faith Foundation "Springtime Ambassador" 2018
Senior Fellow of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology
Academy of Catholic Theology (ACT)
Chicago Society of Biblical Research (CSBR)
North American Patristics Society (NAPS)
Society of Biblical Literature (SBL)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Historical and Dogmatic Theology, especially Christology and Trinitarian Theology
The Connection Between Contemporary / Practical Theology and Historical Theology
The Development of Doctrine in the Early and Medieval Church
Johannine Literature and its Reception Throughout the History of the Church

SELECT MUSIC PUBLICATIONS

Still Quiet Voice by Jim Papandrea, Original Music Compact Disc
(Space Boys Music, 2012)

The One-Hour Retreat, A Guided Devotional Experience on Compact Disc
(Holy Family Parish, Inverness, IL, 2007)

Music by Remember Rome, Original Music Compilation Compact Disc
(Lighthouse Catholic Media, 2007)

"Miracle of Light," Original Song Included on *Catholic Christmas* Music Compilation
(Spirit Wing Records, 2007)

"You Know Me," Original Song Included on *Catholic Music 2007* Music Compilation
(Spirit Wing Records, 2007)

Carpe Diem by Remember Rome, Original Music Compact Disc
(Space Boys Music, 2004)

Holy Smoke: The Best of Remember Rome by Remember Rome, Original Music Compilation
(Space Boys Music, 2003)

La Bocca della Verità by Remember Rome, Original Music Compact Disc
(Space Boys Music, 2001)

"Separate Lives," Original Song Included on *Acoustic Rainbow, vol. 9* Music Compilation
(PoetMan Records, 1998)

Remember Rome by Remember Rome, Original Music Compact Disc
(Space Boys Music, 1998)

"To Belong," Commissioned Choir Anthem
(Christ Lutheran Church, Vernon Hills, Illinois, Stewardship Campaign 1996)

The Prodigal's Dream, Opera Score, Libretto & Soundtrack
(Space Boys Music, Premier: United Methodist Church of Libertyville, Easter, 1995)

Look at the Sparrow, Recording & Song Book for Worship
(Space Boys Music, 1994)

Treasures of the Heart, Musical Score, Script & Soundtrack
(Space Boys Music, Premier: United Methodist Church of Libertyville, Christmas, 1994)

Contrast by The Neumes, Original Music Compact Disc
(Space Boys Music, 1993)

Christmas Around the World, A Christmas Cantata for Choir (arrangements)
(Space Boys Music, Premier: Magnolia Park United Methodist Church, Christmas 1988)

Ars Nova by The Neumes, Original Music Record Album
(Space Boys Music, 1984)