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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, University of Notre Dame, 2020–2021

EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of Notre Dame, Christianity and Judaism in Antiquity (2020)
Dissertation: “Divine Providence and Biblical Narrative in the Thought of John Chrysostom.”

M.A., University of St. Michael’s College, Biblical Studies (2014)

B.A., University of British Columbia, Classical Studies (2011)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- (1) “Healing Despondency with Biblical Narrative in John Chrysostom’s *Letters to Olympias*.” *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 28, no. 2 (2020): 203–31.
- (2) “Proverbs 8, Christological Controversies, and the Pre-existence of the Son and Torah in the Third and Fourth Centuries.” *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 51, no. 1 (2020): 67–96.
- (3) “The Theological Gospel of Peter?” *New Testament Studies* 65, no. 4 (2019): 496–510.
- (4) “The Disunity and Unity of the Psalter in the Fathers.” *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 10, no. 1 (2016): 51–70.
- (5) “Clement of Alexandria’s Gnostic Exposition of the Decalogue.” *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 23, no. 4 (2016): 301–28.
- (6) “Clement of Alexandria’s Anti-Valentinian Interpretation of Gen 1:26–27.” *Zeitschrift für Antikes Christentum* 18, no. 3 (2015): 365–89.

Book Reviews

- (1) Review of *Chrysostom’s Devil: Demons, the Will, and Virtue in Patristic Soteriology*, by Samantha L. Miller (IVP Academic, 2020). *Augustinian Studies*, forthcoming.

- (2) Review of *Preaching and Popular Christianity: Reading the Sermons of John Chrysostom*, by James Daniel Cook (Oxford UP, 2019). *Toronto Journal of Theology*, forthcoming.
- (3) Review of *The Apology of Justin Martyr: Literary Strategies and the Defence of Christianity*, by David E. Nyström (Mohr Siebeck, 2018). *Reading Religion* (AAR), forthcoming.
- (4) Review of *Clement's Biblical Exegesis: Proceedings of the Second Colloquium on Clement of Alexandria (Olomouc, May 29-31, 2014)*, ed. Veronika Černušková, Judith L. Kovacs, and Jana Plátová (Brill, 2017). *Review of Biblical and Early Christian Studies* (rbeccs.org; ISSN 2053-4329), 2017.
- (5) Review of *Simon Peter in Scripture and Memory: The New Testament Apostle in the Early Church*, by Markus Bockmuehl (Baker, 2012). *Toronto Journal of Theology* 30, no. 2 (2014): 322.
- (6) Review of *Seven Events that Shaped the New Testament World*, by Warren Carter (Baker, 2013). *Toronto Journal of Theology* 30, no. 2 (2014): 319.
- (7) Review of *Paul the Apostle: His Life and Legacy in their Roman Context*, by J. Albert Harrill (Cambridge UP, 2012). *Anglican Theological Review* 96, no. 4 (2014): 761–62.

Other Publications

“Ancient Greece,” in *Encyclopedia of the Bible and its Reception* (De Gruyter), 2014.

Works in Progress

John Chrysostom's Consolation to Stagirus, a Demon-Possessed Monk: English translation, with introduction and notes. Under negotiation with CUA Press (Fathers of the Church series); draft translation complete.

“The Question of John Chrysostom's Stoic Moral Teaching,” in *Greek and Byzantine Philosophical Exegesis*, ed. James Wallace and Athanasios Despotis (Brill Deutschland/Schöningh), in preparation.

AWARDS

Major Fellowships

2017–2020 Doctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada
 2015–2020 Departmental Fellowship, University of Notre Dame, Department of Theology

Other Awards

2019–2020 Graduate Student Fellow, “Interpretive Cultures in Late Antiquity,” Schwindlein Family Tel Aviv-Notre Dame Research Collaboration Grant
 2019 Student Essay Prize, Canadian Society of Patristic Studies
 2015–2020 Multiple Conference Presentation Grants, University of Notre Dame

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

University of Notre Dame

Fall 2020 “Life, Letters, and Legacy of Paul” (master’s level; required MDiv course)

Fall 2019 “Foundations of Theology” (biblical and historical introduction to Christianity)

Wycliffe College, University of Toronto

Summer 2020 “Early Christian Sermons” (master’s level)

Teaching Qualifications

“Theological Pedagogy,” University of Notre Dame (Spring 2019)

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

- (1) “John Chrysostom Against Heresy.” Society of Biblical Literature (SBL) Annual Meeting. Biblical Exegesis from Eastern Orthodox Perspectives Program Unit. Boston, MA. 21–24 November 2020.
- (2) “‘God did not make death’: A Patristic Reception of Wisdom 1:13 and 2:23.” SBL Annual Meeting. History of Interpretation Program Unit. Boston, MA. 21–24 November 2020.
- (3) “Reconsidering the School of Antioch with John Chrysostom at the Centre.” Canadian Society of Patristic Studies (CSPS) Annual Meeting. London, ON. 31 May–2 June 2020. [*Paper accepted; cancelled due to COVID-19*]
- (4) “Divine Providence in John Chrysostom’s *Ad Stagirium*.” North American Patristics Society (NAPS) Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. 21–23 May 2020. [*Paper accepted; cancelled due to COVID-19*]
- (5) “Stoic or Biblical Moral Teaching in John Chrysostom’s *Quod nemo laeditur nisi a se ipso?*” SBL Annual Meeting. History of Interpretation & Biblical Exegesis from Eastern Orthodox Perspectives Program Units. San Diego, CA. 23–26 November 2019.
- (6) “Spiritual Busybodies: The Anti-Anomoean Polemic of the Cappadocians and John Chrysostom.” Oxford Patristics Conference. Oxford, UK. 19–24 August 2019.
- (7) “Origen and Early Christian Theological Readings of Jesus’ Teachings.” CSPS Annual Meeting. Vancouver, BC, Canada. 2–4 June 2019.
*Recipient of *Student Essay Prize*
- (8) “John Chrysostom on the Usefulness and Exemplarity of Sacred History.” Australasian Society for Classical Studies Annual Conference. Armidale, Australia. 4–7 February 2019.

- (9) “An Apology for John Chrysostom’s Reading of Abraham’s Deception of Pharaoh.” Canadian-American Theological Association Fall Conference. Toronto, Canada. 20 October 2018.
- (10) “Exemplary Emotional Narratives in John Chrysostom’s Late Works.” SBL International Meeting. Biblical Interpretation in Early Christianity Program Unit. Helsinki, Finland. 30 July–3 August 2018.
- (11) “Salvation through Jesus’ Teachings in Justin Martyr.” SBL Midwest Region Annual Meeting. Notre Dame, IN. 2–4 February 2018.
- (12) “The Deposition and Christology in the Gospel of Peter.” Canadian Society of Biblical Studies Annual Meeting. Toronto, Ontario, Canada. 27–29 May 2017.
- (13) “The Deposition and Christology in the Gospel of Peter.” Student Religious Studies Conference. South Bend, IN. 10 February 2017.
- (14) “From the Person to the Text of Paul: Genres of Reception and the Rise of the Pauline Commentary.” NAPS Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. 27–29 May 2016.
- (15) “The First Advent of Christ in Victorinus of Pettau’s Commentary on Revelation.” SBL Annual Meeting. History of Interpretation Program Unit. Atlanta, GA. 21–24 November 2015.
- (16) “Murderous Wife and Tragic Hero: An Early Female Interpretation of Eve’s Fall.” SBL Annual Meeting. Recovering Women Interpreters of the Bible Program Unit. San Diego, CA. 22–25 November 2014.
- (17) “Biblical and Platonic Likeness to God in Clement of Alexandria.” NAPS Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. 22–24 May 2014.

Invited Talks and Workshops

- (18) “Reading Narratives of Providence in John Chrysostom and the Stoics,” Macquarie University, International Network for Byzantine Philosophy. Sydney, NSW. 28 April 2020. [*Invited; cancelled due to COVID-19*]
- (19) “Excerpting and Collecting John Chrysostom: The Byzantine Reception of *Ad Stagirium a daemone vexatum*.” Jewish and Christian Books in the First Millennium CE Working Group, Medieval Institute, University of Notre Dame. 28 February 2020.
- (20) “A Christian Stoicism? Seneca and John Chrysostom on Providence and Reading History.” University of Notre Dame – Tel Aviv University Joint Research Workshop: “Interpretive Cultures in Late Antiquity: Hellenistic, Roman, Jewish and Christian Perspectives.” Tel Aviv. 14–15 January 2020.

- (21) “Patristic and Rabbinic Interpretations of Proverbs 8 in the Third and Fourth Centuries: Christological Controversies and the Pre-existence of Torah.” University of Notre Dame – Tel Aviv University Joint Research Workshop: “Interpretive Cultures in Late Antiquity: Hellenistic, Roman, Jewish and Christian Perspectives.” Notre Dame, IN. 13–14 May 2019.
- (22) “John Chrysostom on Divine Providence and Biblical History.” Biblical and Early Christian Studies Working Group. Australian Catholic University, Melbourne. 14 Feb 2019.

Panels Organized

- (1) “John Chrysostom’s *Ad Stagirium*: Perspectives and Conversation.” With Blake Leyerle. Annual Meeting of the North American Patristics Society. Chicago, IL. 21–23 May 2020. [*proposal accepted; cancelled due to COVID-19*]

ADDITIONAL GRADUATE WORK

Lumen Christi Institute Graduate Seminar: On the Thought of John Henry Newman, taught by Ian Ker. Merton College, University of Oxford. 9–15 July 2017.

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

2020 – Present	Full Member, Society of Biblical Literature (Student Member, 2012–2020)
2013 – Present	Student Member, North American Patristics Society
2019 – Present	Student Member, Canadian Society of Patristic Studies

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