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CURRICULUM VITAE (Updated January 2023)

1. Education

2021–present	PhD student	Duke University
2021	Master of Divinity (summa cum laude)	Duke Divinity School
2021	Certificate in Anglican Studies	Duke Divinity School
2017	Honors BA, Philosophy	University of Utah

2. Publications and Presentations

Refereed Publications

“A Newly Identified Letter of Valentinus: Ps.-Basil of Caesarea’s *ep.* 366,” forthcoming in *Vigiliae Christianae*.
“Holier than the All-Holy God: Divine Humility in Cyril of Alexandria’s Interpretation of Hosea,” *Journal of Early Christian Studies* 31, no. 2 (June 2023), forthcoming.
“Between the Cherubim: The ‘Mercy Seat’ as Site of Divine Revelation in Romans 3.25,” *Journal for the Study of the New Testament* 44, no. 2 (2021): 284–309.

Under review:

“Neither an End nor a Beginning: The Council of Constantinople (381) and the Transformation of Pro-Nicene Exegesis,” in *Vigiliae Christianae*.

Reference works

“Lord,” forthcoming in *The Brill Encyclopedia of Early Christianity*.

Review Essays

“An Augustinian Response to Bruce McCormack: An Essay Review of *The Humility of the Eternal Son*,” forthcoming in *Anglican Theological Review*.

Book Reviews

Richard Price (trans.) and Thomas Graumann (ed.), *The Council of Ephesus of 431: Documents and Proceedings* (Liverpool: Liverpool University Press, 2020), for *Vigiliae Christianae*.
Rowan Williams, *Christ the Heart of Creation* (New York: Bloomsbury, 2018), *Vigiliae Christianae* 75, no. 2 (2021): 223–229.
Richard Cross, *Communicatio Idiomatum: Reformation Christological Debates* (Oxford: OUP, 2019), in *Irish Theological Quarterly* 87, no. 3 (2022): 250–253.

Johannes Zachhuber, *The Rise of Christian Theology and the End of Ancient Metaphysics* (Oxford: OUP, 2020), in *Vigiliae Christianae* 75, no. 4 (2021): 455-59.

Ian A. McFarland, *The Word Made Flesh: A Theology of the Incarnation* (Louisville: WJK Press, 2019), forthcoming in *Irish Theological Quarterly*.

Oliver D. Crisp, *God, Creation, and Salvation: Studies in Reformed Theology* (New York: Bloomsbury, 2020), for *Irish Theological Quarterly*.

Mark R. Lindsay, *God Has Chosen: The Doctrine of Election Through Christian History* (Downers Grove: IVP, 2020), for *Augustinian Studies*.

In progress:

Thomas Graumann, *The Acts of the Early Church Councils*, Oxford Early Christian Studies (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2021), for *Vigiliae Christianae*.

Mark DelCogliano (ed.), *The Cambridge Edition of Early Christian Writings: Volume 3, Christ: Through the Nestorian Controversy* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2022), for *Vigiliae Christianae*.

Conference Presentations

“Nicholas of Cusa on the *Logos Asarkos*,” Symposium on Medieval and Renaissance Studies, St. Louis University, St. Louis, MO (June 2023).

“One is Holy, One is Lord: Apostolic Pseudepigraphy and the Origins of the Byzantine Communion Acclamation,” Scripture in the Christian Life, Boston College, MA (March 2023).

“Trinitarian Theology on the Road to Chalcedon: Rival Exegetical Practices in Cyril of Alexandria and Theodoret of Cyrus,” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting (May 2022).

“A Newly Discovered Letter of Valentinus,” Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism unit, San Antonio, TX (Dec. 2021).

“Jesus as the God of the Old Testament: Patristic Christology and the Integrity of the Old Testament,” Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, History of Interpretation unit, San Antonio, TX (Dec. 2021).

“The Lost Letter of Valentinus on Jesus’ Digestive System: Ps.-Basil *ep.* 366,” Christianity in Antiquity reading group, Duke University and UNC Chapel Hill (Sept. 2021).

“Christology in the Hermeneutics of Cyril of Alexandria,” North American Patristics Society Annual Meeting (May 2021).

“Philo Goes to Philippi: the Moses Christology of Philippians 2,” Society of Biblical Literature Southeastern Regional Meeting, Judaism unit (Mar. 2021).

“Patristic Christology and the Integrity of the Old Testament,” Conference on Early Christian Studies, St. Michael’s College, University of Toronto (Mar. 2021).

“Cyrus the Great as the God of Israel in Isaiah 45: Intertextual Christology in Philippians 2,” Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Intertextuality unit (Dec. 2020).

“Cyrus the Great as the God of Israel in Isaiah 45: Intertextual Christology in Philippians 2,” Society of Biblical Literature International Meeting (July 2020, cancelled due to COVID-19).

“Spinoza’s Theodicy and the Problem of Imperfection”, The Dutch Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy, Utrecht University (July 2018).

“John Stuart Mill and the Power of Poetry,” The Intermountain West Philosophy Conference, Brigham Young University (Nov. 2017).

Under review for conference presentation:

“The Council of Constantinople (381) and the Fate of Pro-Nicene Exegesis,” for the Canadian Society of Patristic Studies (2023).

“One is Holy, One is Lord”: Apostolic Pseudepigraphy and the Origins of the Byzantine Communion Acclamation,” for the Canadian Society of Patristic Studies (2023).

“Neither an End nor a Beginning: Constantinople (381) and Pro-Nicene Exegesis,” for Scripture in the Christian Life (Boston College, 2023).

Other publications

“Augustine’s Christology in *Confessions* VII,” scheduled for *The Augustine Blog*, the Augustinian Institute at Villanova University.

“Vegan – and Christian, too,” blog post for CreatureKind (www.becreaturekind.org/blog)

“Seaspiracy: A Letter of Critique,” guest post for CreatureKind (www.becreaturekind.org/blog)

Regular blog posts at the Creaturely Christian (www.thecreaturelychristian.com/blog)

3. Languages

Greek (Attic, Koine, and Patristic)	Advanced
Latin	Beginning
Biblical Hebrew	Beginning
Portuguese (Brazilian)	Intermediate

4. Academic Service and Teaching Experience

Spring 2023 Preceptor, The Reformation and American Christianity, Duke Divinity School.

2020 – 2021 Coordinated and moderated a series of scholarly dialogues entitled “Christianity in the Age of Factory Farming,” hosted by Duke Divinity School and CreatureKind. Brought together scholars from Duke, Cambridge, and other universities to equip preachers with theological and pastoral resources to preach about animals.

Dec. 7, 2020 *Jeremy Begbie/Richard Bauckham*, “The Lamb of God and Other Animals: Christology in the Age of Factory Farming.”

Feb. 2, 2021 *Ellen Davis/Sam Wells*, “Animals and the Church: Preaching in the Age of Factory Farming.”

Mar. 18, 2021 *David Goatley/Peter Casarella*, “The Holy Spirit and the Slaughterhouse.”

Apr. 13, 2021 *Christopher Carter/Aline Silva/Jeania Ree Moore*, “The Community of Creation in an Age of Factory Farming.”

Apr. 19, 2021 *Norman Wirzba/Stephen Chapman*, “Fellow Creatures: Being Human in an Age of Factory Farming.”

2020	Worked with donor to establish a field education placement to train animal care chaplains (Duke Divinity School).
2019	Course preparation assistant, “Anglican Tradition” (The Ridley Institute)
2017	Preceptor, “World Religions” (PHIL 3640, University of Utah)
2017	Student Advisory Board (Philosophy Department, University of Utah)
2017	Guest lecture, “Malebranche’s Theory of Ideas and Vision in God,” for Lex Newman’s “Early Modern Rationalism” course (PHIL 6120) at the University of Utah (Fall 2017)

5. Grants, Fellowships, and Scholarships (Selected)

2020-21	CreatureKind Fellowship	CreatureKind
2019-20, 2020-21	Anglican Episcopal House of Studies Scholarship	Duke Divinity School
2019-20, 2020-21	Merit Scholarship	Duke Divinity School
2017-18	Sterling M. McMurrin Graduate Fellowship	University of Utah
2012, 2013, 2016	Alumni Legacy Scholarship	University of Utah
2015	Undergraduate Research Grant	University of Utah
2013	Merrill Engineering Scholars Fellowship	University of Utah

6. Miscellaneous Seminars and Reading Groups

2023	Participant in the Thomistic Institute’s reading group “Sorrow and the Virtues,” led by Prof. Thomas Hibbs.	Virtual
2022	Participant in the “Origen of Alexandria’s On First Principles” seminar, hosted by the Lumen Christi Institute and the Sheptytsky Institute, and led by Fr. John Behr and Prof. Lewis Ayres.	University of Toronto

7. Ministry Experience

Worship

2019 – ongoing	Assistant worship director	All Saints Anglican Church (Durham, NC)
2018 – 2021	Worship leader	Anglican Episcopal House of Studies, Duke Divinity School
2013 – 2016	Worship leader	Intervarsity Christian Fellowship (UT)
2013 – 2016	Worship leader	Reformed University Fellowship (UT)
2007 – 2018	Worship leader	The Rock Church (UT)

Creation Care

2020 – 2021	Fellow	CreatureKind (www.becreaturekind.org)
2020 – 2021	Organizer	Organized and moderated a series of dialogues and interviews

2019 – ongoing	Research & blogging	on animal theology, eco-theology, and food justice, hosted by Duke Divinity School and CreatureKind. Series entitled, “Christianity in an Age of Factory Farming.” The Creaturely Christian (www.thecreaturelychristian.com). Posts for Creature Kind.
2018 – ongoing	Preaching	Sermons advocating for animal welfare (available at www.thecreaturelychristian.com/sermons)

Preaching engagements

April 8, 2021	York Chapel, Duke Divinity School
Apr 6, 2021	Duke Divinity School
Mar 23, 2021	Duke Divinity School
Feb 25, 2021	Duke Divinity School
Feb 10, 2020	Goodson Chapel, Duke Divinity School
Nov 14, 2019	Goodson Chapel, Duke Divinity School
Aug 10, 2019	All Saints Anglican Church (Durham, NC)
Jun 23, 2019	All Saints Anglican Church (Durham, NC)
July 29, 2018	Spring Hill United Methodist Church (Lillington, NC)
June 26, 2018	Spring Hill United Methodist Church (Lillington, NC)

Other

2019	Volunteer Coordination Intern	World Relief Durham
2019 – ongoing	Small Group Leader	All Saints Church
2019 – ongoing	Youth Ministry	All Saints Church
2019	Adult Sunday School Teacher	All Saints Church
2019	Diocesan Synod Representative	All Saints Church
2018 – 2019	International Missions Team	All Saints Church
2018	Associate Pastor	Spring Hill UMC (NC)

8. Professional Memberships

North American Patristics Society
 Society of Biblical Literature
 Charles Wesley Society
 Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars

9. Awards

2017	Outstanding Senior Thesis Award	University of Utah
2012 – 2017	Dean’s List	University of Utah
2012	Congressional Award Gold Medal	U.S. Congress (Washington, D.C.)

2010	President's Volunteer Service Award
2008	Eagle Scout Award

10. Discography (as songwriter, instrumentalist, or producer)

—people.	<i>You Can't Speak</i>	Dream Records (2019)
The Porter Family Band	<i>All Creatures</i>	Dream Records (2017)
Old Soul	<i>Old Soul Vol. II</i>	The Rock Music (2015)
Old Soul	<i>Old Soul Vol. I</i>	The Rock Music (2013)
The Rock Music	<i>Gather</i>	The Rock Music (2013)
The Rock Music	<i>Alive</i>	The Rock Music (2011)
The Rock Music	<i>Promises</i>	The Rock Music (2009)

11. Other work experience

2016 – 2018	Sales representative & team leader	Brio Energy (UT)
2014 – 2017	Spanish teacher	Challenger School (UT)
2015 – 2017	Music teacher	Challenger School (UT)
2008 – 2018	Music teacher	Self-employed