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Field of Concentration: History of Christianity
Dissertation: "With One Cup and With One Bread: The Social Function of Religious Ritual in the Moravian Church, 1792-1923"
- Certification in Ministerial Studies, The Divinity School, The University of Chicago, 1978
- M.A. in Religious Studies, 1975, The Divinity School, The University of Chicago
- B.A., summa cum laude with honors in History, 1974, Moravian College
Major: History
Thesis: "EPIC and the New Deal: Upton Sinclair's 1934 Campaign for the Governorship of California"
- Ordination** The Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum): Deacon, August 13, 1978; Presbyter, May 15, 1983
- Experience** Moravian Theological Seminary, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
Associate Professor of Church History and Director of Moravian Studies,
January 1998 to present
- Schoeneck Moravian Church, Nazareth, Pennsylvania
Pastoral Associate, July 1993 to present
- Moravian Theological Seminary, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
Instructor of Church History, August 1989 to December 1997
- Lake Auburn Moravian Church, Victoria, Minnesota
Pastor, January 1982 to August 1989
- United Theological Seminary, New Brighton, Minnesota
Adjunct instructor in the Christian Heritage (teaching a course on the history of the Reformation), Winter 1988
- St. Paul Bible College, St. Bonifacius, Minnesota
Visiting lecturer in Church History (lecturing on Moravian history in a course on the history of missions), Winter 1984
- Bethel Moravian Church, Bethel, Alaska
Pastor, November 1978 to January 1982
- Alaska Pacific University, Anchorage Alaska
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Adjunct instructor in Religious Studies (teaching an introductory course on the study of religion), Summer 1980

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, River Forest, Illinois
Student intern, September 1977 to November 1978

Service to Church and Society Faith and Order Commission, Moravian Church in America, 1987 to 1996, 1998 to present
Moravian Church in America-Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Coordinating Committee, September 1996 to present; Co-chair Moravian-Lutheran Bilateral Dialogue Team, December 1992 to March 1996

Board of World Mission, Moravian Church in America, 1986 to 1996;
Secretary 1986-1988; Vice President 1991-1996

United Ministries in Higher Education, Minnesota State Commission, 1982-1989;
Vice President 1984-1988

Minnesota Council of Churches, Board of Directors, 1982-1986

Moravian Western Christian Education Commission, Chair of the Camps and Conferences Committee, 1982-1984

Alaska Christian Conference, Board of Directors, 1979-1982

Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Board of Directors, 1979-1982

American Red Cross, Alaska Chapter, Southwest Alaska Branch, President 1980-1982

Bethel Fire Department, Chaplain and Emergency Medical Technician, 1980-1982

Professional Associations American Society of Church History
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Publications Here We Stand: The Moravian Church Among the Churches of the Reformation.
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“Moravian Worship: A Historical Overview for Contemporary Worship Planners” in Burcaw, Robert T., ed. A Companion Manual to the Moravian Book of Worship. Bethlehem, Pennsylvania: The Moravian Church in America, 1995.

“The Incident at Philadelphia: A Moravian Perspective on the Muhlenberg-Zinzendorf Encounter,” TMDK: Transatlantic Moravian Dialogue Correspondence 6 (July 1995): 43-54.

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“What Has Shaped Moravian Theology and the Moravian View of Christian Life? The Moravian Church in the Modern Period: Eighteenth through Twentieth Centuries.”
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