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EDUCATION

Greenville College, Greenville, IL
Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, 2005

Oxford University, Oxford, England
Study Abroad, Michaelmas, 2004
Research areas: Philosophy and Theology

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR
Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy, 2015

Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, VA
Master of Divinity, 2018

A COLLECTION OF SERMONS GIVEN ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS

- Easter Sunday
April 20, 2025
Resurrection at Sea. [Video](#) and [Text](#). A [link](#) to the sermon illustration.
- Pentecost 7
July 7, 2024
Dishwashers and Disagreement. [Video](#). A sermon without notes.
- Avent 4
December 22, 2024
The Unbroken Cord. [Video](#). A “children’s sermon.”
- Christ the King Sunday
November 23, 2024
Get up! [Homily video](#), [text](#), and “[Scriptural Illumination](#).”
A sermon as a mini-play.
- Parashat Eikev
August 23, 2024
The One Mystery. [Video](#) (begins at 58m) and [text](#). Preached for a pulpit swap between the Reformed Jewish congregation, Temple Sinai, and St. Columba’s.
- Epiphany 7
February 23, 2025
On Faith. [Video](#) and [text](#). A sermon given during a very difficult moment in our city about a very difficult moment in ministry for Joshua.
- Christmas Eve
December 24, 2022
Your Largest Piece. [Video](#) and [text](#).

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

September 2025- Present	Senior Associate Rector , St. Columba's Episcopal Church, Washington, DC
March 2025- August 2025	Interim Rector , St. Columba's
February 2024- February 2025	Senior Associate Rector , St. Columba's
September 2022- January 2024	Associate Rector for Evangelism and Discipleship, St. Columba's
March 2020- August 2022	Associate Rector for Discipleship and Worship, St. Columba's
July 2018- December 2019	Priest-in-Charge , St. Mark's Episcopal, Jonesboro, AR.
February 2011- July 2015	Chaplain , St. Martin's Episcopal University Center, University of Arkansas, part-time appointment.

FORMATION: ART, CLASSES, AND RETREATS

Classes @ St. Columba's CS Lewis, *Mere Christianity: A Defense* (Winter 2025; 50+ parishioners enrolled in this Wednesday night class); *Preparing Christian Community for Violence: A Reading of Mark 13* (Advent 2024); *Mysticism and Christian Practice* (Fall 2024); *The Way of the Cross* (Easter 2024); *Pathways for Faith: The Gospel of Mark* (Fall 2023 - Spring 2024); *Dismantling Racism: the Gospel of Mark* (Fall 2022); *A Conversation on Forgiveness* (Winter 2021); *A Spirituality of Contemplation* (Fall 2020); *Faith for All of It: An Approach* (Spring 2020)

Collaborative Project in Deep Learning An experiment in holistic and theological formation for the parish (beginning in 2020). The contours of this project revolve around the study of the Gospel of Mark over several years.

- I wrote (adapted), directed, and staged two plays: *Before Easter* and *The Bare Gospel*.
- *The Bare Gospel* is a solo performance of the complete Gospel of Mark (word-for-word) that I perform entirely from memory. In development for nearly two years; though there have been

small performances of it here and there, it will officially “premiere” in the Fall of 2025. The play is both an artistic representation of the Gospel; but also a teaching play: using a limited number of implements to represent a cohesive narrative from the very beginning to the very end of the Gospel.

- @ Holy Cross
2022-2024 Episcopal Monastery in West Park, New York. An annual pilgrimage with a group of St. Columbans for a silent three-day silent retreat, usually in October/November.
- March 2020 Retreat leader for Grace Episcopal Church, Camp Mitchell, Morrilton, AR
- June 2018 Invited Speaker at Christ Church Cathedral
 Oxford University, United Kingdom
- May 2015 Chapel Address: “Is Greenville a Christian College?”
 Invited Speaker at Greenville University, Greenville, IL
- January 2015 “Wittgenstein for the Church: A Philosophy of Peace for All Believers”
 Invited Speaker at The Institute of Theological Studies at St. Margaret’s,
 Little Rock, AR
- July 2013 Councilor for SUMMA (a high school student theological debate society)
 Sewanee: University of the South

WORKS

- January 2018 *Reasonable Radical? Reading the Writings of Martyn Percy.* Ian S. Markham and Joshua Daniel, editors. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications.
- July 2015 Defended doctoral dissertation. Title, *Wittgenstein’s Liberating Word: A Meditation on God and Philosophy.* Director: Dr. Edward Minar. Readers: Dr. Lynne Spellman, Dr. Eric Funkhouser.