CURRICULUM VITAE

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

2011 Doctor of Ministry, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA. Dissertation Topic: *"Developing and Sustaining Intentional Clergy Wholeness through Preventative Care."*

2003 Certificate of Completion, Pastoral Counselling Training Program, Lloyd Center Pastoral Counselling Service, San Anselmo, CA. A Post Graduate training program certified by the American Association of Pastoral Counsellors (AAPC).

2003 Certificate in Pastoral Maintenance, honorary certificate presented upon the recommendation of the director and staff of the Seminary's Physical Plant and Maintenance Team, San Francisco Theological Seminary.

2002 Masters of Divinity.
Theology, Pastoral Counselling, and Spirituality Concentrations
San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA.

2001 DASD Diploma in the Art of Spiritual Direction.
San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA.

1971 B. A. English & Psychology, Western Washington State College, Bellingham, WA.

1969 B. Th. Concord College, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE *- Representative*

Spring 2014 - 2021 Lecturer, Kootenay School of Ministry, ***Stories to Be Told: An Introduction to Narrative Preaching.***

Fall 2012 Lecturer, Kootenay School of Ministry, ***Spiritual Formation*** *P101.*

Summer 2008 Co-director, Lecturer and Supervisor, ***Internship in the Art of Spiritual Direction,*** Mercy Center Institute of Contemporary Spirituality, Burlingame, CA.

2005-2008 Student Dean, Adjunct, Clergy/Church Liaison, & Leadership Team Member, Salt Lake Theological Seminary, Salt Lake City, UT. Areas of Spiritual Direction, Pastoral Counselling, and Spiritual Formation. Courses assigned:

(LC 700) Spiritual Formation: *The Practice of Transforming Relationships.*
(MM 710) Life and Conflict in the Church.
(MM 715) Psychology & Spirituality: *The Integration of Faith and Practice for Care-givers.*

Syllabi available on request

July 2006- July 2008 Director of Admissions, Salt Lake Theological Seminary

Summer 2006 Lecturer and Supervisor, Internship in the Art of Spiritual Direction, Mercy Center Institute of Contemporary Spirituality, Burlingame, CA.

2004-2006 Presenter/Lecturer, San Francisco Theological Seminary, D. Min. Program in Pastoral Care and Counselling, Lloyd Center Pastoral Counselling Training Program. (Mental Health in Clergy Families)

2003-2005 Visiting faculty, Holy Names University, Oakland, CA, Master of Arts in Ministry Program. (*Pastoral Care*)

2004-2006 Visiting faculty, Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary, Fresno, CA Master of Divinity, *Spiritual Formation* (PM-630).

2004-2006 Recipient of a research and development grant under the auspices of the Lloyd Center Pastoral Counselling Service, provided by the Lawrence Schmidt Memorial Trust, which is under the administration of the Presbyterian Foundation of Arkansas. This was a two

year pilot project which began in January of 2004. The pilot project is an expansion and expression of my dissertation topic: *Developing and Sustaining Intentional Clergy Wholeness through Preventative Care.*

2002-2006 Lecturer, Spiritual Director, Group Facilitator, and Supervisor - Diploma in the Art of Spiritual Direction Program, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA.

Summer 2005 Summer Lecture Series, Salt Lake Theological Seminary, "Who Pastors the Pastor?"

Summer 2004 Lecturer and Supervisor, Internship in the Art of Spiritual Direction, Mercy Center Institute of Contemporary Spirituality, Burlingame, CA.

Summer 1997 Lecturer & Chaplain, Lithuania Christian College, Klaipeda, Lithuania.

1996 Lecturer, Spiritual Formation Workshops, Northview Community Church, Abbotsford, B. C., Canada.

MINISTRY/SERVICE/CONSULTATION EXPERIENCE

Overview: Pastoral Counselling, Spiritual Direction, Retreat Direction and Facilitation, Lecturer, Seminar Facilitator, Church Conflict Resolution Facilitator, Sabbatical Planning and Discernment, Clearness Committee Facilitation, Ministry Consultation.

Current A. **Executive Director.** Directions: Centre for Sacramental Vocation
Directions mission is to provide and support services which encourage and enable clergy, leaders, laity, individuals, groups and organizations to incarnate sacredness in their vocational environments. Services include Individual & Group Spiritual Direction, Pastoral Counselling, Retreat Direction, Seminars, Teaching, Sabbatical Planning, Clergy support groups, Conflict Management & Consultation. The Center seeks association and affiliation with trained professionals in each of the above areas, and acts as a referral source within the vision of Directions/CSV.

B. **Associate Priest/Pastor.** All Saints Anglican Church, Vernon, BC.
Main Responsibilities:

1. Crisis Care
2. Elder Care
3. Worship & Preaching

2009-2014 Certified Pastoral Counsellor (AAPC), Certified Spiritual Director (SDI), and Retreat Director with Fairhaven Ministries – A leadership training and retreat facility

for Clergy, Priest, Ministers, Missionaries, Church Leaders and their families. Located in Vernon, B. C. Canada.

Representative Presentations and retreat topics:

1. ***Myers-Briggs, Leadership, and the Soul.*** Heartland Alliance Church Staff Retreat. 2010
2. **Pride and Despair:** ***The Two Faces of Burnout.***
   Christian Missionary Alliance District Staff Retreat, 2010;
   Presbyterian Church of Canada, 2014
3. **Care of the Soul for Clergy.** Ontario M. B. Pastors Conference. 2011.
4. **The Divine Intention:** ***Creating a Living Soul***
   Pender Island Men's Retreat 2012
5. **Listening for the Soul in Self & Others.** CMA Chaplains Retreat, Cedar Springs, WA. 2012
6. **Developing a Lifestyle of Prayer.** B. C. Camp Directors Retreat, 2012.
7. **Higher Music:** ***Honouring the Closet and the Sanctuary.***
   Levite Summit, Kelowna B. C. 2013.
8. ***Musings of a Reluctant Contemplative.***
   a. Anglican Diocese of the Kootenay, Bishop's Clergy/Priest Retreat, Sorrento Retreat Centre. Sorrento, B.C. 2013.
   b. Presbytery of Utah - Salt Lake City
   Pastor and CLP WINTER RETREAT - Feb 2019
9. ***Soul Care & Spiritual Formation: A Spiritual Direction Model***
   EFCC Clergy & Spouses Retreat. 2014.

2007- 2008 Private Practice in Spiritual Direction, Pastoral Counselling and Retreat Direction – primarily with Churches, Clergy, Caregivers and their families. Salt Lake City

Representative Retreats (2008):

1. Wasatch Presbyterian Church, *A Retreat with Henri Nouwen.*
2. New Beginnings Presbyterian Church**:** *Transition and Transformation.*
3. The Promise of Land Pastors Conference: Noisy Gongs or Clanging Cymbals**:** *Spiritual Health & Preaching*.
4. The Shim Institute: Puzzles, Parables, and Mysteries: *An Invitation to Conscious Spirituality*

Outlines available on request.

2001-2006 Spiritual Director, Pastoral Counselling Associate, and Supervisor at Lloyd Center Pastoral Counselling Service, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA.

October/2004 Provincial pastors retreat, Mennonite Brethren Conference of British Columbia, Canada.

April/2004 Provincial pastors retreat, Mennonite Brethren Conference of Alberta, Canada.

March/2004 Provincial pastors retreat, Mennonite Brethren Conferences of Saskatchewan, Canada.

2003-2004 Associate Interim Pastor, Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church, San Anselmo, CA.

2001-2006 Spiritual Director, Youth Specialties Pastors Conferences, St. Louis, San Diego & Sacramento.

2001-2003 Spiritual Director, Sabbath Retreats, Youth Ministry Spirituality Project, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA.

2001-2003 Spiritual Director, Youth Ministry Spirituality Project, In-service Seminars, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA.

2001-2003 Summer Pulpit Supply, Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church, San Anselmo, CA.

2000 Retreat Leader, *The Emmaus Road.* A walking retreat for pastors and staff of Northview Community Church, Abbotsford, B. C., Canada.

Summer 1997 Chaplain/Lecturer, Lithuania Christian College, Klaipeda, Lithuania.

1997 Seminar Leader, *"Who Pastors the Pastor?"* Chilliwack Ministerial Association, Chilliwack, B. C. Canada.

1996-1998 Planning Committee, Presenter, Men's Retreat, Young Life's Camp Malibu, Princess Louisa Inlet, B. C., Canada.

1995 Co-Leader - Pastors Conferences and Leadership Conferences, Lithuania Christian College, Klaipeda, Lithuania and St. Petersburg Christian College, St. Petersburg, Russia.

1993-1996 Adult Sponsor/Mentor/Lecturer, "Roaring 20's" College Group, *(400-600 college age members)* Northview Community Church, Abbotsford, B. C., Canada.

1992-1998 Small Group Leader, Peer & Newly Married groups, Northview Community Church, Abbotsford, B. C. Canada.

1978-1981 Co-Director, House Church (30-50 members), Vernon, B. C., Canada.

PUBLICATION

Spring 2008 *Developing a Lifestyle of Prayer*, a chapter in Giving Ourselves to Prayer, compiled by Dan R. Crawford, Prayer Shop Publishing, Terre Haute, Indiana, 2008.

March 2006 The Intimacy Fix: *Is There a Way to Escape Internet Porn's Compelling Lure for Pastors and Church Leaders?* Media Matters: Third Way Café

January 2006 Spirituality and Justice in SCHINDLER'S LIST: *A Case Study Informed by Karl Barth and Gustav Gutierrez*, Pastoral Psychology, Vol. 54, No. 3.

Spring 2005 Early Anabaptist Spirituality: *History and Response*, Direction: *A Mennonite Brethren Forum,* Vol.34 No. 1
www.directionjournal.org/article/?1375

May 2005 The Intimacy Fix, Christianity.ca

June 2004 The Intimacy Fix, Mennonite Brethren Herald, Volume 43, No. 08.

March 2004 Defining Moments, Christianity.ca
https://www.christianity.ca/page.aspx?pid=11078

January 2003 Defining Moments, Mennonite Brethren Herald, Volume 42, No. 01.

RETREATS AND SEMINAR TOPICS PRESENTED OR FACILITATED

A. Spiritual Formation
1. Spiritual Formation: *The Interplay of Solitude, Community, and Service*
2. Transition and Transformation: *Dealing with Change*
3. Curiosity and Resistance: *Blocks and Invitations to Spiritual Awareness and Practice*
4. Introduction to Religious Experience
5. Discernment of Call
6. Developing a Contemplative Attitude: *A Contemplative Approach to Experience*
7. Ancient Forms of Prayer
8. Noticing Interior Spiritual Movements
9. Movements in Prayer
10. Sexuality and Spirituality
11. Dealing with Crisis in Yourself and Others
12. The Bible and Spirituality
13. Developing a Lifestyle of Prayer
14. Defining Moments: *'Before' and 'After' Times*

15. Soul Shapers Retreat: *Is it Well with My Soul?*
16. Meditation on the Purpose of Your Life
17. Spirituality and Vocation: *Honouring My Intention to be Close to God*
18. Serenade for the Soul
19. Soul Care: *Honouring My Intention to be Close to God*
20. The Soul at Play: Re-*discovering a Child-like Faith*
21. Dying to Live: *Resolving the Paradox through the Sovereignty of Grace*
22. The Blizzard of the World has Overturned the Order of the Soul
23. Living a Eucharistic Life
24. A Retreat with Henri Nouwen
25. Your Real Self: *You Never Know What You've Got 'Til it's Gone*

B. Pastors, Church Leaders, Boards, Elders
    1. Life and Conflict in the Church: *Maintaining an Engaged yet Non-Anxious Presence*
    2. Mental, Emotional, and Spiritual Health for Clergy and their Families
    3. Who Pastors the Pastor?
    4. Pornography and Ministry: *An Intimacy Vacuum?*
    5. Returning to the Well: *Self-care is Ministry*
    6. Noisy Gongs and Clanging Cymbals: *Spiritual Health and Preaching*
    7. Fellowship with Isaac: *The Pastor as Victim*
    8. *Myers-Briggs, Leadership, and the Soul.*
    9. Pride and Despair: *The Two Faces of Burnout*

C. Caregivers: *Social Workers, Chaplains, Nurses, Doctors, Counsellors*
    1. Integrating Faith and Practice: *A Retreat for Care-giving Professionals*
    2. Psychology and Spirituality
    3. Care-giving and Spiritual Direction
    4. Listening for the Soul in Self and Others
    5. Spirituality and Vocation: *Honouring the Sacred*
    6. Listening Contemplatively
    7. Puzzles, Parables and Mysteries: *An Invitation to Conscious Spirituality in Caring Professions*

D. Other:
    1. Theory and Practice of Spiritual Direction (Educational)
    2. Justice, Mercy and Grace in Schindler's List (Movie Buffs)
    3. Business as Usual: *Spirituality and Corporate Life* (Marketplace)
    4. If Real Men Don't Ask for Directions, How do Men Hear God? (Men's Retreat)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

1. Spiritual Directors International (SDI)

2. American Association of Pastoral Counsellors (AAPC) - (A member of the federation of Association of Counselling Therapist in BC)

BOARD INVOLVEMENT

1998-2005 Board Member, Arrow Leadership Training Program, Langley, B. C., Canada.

1988- 2005 Board Member, Audit Committee, Insight for Living, Abbotsford, B. C., Canada.

1997-1998 Board Member, Student Life Committee, Columbia Bible College, Abbotsford, B. C., Canada.

1996-1998 Chairperson, National Foundation for Christian Leadership, Langley, B.C., Canada.

1994-1996 Board Member, Trinity Western University, CHEAF Program, Langley, B. C., Canada.

1986-1998 Committee Member, Young Life of Canada, Vancouver, B. C., Canada.

VOCATIONAL HISTORY

Current: Executive Director. Directions: *Center for Sacramental Vocation*
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2008 - 2015 Pastoral Counsellor (AAPC), Spiritual Director (SDI), and Retreat Director Fairhaven Ministries – A leadership training and retreat facility for Clergy, Ministers, Missionaries, Church Leaders and their Families.

2007-2008 Dean of Students & Lecturer in Pastoral Care and Spiritual Formation, Salt Lake Theological Seminary.

2006 - 2008 Director of Admissions and Adjunct Faculty in Spiritual Formation, Salt Lake Theological Seminary, Salt Lake City, UT.

1998-2008	Private Practice in Spiritual Direction, Pastoral Counselling and Retreat Direction – primarily with Clergy and their families.
1998-2006	Student, Pastoral Counselor, Spiritual Director, Retreat Director; Lloyd Center Pastoral Counseling Service, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, CA.
1983-1998	President, Schmidt & Funk Financial Services Ltd., Langley, B. C., Canada.
1976-1983	President, Garlynd Homes Ltd., Vernon, B. C., Canada.
1973-1976	Public School Teacher, Langley School District, Langley, B. C., Canada.
1971-1973	Public School Teacher, Fernie School District, Fernie, B. C., Canada.
1969-1971	Dean of Residence, Columbia Bible College, Abbotsford, B. C., Canada.

CHURCH AFFILATION & MEMBERSHIP

I am ordained as a Priest in the Anglican Church of Canada. Currently I serve as Associate Priest at All Saints Anglican Church, Vernon, B.C.

MINISTRY GOALS & DREAMS

The question, "Who Pastor's the Pastor?" informs the main trajectory of my call. From this question it has increasingly become clear that my vocation will focus on a Spiritual Formation, Spiritual Direction, Retreat Direction, and Pastoral Counselling orientation. It is here that I most experience God's pleasure, connectedness, and Grace. Whether this takes place within a parish, counselling centre, retreat centre, treatment centre or educational institution is an ongoing discernment.

References upon request.