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## **Professional Position:**

Professor of Theology, 2007-

Associate Professor of Theology; secondary appointment, Women's Studies, Duke University, 2003-E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Visiting Associate Professor, Vanderbilt University, 2001-2003 Associate Professor of Theology, Duke University, 1995-2001

Assistant Professor of Theology, Duke University, 1987-1995

Instructor in Theology, Duke University, 1983-1987

Parish Associate Minister, Second Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN, 1981

**Teaching Areas:** Authority issues in contemporary theology, issues in women and religion, theology and culture, systematic and practical theology, feminist theology

# **Educational History:**

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	B.M.	1972
Union Seminary in Virginia		1972
Duke Divinity School (summa cum laude)	M.Div.	1977
Vanderbilt University	Ph.D. (Theology)	1986

#### Dissertation:

"Ecclesial Tradition and Social Praxis: A Study in Theological Method" (Vanderbilt University 1986; committee: Peter Hodgson, Edward Farley, H. Jackson Forstman, Howard L. Harrod, John Compton)

### **Honors and Awards:**

Phi Beta Kappa, University of North Carolina, 1972 University Scholarships, Vanderbilt, 1977-1979 John H. Smith Scholarship, Vanderbilt, 1978-1979 Honors, Ph.D. qualifying exams, Vanderbilt, 1980

# **Examples of Courses Taught:**

Women, Theology and the Church Feminist Theology Authority in Theology Interpreting Scripture Theologically Christ and Cultural Studies Introduction to Systematic Theology

Feminist Theory and the Study of Christianity

Theologies, Tradition, and Difference (co-taught with Prof. R. Coles, Duke political theorist)

Conflicts in Faith: Christianity and Feminism (co-taught with Prof. K. Rudy, Women's Studies) Saving Women: Gender, Vocation, and Film (co-taught with Prof. K. Rudy, Women's Studies) Foundations of Women's Studies: The 1960s to the Present

# **Faculty Responsibilities:**

**Divinity School:** 

Director, Gender, Theology and Ministry certificate program, 2005-

Faculty advisor, Divinity Women's Center, 2005-

Faculty advisor, Sacred Worth (Divinity Students for lgbt Concerns), 2003-

Chair, Field Education Committee, 2005-2006

Chair, Committee on Christian Social Concerns, 1998

Member, Executive Committee, 1997-99

Member, Committee on Faculty, 1997-99

Member, Divinity Dean Search Committee, 1996-97

Member, Inclusiveness Committee, 1993-94

Faculty advisor, Sacred Worth (Divinity Students for Gay/Lesbian Concerns), 1992-96

# University:

Member, Duke Medical Center Ethics Committee (subcommittee on Advanced Directives), 2006-

Member, University Harassment Grievance Board, 2005-

Member, Academic Council, 2003-06

Secondary appointment, Women's Studies, 2003-

Member, Women's Studies Advisory Board, 1999

Member, University Harassment Grievance Board, 1999

Member, Review Committee for the Office of Institutional Equity, 1999

Member, Executive Council, Graduate Program in Religion, 1998

Core faculty, Women's Studies, 1997-2001

Member, Duke University Task Force on Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Matters, 1993-96

Member, Executive Council of the Graduate Program in Religion, 1989-92

Member, Women's Faculty Network Steering Committee, 1989-92

Member, Women's Studies Advisory Board, 1987-91

### **Professional Associations:**

Steering Committee, American Academy of Religion, Liberal Theologies Unit, 2005-

Steering Committee, American Academy of Religion, Practical Theology Unit, 2005-

Program Chair, American Theological Society, 2006-

Program Committee, American Academy of Religion, 2001-2005

American Academy of Religion

Association of Practical Theology

### **Other Professional Involvements:**

Participant, "Race and the Reformed Tradition," Institute for Reformed Theology Colloquy, Spring 2006–Fall 2006

Participant, Constructive Theology Workgroup, Vanderbilt, 2000-

Participant, Theology and Culture Workgroup, 1997-

Participant, Duke Religion and Culture Interdisciplinary Group, 2000-2004

Participant, "The Divine Activity in Recent Theology," Institute for Reformed Theology Colloquy, Fall 2000–Spring 2001

Participant, "Restoring the Beloved Community," Lilly-Funded Project on Race, Community and Theology, Fall 1997–Spring 1999

#### **Grants:**

Fall 2005–Spring 2006 Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Provost's Common Fund, Duke University, Third Reconstruction Fall 2005–Spring 2006 Institute Fall 2002–Spring 2003 Erasmus Institute, Religion, Culture and Power Working Group Fall 2000–Spring 2001 Provost's Common Fund, Duke University American Academy of Religion research assistance Fall 1991 University Research Council regular grant Summer 1991 Association of Theological Schools Younger Scholar Award April 1991 Fall 1989 Lilly Endowment, Faculty research grant for Globalization of the Curriculum

#### **Editorial Work:**

Editorial Board: Blackwell Religion and Theology Compass, 2006-

Editorial Board: Theology Today, 2006-

Editorial Board, Journal of the American Academy of Religion, 1995-2008

Editor, AAR, Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion Series, Scholars Press, 1997-2000

Sub-network Editor for feminist theology, Religious Studies Review, 1990-1995

Reviewer for Routledge Press, Fortress Press, Westminster/John Knox Press, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, <u>Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion</u>, and other journals, Ongoing

# **Public Lectures/Presentations:**

Beacon of Life Lectures, Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio, March 19-20, 2007 "Feminist Theology as Critique: The Early Years"

"'I'm Not a Women's Libber, but...': A Theology for All Women?"

"Race, Class & Globalization: Feminist Theology as Ecumenical"

Panel participant, "Durham Conference on the Moral Challenges of Our Culture: Sexual Domestic Violence, Racism, Classism and the Media," clergy gathering, First Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC, May 24, 2006

Lilly lecturer, "Liberal Arts Education as Vocation: Practicing Change and Tolerating Falsehoods," Davidson College, September 2002

Panel participant, "Time for Politics? The Challenges and Rewards of Political Activism in Overworked America," at "24/7: Rest and Unrest: A Conference on Balancing Work, Family, Community," Duke Women's Studies, October 1-2, 1999

Panel participant, "A Faith Community Honors Difference: A Case for Asymmetrical Reciprocity," Communities of Difference as Moral Education panel, Kenan Ethics conference, "Moral Education in a Diverse Society," Duke University, April 9-11, 1999

"Living One's Faith" Duke University Friends of Women's Studies regional event—"Now that we have a voice...What do we want to say?" Dallas, TX, November 14, 1998

- "Feminist Theology: From Evangelical to Radical," mini-college session, Duke Directions, Duke Alumni Weekend, November 6, 1998
- Graduation speaker, "Exploration and Homecoming—Creating Just Communities," Duke Women's Studies, Fall 1996
- Lecturer, "(Re)Naming and (Re)Claiming Women's Experience: Changing the Subject as Honoring and Differing," Perkins School of Theology Women's Week, Dallas, TX, April 1995
- "Beyond the Sexist Text: Feminist Theology and Biblical Practices for the 'Other' Woman," Duke Summer Institute, July 26-30, 1993
- Keynote lecturer, "Beyond the Sexist Text: A Feminist Theological Analytic for Difference," 1993 Ecumenical Women's Interseminary Conference, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, VA, April 23-25, 1993
- "Feminist Theology and Difference," clergywomen's retreat, Center for Continuing Education, Duke Divinity School, March 23-25, 1993
- "Christian Feminism: Blessing or Curse?" and "Justice and Gender: Images for the Future," The Staley Lectures, Ferrum College, Ferrum, VA, November 6-7, 1991

### **Academic Publications:**

### **Books:**

- 1. <u>Places of Redemption: Theology for a Worldly Church, Oxford University Press, in press.</u>
- 2. <u>Changing the Subject: Women's Discourses and Feminist Theology</u>, Minneapolis: Fortress/Augsburg, 1994.

### **Edited Books:**

3. Oxford Handbook of Feminist Theology, co-editor with Sheila Briggs (under contract with Oxford University Press).

### **Journal Articles:**

- 4. "Theology and the Lure of the Practical: An Overview," <u>Religion Compass</u> (February, 2007).
- 5. "A Place to Appear: Ecclesiology as if Bodies Matter," Theology Today (forthcoming).
- 6. "Narrative of a Nice Southern White Girl," The Poetics of the Sacred and the Politics of Scholarship: Six Geographies of Encounter, Worlds and Knowledges Otherwise 1 (Spring 2006).
- 5. "Feminist Exploration: A Theological Proposal," <u>International Journal of Practical</u> Theology 2 (1998): 208-21.
- 6. "Spiritual Geographies," <u>Cross Currents: Journal of the Association for Religion and Intellectual Life</u> 48 (Summer 1998): 241-44.
- 7. "Is There a (Nonsexist) Bible in This Church? A Feminist Case for Interpretive Communities," Modern Theology (1998): 225-42.

- 8. "Changing the Subject: Feminist Theology and Discourse," <u>Journal of Literature and Theology</u> 10 (January 1996): 131-47.
- 9. "Church Documents on Human Sexuality and the Authority of Scripture," <u>Interpretation</u> 49/1, "Biblical Authority in the Church Today: Human Sexuality as a Test Case" (January 1995): 46-58.
- 10. "Gender—Being It or Doing It? The Church, Homosexuality, and the Politics of Identity," <u>Union Seminary Quarterly Review</u> 47 (Spring 1994): 29-46.
- 11. "Sexism as Original Sin: Developing a Theacentric Discourse," <u>Journal of the American</u> Academy of Religion 59 (Winter 1991): 653-75.
- 12. "Theological Education and the Problem of Identity," <u>Modern Theology</u> 7 (October 1991): 465-82.
- 13. "Contesting Feminist Canons: Discourse and the Problem of Sexist Texts," <u>Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion</u> 7 (Fall 1991): 53-73.

# **Encyclopedia Article:**

14. "Doctrine of Humanity," <u>Encyclopedia of the Reformed Faith</u>, ed. Donald K. McKim, Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox, 1992: 183-86.

### **Essays in Books:**

- 15. "The Challenge of Feminism for Protestant Hermeneutics," in <u>Reshaping Protestantism</u> in a Global Context, ed. Volker Kuster, Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, forthcoming.
- 16. "The *Imago* Dei and a Reformed Logic for Feminist/Womanist Critique," in <u>Feminist</u> and Womanist Essays in Reformed Dogmatics, Columbia Series in Reformed Theology, ed. Serene L. Jones and Amy Plantinga-Pauw, Minneapolis: Fortress, 2006: 95-106.
- 17. James H. Evans, Mary McClintock Fulkerson, et al., "Church," in <u>Constructive Theology: A Contemporary Approach to Classical Themes</u>, A Project of the Workgroup on Constructive Christian Theology, ed. Serene Jones and Paul Lakeland, Minneapolis: Fortress, 2005: 201-38.
- 18. "Feminist Theology," in <u>The Cambridge Companion to Postmodern Theology</u>, ed. Kevin Vanhoozer, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2003: 109-25.
- 19. "We Don't See Color Here: A Case Study in Ecclesial-Cultural Invention," in Converging on Culture: Theologians in Dialogue with Cultural Analysis and Criticism, ed. Delwin Brown, Sheila Greeve Davaney, and Kathryn Tanner, New York: Oxford University Press, 2001: 150-57.
- 20. "They Will Know We Are Christian by Our Regulated Improvisation': A Postmodern Take on Ecclesial Identity," in <u>The Blackwell Companion to Postmodern Theology</u>, ed.

- Graham Ward, Oxford: Blackwell, 2001: 265-79.
- 21. "Practice," in <u>A Handbook for Postmodern Biblical Interpretation</u>, ed. A. K. M. Adam, St. Louis: Chalice, 2000: 189-98.
- 22. "Grace, Christian Controversy, and Tolerable Falsehoods," in <u>Grace Upon Grace: Essays in Honor of Thomas A. Langford</u>, ed. Robert K. Johnson, L. Gregory Jones, and Jonathan R. Wilson, Nashville: Abingdon, 1999: 231-53.
- 23. "Toward a Materialist Christian Social Criticism: Accommodation and Culture Reconsidered," reprinted in <u>Theology and Corporate Conscience: Essays in Honor of Frederick Herzog</u>, ed. M. Douglas Meeks, Jurgen Moltmann, and Frederick R. Trost, Minneapolis: Kirk House, 1999: 106-99.
- 24. "Michel Foucault (1926-1984): Introduction," in <u>The Postmodern God: A Theological Reader</u>, Blackwell Readings in Modern Theology, co-authored with Susan J. Dunlap, ed. Graham Ward, Oxford/Malden, MA: Blackwell, 1997: 116-23.
- 25. "Contesting the Gendered Subject: A Feminist Account of the *Imago Dei*," in <u>Horizons in Feminist Theology: Identity, Tradition, and Norms</u>, ed. Rebecca Chopp and Sheila G. Davaney, Minneapolis: Augsburg/Fortress, 1997: 99-115.
- 26. "Toward a Materialist Christian Social Criticism: Accommodation and Culture Reconsidered," in <u>Changing Conversations: Religious Reflection and Cultural Analysis</u>, ed. Dwight N. Hopkins and Sheila Greeve Davaney, New York: Routledge, 1996: 43-58.
- 27. "Gender—Being It or Doing It? The Church, Homosexuality, and the Politics of Identity," reprinted in <u>Que(e)rying Religious Studies</u>, ed. Gary D. Comstock and Susan E. Henking, New York: Continuum, 1996:188-201.
- 28. "*Theologia* as a Liberation *Habitus*: Thoughts toward Christian Formation for Resistance," in <u>Theology and the Interhuman: Essays in Honor of Edward Farley</u>, ed. Robert R. Williams, Valley Forge, PA: Trinity Press International, 1995: 160-80.

### **Solicited Publications:**

- 29. "Theological Reflection and Theories of Practice: Rethinking Normative Memory as if Bodies Mattered," in <u>Pastoral Bearings: Lived Religion and Pastoral Theology</u>, ed. Mary Moschella and Leonard Hummel, forthcoming.
- 30. "Feminist Theology," in <u>The Westminister Dictionary of Christian Theology</u>, ed. Dawn DeVries and Brian Gerrish, Louisville: Westminister/John Knox Press, forthcoming..
- 31. "Feminist Theology," in <u>Cambridge Dictionary of Christian Theology</u>, ed. David Fergusson, Karen Kilby, Iain Torrance, Ian A. McFarland. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming.

### **Review Articles:**

- 32. Elizabeth Johnson, <u>She Who Is: The Mystery of God in a Feminist Theological Discourse</u>, New York: Crossroads, 1992, in <u>Religious Studies Review</u> 21 (January 1995): 19-25.
- 33. Melanie A. May, <u>Bonds of Unity: Women, Theology and the Worldwide Church,</u> Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1989, in <u>Critical Review of Books in Religion: Annual Supplement to JAAR and JBL</u>. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1991: 491-93.
- 34. Karl Stern, <u>Flight From Woman</u>, New York: Paragon, 1985, 1965, in <u>Critical Review of Books in Religion: Annual Supplement to JAAR and JBL</u>. Atlanta: Scholars Press, 1988: 394-97.
- 35. "Women, Men, and Liberation: Old Issues, New Conversations" [Elsa Tamez, <u>Against Machismo</u>, Yorktown Heights, NY: Meyer-Stone, 1987; and Leonardo Boff, <u>The Maternal Face of God</u>, San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1987], in <u>Quarterly Review</u> 8 (Winter 1988): 76-89.

### **Reviews (Selection):**

- 36. Douglas F. Ottati, <u>Theology for Liberal Presbyterians and Other Endangered Species</u>. Louisville: Geneva Press, 2006. In <u>Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology</u> 61 (January, 2007): 92-93.
- 37. Marla Faye Frederick, <u>Between Sundays: Black Women and Everyday Struggles of Faith</u>. Berkeley: University of California Press, 2003. In Religious Studies Review (forthcoming).
- 38. Marta Frascati-Lochhead, <u>Kenosis and Feminist Theology: The Challenge of Gianni Vatimo</u>. Albany: State University of New York Press, 1998. In Theology Today 56 (January 2000): 620-24.
- 39. Rebecca S. Chopp, <u>The Power to Speak: Feminism, Language, and God</u>. New York: Crossroad, 1989. In <u>Religious Studies Review</u> 17 (April 1991): 146.
- 40. Diana L. Eck and Devaki Jain, eds., <u>Speaking of Faith: Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Women, Religion and Social Change</u>. London: Woman's Press, 1986. In <u>Modern Theology</u> 7 (January 1991): 201-2.
- 41. Letty Russell, et al., <u>Inheriting Our Mother's Gardens</u>. Philadelphia: Westminster, 1988. In <u>Theology Today</u> 46 (January 1990): 430-32.
- 42. Letty Russell, <u>Household of Freedom</u>, Philadelphia: Westminster, 1987; Rosemary Radford Ruether, <u>Women-Church</u>, San Francisco: Harper & Row, 1985; Sallie McFague, <u>Models of God</u>, Philadelphia: Fortress, 1987. In <u>Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society</u> 15 (Autumn 1989): 177-82.
- 43. "Congregation: Community Given Flesh" [James Hopewell, <u>Congregation</u>. Philadelphia: Fortress, 1987] in <u>Books and Religion</u> 16 (Winter 1989): 14-15.
- 44. Rosemary Radford Ruether, <u>Womanguides: Readings toward a Feminist Theology</u>. Boston: Beacon Press, 1985. In Journal of the American Academy of Religion 54 (Fall 1986): 607-8.

# **Church Publications:**

45. "Is Gender Complementarity Essential to Christian Marriage?" in <u>Frequently Asked Questions About Sexuality</u>, the Bible, and the Church: Plain Talk About Tough Issues, ed. Ted A. Smith, The Covenant Network of Presbyterians, 2002: 63-66.

46. "Ministry as *Diakonia*," in <u>Ordination: Past, Present, Future</u>, Theology and Worship Ministry unit, PC(USA) Task Force on Ordination. Louisville: Presbyterian Publishing House, November 1990.

# **Professional Papers:**

- 47. Overview of <u>Places of Redemption: Theology for a Worldly Church</u>, Theology Department, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, February 23-24, 2007.
- 48. "Being Nice in Church: Practices of Propriety and the Sin of Oblivion," Ecclesiological Investigations: First International Conference, St. Deiniol's Library, Hawarden, Wales, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
- 49. "Ecclesiology and the Erotic," Constructive Theological Workgroup annual meeting, Vanderbilt Divinity School, April 22, 2006.
- 50. "A Place to Appear: Ecclesiology as if Bodies Mattered," American Theological Society annual meeting, Princeton Seminary, April 8, 2006.
- 51. "Postmodern Place Theory and the Unity of Ecclesial Place," Theology and Culture workgroup, Drew University Divinity School, February 25, 2006.
- 52. "Placing Good Samaritan: Formation Practices," Race and the Reformed Tradition Colloquy, Union Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Richmond, VA, January 28, 2006.
- 53. "How I Got Interested in Practice and Context: Confessions of a Non-Systematic Theologian," Association of Practical Theology meeting, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Philadelphia, November 2005.
- 54. "Theology and Place," Theology and Culture workgroup, Colgate University, February 2005.
- 55. "My Approach to Theology and Congregational Life," at A Conversation on Theology and Congregational Life conference, Hartford Seminary, October 11-12, 2005.
- 56. "What's the Bible in This Church? Pondering Illusions of 'Sola Scriptura,'" Reformed Theology section, American Academy of Religion national meeting, San Antonio, TX, November 2004.
- 57. "Ministry to Eunuchs and Other Ecclesial Practices: Toward a Theological Reading," Yale Divinity School, October 2004.
- 58. "The Challenge of Feminist Theology to Globalized Protestantism," Kampen Theological University conference on Protestantism in a Global Context, celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kampen Theological University, The Netherlands, September 2-5, 2004.

- 59. "Mapping Identity: Disidentification and Difference," Theology and Culture workgroup, Yale Divinity School, February 2004.
- 60. "Response to Stephen Carter's <u>Do No Harm</u>," Ethics and Religion section, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 2003.
- 61. "Response to Ethics of the Workplace," Ethics and Social Sciences section, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Toronto, Canada, November 2002.
- 62. "Reflections on My Work," Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection group, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Nashville, TN, November 2001.
- 63. "Tolerable Obliviousness in the Knowledge of Divine Things," Theology and Culture conference, Princeton Seminary, February 2000.
- 64. "The Peculiarities of the Protestant Homosexual Subject: A Theological Plea for Intertextuality," Colloquium on Homosexuality and the Religions, Emory University, March 2000.
- 65. "The World' Bites Back: Cultural Theory Lessons for Theologies of the Consuming Text," Theology and Culture conference, Candler Divinity School, Emory University, October 15-17, 1999.
- 66. Panel participant, "Public Religion and the Interior Life," directed by Dr. Martin E. Marty, The Public Religion Project, Chicago, IL, April 30, 1999.
- 67. Respondent, "Postcolonial Theories and Feminist Religious Discourse: An Uneasy Intersection" panel, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Orlando, FL, November 1999.
- 68. "What Is 'Theological' about Theological Cultural Analysis?" Theology and Culture conference, Iliff School of Theology, Denver, CO, October 17-18, 1998.
- 69. Respondent, <u>Divine Discourse</u>: <u>Philosophical Reflections on the Claim That God Speaks</u> by Nicholas Wolterstorff, Reformed Theology and History group, American Academy of Religion national meeting, San Francisco, November 22-25, 1997.
- 70. Respondent, Postmodern Biblical Hermeneutics, Evangelical Theology groups, American Academy of Religion national meeting, San Francisco, November 22-25, 1997.
- 71. "'We Don't See Color Here': A Theological Case Study in Cultural Invention," Theology and Culture conference, University of Chicago Divinity School, October 10-12, 1997.

- 72. "A Theological Defense of the Situated Subject," 24th annual Richard R. Baker Philosophy Colloquium and the eastern regional meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers, April 3-5, 1997
- 73. "Feminist Theological Exploration: A Modest Proposal," Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection group, American Academy of Religion national meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 1996.
- 74. Theological response to <u>It Comes from the People: Community, Development and Local Theology</u> by Mary Ann Hinsdale, Helen Lewis, and S. Maxine Walker, Appalachian Studies Conference national meeting, March 1996.
- 75. Critical response to David Roebuck's" Big Brother and the Lady Evangelist: The Masculinization of Evangelism in the Church of God," Society for Pentecostal Studies national meeting, January 1996.
- 76. "Changing the Subject: Power, Gender, Subjects and Language Reconsidered," Society of Christian Ethics annual meeting, Chicago, January 1994.
- 77. "Feminist Theology and the Subjecting of the Feminist Theologian," Feminist Theory and Theology consultation, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Washington, DC, November 1993.
- 78. "Is There a Bible in This Church? Feminist Biblical Practice When the Canon Disappears," American Biblical Hermeneutics section, AAR southeastern regional meeting, March 1993.
- 79. "Feminist Theology and Women's Experience: When Inclusion Isn't Enough," Lilly-funded PC(USA) Theological workgroup, March 1992.
- 80. "From Gendered Subjects to Gender as Liberating Performance," Women and Religion section, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Kansas City, MO, November 1991.
- 81. "Biblical Authority and Homosexuality in the PC(USA): A Theological Method Reconsidered," Lilly-funded PC(USA) Theological workgroup, August 1991.
- 82. "Sexism as Original Sin: Developing a Theacentric Discourse," Lilly-funded PC(USA) Theological workgroup, December 1990.
- 83. "Feminist Theology as Discourse: Grammatical Speaking and the Rules It Breaks," Theology and Religious Reflection section, American Academy of Religion national meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 1990.
- 84. "Theological Education and the Problem of Identity," Lilly Endowment consultation on Emerging Issues in Theological Education, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, April 1990.

- 85. "Contesting Feminist Canons: A Working Model for a Feminist Theory of Religious Discourse," Women and Religion section, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Anaheim, CA, November 1989.
- 86. "Developing a Feminist Doctrine of Sin," Society of Christian Ethics national meeting, January 1989.
- 87. "Critical Thought, Feminism, and Christian Belief: The Problems of Constructing Feminist Theology," Women's Studies faculty, Duke University, April 1988.
- 88. "The Ecclesial Project of Edward Farley: A Non-foundationalist Interpretation," Theology and Religious Reflection section, American Academy of Religion national meeting, Boston, MA, December 1987.
- 89. "Feminism, Historicism, and the Christian Tradition: Are Memories of Her Enough?" Women and Religion section, American Academy of Religion southeastern regional meeting, March 1987.

# **Church Relationship and Service:**

Ordained clergy in Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. (Concord Presbytery, 1978); member of New Hope Presbytery (formerly Orange), 1984-

### **Church Lectures:**

- Speaker, "Theology and Sexuality," Chapel of the Cross Episcopal Church, Chapel Hill, NC, November 9, 2003.
- Speaker, "GLBT Issues and the Bible," More Light Presbyterians national meeting, Raleigh, NC, February 2001.
- Speaker, "Sexuality and Biblical Authority," Sexuality in Christian Community: Caring for All God's Children, More Light Presbyterians conference, First Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC, October 23, 1999.
- Speaker, "Women of Faith Resist: Feminism in Non-feminist Communities," St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Hillsborough, NC, April 18, 1999.
- Speaker, "Sexuality and the Witness of the Church," Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York, NY, February 10, 1999.
- Leader, Bible study on Biblical Interpretation by African American women, Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, Durham, NC, January–August, 1999.
- "Presbyterians, Sexuality, and Biblical Authority," Adult Sunday School Class, Watts Street Baptist Church, Durham, NC, July 26, 1992.

- "Comparing the Pro-Life Protest Movement to Martin Luther King's Civil Rights Protest," Adult Sunday School Class, First Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC, October 20, 1991.
- "Reformed Theological Beliefs," Adult Sunday School Class, University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill, NC, October 13, 1991.
- "Presentation of Human Sexuality Document, PC(USA)," Adult Sunday School Class, First Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC, April 21, 1991.
- Speaker, "Feminist Theology and Images of God—An Introduction to Issues of Domestic Violence," Church/Domestic Violence study group, Commission on Women's Issues of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Durham, NC, April 12, 1991.
- "Biblical Authority and Historical Consciousness," Adult Sunday School Class, First Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC, Fall 1990.
- Workshop leader, "Theology for the Untheological," Women's Conference, Montreat Conference Center, Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., Montreat, NC, August 1989.
- Speaker, "Shifts in the Theological Framework and the New Scholarship by Women," Women in Ministry conference, Brown's Summit, NC, May 30, 1988.
- Keynote speaker, "Gay and Lesbian Equality: A Religious Response," Raleigh Religious Network for Gay and Lesbian Equality Conference, Raleigh, NC, March 12, 1988.
- Workshop leader, "The Future of Feminist Theology," "The Second Decade and Beyond," Conference Episcopal Women: St. Mary's Jr. College, Raleigh, NC, June 5-6, 1987.
- Speaker, "Faithful and Fair: Perspectives on Inclusive Language," West Market Street United Methodist Church, Greensboro, NC, September 17, 1986.

# **Membership:**

Durham CAN, local Industrial Areas Foundation organization

Chair, Task Force on Human Sexuality, New Hope Presbytery, 1994-96

Member, CLAASP (Creating Links Among Activists, Scholars, and People)

Task Force on the Theology and Practice of Ordination, PCUSA, 1988-1991

Women's Ministry Unit Committee, national committee of the PCUSA, 1986-1988

Women Employed by the Church, national committee of the PCUSA, 1985-1988

Permanent Judicial Commission, New Hope Presbytery, 1984-

Examinations Committee, New Hope Presbytery, 1984-

Chairperson, Witness Committee, Middle Tennessee Presbytery, 1982

Convener, Task Force on Urban Ministry, Middle Tennessee Presbytery, 1982