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Profile

Highly creative individual with practical experience in service to the church. Well-educated with significant experience in the field of youth and young adult ministry, as well as innovative worship experiences. Highly involved in leadership with the Emergent Church movement, and it's Presbyterian Church (USA) counterpart, presbymergent. Gifted in creating and thinking about new ways of doing church in the 21st century. Possesses strong administrative skills, a collaborative leadership style, and a welcoming personality.

Education

Master of Divinity

Master of Arts in Youth Ministry

May 2008, Princeton Theological Seminary

Bachelor of Arts in Theology

May 2002, Whitworth University

Related Work Experience

- **Chaplain**, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital (New Brunswick, NJ) May 2007 – August 2007
- **Campus Ministry Intern**, Westminster Foundation, Princeton University (Princeton, NJ) September 2005 – May 2006
- **Director of Youth Ministries**, Living Waters Presbyterian Church (Wendell, ID) August 2002 – May 2004
- **Resident Assistant**, Whitworth University (Spokane, WA) September 2001 – May 2002
- **Lead Counselor**, Calvin Crest Conferences – PC(USA) Camp (Oakhurst, CA) June 2001 – August 2001
- **Program Staff**, Camp Sawtooth – PC(USA) Camp (Ketchum, ID) June 1999 – August 1999
June 2000 – August 2000

Publications/Presentations

- **“Presbymergent Polity: Worship, Sacraments and (Dis)Order”** October 2007
Workshop presented at the Presbymergent: Always Reforming Conference at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
- **“Presbymergent: The Story of One Mainliner’s Quest to Be a Loyal Radical.”** Chapter published in *An Emergent Manifesto of Hope*, edited by Tony Jones and Doug Pagitt (Baker Books) Published April 2007
- **“Practice and Presbyterianism: Emergence as Reformation”** January 2007
Workshop presented at the Mainline Emergent/s Continuing Education event at Columbia Theological Seminary

Honors/Awards

- **Robert E. Speer Award in College Ministry**, Princeton Theological Seminary 2008
- **Company of New Pastors**, Princeton Theological Seminary 2007 – 2008
- **Ministry Fellow**, The Fund for Theological Education 2004 – 2005
- **Presbyterian Leadership Award**, Princeton Theological Seminary 2004 – 2008
- **Whitworth Writing Award, 1st Place & Honorable Mention**, Whitworth University 2001
- **Religion & Philosophy Departmental Scholarship Winner**, Whitworth University 2000 & 2001

Affiliations/Memberships

- Co-Founder of Presbymergent.org 2007 – Present
- Emergent Village Coordinating Group Member 2005 – Present
- Princeton Emergent Cohort Leader 2004 – Present

Interests/Activities

- **Emergent Church:** As a member of the Emergent Village Coordinating Group, I have participated in conversations about church, community, alternative worship and continued to be engaged in this growing conversation.
- **presbymergent:** As a Co-Founder of presbymergent, I have helped to bring those in the mainline Presbyterian Church (USA) into conversation with Emergent.
- **Pastoral Care:** In addition to my focus on youth ministry while in seminary, I have also taken many courses in the field of pastoral care, as well as having completed 1 Unit of Clinical Pastoral Education. I hope to find a way to incorporate pastoral care into any ministry I find myself in.
- **Cleave Design:** I own my own web & graphic design business, and enjoy using my gifts in creative ways, as well as writing through the medium of blogging.

References.

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