

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

2008 MDiv, Yale Divinity School.  
2004 Texas state teacher's certification, University of St. Thomas.  
2003 B.A. English, Michigan State University  
2003 B.A. journalism, Michigan State University  
**Internship** 2008-2009 at Bratislava International Church and the Evangelical Lyceum in Bratislava, Slovakia  
**Lutheran year** requirements met 2008 at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia.  
**Clinical Pastoral Education** completed at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago, Summer 2006.  
**Field education** at Bethesda Lutheran Church in New Haven, 2006-2007

### EMPLOYMENT

2009-2010 CPE residency at Advocate Lutheran General in Park Ridge, IL  
2009 Freelance confirmation curriculum writer for *Here We Stand*  
2008-Present Freelance liturgical text writer for *Sundays and Seasons*  
2008-2009 Intern Pastor at Bratislava International Church and religion teacher at a bilingual Lutheran high school in Bratislava, Slovakia  
2007-2008 Web Assistant for *30 Good Minutes*, Sunday Evening Club  
2006-2008 Editorial Assistant, Development and Publications, Yale Divinity School  
2006-2007 Sacristan, Lutheran Studies Program, Yale Divinity School  
2005 Curriculum Writer, Institute for Research and Reform in Education (First Things First,) ESL modifications for 9<sup>th</sup> grade literacy initiative  
2003-2005 Teach for America Corps Member, 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade English and ESL teacher, Small Learning Community Coordinator and 9<sup>th</sup> grade Model Lesson Coordinator at Lee High School in Houston, Texas  
2002 Teaching Assistant, honors medical ethics course, Michigan State University Department of Integrated Studies in Biology  
2002 Copy editor, *The State News*, Michigan State University newspaper  
2001 Correspondent, *Capital News Service*, covered state politics for 25 Michigan newspapers  
2001 Summer Intern, National Endowment for the Humanities, Office of Public Affairs, Washington, DC

### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

- 2006 Organizer, "The People's Book: Evangelical Lutheran Worship and the Second Wave of Ecumenical Liturgical Renewal" conference, Yale Divinity School
- 2005-2007 Marquand Chapel Gospel Choir, Yale Divinity School
- 2005-2007 Editorial board member, Lutheran Ecumenical Resource Network newsletter
- 2004-2005 Participant, Expectation Graduation, participating in activities to increase student enrollment and encourage students to return to school, Houston Independent School District, Houston, TX
- 2003-2004 Committee member, Newcomer Charter School, researched models for a charter school serving older high school English as a Second Language students, Houston Independent School District, Houston, TX
- 2001-2003 Founder and leader, East Lansing branch of the Science Fiction Genre Evolution Project, Michigan State University/University of Michigan
- 2002 Panelist/presenter, One Book, One Community, East Lansing, MI
- 2002 English as a Foreign Language Teacher, Amity Foundation Summer Institute through the ELCA Division for Global Mission, Chu Zhou, China
- 2001 Red Cross certified peer educator, Lansing Area AIDS Network, Lansing, MI
- 2000-2001 Editorial board member, *The Lansing State Journal*, Lansing, MI
- 2000 Literacy tutor, Read to Succeed, Pinecrest Elementary School, East Lansing, MI
- 1998 Member, Cleveland InterReligious Task Force on Latin America/Center for Global Education at Augsburg College delegation to El Salvador

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

- 2007 Class of 1956 Scholarship
- 2006 Harry Baker Adams Scholarship
- 2005 Joan Bates Forsberg Scholarship
- 2003 Phi Beta Kappa
- 2003 MSU College of Communication Arts and Sciences valedictorian
- 2003 MSU Outstanding Senior Achievement Award in the College of Arts and Letters
- 2003 MSU School of Journalism Outstanding Senior Award
- 2003 MSU Senior Class Council Outstanding Senior Award

### **RECENT PUBLICATIONS**

*Sundays and Seasons 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012.* Alternate worship texts, intercessory prayers, ideas and images; available through Augsburg Fortress.

*Here We Stand: 2.0. Confirmation curriculum;* available through Augsburg Fortress, 2010.

["Marj Leegard: Writer,"](#) *Lutheran Woman Today*, June 2009.

"You Will Be My Witnesses," *Global Gleanings Global Mission Newsletter*, February 2009

*Pericope Partners* [story for July 8, 2007](#)

["Faith Reflections,"](#) *Café magazine*, August 2006.

["One Bread, One Body,"](#) *Journal of Lutheran Ethics*, August 2006.