

Capt. The Rev. Dr. David A. R. Clark
Curriculum Vitae

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Current Appointments

Minister: Presbyterian Church in Canada (New St. James Presbyterian Church)

Unit Chaplain: Canadian Armed Forces (Royal Canadian Chaplain Service)

Adjunct Faculty: Toronto School of Theology (Wycliffe College)

Education

PhD in Theological Studies (2021)

University of Toronto and the Toronto School of Theology (Wycliffe College)

Dissertation:

“Jewish Scriptures in Nazi Germany: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Old Testament, 1932-1945”

MDiv, with Distinction (2009)

Montreal School of Theology (Presbyterian College)

BTh, First Class Honours (2008)

McGill University (Faculty of Religious Studies)

BA, Joint Honours in Philosophy and Classics (2005)

McGill University (Faculty of Arts)

Publications (selected; ‘P’ indicates Peer Review)

“God, Suffering, and Protest in the Warsaw Ghetto: Biblical Interpretation in the Sermons of Rabbi Kalonymus Kalman Shapira.” In *Sermons and Human Dignity* (working title), edited by Paul E. Kerry and William Skiles. Studies in Preaching and the Sermon. Brill: forthcoming.

“Bonhoeffer’s Christological Interpretation of the Psalms: Tensions, Subjectivity, and the Voice of Christ.” *Pro Ecclesia* 31, no. 2 (May 2022): 175-195.

P “Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Prayerbook of the Bible*, and the *Reichsschrifttumskammer* (RSK): Reassessing the Historical Record.” *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations*, no. 1 (March 2022): 1-19.

P “Antisemitism, Violence, and Invective against the Old Testament: Reinhold Krause’s *Sportpalast* Speech, 1933.” *Canadian-American Theological Review* 7, no. 1 (2018): 124-137.

P “Psalm 74:8 and November 1938: Rereading Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s *Kristallnacht* Annotation in Its Interpretive Context.” *Scottish Journal of Theology* 71, no. 3 (August 2018): 253-266.

“‘Proclaims a Divine Presence’: Examining the Chaplain’s Role in Harold Ristau’s *At Peace with War*.” *Dialogue* (Fall 2014): 26-27.

P “Reversing Genesis: A Theological Reading of Creation Undone in Zephaniah.” *The Expository Times* 123, no. 4 (January 2012): 166-170.

“‘This One Essential Thing’: Ecclesial Ontology in W. W. Bryden’s *Why I Am a Presbyterian*.” *Presbyterian History Newsletter* 55, no. 1 (May 2011): 1-5.

“Spirit in Words: A Theology of Preaching.” *Presbyterian Record* 133, no. 11 (December 2009): 24-26.

“‘Ego Nostris Non Adsentior’: Platonism in Seneca’s Thought on the Soul after Death.” *Philosophic Fragments* 21 (Fall 2005): 7-20.

Experience in Ministry (selected)

Moderator: Presbytery of London (2023-2024)

Minister: New St. James Presbyterian Church, London, Ontario (2020 to Present)

Minister-in-Association: Knox Presbyterian Church, Oakville, Ontario (2014-2020)

Interim Pastor (Stated Supply): St. David's Presbyterian Church, Campbellville, Ontario (2014-2017)

Chaplain: Royal Canadian Chaplain Service, Canadian Armed Forces (2012 to Present)

7th Toronto Regiment (RCA), Toronto (2013 to Present)

Algonquin Regiment, North Bay (2012-2013)

Minister: Calvin Presbyterian Church, North Bay, Ontario (2009-2013)

Ordination to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament: The Presbyterian Church in Canada (2009)

Student Minister: The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, Montreal, Québec (2008-2009)

Chapel Assistant: Birks Heritage Chapel, McGill University (2007-2008)

Academic Experience

University Courses Taught

Dietrich Bonhoeffer on Scripture, Christ, and Church (HIS/TH615). Instructor and Course Designer. MDiv-level course. Vancouver School of Theology, Fall 2022.

Bonhoeffer on Scripture, Christ, and Church: New Perspectives (WYT2521). Instructor and Course Designer. MDiv-level course. Wycliffe College, Toronto School of Theology, Fall 2020.

The Holocaust: Literary and Religious Responses (CJS390). Instructor and Course Designer with Joanna Krongold. Undergraduate course. Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies, University of Toronto, Winter 2020.

Guest Lectures in University Courses (selected)

"Antisemitism and the Christian Tradition." Antisemitism in the Age of COVID-19 (Instructor: Joanna Krongold), Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies, University of Toronto, September 29, 2022.

"Bonhoeffer and Theological Ethics." Theological Ethics (Instructor: Harold Ristau), Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines, Ontario, October 20, 2021.

"The Holocaust and the Weeping God: Rabbi Kalonymus Kalman Shapira on Suffering." The Holocaust in Literature (Instructors: Doris Bergen and Anna Shternshis), Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies, University of Toronto, Summer 2019.

"Christianity, Antisemitism, and the Holocaust." Religion and Violence: First-Year Seminar (Instructor: Doris Bergen), Faculty of Arts and Science, University of Toronto, Winter 2019 and Winter 2020.

Academic Service and Membership (selected)

Board of Governors, Presbyterian College (2022 to Present)

Committee on Ethics, Religion, and the Holocaust (United States Holocaust Memorial Museum), Washington, DC (2020 to Present)

Society for Post-Supersessionist Theology (2021 to Present)

Holocaust Studies Graduate Group, University of Toronto (2016-2018)

Presentations and Conferences (selected)

- “Reading the Bible within the Holocaust: The Sermons of Rabbi Kalonymus Kalman Shapira” (Invited Speaker). Faculty Seminar on Ethics, Religion, and the Holocaust. United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington DC, May 29, 2024.
- “The Holocaust, ‘the Teaching of Contempt,’ and Antisemitism Today” (Invited Keynote Speaker). International Holocaust Remembrance Day Ceremony. Western University, London, Ontario, January 25, 2024.
- “Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Psalms” (Invited Speaker). Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, St. Catharines, Ontario, October 26, 2021.
- “Reinhold Krause’s *Sportpalast* Speech, 1933: Antisemitism, Violence, and Invective against the Old Testament.” Peace and Violence in Scripture and Theology Interdisciplinary Conference, Canadian-American Theological Association, Wycliffe College, Toronto School of Theology, October 20, 2018.
- “Post-Holocaust Considerations: A Methodological Response” (Invited Respondent). Graduate Seminar Series, The Lonergan Research Institute, Regis College, Toronto School of Theology, January 26, 2018.
- “Theology in the University: Contributing to Interdisciplinary Discourse.” Graduate Students’ Society Grant-Writing Workshop, Toronto School of Theology, September 14, 2017.
- “Psalm 74 and November 1938: Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s *Kristallnacht* Annotation in Interpretive Context.” Canadian Theological Society, Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, Ryerson University, May 29, 2017.
- “Mobilization of Religion for National and Political Projects” (Panel Chair). Symposium on Religion and Ethno-nationalism in the Era of the World Wars, University of Toronto and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, May 22, 2017.
- “The Limits of Witness: Examining Holy Scripture as Witness in Barth and Bonhoeffer.” Advanced Degree Students’ Association Theology Conference, Toronto School of Theology, March 20, 2015.

Awards, Fellowships, and Scholarships (selected)

Government, Foundations, and Associations

- SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship: Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, 2017-2019
- Jack and Phyllis Middleton Memorial Award for Excellence in Bible and Theology: First Prize for Best Paper, Canadian-American Theological Association, Peace and Violence in Scripture and Theology Interdisciplinary Conference, 2018
- FASPE (Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics): Seminary Fellowship, 2017
- Ontario Graduate Scholarship, 2016-2017 and 2019-2020
- Cameron Doctoral Bursary: Presbyterian Church in Canada, 2016-2020
- Grant: The Priscilla and Stanford Reid Trust, 2016-2017 and 2019-2020
- Murray Bayne Scholarship: First Presbyterian Church (Regina), 2016

The University of Toronto, the Toronto School of Theology, and Wycliffe College

Kornberg-Jeziarski Family Memorial Essay Prize in Holocaust Studies (Jointly Awarded): Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies, 2019

Margaret E. Fleck Scholarship: Toronto School of Theology, 2017

Research and Travel Funding: Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies, 2017, 2018, 2019
(*funding for international archival research: Bundesarchiv Berlin-Lichterfelde, Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin, and the US National Archives*)

Conference Award: Graduate Centre for Theological Studies, Toronto School of Theology, 2017

Gordon M. Farquharson Scholarship: Toronto School of Theology, 2016

Canadian Doctoral Full-Tuition Scholarship: Wycliffe College, 2015-2020

The Presbyterian College

Calvin Gold Medal: highest standing in the Master of Divinity graduating class, 2009

Penman Forsyth Graduate Scholarship, 2009

O. C. Spratt Prize in Reformed Tradition, 2009

William Kydd Prize for Excellence in Master of Divinity Year 2 (Jointly Awarded), 2008

Elizabeth McLagan Prize in Hebrew Bible, 2008

Marion S. Campbell Prize for Excellence in Master of Divinity Year 1, 2007

John S. McBride Prize in Old Testament, 2007

Ralph Watson Essay Prize for Early Church History (Jointly Awarded), 2007

Duncan Gordon Prize in Greek, 2007

George McLellan Entrance Scholarship, 2006

McGill University

W. M. Birks Award: highest standing in the Bachelor of Theology graduating class, 2008

Michael Silverthorne Book Prize for Academic Achievement in History, 2005

Military Awards (Canadian Armed Forces)

Brigadier-General Brown Award for Excellence and Achievement: 7th Toronto Regiment (RCA), 2013

Top Candidate: Basic Military Officer Qualification, Canadian Forces Leadership and Recruit School, 2013

Languages

Spanish: conversational and reading

French: conversational and reading

German: conversational (limited) and reading

Ancient Greek (Koine): reading

Yiddish: aural and reading

Latin: reading

Biblical Hebrew: beginner