

David A. Currie

Office:
Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
130 Essex Street
South Hamilton, MA 01982
978-646-4176
e-mail: dcurrie@gordonconwell.edu

Home:
300 Willow Street, #1
South Hamilton, MA 01982
978-468-1817
978-290-6608 (mobile)
david.a.currie@gmail.com

Degrees: B.A. with High Honors (Religion), 1981, Haverford College.

M.Div. summa cum laude, 1984, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary.

Ph.D. (Ecclesiastical History), 1991, University of Saint Andrews, Scotland.

Other
Education: Christian Leadership Training Centre, Pietermaritzburg,
 South Africa. Research in Contemporary South African
 Church History. July-August, 1985.

Fields: Pastoral Theology: Worship, Spiritual Formation, Discipleship, Preaching, Pastoral Care,
 Pastoral Formation. Church History: Evangelicalism from the 18th Century to the Present.

Teaching
Interests: Pastoral/Practical Theology; Spiritual Formation; Worship and Homiletics; General
 Ecclesiastical History.

Academic
Experience: Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary:
 Dean of the Doctor of Ministry Program since 2016.
 Dean of the Anglican Formation Program since 2022.
 Vice-President of Cohort-Based Education, 2020-2022.
 Dean of the Doctor of Ministry Program & Ockenga Institute, 2016-2020.
 Professor of Pastoral Theology since 2018.
 Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program, 2005 to 2016.
 Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology 2009 to 2017.
 Co-chair Institutional Review Board since 2010.
 President's Cabinet, 2016-2023.
 President's Leadership Team, 2005-2015.
 Strategic Planning Committee, 2020-2021.
 Academic Affairs Committee (Hamilton, since 2005; Boston, since 2010)
 Faculty Personnel Policies Committee since 2016.

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Boston (Center for Urban Ministerial
Education), Instructor in Church History, 1998 to 2012.

Bethel Seminary of the East, Dresher, PA. Instructor in Church History, 2002.

Coalition for Christian Outreach Spring Institute—1999, 2002, & 2004.
2-week intensive seminary-level church history course for campus ministry staff.

Bucks County Community College. Adjunct faculty in the Department of Social and
Behavioral Science, 1991 & 1996.

David A. Currie
Page Two

Professional
Societies:

Member of the Evangelical Homiletics Society, 1997 to present.

Member of the Association of Doctor of Ministry Educators, 2006 to present
Globalization Task Force 2007 to 2011.

Member of the Evangelical Theological Society, 2006 to 2010, 2020 to present.

Member of the Society of Anglican Theologians, 2022 to present.

Member of the Presbyterian Historical Society, 1996 to 2005.

Honors:

Haverford College:
Klingenstein Stipend (for summer volunteer work), 1980.
Phi Beta Kappa, 1981.

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary:
Parsonage Graduate Fellowship (for two semesters of overseas study), 1984.
Baker Award (for excellence in theology), 1984.
Phi Alpha Chi (academic honors society), 1984.

Visiting NCD pastor/scholar, Center for New Church Development, Columbia
Theological Seminary, 1998.

Other
Experience:

Anglican Church of North America Seminary Consortium, representative for Gordon-
Conwell Theological Seminary since 2019; Vice-Chairman since 2021.

Affiliate clergy, All Saints Anglican Cathedral, Amesbury, Massachusetts,
2016 to 2020.

Board of Examining Chaplains and Holy Orders Task Force for the Anglican Diocese in
New England, 2016 to 2020.

Affiliate clergy, Hope Anglican Chapel, 2010 to 2015.

Interim Pastor, Bethany Presbyterian Church, Brookline, Massachusetts, 2006 to 2007.

Presbytery of Philadelphia
Member, 1990-2005
New Church Development Committee, 1995-2005 (Chair 2002-2005)
Presbytery Council, 2002-2005.

The Anchor Presbyterian Church, Wrightstown, Pennsylvania.
Organizing Pastor, 1990 to 2005.

Interim Preacher, Cellardyke & Kilrenny, and Crail Parish Churches, Church of Scotland,
1988 to 1990.

The First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, Pennsylvania.
Assistant Pastor, 1984 to 1987.

Chaplain to the Learned Kindred of Currie (Clan Currie Society) since 1996.

David A. Currie
Page Three

Denominational Affiliations:

Presbyterian Church (USA): Minister of Word & Sacrament from 1985 to 2018.
Anglican Church of North America: Deacon 2016; Priest since 2017.

Conference
Papers and Workshops:

- “Growing a Healthy Church,” with Timothy K. Beougher, TCA College (Singapore), January 14, 2023.
- “Multiform Worship: Worship and Liturgy in Different Evangelical Traditions,” Dean’s Forum, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, November 29, 2022.
- “Final Doctor of Ministry Projects: Survey and Analysis of 49 ATS Schools,” with Scott Barfoot, Association of Doctor of Ministry Education, April 1, 2022.
- “How a Church Can Help Prevent Suicide,” Dean’s Forum, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary with Karen Mason, February 8, 2022.
- “Epiphany,” Leadership Transformation’s *The Discerning Leader Podcast* with Steve Macchia and Susan P. Currie, January 6, 2022.
- “Surprises and Suspicions in Anglican Preaching from the *Book of Homilies* to William Haslam,” Evangelical Theological Society, Anglican Studies Panel, November 17, 2021.
- “Discerning God in Song,” 5-part series in Season 10 of Leadership Transformation’s *The Discerning Leader Podcast* with Steve Macchia, April-May 2021.
- “Seven Steps to Reopening Your Church: Towards a Post-Pandemic Pastoral Strategy,” co-led with Pablo Jiménez, Shoemaker Center for Church Renewal Webinar, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, June 30, 2020.
- “Preaching and Worship in Times of Pandemic,” co-led with Pablo Jiménez, Shoemaker Center for Church Renewal Webinar, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, July 7, 2020.
- “The Doctor of Ministry and Mission: Leveraging Dynamic Equivalency Abroad,” presentation to the Global Theological Education Forum, co-led with Jack Gabig at the New Wineskins Missionary Conference, September 26, 2019.
- Co-leader & presenter with Susan P. Currie, “Growing in the Vine: Living Life Intentionally,” Spiritual Leadership Retreat, West Congregational Church, Haverhill, MA, February 2018.
- “Shaped by the Word: *Sola Scriptura* for Spiritual Formation,” Reformation Celebration, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Hamilton, MA, October 2017.
- “‘Post-Doc’ Possibilities: How Can Institutions Encourage Lifelong Learning Among Doctoral Graduates?,” workshop co-led with Steve Kang at CCCU Doctoral Education Forum, Biola University, La Mirada, CA, September, 2017.
- Symposium on Spiritual Health, co-convener with Stephen A. Macchia, Jeremy Stefano, and Susan P. Currie, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Hamilton, MA, June 12 – 16, 2017.

David A. Currie

Page Four

Co-leader & presenter with Susan P. Currie, "Pathway to Renewal: Crafting a Personal and Congregational Rule of Life," Fellowship of Presbyterians Regional Gathering, Rochelle, IL, January 2017.

"The Big Idea of Biblical Worship," workshop at the National Preaching Conference, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Hamilton, MA, September 2016.

Conference Chair and Moderator of the The 3rd Annual Clan MacMhuirich Symposium: "Clann Mhuirich - From Scotland to Canada," Antigonish, Nova Scotia, Canada, July 2013.

Co-leader & presenter with Susan P. Currie, "Nourishing Spiritual Friendship in Marriage" at Spiritual Friendship: Companions Along the Way Conference sponsored by Leadership Transformations Inc., Hamilton, MA, November 2012.

Co-leader & presenter with Susan P. Currie, "Listening in Spirit and Truth: the Ministry of Spiritual Direction" at PTM Conference for Member Care Workers sponsored by Barnabas International, Ridgecrest, NC, October 2012.

Conference Chair and Moderator of the The 2nd Annual Clan MacMhuirich Symposium: "Alexander Carmichael and the Clann Mhuirich," South Uist, Scotland, August 2012.

"Why Christian Leaders Can Benefit from (Some) Novels and Films," TCA College (Singapore) Leadership Insight Series, June 2012.

Co-leader & presenter (with Susan P. Currie and Stephen A. Macchia) for "Renewing Your Soul: A Sabbath Rest for Ministry Leaders" sponsored by Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary DMin Program and *Leadership Transformations* at Gordon College's Studio of Art, Faith and History in Orvieto, Italy, July 2009:

"Francis of Assisi as a Model of the Sabbath Ceasing/Releasing Movement"

"Prayer in the Monastic Tradition"

"Sabbath Rhythms in the General and Worship Life of the Church"

Primary presenter for the Doctor of Ministry Conference at Andrews University (Berrien Springs, MI), October 2008:

"The DMin Student & the Idea of Self-Directed Doctoral Work: Faculty, Program, & Student Responsibilities"

"Learning Modalities in Doctor of Ministry Delivery Systems"

"Preaching As *Lectio Divina*: An Evangelical and Expository Approach" (co-written with Susan P. Currie). Evangelical Homiletics Society, Reformed Theological Seminary, Orlando, FL, October 2000.

"Paying and Praying: Early Nineteenth-Century Scottish Evangelical Ideals for Lay Activism." *The Emancipation of the Laity?: Evangelicalism and the Priesthood of All Believers*, University of Saint Andrews, July 1999.

"Preaching the Lectionary: An Evangelical and Expository Approach." Evangelical Homiletics Society, October 1997.

"Cotton Mather's Bonifacius in Britain and America."

Evangelicalism in Trans-Atlantic Perspective, Institute for the Study of American Evangelicals, Wheaton College (Illinois), April 1992.

David A. Currie
Page Five

“Evangelicalism in the Church of Scotland and Early Scottish Missionary Societies: a New Perspective on the Debate on Missions in the General Assembly of 1796.” UCCFA Study Group on Christianity and History for Scotland, Stirling University. May 1990.

Publications:

The Big Idea of Biblical Worship: The Development and Leadership of Expository Services. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Press, 2017.
Korean Translation by Daehyuk Kim. Seoul: Christian Literature Center, 2019.

Chapters on 2 & 3 John in *The Big Idea Handbook for Preaching and Teaching*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker, 2021.

“Shaped by the Word: *Sola Scriptura* for Spiritual Formation.” Chapter Five of *Reformation Celebration: The Significance of Scripture, Grace, Faith, and Christ*. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Press, 2018.

“*Ecclesiapolis*: Two Millennia of Mutual Transformation between Church and City.” Chapter Four of *Reaching for the New Jerusalem*. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2013.

“Cotton Mather's *Bonifacius* in Britain and America.” Chapter Four of *Evangelicalism: Comparative Studies of Popular Protestantism in North America, the British Isles, and Beyond, 1700-1990*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1993.

Biographical Dictionary of Evangelicals. One article. Downers Grove, IL: Intervarsity Press, 2003.

Evangelical Dictionary of Theology, revised edition. Four articles. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker, 2001.

Blackwell Dictionary of Evangelical Biography. Seven articles. Oxford: Blackwell, 1995.

Twentieth-Century Dictionary of Christian Biography. Four articles. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker, 1995.

Dictionary of Scottish Church History and Theology. Six articles. Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 1993.

“Is There a Doctor in the Church?” *Christianity Today: The Exchange with Ed Stetzer*. February 17, 2021.

“Do You Feel Safe At Home?” *The RAVE (Religion And Violence E-Learning) Project Blog*, August 15, 2019.

“Opportunities In Ministry To Ask About Safety.” *The RAVE (Religion And Violence E-Learning) Project Blog*, September 4, 2019.

“How to Assess Risk and Openness to Act.” *The RAVE (Religion And Violence E-Learning) Project Blog*, September 18, 2019.

“Preaching and Conflict” (Interview with Scott Gibson). *Pulpit Talk: An Audio Journal On Developing Preaching Excellence*, Vol. 9, No. 4 (Summer 2011).

David A. Currie

Page Six

“Launcelot Andrewes and The Private Devotions.” *The All Saints’ Center for Theology Journal* (Winter 2011).

Review of *God, Nimrod, and the World: Exploring Christian Perspectives on Sport Hunting* (Macon, GA: Mercer University Press, 2017) in *CT Books*. January 16, 2020: <https://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2020/january-web-only/god-nimrod-world-christians-hunting-sport.html>

Review of Margaret Bendroth, *The Spiritual Practice of Remembering* (Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2013). *Journal of Spiritual Formation and Soul Care*, Volume 10, Issue 1 (Spring 2017), 114-116.

Review of Kay L. Northcutt, *Kindling Desire for God: Preaching as Spiritual Direction* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2009). *Journal of the Evangelical Homiletics Society*, Volume 10, Number 2 (September 2010), 135-138.

Review of Raewynne J. Whiteley, *Steeped in the Holy: Preaching as Spiritual Practice*. (Plymouth [UK]: Cowley Publications, 2008). *Journal of the Evangelical Homiletics Society*, Volume 9, Number 2 (September 2009), 127-128.

Review (co-written with Susan P. Currie) of George E. Demacopoulos, *Five Models of Spiritual Direction in the Early Church* (South Bend, IN: University of Notre Dame Press, 2006). *Journal of Spiritual Formation and Soul Care*, Volume 1, Issue 2 (Fall 2008).

“Preaching As *Lectio Divina*: An Evangelical and Expository Approach” (co-written with Susan P. Currie). *Journal of the Evangelical Homiletics Society*, Volume 4, Number 1 (2004), 10-24.

“Escaping the Swamp of Depression” (co-written with Susan P. Currie). *Leadership* Volume 13 (Winter Quarter, 1992), 100-105.

Major

Research Papers:

“The Growth of Evangelicalism in the Church of Scotland, 1793-1843.”
Ph.D. thesis, University of Saint Andrews, 1990.

“Spiritual Awakening in the Churches of South Africa: A Look at the Past 20 Years and Prospects for the Future.” Written for the Christian Leadership Training Centre, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, 1985.

“*Against Latomus*: A Study of Luther's Theological Method in 1521.” B.A. thesis, Haverford College, 1981.