**Kirsten Heacock Sanders**

# **Education**

Ph. D. Theological Studies, Emory University, Atlanta, GA. *2014*

Dissertation Committee: Ian A McFarland (chair), Wendy Farley, Don Saliers, Elizabeth Pastan

Topic: “In Whom All Things Cohere: Seeing Jesus as Theological Act”

M.T.S. The Divinity School, Duke University, Durham, NC. *2007*

B.A. in History and Biblical Studies, Gordon College, Wenham, MA. *2005*

**Professional Publications and Presentations**

* Invited Panelist, Reformed Theology Group, American Academy of Religion, *November 2022*
* Invited Panelist, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Symposium on Katherine Sonderegger, *Summer 2020*
* “Aflame But Not Consumed: Nestorius and the Person of Christ.” Scottish Journal of Theology 73.3: 252-260. *April 2019*
* “Trinitarian Exegesis and Trouble Texts: A Case Study in Judges.” Society for the Study of Theology, Warwick, UK. *November 2015*
* “What Seeing Jesus Offers for the Doctrine of Impassibility.” American Academy of Religion, Systematic Theology Group, Atlanta, GA. November 2007
* “Penance as Imitatio Christi: Sin and Discipleship in the Life of Angela of Foligno.” American Academy of Religion, Mysticism Group. *Presented in absentia.*

**Works in Progress**

* Manuscript tentatively entitled *This One and Not Another*, under contract with BUP with a delivery date of June 2023.
* Essays currently committed to *Christianity Today*, *Mere Orthodoxy*, and *Comment* and *The T Clark Encyclopedia of Christian Theology*.
* I also write a Substack at *To the Shire* that includes cultural analysis through the lens of Tolkien’s *Lord of the Rings*.

**Teaching Experience and Areas of Expertise**

* Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary, 2014-2021. Taught courses in Systematic Theology, Doctrine of Sin, Christology and Women and the Church.
* Founder of the Kinisi Collecting, which seeks to bring theological education to Christians and non-Christians who want to think critically about God and the world. You can read more about our work at <https://kinisi-theology.squarespace.com>.

**Public Facing Writing**

* “Destigmatizing Doubt” in *Christianity Today*, October 2022.
* “Modern Mothers” at *Plough* online, August 15, 2022.
* “The Evangelical Question in the History of American Religion”. *The* *Hedgehog Review* print issue, Summer 2022.
* *God Visible: Patristic Christology Reconsidered*. Scottish Journal of Theology. May 25, 2022.
* “How Seminary Downsizing Cuts Into Community.” *Christianity Today* online, May 19, 2022.
* “In the Shoes of the Woman Considering Abortion”. *Plough Online*, March 8, 2022.
* “Wait, You’re Not Deconstructing?” *Christianity Today* cover article. February 14, 2022.
* “Consolation Enough”, TEDS *Sapientia* blog. January 10, 2022.

2021

* “On Christian Hope”, *Mere Orthodoxy* magazine. November 1, 2021.
* “Against Moral Innocence”. *Comment Magazine*, April 1, 2021.
* “The Crisis of Visible Divinity”. *Marginalia Review* for the L.A. Review of Books, February 12, 2021.
* “Hope in the Land of Dying”. *Comment Magazine*, February 11, 2021.
* “Missing the Subtler Yet Greater Problem: Reply to ‘Jesus and John Wayne’”, *Mere Orthodoxy*, January 27, 2021.
* Invited Symposium on Katherine Sonderegger’s *Systematic Theology* vol. 2. For Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. “Working Close to the Flame”. January 22, 2021.

2020

* Invited Symposium on Ian McFarland’s *The Word Made Flesh* for Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. “The Logic of Chalcedon and the Burning Bush”. October 30, 2020.
* “On Unlearning”, *Mere Orthodoxy,* October 29, 2020.
* “Tethered Still”*, Mere Orthodoxy,* September 29, 2020.