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Minneapolis, Minnesota

## Education

- 2014  
**B.A. Political Science**  
Bethel University
- 2019  
**Master of Divinity, cum laude**  
Bethel Seminary
- 2017 and 2018 Edwin J. Omark Preaching Award Winner
  - Member of Eta Beta Rho
  - Chair of Graduation Committee
  - Preaching and Old Testament Teaching Assistant
  - Kern Scholar

## Expertise

- Preaching
- Pastoral Care
- Providing of the Sacraments
- Liturgical Planning
- Leadership Development
- Leading Teams through Transition

## Strengths

Input  
Strategic  
Communication  
Restorative  
Learner

# Caitlyn Stenerson

A passionate and strategic leader with a decade of church leadership experience

## Experience

- **2024-present**  
North Central University | Minneapolis, MN // Bethel University | St. Paul, MN  
**Adjunct Faculty**
  - Taught Homiletics I (NCU) and Speaking in a Ministry Context (BU) to a classroom of undergraduate students representing multiple ages and experience levels
  - Crafted the syllabus, in-class lectures, and homework to develop students' ability to preach a biblically sound, engaging sermon in varied contexts
  - Worked with students to ensure their academic success and personal formation
- **2023-present**  
Knox Church | Minneapolis, MN  
**Lead Pastor**
  - Responsible for caring for and edifying an urban congregation, with a focus on spiritual and congregational growth through meaningful and responsive worship experiences, one-on-one pastoral care, engaging community life across all ages and stages, and forward-thinking strategies for growth and stability
  - Serve as Session Moderator, working with key volunteers to ensure timely communication, financial stability, and exemplary building usage
  - Lead staff, volunteers, and interns, focusing on individual and community development
  - Preach 50+ Sundays per year
- **2021-2023**  
Bethel University | St. Paul, MN  
**Associate Campus Pastor for Worship Experiences**
  - Planned and executed worship experiences, including two Sunday night Vespers services and up to three weekly Chapel services in order to shepherd the spiritual needs of over 1800 students, faculty, and staff
  - Instituted Departmental Chapels, working with staff and faculty to prepare a department-specific Chapel service
  - Regularly preached, provided the sacraments, and hosted a variety of worship services and experiences
  - Oversaw a Teaching Team of five pastors from inside and outside Bethel, working with the team to present a cohesive Chapel message
  - Shepherded student leaders and employees, promoting excellence and leadership
  - Provided pastoral care for a multitude of student spiritual needs
  - Worked across campus to honor the voices and needs of individual departments and leaders
- **2022**  
Bethel Seminary | St. Paul, MN  
**Adjunct Faculty**
  - Taught two sections of Preaching (online asynchronous and hybrid synchronous) to graduate students, with an emphasis on learning to preach through the life cycle
- **2017-2021**  
Emmanuel Covenant Church | Shoreview, MN  
**Connections Pastor**
  - Developed and implemented pathways for church connection and spiritual growth.
  - Planned and executed baptisms, dedications, membership classes and services, weddings, and funerals for congregants across the life spectrum
  - Engaged in regular pastoral care across a variety of ages and needs, including premarital counseling
  - Preached regularly and served on the Teaching Team, including planning sermon series and working with other preachers to skillfully study and present the Scriptures
  - Worked with middle school students, encouraging faith development and age-appropriate ownership
  - Lead a team of staff and lay leaders, encouraging servant-minded leadership and innovation in the area of Pastoral Care, Women's Ministry, and Hospitality
  - Developed and oversaw Online Church (digital ministry) and safe outdoor gatherings during the COVID-19 pandemic
- **2019-2020**  
School of Solid Rock | Long Prairie, MN  
**Professor of Biblical Studies**
  - Taught the whole of the Biblical narrative, the Old and New Testament, to undergraduate-level students at a unique program held at Lake Beauty Bible Camp
  - Prepared the course, from syllabus to instruction, to facilitate transfer credits to North Park University
- **2015-2017**  
Crossroads United Methodist Church | Lakeville, MN  
**Pastoral Intern and Youth Pastor**
  - Interned under the Senior Pastor in a multi-site ministry model
  - Preached regularly in Sunday services and engaged in the sermon planning process, preparing and executing multi-site teaching with a wide range of staff and lay leaders
  - Participated in the pastoral care process, small group meetings, budget planning, and church business
  - Pastored middle and high school students, more than tripling youth group attendance in the first year
  - Responsible for identifying, managing, and developing the leadership giftings of a team of 5+ college-aged interns