

Rev. Dr. Herbert Anderson

Herbert Anderson is currently Research Professor of Practical Theology at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley. He will be working with our Residents as individuals and a group concerning Level I and II Outcomes addressing the impact of theology on ministry.

After being a parish pastor and hospital chaplain, Herbert Anderson began his teaching career at Princeton Theological Seminary in the fall of 1969. Since then, he has taught at Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa; Catholic Theological Union in Chicago; Seattle University School of Theology and Ministry; Fuller Seminary extension in Seattle; and Yale Divinity School. After retiring as Professor Emeritus of Pastoral Theology at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, he was for three years Director of Pastoral Care at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle, Washington. Dr. Anderson is a Lutheran pastor whose ecumenical spirit has been fostered by working in a variety of contexts.

Dr. Anderson is the author or co-author of over 90 articles and 13 books on topics such as death and grief, family living, ritual and narrative, empathy, leaving home and living alone, men's spirituality, suicide, outpatient care, hospitality, and 'sense and nonsense in the wisdom of Dr. Seuss'. *All Our Losses, All Our Griefs*, co-authored with Kenneth Mitchell, is generally regarded as a classic in grief literature. He has co-authored five books on the family life-cycle entitled *Leaving Home, Becoming Married, Regarding Children, Promising Again,* and *Living Alone.*

Rev. Dr. David T. Gortner

Professor David Timothy Gortner has been with the VTS faculty since 2008, as Director of the Doctor of Ministry programs, and Professor of Evangelism and Congregational Leadership. David served previously on the faculties of Church Divinity School of the Pacific and the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California, and Seabury-Western Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, teaching pastoral and practical theology, human development, and organizational leadership. David will be working with our Residents as a group and individuals regarding Level I and II Outcomes impacting the intersection between personal narrative and ministry.



Since high school, David has served in congregations, hospitals, hospice, and university settings in Indiana, Illinois and North Carolina, as musician, youth ministry, associate young adult and young family ministries, chaplain, and church planter. He has provided instruction and consultation at regional and national conferences and gatherings across the U.S. and Canada in conflict engagement, evangelism, musical and liturgical ministry development, lay leadership development, clergy leadership development, young adult ministry, and effective community engagement. David has also worked in therapeutic settings of mental and rehabilitation hospitals and community treatment centers across the country, and is also a trained community organizer.

David wrote **Transforming Evangelism** (Church Publishing, 2008), which has been used widely by congregations and diocese across the Episcopal Church and other denominations. He wrote **Varieties of Personal Theology: Charting the Beliefs and Values of American Young Adults** (Ashgate, 2013), a seminal study of how young adults construct theological views of the world and life. He authored **Around One Table** (CREDO and College for Bishops, 2009), an online report on a nationwide study of Episcopal identity. He co-produced **A Feast in the Desert**, a documentary of young adult ministry approaches. He directed the Clergy into Action study, and with his research team launched the **Into-Action** website (http://into-action.net), offering research and resources to help strengthen preparation of seminarians and new clergy for more effective Christian leadership. David is currently completing books on clergy leadership effectiveness and on young adult religious engagement, as well as a children's book retelling the story of creation. David continues to work with churches, schools, and judicatories on evangelism, congregational development, community-building, and young adult ministry, both within and beyond the Episcopal Church.