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Cairn's School of Divinity educates
students to serve Christ as biblically
minded men and women—
wherever they're called.

Meet the Dean

Keith W. Plummer, PhD

*Dean of the School of Divinity and
Professor of Theology*

PhD in Systematic Theology,
Trinity Evangelical Divinity
School

MDiv with emphasis in
Apologetics, Trinity
Evangelical Divinity School

BA in Health and Society,
Brown University

- Teaches courses on apologetics, biblical hermeneutics, and pastoral counseling
- Specializes in apologetics, systematic theology, the societal impact of information technologies, and pastoral counseling
- Is a frequent guest writer for the apologetic organization Stand to Reason's blog
- Served as associate pastor at Our Saviour Evangelical Free Church in Wheeling, IL, for 18 years where his primary responsibilities were adult education and pastoral counseling
- Served as a volunteer police chaplain for 10 years
- Regularly speaks at churches and conferences
- Published in *Moody Magazine*, *Themelios*, *The Gospel Coalition*, *The Society for Christian Psychology newsletter*, and *BooksAtAGlance.com*
- Wrote dissertation on hermeneutics and approaches to Christian counseling
- Steering committee member of the Theology for Counseling and Pastoral Care study group of the Evangelical Theological Society

“I have long wanted to be part of an academic community that equips and encourages not only future pastors but students preparing for a variety of vocations to love God with their whole selves. I’m grateful to have found that at Cairn, where I have the joy of not only teaching but continuing to learn.”



Graduate Programs at a Glance

Master of Arts (Religion)*

42 credits: Designed for students with a broad range of ministry and professional goals, the Master of Arts (Religion) degree gives all students a foundational education in the inerrant Word of God and in the key doctrines of the Christian faith.

Master of Divinity

72 credits + language proficiency: Study the Bible cover to cover while developing a foundational understanding of Christian doctrine and applied theology, preparing to approach pastoral responsibilities ranging from counseling to financial management with a biblical perspective alongside of a rigorous study of Greek and Hebrew.

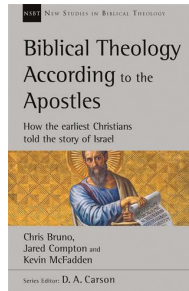
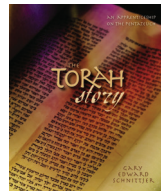
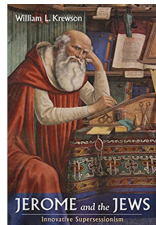
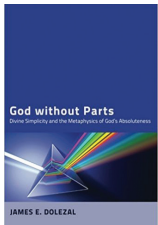
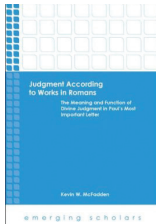
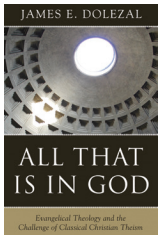
Master of Theology

24 credits: Built on the foundation of the MDiv, the Master of Theology program in its seminar-based classroom style furthers the individual's study of the Bible and theology, culminating in a capstone thesis project.

*Online option available

A Few from Our Shelf

Books written by our graduate faculty



FACULTY PROFILE

Gary W. Schnittjer, PhD

Professor of the Old Testament

PhD, Dallas Theological Seminary
ThM, Dallas Theological Seminary
BS in Bible, Cairn University

- Teaches biblical Hebrew and Old Testament courses
- Author of *Old Testament Use of Old Testament* and *The Torah Story*
- Writes for *Bibliotheca Sacra*, *Credo Magazine*, *Journal of Biblical and Theological Studies*, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, and *Westminster Theological Journal*

- Has completed post-graduate studies in biblical Hebrew at the University of Pennsylvania and in biblical Aramaic at Westminster Theological Seminary
- Offers a free subscription service of verses from the Hebrew Bible daily at HebrewDaybyDay.com for students and ministers of the word

Our faculty regularly contribute to:

Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society
Journal of Youth Ministry
The Gospel Coalition
Moody Magazine
International Journal of Systematic Theology
Bibliotheca Sacra
Journal of Biblical and Theological Studies



“I chose to pursue my MDiv because I wanted to further my education, be better prepared for ministry, and sharpen my theology and my gifts. At Cairn, I learned how to read the Word more carefully, and as a result, I feel more equipped to teach and preach it in church more faithfully.”

Dwayne Sommersell, MDiv
Pastoral Resident, Addison Street Community Church



“The denominational diversity in both the students and faculty was one of the most important things for me as a student. We all came from different traditions, so we obviously believed different things. But we were all still Christians. Our class discussions gave us the opportunity to come together under orthodoxy to learn and grow together.”

AJ Smith, MDiv
Lead Pastor, Restoration Church of Philadelphia

“The ThM program’s flexibility has been especially helpful for me as I balance ministry and study. I have found there to be great value in pursuing graduate studies while being active in pastoral ministry. Rather than finding that my academic work was detracting from my ministry, I have found quite the opposite: It has been enriched by it.”

John Biegel, ThM
Pastor of Spiritual Growth and Discipleship, Riverstone Church



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