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Jack was born in Texas, but grew up in Oregon.  He went on to receive a B.A. from Luther College and an M.A. from Luther Seminary.  He earned his Ph.D. in Systematic Theology and Ethics from Marquette University in 2009.

Jack’s theological work explores the gift of God’s self-donation in Jesus Christ.  He is the author of [several books](https://jackkilcrease.com/books/) including the most recent volume of the [Confessional Lutheran Dogmatics series](https://logia.org/luther-academy-books?category=Dogmatics) on [Holy Scripture](https://www.amazon.com/Holy-Scripture-paperback-Jack-Kilcrease/dp/1935035266/ref%3Dsr_1_2?dchild=1&keywords=Jack+Kilcrease&qid=1602953223&s=books&sr=1-2), [*Justification by the Word*](https://lexhampress.com/product/219675/justification-by-the-word-restoring-sola-fide?fbclid=IwAR2zIQD-ZorfdcodRRat6PFj7c26UBC-ymSwIMtvJA4wqZYTa8omZHdlciY)*,*and the forthcoming *Lutheran Dogmatics: The Evangelical-Catholic Faith for an Age of Contested Truth*([Lexham Press](https://lexhampress.com/)).  He has also contributed to several edited collections and is the author of [numerous scholarly and popular articles](https://jackkilcrease.com/articles/).  Jack is currently Professor of Historical and Systematic Theology at [the Institute of Lutheran Theology’s](https://www.ilt.edu/) [Christ School of Theology](https://ilt.edu/why-ilt/faculty/). He has also worked as an Assistant Adjunct Professor teaching World Religions and philosophy at [Aquinas College](https://www.aquinas.edu/).

Jack lives in beautiful West Michigan with his lovely wife, Bethany, and his two energetic daughters, Miriam and Ruth.  When he’s not thinking about theology—and even when he is—Jack enjoys running, hiking, and hanging out with his family and beloved cat.  He’s a movie and jazz music aficionado with an encyclopedic knowledge of pop culture.

He’s also passionate about BBQ and fancies himself as something of a grill master.  Smoked meats, whiskey, and theological discussion add up to a great day for Jack.