

2023 Associated Church Press *Best of the Church Press Awards*

REPORTING AND WRITING

13. Local reporting - Short Format

Honorable Mention

The Banner
Redeemer University Student's Death Affects School
By Kristen Parker

Award of Merit

Catholic Review
Love to troubled streets
By GEORGE P. MATYSEK JR.

Award of Excellence

The Christian Chronicle
Making Jesus more accessible
By Audrey Jackson

14. Local reporting - Long Format

Honorable Mention

Faith & Leadership
Children who grow up in immigrant churches bridge cultures and generations
By Kate Morrissey, writer; Chris Karnadi, editor

Award of Merit

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum
A "Great Controversy" Mailing in Portland Sours Many on Adventists
By Alex Aamodt

Award of Excellence

Faith & Leadership
The brain, the heart and the soul: How three Catholic churches are merging to create a new type of parish
By Claire Zulkey, writer; Sally Hicks, editor

15. National reporting (broader topic or trend) - Short Format

Honorable Mention

Religion Unplugged
Christian Leaders Increase Pressure On Lawmakers In Anti-Death Penalty Fight
By Clemente Lisi

Award of Merit

Global Sisters Report
As shelters squeeze in migrants, sisters in Mexico City offer 'another Nazareth'
By Rhina Guidos

Award of Excellence

Sojourners
Sponsor a Child, Fight Climate Change?
By Bekah McNeel

16. National reporting (broader topic or trend) - Long Format

Honorable Mention

National Catholic Reporter
As Catholic dioceses release new gender policies, grassroots groups demand input
By Katie Collins Scot

Award of Merit

U.S. Catholic
The final frontier
By Cassidy Klein

Award of Excellence

Sojourners
Fully Teen and Fully Mom
By Bekah McNeel

17. International reporting - Short Format

Honorable Mention

The Christian Chronicle
If they go into full-time ministry, they'll go back to poverty
By Audrey Jackson

Award of Merit

The Christian Chronicle
How a Russian immigrant came to serve Ukrainian refugees
By Bobby Ross Jr.

Award of Excellence

Religion Unplugged
Israel Struggling To Identify Many Of The 1,400 Hamas Victims
By Gil Zohar

18. International reporting - Long Format

Honorable Mention

Broadview
Keeping Faith on Death Row
By David Wilson

Honorable Mention

Sojourners

Can a Prison Be Good?

By Eléonore Hughes

Award of Merit

Global Sisters Report

Mexico's sisters accompany youth gang members: 'They make me turn the page'

By Luis Donaldo González; Nuri Vallbona

Award of Excellence

The Christian Century

Surviving Hillcrest

By Dawn Araujo-Hawkins

19. Science writing for the world of faith - Short Format

Award of Merit

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum

10 End Runs around Science

By Rich Hannon

Award of Excellence

Sojourners

Jesus and Artificial Intelligence

By Gretchen Huizinga

20. Science writing for the world of faith - Long Format

Honorable Mention

Hunger News & Hope

Turning the Tide of Climate Change in Oromia, Ethiopia: Building Livelihoods for Resilience

By Sara Alexander

Award of Merit

Messenger/Church of the Brethren

The bird carrier: A story of ecological knowledge, lament, and hope

By William L. Miller

Award of Excellence

Sojourners

Can Churches Spread the Gospel of Solar in Coal Country?

By Rebecca Randall

21. Denominational politics - Short Format

Honorable Mention

Living Lutheran / Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Inside the commission that could restructure the ELCA

By Jim Jones

Award of Merit

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum

General Conference Issues Statement Condemning "Alternative Human Sexuality Lifestyles"

By Alex Aamodt

Award of Excellence

Sojourners

The Afro-Christian Convention

By Julia Speller

22. Denominational politics - Long Format (more than 1,200 words)

Honorable Mention

Anabaptist World

Subtractions add up

By Paul Schrag

Award of Merit

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum
"Southern Accent" Fights Administrator Censorship: A Student Perspective
By Christina Cannon

Award of Excellence

The Christian Chronicle
One hurricane, two churches
By Cheryl Mann Bacon

23. News Story - Short Format (1,200 words or fewer)

Honorable Mention

Religion News Service
National Cathedral windows shift from themes of Confederacy to racial justice
By Adelle M. Banks

Award of Merit

National Catholic Reporter
Pope Francis meets Jeannine Gramick, US sister known for LGBTQ ministry
By Joshua J. McElwee

Award of Excellence

The Christian Chronicle
It's the same Jesus
By Bobby Ross Jr.

24. News Story - Long Format (more than 1,200 words)

Honorable Mention

Global Sisters Report
Sister in Nicaragua's repression: 'You can't silence the Gospel'
By Rhina Guidos

Award of Merit

National Catholic Reporter

Pope's major Vatican summit ends without action on women deacons, mention of LGBTQ Catholics

By Joshua J. McElwee

Award of Excellence

Religion Unplugged

Mark Driscoll's Safe Space: How The Embattled Pastor Built A New Church

By Chris Moody

25. Convention or Meeting Coverage (Newspaper, Newsletter, News Service, Website, or Blog)

Honorable Mention

The Christian Chronicle

Coverage of the Luso-Africa Global Gathering in Angola

By Erik Tryggestad

Award of Merit

Religion News Service

Southern Baptist Convention Debate Over Role of Women Pastors

By Adelle M. Banks

Award of Excellence

PC(USA) Office of the General Assembly

On the Road to GA

By Angie Stevens, Rick Jones

26. Convention or Meeting Coverage (Magazine)

Honorable Mention

The Anglican Digest

Reflections on Lambeth

By Dorothy Sanders

Award of Merit

Messenger/Church of the Brethren

Annual Conference 2023

By Jan Fischer Bachman, Wendy McFadden, Cheryl Brumbaugh-Cayford

Award of Excellence

The Banner

Synod 2023

By Shiao Chong, Editor in Chief

27. In-Depth Coverage (Newspaper, Newsletter, News Service, Website, or Blog)

Honorable Mention

Presbyterian News Service

PC(USA)-related camp fosters healing for survivors of school violence

By Darla Carter

Honorable Mention

Global Sisters Report

Sisters in the South

By Dan Stockman

Award of Merit

The Alabama Baptist

Dadeville Strong: Ministry in wake of mass shooting

By Jennifer Rash and Grace Thornton

Award of Excellence

Southern Accent

Collegedale Train Derailment Anniversary Coverage

By Lead Writer: Amanda Blake; Contributors: Elise Deschamps, Alexis Dewey, Hannah Johnson, Amy Mejias, Jacob Nevis and Matthew Orquia

28. In-Depth Coverage (Magazine or Journal)

Honorable Mention

Catholic Review
In depth coverage: Abuse
By Catholic Review Staff

Award of Merit

Broadview
Religion in Canada
By Andrew Faiz, Julie McGonegal, Sanam Islam, Alison Tedford Seaweed and Ashley Okwuosa

Award of Excellence

Anabaptist World
Two Koreas, one war's legacy
By Tim Huber

29. Editorial or Opinion (Single editorial or opinion piece, all media)

Honorable Mention

The Christian Century
Bearing witness to multiple stories
By the Century editors

Honorable Mention

Ministry, International Journal for Pastors
From Gutenberg to GPT: The church's need for technological adaptation
By Jonathan Walter

Honorable Mention

Anabaptist World
Blessing at the parting of ways
By Paul Schrag

Award of Merit

The Baptist Standard

Editorial: Religious freedom calls for rejecting Abbott's 'ask'

By Eric Black

Award of Excellence

A Pastor's Musings/Patheos

The "Father of Modern Gynecology," the "Mothers of Gynecology," and the Challenge of History

By Dorothy Sanders Wells

31. Theme Issue, Section, or Series (Newspaper or Newsletter)

Honorable Mention

The Christian Chronicle

No Limits

By Bobby Ross Jr. and Audrey Jackson

Honorable Mention

The Christian Chronicle

Sacred Calling

By Bobby Ross Jr., Audrey Jackson, Cheryl Mann Bacon and Calvin Cockrell

Award of Merit

National Catholic Reporter

Amid record chronic homelessness, advocates and experts say there is a solution; Programs to address chronic homelessness need more funding, support, say advocates

By Katie Collins Scot

Award of Excellence

The Christian Chronicle

United Nations of Faith

By Bobby Ross Jr. and Audrey Jackson

32. Theme Issue, Section, or Series (News Service, Website, Blog, or Social Media)

Honorable Mention

Faith & Leadership
Explaining research relevant to Christian leaders
By Shari Finnell, writer; Chris Karnadi, editor

Award of Merit

Church Anew
The Story of Abraham and Family Trauma - Part I and Part II
By Dorothy Sanders Wells

Award of Excellence

Global Sisters Report
Hope Amid Turmoil: Sisters in Conflict Areas
By GSR Staff & Contributors

33. Theme Issue, Section, or Series (Magazine or Journal)

Honorable Mention

Concordia Seminary Magazine
His in Community, Spring 2023
By Vicki Biggs, Executive Editor; Melanie Ave, Managing Editor; Beth Hasek, Art Director; Courtney Koll, Designer; and Thomas Egger, Peter Nafzger, Vicki Biggs, Jacob Moore, Writers

Award of Merit

Ministry, International Journal for Pastors
July 2023 issue on leadership
By Andrews University faculty and contributors

Award of Excellence

Presbyterian Outlook
Stop Gun Violence
By Presbyterian Outlook

34. Interview - Short Format (1,200 words or fewer)

Honorable Mention

Sojourners

Marza, a Queer Orthodox Artist, Combines Tradition and Street Art to Bring Hope and Beauty to Public Spaces Seeking to 'Make the World an Altar'

By Cassidy Klein

Award of Merit

Unbound: The Intersections of Faith and Justice

GRACE IN GLITTER: THE TRANSFORMATIVE SPIRIT OF HEKLINA

By Sam Lundquist

Award of Excellence

Word&Way

Wanted: Russian Pastor for Preaching Peace

By Brian Kaylor

35. Interview - Long Format (more than 1,200 words)

Honorable Mention

U.S. Catholic

Reclaiming ecotheology

By U.S. Catholic editors

Honorable Mention

Sojourners

Flipping Omelets for God

By Betsy Shirley

Award of Merit

Reflections journal, Fall 2023/Yale Divinity School

Stand Up for Character: An Interview with Philip Gorski

By Ray Waddle, editor and interviewer

Award of Excellence

The Christian Century
What we think we know about God
By Ross M. Allen

36. Biographical Profile

Honorable Mention

Broadview
Sun Dancer, Matriarch, Priest
By Emilie Teresa Smith

Award of Merit

Canadian Adventist Messenger
It's Always About God
By Annie Warner Donnelly, Writer

Award of Excellence

Lake Union Herald
I Choose to Teach
By Beverly Matiko

37. Personal Experience - Short Format (1,200 words or fewer)

Honorable Mention

Faith & Leadership
The gospel lived out in the company of friends
By Shannon Hopkins, writer; Sally Hicks, editor

Award of Merit

The Christian Century
When rituals leave us full—and then empty
By Julian DeShazier

Award of Excellence

Sojourners

By 2100, Two-Thirds of the World's Glaciers Will be Lost. Their Meltwater is Both Convicting and
Baptismal

By Avery Davis Lamb

38. Personal Experience - Long Format (more than 1,200 words)

Honorable Mention

Forum Letter/American Lutheran Publicity Bureau
Closing Ye Olde Theology Shoppe

By Charles Austin

Award of Merit

Broadview

The Last Letters

By Carol Moskot

Award of Excellence

Presbyterian Outlook

We bear the mark

By Ben Weakley

39. Column

Honorable Mention

Anabaptist World

Craggy view

By Sarah Kehrberg

Award of Merit

The Christian Century

Brian Bantum

By Brian Bantum

Award of Excellence

The Christian Century
Julian DeShazier
By Julian DeShazier

40. Department

Honorable Mention

Living Lutheran / Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
I'm a Lutheran
By John Potter

Award of Merit

Sojourners
Culture
By Jenna Barnett, culture editor

Award of Excellence

The Covenant Companion
Cov Beat
By Companion Staff

41. Critical Review

Honorable Mention

Word&Way
Are You There, World? It's Me, God
By Juliet Vedral

Award of Merit

The Banner
Barbie
By Lorilee Craker

Award of Excellence

Presbyterian Outlook
The Book of (More) Delights
By Rose Schrott Taylor

42. Letters to the Editor

Honorable Mention

Broadview
A Reprieve
By David Wilson, editor

Award of Merit

The Christian Century
Letters and Comments
By edited by Jon Mathieu and Marie Watson

Award of Excellence

Anabaptist World
Letters & Comments
By Paul Schrag, editor

43. Poetry

Honorable Mention

The Christian Century
Kénosis
By Scott Cairns

Honorable Mention

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum
Suite of Poems for Small Things
By Smuts van Rooyen

Award of Merit

Unbound: The Intersections of Faith and Justice
eradicate
By Lucinda Isaacs

Award of Excellence

The Christian Century
Mint Dirge
By Karen An-hwei Lee

44. Service Journalism

Honorable Mention

Gather / Women of the ELCA
Hope and light
By Cindy Novak, author and managing editor

Award of Merit

Religion News Service
Preaching to polarized congregations: A responsibility and a challenge, clergy say
By Adelle M. Banks

Award of Excellence

The Christian Chronicle
A lifeline for people who hurt — all the time
By Bobby Ross Jr. and Audrey Jackson

45. Professional Resource

Honorable Mention

Church Anew
The Misfortune (Good Fortune) of a Stress Fracture
By Dorothy Sanders Wells

Honorable Mention

Presbyterian Outlook
The perilous and promising pulpit
By Thomas G. Long

Award of Merit

The Journal of Adventist Education
Generative AI in Adventist Education: Opportunities and Ethical Considerations
By David P. Harris and Fred Armstrong

Award of Excellence

Faith & Leadership
10 ways to avoid inadvertent antisemitism during Holy Week
By Elena Procaro-Foley, writer; Sally Hicks, editor

46. Humor, Written

Honorable Mention

Sojourners
Powerlifters for Christ
By Beth Cooper-Chrismon

Award of Merit

The Christian Chronicle
Words I had to look up at the Christian Scholars' Conference
By Erik Tryggestad

Award of Excellence

The Covenant Companion
The Funkhouser Special Sauce
By Dana Bowman

47. Scholarly Article

Honorable Mention

Ministry, International Journal for Pastors
Upholding Scripture in times of ethical relativism
By Elias Brasil de Souza

Award of Merit

Reflections journal/Yale Divinity School
Hospitable Courage in a Divided Church
By Amy Carr and Christine Helmer

Award of Excellence

Lake Union Herald
Blessed are the Wholemakers
By Ante Jeronic

48. Biblical Interpretation or Lectionary Reflection (Short format - 1,200 words or less)

Honorable Mention

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum
What Does Doubt Feel Like?
By Alexander Carpenter

Award of Merit

Gather magazine / Women of the ELCA
I'm a Martha
By Elise Seyfried, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor

Award of Excellence

The Christian Century
No longer Black or White?
By Brian Bantum

49. Biblical Interpretation or Lectionary Reflection (Long format - more than 1,200 words)

Honorable Mention

U.S. Catholic
Testaments
By Alice Camille

Award of Merit

Unbound: The Intersections of Faith and Justice
With Creation: A Native and Indigenous Lenten Devotional
By The Native and Indigenous Writers of With Creation

Award of Excellence

Presbyterian Outlook
On women pastors and biblical authority: A Presbyterian reflection
By Frances Taylor Gench

50. Theological Reflection (Short format - 1,200 words or less)

Honorable Mention

The Christian Century
IN THE LECTIONARY November 26, Reign of Christ A (Matthew 25:31–46)
By Dorothy Sanders Wells

Award of Merit

NAD NewsPoints
Walking Miracles of God's Amazing Grace
By Minervino Labrador Jr.

Award of Excellence

The Christian Century
Extravagant consumption
By Melissa Florer-Bixler

51. Theological Reflection (Long format - more than 1,200 words)

Honorable Mention

The Christian Century
Discerning the body
By Melissa Florer-Bixler

Award of Merit

Sojourners
Why Black Resurrection Matters
By Vincent W. Lloyd

Award of Excellence

Presbyterian Outlook
Healing desire: Hindu and Buddhist wisdom for our post-truth predicament
By John Thatamanil

52. Devotional / Inspirational (Short format - 1,200 words or less)

Honorable Mention

Anabaptist World
Like rain in its season, the Spirit's work is gentle but sure
By Lucinda J. Kinsinger

Honorable Mention

In Trust magazine
A lesson in bronze
By Matt Huffman

Award of Merit

The Christian Recorder
God Cares: Lament of a Preacher's Widow
By Wanda C. Henry-Jenkins

Award of Excellence

Word&Way
Unsettling Advent, Day 4
By Melissa Bowers

53. Devotional / Inspirational (Long format - more than 1,200 words)

Honorable Mention

prayerandpolitiks.org
Lent's labor in light of Easter's conclusion
By Ken Sehested

Award of Merit

Sojourners
All is Calm
By Julian Davis Reid

Award of Excellence

The Covenant Companion
Sometimes You Gotta Go to Work
By Brandi Sanders

54. Bible Resource

Honorable Mention

Sojourners
What Christian Nationalists Get Wrong About the Bible
By Jacob L. Wright

Award of Merit

Gather magazine / Women of the ELCA
"Holy places" Bible study series
By Meghan Johnston Aelabouni, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor, Cindy Novak, managing editor

Award of Excellence

Gather magazine / Women of the ELCA
"The Ten Commandments: Reviving the Soul" Bible study series
By Christa von Zychlin, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor

55. Seasonal Article

Honorable Mention

Broadview
A Different Mary
By Anne Thériault

Award of Merit

Gather magazine / Women of the ELCA
Grounded hope
By Jennifer Ginn, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor

Award of Excellence

Sojourners
All is Calm
By Julian Davis Reid

57. Books - Nonfiction

Award of Excellence

Empowerment Communication Press
Born Yesterday: The True Story of a Girl Born in the 20th Century but Raised in the 19th
By Rachel Williams-Smith

59. Best Disapproving Letter to the Editor

Honorable Mention

SPECTRUM: The Journal of the Adventist Forum

very disappointed!

By Lori Tyson

I know you have many individual, independent contributors which speak for themselves on their own views and opinions, but I have to say how disappointed I am to see so much 'diversity, equity and inclusion' stuff in what I am reading! And NO push back from anybody?! I cannot imagine I am the only one who sees this as the Marxism/communism that it is!

Yes, I would like to hear back from somebody, anybody regarding Spectrums take on this! The LAST place I want to live is in a communist hell hole!

Award of Merit

Presbyterian Outlook

God created fossil fuels

By Presbyterian Outlook

The effort to save the plant (sic) is now a religion. Let's start with did God create fossil fuel and the answer is yes. Does God make mistakes and the answer is no.

Thanks to God creating fossil fuel the all nations (sic) have benefited even the low economic countries in Africa. The topic is now a religion and everyone is promoting and talking about fossil fuel but I do not hear anyone within the public arena speaking or promoting God.

Award of Excellence

Broadview

Carnal Fantasy

By Irma

As a form of entertainment in the secular world, I understand drag has a range of content including some that in my opinion does not glorify God. In a magazine affiliated with Christianity, I would hope articles would be chosen that promote Christian values.

My offence to this article is that it appears to promote carnal fantasy and all that may come with it and I can't find any connection between drag and my faith.

VISUAL & AUDIO COMMUNICATIONS

61. Magazine Cover

Honorable Mention

Lake Union Herald
Safeguarding Our Children
By Elennie Ramirez

Honorable Mention

Sojourners
December 2023
By Jocelyn Reiter, illustrator; Candace Sanders, art director

Award of Merit

The Christian Century
Cover of June 2023 issue
By illustration by Dadu Shin, art direction by Daniel Richardson

Award of Excellence

Presbyterian Outlook
Stop Gun Violence
By Presbyterian Outlook

62. Newspaper Front Page

Honorable Mention

The Christian Recorder
November 2023 Front Page
By John Thomas III

Award of Merit

The Alabama Baptist
60th anniversary of Birmingham church bombing
By Lauren Grim

Award of Excellence

The Baptist Paper
SBC Annual Meeting front page
By Lauren Grim

63. Magazine/Journal Design, Spread or Story

Honorable Mention

Canadian Adventist Messenger
Shaped by Hardships: The Story of a Rwandan Genocide Survivor
By Aimee Perez, Graphic Designer

Award of Merit

Sojourners
Flipping Omelets for God
By Candace Sanders, art director; Ryan McQuade, illustrator

Award of Excellence

Canadian Adventist Messenger
It's Always About God
By Aimee Perez, Graphic Designer

64. Magazine/Journal Design, Entire Issue

Honorable Mention

The Christian Century
September 2023 issue
By Daniel Richardson, art director

Award of Merit

In Trust magazine
In Trust magazine winter 2023
By Carla Frank

Award of Excellence

Broadview
December
By Carol Moskot

65. Newspaper/Newsletter Design, Spread or Story

Honorable Mention

The Alabama Baptist
Taking Care: Physical and Mental Health
By Lauren Grim

Award of Merit

The Baptist Paper
Endangered Youth: How the church can respond to human trafficking
By Lauren Grim

Award of Excellence

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
What the Blind Man Heard
By Arlice Davenport

66. Newspaper/Newsletter Design, Entire Issue

Honorable Mention

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
February 2023 Newsletter
By Arlice Davenport

Award of Merit

The Alabama Baptist
Celebrating 200 years of Alabama Baptist missions and ministry
By Lauren Grim and The Alabama Baptist staff

Award of Excellence

The Baptist Paper
SBC Annual Meeting coverage
By Lauren Grim and The Baptist Paper staff

67. Illustration, With Article or Cutline

Honorable Mention

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum
When Innocence Is Not Enough: Hidden Evidence and the Failed Promise of the Brady Rule

Award of Merit

Sojourners
Do Justice Now Opening Spread
By Thiago Limón, illustrator

Award of Excellence

Broadview
A Different Mary
By Mercedes Debellard

68. Print Publication Redesign

Award of Excellence

Presbyterian Outlook
Presbyterian Outlook magazine redesign
By Presbyterian Outlook

69. Publication Website

Honorable Mention

The Alabama Baptist
TheAlabamaBaptist.org
By James Hammack and The Alabama Baptist staff

Award of Merit

Catholic Review
catholicreview.org
By Catholic Review Staff

Award of Excellence

The Christian Century
The Christian Century website
By Trice Gibbons and Congruity Works

70. Website Redesign

Honorable Mention

The Good Newsroom
By Rachel Sheehan

Award of Merit

The Christian Century
By Trice Gibbons and Congruity Works

Award of Excellence

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum
By ALEXANDER CARPENTER

72. Single Photo with Article or Cutline

Honorable Mention

The Christian Chronicle
Kerusso Experience trains high schoolers to fill empty pulpits
By Audrey Jackson

Award of Merit

Catholic Review
Troubled streets
By Kevin J. Parks

Award of Excellence

Broadview
Val Waldron, Unsung Heroes
By Shlomi Amiga

73. Photo Spread or Essay (Printed Media)

Honorable Mention

Sojourners
Can a Prison Be Good?
By Apolline Guillerot-Malick, photographer; Candace Sanders, art director

Award of Merit

Catholic Review
Student pilot
By Kevin J. Parks

Award of Excellence

Broadview
Hope in a War Zone
By Gregg Brekke

74. Photo Spread or Essay (Online Media)

Honorable Mention

Word&Way
Visiting the World's Oldest Colony
By Brian Kaylor

Award of Merit

Global Sisters Report
In spite of a year of war, Ukrainians endure and religious ministry continues
By Gregg Brekke

Award of Excellence

Faith & Leadership
Easter in Ukraine: 'It's pretty humbling to witness and document'
By Carol Guzy, photojournalist; Aleta Payne, editor

75. Video - News Story or Current Event

Honorable Mention

The Good Newsroom
Elizabeth Seton Children's Center Celebrates the Christmas Season with Children's Pageant
By Patrick Grady

Award of Merit

The Good Newsroom
Miles de flores honran a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe - Thousands of flowers honor Our Lady of Guadalupe
By Elba Fernana Pierorazio

Award of Excellence

The Good Newsroom
Rosary and Cannolis: A Sweet Incentive for Students to Join in School Rosary
By Mary Shovlain

76. Video - Documentary Short (Less than 30 minutes)

Honorable Mention

ELCA

10 Years of "God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday

By Will Nunnally and Brett Nelson

Award of Merit

The Baptist Paper

Man Cave Ministry: Hope, help & healing

By Pam Henderson

Award of Excellence

NAD NewsPoints

Oakwood Adventist Academy - "Bigger Than Basketball" Part 2

By Kimberly Luste Maran, Julio Muñoz, Mark Comberiate, Bryan Fowler, Jonathan LaPointe

78. Video - Educational / Informative / Advocacy (less than 10 minutes)

Award of Excellence

PC(USA) Office of the General Assembly

A Word from the Stated Clerk: Gun Violence

By Randy Hobson, Rick Jones

79. Video - Editorial / PR / Marketing (less than 10 minutes)

Award of Merit

ELCA

Get ready for the Rostered Ministers Gathering

By Will Nunnally and Brett Nelson

Award of Excellence

ELCA

Together We Are Called

By Brett Nelson, Allison Beebe and Will Nunnally

80. Video - Video Series

Honorable Mention

Canadian Adventist Messenger

Canadian Adventist Messenger - Cover Stories

By Evaldo Vicente, Executive Producer, and Ewerton Obadoski, Producer/Director/Editor

Award of Merit

PC(USA) Office of the General Assembly

The Nelson Legacy

By Randy Hobson, Rick Jones

Award of Excellence

ELCA

Talks at the Desk Season 2

By Brett Nelson, Nicolette Peñaranda, Mae Helen Jackson and Will Nunnally

82. Audio - Podcast or Audio Series

Honorable Mention

Broadview

And Also Some Women

By Junia Joplin and Anne Thériault

Award of Merit

Message Magazine

The Rest of Your Story

By Nick Taliaferro

Award of Excellence

Thee Quaker Podcast/Thee Quaker Project

Thee Quaker Podcast

By Georgia Sparling and Jon Watts

83. Integrated Communications

Award of Merit

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

2023-24 New academic year branding: We Belong to Christ

By Beth Hasek, Julia Staggenborg, Creative; Vicki Biggs, Melanie Ave, Communications; Chris Miller, Web; Christie Hampton, Writer/Social Media; and Dale Ward, Video

Award of Excellence

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Theological Symposium 2023: Living by Hope in a Secular Age: Church and Society

By Beth Hasek, Courtney Koll, Creative; Vicki Biggs, Melanie Ave, Sarah Maney, Communications; Chris Miller, Web; and Dale Ward, Video

MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

84. Annual Report (all media)

Award of Merit

Ursuline Sisters of Louisville
Walk In Faith/¡Camina Con Fe!
By Kathy Williams

Award of Excellence

Christian Reformed Church in NA
Annual Ministry Report 2023
By Kristen Vanderberg, Communications Director

SOCIAL MEDIA

85. Single Posting (social media)

Honorable Mention

Broadview

Dr. James Makokis Brings Traditional Cree Approaches to Transgender Medicine

By Christina Jung

Award of Merit

Sojourners

(Instagram) Reconstruct, October 10, 2023, Mae Elise Cannon

By Sojourners Audience Engagement Team

Award of Excellence

Ursuline Sisters of Louisville

St. Joseph Children's Home Honors the Ursulines and Sister Loretta Guenther

By Kathy Williams

86. Awareness / Advocacy Campaign (social media)

Honorable Mention

Religion News Service

The Top Religion & Spirituality Books of 2023

By RNS Social Media Team

Award of Merit

Lake Union Herald

Safeguarding Our Children

By Stanton Witherspoon

Award of Excellence

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum
Pride Month 2023
By Raquel Mentor

87. Event, Marketing or Brand Awareness (social media)

Honorable Mention

Lake Union Herald
Happy Sabbath
By Katie Fellows

Award of Merit

Women of the ELCA
Just Lunch, promotion using Facebook Live for the Just Love Gathering, September 2023
By Elizabeth McBride

Award of Excellence

Canadian Adventist Messenger
Messenger Sneak Peek Videos
By Evaldo Vicente, Producer, and Adrianna Lewis, Host

OVERALL EXCELLENCE / BEST IN CLASS

James Solheim Award for Editorial Courage

Honorable Mention

Broadview
Closed Doors
By Jocelyn Bell

Award of Merit

Presbyterian Outlook
Fostering love, not fear
By Teri McDowell Ott

Award of Excellence

Sojourners
Lead Us Not (podcast)
By Jenna Barnett (writer, host), Betsy Shirley (executive editor), Mitchell Atencio (reporter, producer)

12. SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

Honorable Mention

Lake Union Herald
By Stanton Witherspoon, Katie Fellows, Felicia Tonga

Award of Merit

Religion News Service
By RNS Social Media Team

Award of Excellence

U.S. Catholic
By The U.S. Catholic editors

11. VIDEO PRODUCTION

Honorable Mention

Lake Union Herald
Lake Union Herald Best in Class Video
By Felicia Tonga

Award of Merit

Religion Unplugged
The Men Behind Violence In The Indian State Of Manipur
By Vishal Arora

Award of Excellence

ELCA
Best of Video 2023 Reel
By Will Nunnally, Brett Nelson and Jocelyn Fuller

10. PUBLIC RELATIONS OR MARKETING CAMPAIGN

Award of Excellence

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
Multiethnic Symposium 2023
By Vicki Biggs, CCO; Melanie Ave, Sarah Maney, Communications; Beth Hasek, Courtney Koll, Creative; Chris Miller, Web; and Dale Ward, Video

08. BLOG

Honorable Mention

The Empathy List
By Liz Charlotte Grant

Award of Merit

Boldcafe.org
By the Rev. Jennifer Hackbarth, writer; Elizabeth McBride, editor

Award of Excellence

A Pastor's Musings / Patheos
By Dorothy Sanders Wells

07. INDEPENDENT WEBSITE

Honorable Mention

SPECTRUM: The journal of the Adventist Forum
By Alexander Carpenter

Award of Merit

Global Sisters Report
By GSR Staff & Contributors

Award of Excellence

Unbound: The Intersections of Faith and Justice
By Lee Catoe

06. NEWS SERVICE

Honorable Mention

NAD NewsPoints
By Kimberly Luste Maran, Art Brondo

Award of Merit

The Baptist Paper

By James Hammack and The Baptist Paper staff

Award of Excellence

Religion News Service

By RNS Team

05. NEWSLETTER

Honorable Mention

Forum Letter

By Richard O. Johnson, editor

Award of Merit

Hunger News & Hope

By Katie Cook, Editor

Award of Excellence

Boldcafe.org

By the Rev. Susan Schneider, the Rev. Ralen M. Robinson, writers; Elizabeth McBride, editor and designer

04. SEMINARY PUBLICATION OR JOURNAL

Honorable Mention

Ministry, International Journal for Pastors

By Ministry Magazine staff and contributors

Award of Merit

Concordia Seminary Magazine

By Vicki Biggs, Executive Editor; Melanie Ave, Managing Editor; Beth Hasek, Art Director; and Courtney Koll, Designer

Award of Excellence

Reflections journal / Yale Divinity School

By Ray Waddle, editor; Greg Sterling, dean of Yale Divinity School

03. DENOMINATIONAL OR OTHER SPECIAL INTEREST MAGAZINE

Honorable Mention

Presbyterian Outlook

Honorable Mention

Catholic Review

Award of Merit

In Trust magazine

Award of Excellence

U.S. Catholic

01. NEWSPAPER

Honorable Mention

The Fig Tree

Award of Merit

The Alabama Baptist

Award of Excellence

The Baptist Paper

02. NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL MAGAZINE

Honorable Mention

Rapt Interviews

Award of Merit

Sojourners

Award of Excellence

Broadview

BEST EMERGING JOURNALIST

Honorable Mention

Richa Karmarkar
Publication: Religion News Service

Award of Merit

Mark Ramzy
Publication: Broadview

Award of Excellence

Charlotte Alden
Publication: Broadview