

KURT KAUFMAN

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Ecclesiastical Standing

Ordained in the **American Baptist Churches USA** by the **Federated Church of Green Lake, Wisconsin** on **August 31, 2025**.

Education

Central Baptist Theological Seminary
Summa Cum Laude

M.Div.

January 2020 - December 2024

University Of Wisconsin Oshkosh

B.Sc.

Computer Science

Fall 2013 - Spring 2017

Work Experience

Ministerial Associate

First Baptist Church - Denver, CO

May 2021 - Present

- Adminstrate church, including phone, email, calendar, building tenants, event rentals, weddings, and other congregational needs
- Manage church staff of three
- Serve on interim pastoral team, preaching, teaching, providing pastoral care, and leading Centering Prayer
- Serve as Pastor to Youth
- Manage and lead Community Fridge Food Bank program
- Manage Social Media, website, and graphic design for several building publications
- Maintain public witness in Denver, advocating on behalf of our congregation and the community we serve

Communications Coordinator

Association Of Welcoming And Affirming Baptists - Louisville, KY

April 2022 - December 2023

- Coordinate communications with member congregations, donors, and other supporters
- Maintain Social Media and Website
- Adminstrate Rainbow Circle Monthly Giving Program, communicating with regular donors and engaging with special content

- Further mission of AWAB by drafting public statements, participating in podcasts, and creating articles and other content around the LGBTQ+ community
- Represent AWAB at denominational events and in partner publications

DevOps Engineer

Jul. 2019 - Jul. 2020

Toastmasters International - Englewood, CO

- Manage cloud infrastructure for Toastmasters International systems, including the public-facing website, internal ERP services (Dynamics 365), and other ad-hoc systems
- Migrated website infrastructure from virtual machines in AWS to a fully elastic and scalable App Services environment in Azure to improve responsiveness and availability
- Administrate, improve, and create CI/CD pipelines for all services through Azure DevOps

Software Engineer in DevOps

Jan. 2018 - Jun. 2019

Vertafore - Denver, CO

- Managed and administrated 350+ cloud instances, both Linux and Windows across both Microsoft Azure and AWS for QQ Catalyst, a 4000+ customer product in a fully Agile environment
- Administrated and refined CI/CD infrastructure and pipelines through VSTS, Jenkins, Artifactory, and Gitlab
- Managed and developed infrastructure-as-code through Chef and AWS CloudFormation/OpsWorks
- Developed automated monitoring through the use of Python, .NET, AWS CloudWatch, and VictorOps
- Administrated and automated monitoring and configuration on ad-hoc systems such as ElasticSearch, RabbitMQ, MongoDB, Cassandra, GrayLog, and more

Database Analyst

Jun. 2017 - Dec. 2017

Vertafore - Denver, CO

- Managed 150+ SQL Servers, running SQL Server 2000 through 2016, across 20+ applications
- Troubleshoot performance issues within each server, aggregating tools such as SQL Sentry and Dynatrace
- Built, configured, patched, and deployed SQL Servers in production and in lower environments
- Wrote powershell and T-SQL scripts to generate and automate reports on team productivity
- Created and updated documentation for server inventory and processes
- Load tested SQL Server against different disk arrays (NetApp Flash/Hitachi) to determine performance bottlenecks

Christian Education Assistant

May 2013 - June 2015

Federated Church of Green Lake, WI

- Coordinated youth programs in order to engage children and youth in the church, including VBS, Sunday School, Youth Group, and a College age group
- Assisted in designing curriculums and creating content for youth programs

Church & Volunteer Experience

Web Consultant <i>Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists</i>	2020 - March 2022
Director at Large - ABC of Wisconsin <i>Board of General Ministries, American Baptist Churches USA</i>	2019 - 2026
Member <i>Board of Managers, American Baptist Churches of Wisconsin</i>	2019 - 2022
Bass Guitar <i>Worship Team, Lighthouse Church, Denver, CO</i>	2018 - 2022
Webmaster <i>American Baptist Churches of Wisconsin</i>	2018 - Present
Junior High Camp Pastor <i>Camp Tamarack, American Baptist Churches of Wisconsin</i>	2024
Cabin Leader/Director (volunteer), Craft Barn & Canteen (staff) <i>Camp Tamarack, American Baptist Churches of Wisconsin</i>	2013 - 2016
Visual Worship <i>Federated Church Of Green Lake, WI</i>	2010 - 2017

Awards & Accolades

Vertafore Way Champion, Win Together - Q1 2019
Honors Program, Spring 2013 - Spring 2017
Dean's List - Fall 2013
Outstanding Service, Delta Chi Fraternity Oshkosh Colony - Spring 2015