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## **Biography**

Layla Karst is an assistant professor in the Department of Theological Studies at Loyola Marymount University where she teaches and writes at the intersection of liturgy and ecclesiology, with a focus in lay liturgical ministries and participation. Her current research explores lay-led liturgies during the recent pandemic and theology and practice of lay preaching. Recent projects have also addressed the ways that racism, sexism, and sexual abuse have impacted our liturgical celebrations and the function of lament in addressing these liturgical challenges, and theologies of Christian pilgrimage and the pilgrim church. Her publications include articles in the journals *Horizon*, *Liturgy*, *Practical Matters*, and the *Proceedings of the North American Academy of Liturgy*. She holds a PhD from Emory University and an MDiv from the University of Notre Dame.

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## **Education**

**Emory University**

Ph.D Liturgical Theology/Religious Practice

**University of Notre Dame**

M. Div.

**Whitworth College**

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