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EDUCATION

- 2008 Diploma in Anglican Studies, General Theological Seminary (New York, NY)
- 2008 C.P.E., Overlook Hospital (Summit, NJ)
- 2008 Inclusion Activism Training (Minneapolis, MN)
- 2007 M.Div., the Theological School at Drew University (Madison, NJ)
- 2007 St. George's College, Jerusalem (Holy Week & Easter Liturgies of Jerusalem)
- 2006 *St. Benedict's Toolbox for Congregations*: Benedictine spirituality in congregations
- 2006 Graduate of the Preaching Excellence Program (Episcopal Preaching Foundation)
- 2006 Cross Cultural study in Ghana, West Africa
- 2004 B.G.S. (Religious Studies, History, Psychology), Louisiana State University
- 1996 Comeaux High School (Lafayette, LA)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND AFFILIATIONS

- 2009 Ordained Priest (December 12, 2009)
- 2009 Ordained Deacon (June 6, 2009)
- 2009 Legislative Team Co-Lead for Integrity^{USA} at General Convention
- 2009 Consultant to *Voices of Witness Africa: Study Guide*
- 2008 Volunteer for Integrity^{USA} at the Lambeth Conference
- 2008 – present Pastoral Care Advisory Committee, Overlook Hospital, Summit, NJ
- 2008 – present Cross Roads Outdoor Ministries; Program Committee Chair (2009), Marketing Committee (2010-2011), Board Secretary (2009-2011)
- 2007 – 2009 Diocese of Newark Reparations Task Force
- 2006 Pilgrimage to the monastery at Taizé, France
- 2006 Legislative Team volunteer for Integrity^{USA} at General Convention
- 2006 *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*; Music Director; Chatham UMC Youth
- 2005 – present Member, Integrity^{USA}
- 2000 – present Member, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND HONORS AT DREW

- 2006-2007 Recipient of the "Judge and Mrs. Lindsay O'Connor Scholarship"
- 2006-2007 3rd Year M.Div. Representative to the Theological Student Assembly
- 2005-2006 Recipient of the "Betty H. Welsh Scholarship"
- 2005-2006 Vice-President of the Theological Student Assembly
- 2005 Student Orientation Leader
- 2005 Chapel Steward (two semesters)
- 2004-2005 M.T.S. Representative to the Theological Student Assembly

Organizations: Episcopal Student Association
Drew Community for Social Justice
Of Sacred Worth (LGBT organization of the Theological School)
Native American Caucus

EMPLOYMENT

2010-2013 Priest-in-Charge, St. Paul's, Jersey City

At St. Paul's I am charged with assisting a small urban congregation with a period of transition: through changing demographics in both the neighborhood and the parish, into a new model of mutual ministry, and hopefully into a period of congregational growth and financial sustainability. We are working on being a more visible presence in our community and demonstrating our potential appeal more widely to the diverse Jersey City community.

2009-2010 Associate Rector, St. Paul's, Chatham, NJ

I have returned to St. Paul's, Chatham for a one-year appointment to assist the Rector while the parish Youth Missioner is on sabbatical. In addition to maintaining the parish's commitment to strong Youth Ministries, I am responsible for coordinating the leadership of the liturgies, I supervise the Church School and its leadership, I preach regularly, serve in the leadership of all parish liturgies, and I assist the rector in providing pastoral care and administrative leadership to the parish and its staff.

2007-2009 Director of Youth & Family Ministries, St. Peter's, Morristown, NJ

At St. Peter's I was responsible for the pastoral needs of youth in 7th-12th grades, their parents, and other affiliated volunteers. I coordinated the J2A program and I taught youth confirmation classes. Under my leadership, the Youth Ministries program grew from an average attendance at Youth Nights of 5 to an average attendance of more than 20. Additionally, I was successful in recruiting and training new adult volunteers and mentors to serve with the youth. Beyond my responsibilities in Youth Ministries, I assisted in other aspects of parish leadership: occasionally, I led Adult Education events; I was responsible for coordinating and training acolytes, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and others who serve in the liturgy; I preached regularly, led Evening Prayer services, assisted with pastoral care, and assisted in all liturgies.

2005-2007 Seminarian, St. Paul's, Chatham, NJ

I worked and learned in the parish setting under the mentorship of the Rev. Elizabeth Kaeton. I was responsible for assisting in the leadership and training of acolytes, crucifers, and torchbearers, I assisted in leading the confirmation class, the inquirers class, adult education events, and in many aspects of the liturgical and administrative functions of the church. I preached regularly and helped to lead our Sunday Evening Community Eucharist. I initiated twice-weekly Evening Prayer services and helped to build a community that continued through my absence.

2004-2005 Student Assistant, General Commission on Archives and History of the United Methodist Church, Madison, NJ

I was responsible for sorting and cataloging documents and artifacts for archival preservation. I worked primarily on three projects: 1) processing the personal papers of the Rev. Charles Wesley Christman, Jr. of the New York Conference of the UMC, 2) a project that formally established, for the first time, the official archives of the Northeastern Jurisdiction of the UMC, and 3) a project to preserve films produced by the Television, Radio, and Film Commission of the UMC.