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Congregations are the locus of the Church's reconciling ministry. To nurture congregations as reconciling contexts, I: 1) work to be a trustworthy and reliable leader, 2) ensure that diverse perspectives are honored, and 3) invite understandings of unity grounded in Anglican tradition and practice. Furthermore, I work to empower and to equip men, women and children to live out their ministries in daily life. My strengths are in administration, liturgical leadership and pastoral care, with particular expertise in congregational development and conflict management. My approach to worship is both traditional and innovative. I have solid experience in planning traditional liturgies and also in utilizing approved alternative resources for Episcopal worship. Throughout my ordained ministry, I have been blessed to witness the gospel's transformative power through congregations living the Church's mission: *to restore all people to unity with God and each other through Christ.* (BCP, 855).

Education

1982-84	Wartburg College	Waverly, IA	32 semester hours
1984-87	The University of Iowa	Iowa City, IA	B.A.
<i>English Literature</i>			
1987-90	Iowa State University	Ames, IA	M.S. Genetics
1990-93	Berkeley Divinity School at Yale	New Haven, CT	M.
<i>Div.</i>			
2007-2009	Church Divinity School of the Pacific	Berkeley, CA	D. Min. (2010 completion)

Ordinations

Deacon	May 19, 1993	St. Luke's Episcopal Church, New Haven, CT by the Right Reverend C. Christopher Epting, Bishop of Iowa
Priest	March 19, 1994	The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Des Moines, IA by the Right Reverend C. Christopher Epting, Bishop of Iowa

Work History

2009 **Teaching Assistant, Church Divinity School of the Pacific**

2009 **Non-stipendiary Clergy, St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Oakland, CA**

- In this urban, multi-cultural, pastoral-sized parish, I share in liturgical leadership and pastoral care ministries.

1996-2008 **Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church and School, Odessa, TX**

- After this once vibrant congregation had survived a rapid and tumultuous decline in the early 1990s, I worked with lay leaders to re-establish ministries of stewardship, worship, education and outreach. As the congregation developed a fresh identity, its budget increased threefold, and it transitioned from being family- to pastoral-sized. Fiscal achievements included retiring significant debt, and successfully completing two building projects totaling \$2.3 million. Additionally, I served St. John's Episcopal School (230

students PreK-6th grades), both as chaplain and administrative colleague to the Board of Trustees and Head of School.

1993-96
Paul, Des Moines, IA

Curate, Cathedral Church of St.

- As a newly-ordained deacon and priest of this program-sized parish, I participated in a range of ministries, primarily guiding lay-led youth and outreach programs. In the Dean's absence, I assumed administrative responsibilities for an average of three months each year.

Diocesan and National

Member, Diocesan Mission Committee (1998–2000)
Administrator, Diocesan Convention Host City (2002)
Member, Diocesan Executive Council (2002-06)
Member, Diocesan Standing Committee (2006-2008)
Alternate Deputy to General Convention (Minneapolis, 2003)
Deputy to General Convention (Columbus, 2006)

Community

Whalley Avenue Services District, New Haven, CT (1991-93)
Downtown Ministerial Alliance, Des Moines, IA (1993-96)
Odessa Statesman Award (1998)
Member and Chaplain, Odessa Rotary Club (1998-2008)
Member, Police Athletic League (1999-2001)
Chaplain, Odessa Police Department (1999-2008)
Member, Samaritan Counseling Board (2001)
Member and President, Odessa Ministerial Alliance (1996-2008)

Continuing Education

1992 College of Preachers Conference for Outstanding Seminarians, Washington, D.C.
1994 Episcopal Urban Caucus, New Orleans, LA
1996 Scottish Episcopal Church, Brechin, Scotland
1998 *The Anglican Digest's* Conference, *Resurrection Theology*, Colorado Springs, CO
1998 NeXt Generation Conference, Alexandria, VA (Episcopal clergy under age 35)
2000 Scottish Episcopal Church, Brechin, Scotland
2002 Urban Outreach, St. Bartholomew's, New York, NY
2003 Taize Retreat, Mandala Center, Des Moines, NM
2003 College of Preachers, *Preaching a Gospel of Hope*, Washington, D.C.
2004 CREDO Institute Participant, Orlando, FL
2005 Outreach Mission to Hogar Infantil Orphanage, Tuxtla Gutierrez, Mexico
2006 Trinity Institute, *Anatomy of Reconciliation*, New York, NY
2007 Sabbatical Study, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA

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