

# VICKI GORDY-STITH

## PASTOR/LEADER

STRATEGIC THINKER | RELATIONAL | INNOVATIVE WORSHIP LEADER

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### ABOUT ME

- Creative storyteller with a passion for communicating God's love in relevant, transforming ways to people of all ages, regardless of church affiliation.
  - Team builder invested in leadership development and guiding children, youth, and adults (through counseling, coaching, spiritual formation classes, and retreats) to identify and exercise their gifts.
  - Spiritual Director with a passion for connecting the head, heart, and hands, so that faith grows beyond a concept to a lived experience of love in relationships. Promoter of holistic spirituality—body, mind, and spirit; avid runner.
  - Dover Local Group Leader for Moms Demand Action for gun sense. Invested in the lives of children: served as a school Mentor for six years, as a foster parent and Foster Care Trainer (Division of Family Services) and advocate, 2008-2013.
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### PASTORAL EXPERIENCE

**Connectional Ministries** - Director (2015-Present)

**Dover District** - Superintendent (2013-2015)

**Skyline Church, Wilmington, DE** - Pastor (2011-2013), Co-Pastor (1997-2011)

**Whaleyville Charge** - Whaleyville, MD - Pastor (1994 to 1997)

- Preacher and worship leader, working with music, drama, dance and technical teams in creating worship experiences for gatherings from 12-450 people.
- Prepare-Enrich (Marriage) counselor, Spiritual Director (Shalem Institute & Ignatian Spirituality), Conflict Mediation (University of Delaware), Strengthening Families Instructor and Trainer, Certified Coach, Stephen Ministry Leader. Facilitator for Provisional Candidates for Ordained Ministry.
- Worked extensively with Young Adult Ministries, including middle and senior high Youth Groups, and college students.
- Experienced teacher leading Bible studies and spiritual formation for all ages.
- Doctoral focus on ministry in the Post-Modern context, training leaders to lead listening groups for people who consider themselves spiritual but not religious.

### NAVAL SERVICE

**Leadership Instructor and Adjutant**

Officer Candidate School, Newport, RI (1989-1991)

**Communications and Auxiliaries & Electrical Officer**

USS Jason (AR-8), San Diego, CA (1989-1991)

- Qualified Surface Warfare Officer and Engineering Officer of the Watch. Awarded Navy Commendation Medal and Master Training Specialist.
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### EDUCATION

**Doctor of Ministry (with Distinction)**

Drew Theological School - Madison, NJ (2010)

**Master of Divinity (Magna Cum Laude)**

The Divinity School of Duke University - Durham, NC (1994)

**Bachelor of Science (General Engineering) History Minor**

The United States Naval Academy - Annapolis, MD (1986)

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### SKILLS

- Preaching and Worship Design
- Leadership and Team Development
- Spiritual Direction for Individuals and Groups
- Pastoral Counseling and Coaching
- Small Group and Retreat Facilitator
- Teacher
- Conflict Mediator
- Singer/Musician
- Storyteller
- Post-Modern and Community Outreach

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