

I was raised in Columbia, SC, where I attended Heathwood Hall Episcopal School and Trinity Cathedral. After majoring in Religion at Converse College, I chose to go north to Yale Divinity School, where Roland Bainton and Henri Nouwen joined students for lunch in the refectory. Realizing that three years in Connecticut were two and one-half winters too many for me, I was happy to return to South Carolina after graduation in 1983! In May 1984 I was the second female ordained to the priesthood in the Diocese of Upper South Carolina, and I served as the first female Priest-in-Charge in the Diocese of South Carolina.

Thirty years ago, I moved to Goldsboro and the Diocese of East Carolina. I served part-time at St. Augustine's, Kinston, while raising two children. In 2008 Holy Innocents, Seven Springs, called and asked me to serve as their Priest-in-Charge, which I happily did concurrently with St. Augustine's. I recently completed terms on the Racial Reconciliation Commission and the Commission on Ministry. However, the ministry of racial reconciliation will always be part of my life. Previously I served as Dean of the Trinity Deanery, Trinity Deanery Representative to Executive Council, and member of the Liturgical Commission, Clergy Wellness Committee, Ecclesiastical Court, Anglican Academy Board, and Department of Congregations and Development.

I am excited about this new appointment as Priest-in-Charge of St. Thomas, Windsor, which has nurtured several clergy and many lay leaders and continues to demonstrate God's love in Bertie County.