



THE REV. CANDICE B. FRAZER

MINISTRY STATEMENT

I believe that we are all beloved children of God and that our common humanity grounds us in a compassionate knowledge and love for one another; allowing us to partner with God and one another to do God's reconciling work in the world.

CONTACT

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EDUCATION

University of the South, Sewanee, TN
2010-2013
Master of Divinity

University of Alabama
1990-1993
B. A. Psychology

Loyola University
1989-1990

WORK EXPERIENCE

Rector – Church of the Ascension, Montgomery, AL

2018 - Present

Nurture a culture of compassion and belonging through pastoral care and emphasis on community life; collaborative approach to ministry with clergy, staff, and lay leadership; preaching and teaching rooted in scripture and tradition; led successful capital and stewardship campaigns; expanded community engagement through new outreach initiatives and partnerships; guided the parish through season of conflict through non-anxious presence, vision, and parishioner/staff empowerment.

Associate Rector – St. John's Episcopal Church, Montgomery, AL

2013 - 2018

Oversight and development of liturgy; Developed and administered Lay Eucharistic Visitation program to supplement pastoral care; Regular preaching and teaching of Christian Formation classes including Sunday morning, weekday Bible study, and retreats; Regular pastoral care visitation and home communion with the sick, disabled, and shut-in; Church marketing through print and social media; Implementation of outreach ministries including monthly in-gatherings, parish work days, and outreach grants.

Director of Family Ministries – St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Selma, AL

2004-2010

Responsible for Christian Formation for all age groups; Developed and administered program and curriculum for children and youth; Developed, organized, and lead mission trips, pilgrimage, and retreats; Edited monthly parish newsletter; Assisted in development of website content.

Youth Ministries Assistant – Diocese of Alabama, Birmingham, AL

2004 – 2010

Organized four youth retreat events a year; Facilitated Youth Department meetings; Mentored teenagers in diocesan leadership positions; Served on Happening Steering Committee; Advocate for youth ministries on a parish and diocesan level; provincial and national youth ministry networking including PYE and EYE.

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

National Episcopal Involvement

- General Convention Deputy – Diocese of Alabama 2015, 2018, 2022
- Southern District Representative Stewardship and Socially Responsible Investing Committee – Member 2018, Secretary 2022

Alabama Diocesan Involvement

- Dean of the Montgomery Convocation 2022-Present
- Secretariat 2023–Present
- Cursillo Spiritual Director 2016, 2018, 2022, 2025
- Standing Committee 2016–2020 (President 2019-2020)
- Department of Camp McDowell 2017–Present
- Department of Stewardship 2014–2019 (Chair 2017–2019)
- Diocesan Council 2013-2016

State of Alabama Involvement

- Opening Invocation for the Alabama State Senate; the Alabama State Ethics Commission; the Alabama Department of Education Board meetings; State of Alabama Supreme Court Admissions Ceremony for New Lawyers
- Gov. Kay Ivey Inauguration Prayer Service

Local Involvement – Montgomery, AL

- Citizen's Advisory Council and Pre-Trial Diversion Program with the Montgomery County District Attorney 2017-Present
- Clergy Advisory Group to Mayor Steven Reed 2022-Present
- Operation Good Shepherd Chaplaincy Program with the Montgomery Police Department 2016-2020
- Y Achievers Steering Committee 2016-2019
- Leadership Montgomery Class of XXXIII 2016-2017
- Hospice of Montgomery Board of Directors 2013-2019
- Holy Cross Episcopal School Board of Trustees 2015-2018 (Chair 2017-2018)