

The Rev. Mark S. Delcuze

OBJECTIVE I seek to continue to follow Jesus Christ in community, offering my gifts and enthusiasm for lay and ordained ministry development, stirring worship and transformational outreach to the wider church.

MINISTRY Rector 2005-Present
EXPERIENCE St. Stephen's Church Ridgefield, CT

- ❖ Revitalizing worship & adult education in a program-size congregation
- ❖ Hired and supervising new clergy, program & administrative staff
- ❖ Re-connected parish to diocesan resources & awareness

Associate for Mission & Ministry 1997-2005
Eastern Shore Chapel Virginia Beach, VA

- ❖ Directed a variety of adult formation & ministry development programs
- ❖ Coordinated outreach programs and community assistance programs
- ❖ Shared regular preaching and liturgical duties for parish & day school

Rector 1992-1997
Church of the Ascension Norfolk, VA

- ❖ Planned and led first capital funds campaign in fifty years
- ❖ Hired new staff and developed program goals for the parish
- ❖ Addressed issues related to previous rector's misconduct

Associate Rector 1989-1992
Grace Church Kilmarnock, VA

Rector 1986-1989
Trinity Church Moundsville, WV

Deacon/Assistant Rector 1985-1986
Trinity Church Parkersburg, WV

SPIRITUAL Vestry Retreat Leader
LEADERSHIP St. John's, New Milford 2009
Hungars Church, Bridgetown 1998, 2000
Church of the Advent, Norfolk 1992, 1993

Parish Retreat Leader / Speaker
St. Timothy's Church, Clarksville, 1999
St. Thomas' Church, Chesapeake, 1997, 1999, 2002, 2003
St. Aidan's Church, Virginia Beach 1997, 1999
Emmanuel Church, Virginia Beach 2003

Spiritual Director / Pilgrimage Leader
Cursillo & Happening Communities, Spiritual Director 1987-2005
Shrine Mont Conference, Presenter 1996-7, 2004 Coordinator 1999
Pilgrimage to Cistercian Britain, Leader 2000

DIOCESAN Cathedral Chapter Member 2006-2008
ACTIVITIES Diocesan Ecumenical Officer 2007-Present
Alternate Clergy Deputy, General Convention 2009

Clergy Deputy, General Convention 1997, 2000, 2003
Bishop Suffragan Nominating Committee Member 2000-1
Diocesan Examining Chaplains, Chair 2002-5
Diocesan Ecumenical Officer 1992-1997
Co-Convener, Statewide L.A.R.C. Conference 1992-2005
Diocesan Executive Board Member 1993-6
Dean of the Norfolk Convocation 1995-6

CIVIC LEADERSHIP Ridgefield Clergy Association President 2008-
Convening interfaith leaders from 20 area faith communities to discuss matters including alcohol/drug policy, immigration and fuel assistance.

Salvation Army Service Unit Member, 2006-Present
Serving Ridgefield/Redding area overseeing kettle collections and assisting local families to send kids to camp and other outreach programs.

R.E.A.C.H. Program Advisory Board Member, 1994- 2005
Responding to the needs of at-risk inner city teens in the Park Place neighborhood of Norfolk through worship, community programs and mentoring

Empower Hampton Roads Founding Member, 1999- 2005
Addressing community organizing issues and racial harmony through an alliance of faith-based communities in the local seven-city metropolitan area

Virginia Children's Chorus Board Member, 2002- 2005
Providing financial and promotional assistance for four choirs of 150 children ages 6-18 drawn from across the seven city Hampton Roads area

Norfolk Theophilus Society Member, 2000- 2005
Interfaith Clergy group meeting monthly to exchange papers and engage each other in broad religious and civic dialogue

EDUCATION M.Div. Episcopal Divinity School 1985
B.A. (with Honors) University of Virginia 1980

Stephen Leader Stephen Ministry Program 1997

CREDO #47 Participant, September 2003
CREDO 2 #170 Participant, May 2009

Continuing Education work with College of Preachers, Shalem Institute, Friends of St. Benedict and Alban Institute

PERSONAL Married to Mary J. (Mimi) Delcuze (September 10, 1983)
Two Daughters: Sarah (20) and Bethany (19)