

# 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)