

The Rev. Canon Michael Buerkel Hunn
Canon to the Presiding Bishop
of The Episcopal Church

Resume

Summary

Compassionate pastor, clear communicator, attentive listener, cross-cultural diplomat, respected teacher, dedicated colleague, trusted leader, inspiring preacher, open hearted facilitator, complex system navigator, accessible to all

Experience Highlights

Canon to the Presiding Bishop *for ministry within the Episcopal Church, 2015-present*

- Supporting Presiding Bishop's ministry in all areas within the Episcopal Church's 109 Dioceses in 16 nations.
- Supervising departments of Formation Ministries, Transition Ministry, and Communication, including Episcopal News Service and the Office of Public Affairs.
- Presiding Bishop's liaison to the House of Bishops, the Office of Pastoral Care, the Office of the Bishop of the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, and the Convocation in Europe.
- Chair of General Convention 2018 Liturgy Committee, Member of Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Arrangements for General Convention.
- Leading the cultural transformation of the church wide staff which involves healing, justice, re-design, re-organization, conflict transformation to build a positive, creative, responsive and collaborative culture.
- Restructured and reoriented the Communications Department to emphasize multimedia, social media and digital evangelism.
- Designed and lead process in which bishops and indigenous leaders from across the church reimagine sustainable church-wide Indigenous Ministry leadership and support.

Canon to the Ordinary *for Program and Pastoral Ministry, The Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina, 2006-2015*

- Supported all aspects of the Bishop's ministry in a diocese of 120 congregations and 7 campus ministries.
- Designed training program for pastoral responders and discipline board.
- Redesigned congregational transition process, personally facilitated 80 congregational transitions.
- Supervised Congregational Development ministry diocesan wide.
- Provided clergy mentoring, coaching, and pastoral care.
- Responsible for Transition Ministry, Discipline Board, Pastoral Response Team, Congregational Development, the Ordination Process (Priesthood), Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

- Racial Reconciliation: FreedomRide and Lift Every Voice Leadership Team.
- Diocesan Stewardship: Diocesan Fair Share redesign.

Episcopal Chaplain, Davidson College and **Associate Rector**, St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Davidson, North Carolina, 2003-2006

- Liturgy, Christian Formation and Pastoral Care for College Students.
- Convener of the Chaplains, Diocese of North Carolina.
- Began mission relationship between Davidson, St. Alban's and the Diocese of Costa Rica.
- Guest Lecturer: Department of Public Speaking, Davidson College.
- Ecumenical and Interfaith collaboration with other ministries on Campus.
- Responsible for Christian Formation from pre-school through Young Adults at St. Alban's.
- Congregation doubled in size (ASA 150-300) in three year span requiring complete redesign of Christian Formation ministry.

Adjunct faculty member, Seabury Western Theological Seminary, Chicago, Illinois, Spring 2003

- Taught Senior Seminar: Theory and Practice of Parish Ministry
- Prepared senior seminarians for ordination

Senior Associate Rector, Church of the Holy Comforter, Kenilworth, Illinois, 2001-2003

- Chief of Staff for this resource sized congregation on the North Shore of Chicago
- Preaching, Teaching, Stewardship, Formation, and Administration
- Parish Life Committee
- Professional training in pastoral care and family counseling

Chair, Religion Department and Chaplain, The Kent School, Kent, Connecticut, 1997-2001

- A co-educational prep school of 550 students founded by the Order of the Holy Cross (An Episcopal Monastery)
- 3 mandatory chapel services each week
- Pastoral Care – for all students, faculty and staff
- Curriculum Design and Academic Administration
- Taught Bible, Theology, and Philosophy
- Faculty Advisor to Hillel Society, Supported Muslim Student Group
- Head Varsity Baseball Coach, Assistant JV Boys Hockey Coach, Mountain Biking Team Coach
- Dorm Parent – 80 Boys lived upstairs.

Ordination and Education

Priest, November 1997, Diocese of Vermont

Deacon, May 1997, Diocese of Vermont

Certificate of Advanced Theological Study, Seabury Western Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL, 1997

Clinical Pastoral Education, Rush Presbyterian - St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago, IL, 1997

Master of Arts and Bachelor of Arts, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, United Kingdom, major: Theology, 1996

Language Proficiency, The Greek Workshop, University of California, Berkeley, CA, Summer

1994

Bachelor of Arts, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT, double major: History and Religion, *cum laude*, 1994

Continuing Formation and Education

- **Latino Ministry Competency Course** (8 days, The Episcopal Church & Seminary of the Southwest), 2017
- **Associate, Order of the Holy Cross** - an Episcopal monastery in West Park, NY, 2016
- **Non-Violent Communication** - ongoing study, practice and engagement of nonviolence in personal, interpersonal, small group and large group settings, 2006-present
- **Gang of 12** - monthly seminar on organizational systems and design in church, 2006-2015
- **Transition Ministry Conference** - twice yearly gathering of Diocesan Transition Officers from 43 dioceses, President 2008-2011, Active 2006-2015
- **Lombard Mennonite Peace Center: Conflict Transformation skills for churches**, 2008
- **Province IV Transition Ministry Officer gathering** - Twice yearly conference on Transition Ministry, Lay Leadership Training, Congregational Development, 2006-2015
- **Enneagram Workshop**, 2009
- **Fresh Start Facilitator Training**, 2007

Additional Teaching and Facilitation

Lecturer, Keynote Speaker, and Workshop Leader on subjects such as

- **Leadership for the Jesus Movement**, Conference of Diocesan Executives
- **Public Speaking**, Davidson College
- **Canon Law**, Duke Divinity School
- **Liturgical Living**, various locations
- **Conflict Transformation**, various locations
- **Non-Violent Communication**, Armed Forces Chaplain Conference, Episcopal Youth Event, various locations
- **Diversity/Anti-Racism**, various locations
- **Challenges of Stewardship and the Future of The Episcopal Church**, Diocese of Southwestern Virginia Convention, Clergy Conference Diocese of Southern Virginia
- **Non-Violent Racial Reconciliation**, Diocese of Rochester

Personal

Married, The Rev. Meg Buerkel Hunn

Father, Dexter - 19 years old, Murphy -17 years old, Dosie, 4 years old

Other Interests

Permaculture gardening, baseball, music, writing fiction, filmmaking, travel, cooking

