
Welcome, the Rev. David Boyd!

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The Cathedral of St. Philip is calling a new priest: the Rev. David E. Boyd III!

David will begin his ministry with us as the Canon for Pastoral Care.

David comes to us from St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Rome, Georgia, where he served as Associate Rector for the past three years. In addition to preaching, teaching, providing pastoral care, and performing the other functions you would expect of a good and faithful parish priest, David also served as a leader of the Canterbury Student Ministry — the Episcopal and Lutheran fellowship of Berry College, Shorter University, and Georgia Highlands College.

A native Atlantan and graduate of The Westminster Schools, David was raised in the United Methodist Church, joining the Episcopal Church during his senior year of high school. He studied Religion and Art History at Centre College in Danville, Kentucky.

On the first day of college orientation, he met his future wife, Sarah, with whom he studied abroad in Spain and France. After graduating in 2017, David served for one year in the Episcopal Service Corps in Atlanta, working in the food pantry at Emmaus House. During that time, David was active here at the Cathedral of St. Philip, and in fact began his official path towards ordination. Several members of the Cathedral parish served as his "Parish Commission on Ministry," helping to shepherd him through the discernment process. And, by way of the Cathedral Chapter, this Cathedral parish sponsored David for ordination. Hence, David moved on from the Episcopal Service Corps to attend seminary at the School of Theology at the University of the South in Sewanee, where he now serves as Trustee.

David was ordained to the transitional diaconate in December 2020 and, following seminary, was ordained to the priesthood in June 2021.

Sarah and David will move into the Deanery on the Cathedral property with their two bichons, Teddy and Pearl. Sarah is an elementary school teacher. David is active in Scouting, acting as a Unit Commissioner for several troops and packs. He loves the Dawgs and the Braves and tolerates his wife's Kentucky Wildcats during basketball season. David spends his free time reading, entertaining friends, and honing his bridge game.

David's first Sunday at the Cathedral will be on November 3, All Saints' Sunday. Please join us in welcoming David, and Sarah, to the Cathedral of St. Philip!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sam Candler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

The Very Reverend Samuel G. Candler
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