

I grew up in Florida and always said I wanted to live somewhere with snow. Oops. Be careful what you wish for. There is proof that God has a sense of humor.

I went to college at the University of Florida where I graduated with a degree in journalism. However, it was during that time that God made it clear that I was called to do something different than interviewing people and writing about their answers. When I first heard God speak, I thought it was a joke. This new "calling" would just be a temporary phase and go away. Nope. Try again. God kept at it and, eventually, I realized that the only way to have true peace in my life was to answer the call to seminary. So, off to seminary where I received dual degrees in a Masters of Divinity and Master of Arts in Pastoral Counseling.

I have been serving as a pastor for nine years and have been at Hazel Park since July 2022 and love being part of this quirky and compassionate church community. I am a justice oriented and inclusive pastor, and seek to help our church become a more just and inclusive place for ALL of God's Children.

I love sports, American Idol (seriously), and most other mainstream reality shows (seriously again). While I will always be a Gator at heart, I have gladly adopted the Spartans now that I am in Michigan. However, above everything else I want you to know that you are loved by God and that our Creator's grace and love has no boundaries. I believe something special happens when a group of people come together and are truly devoted to loving God and all people.