



November 4, 2011

Dear Members of St. James the Less,

The Search Committee and the Vestry are excited to announce that the Rev. Dr. David T. Anderson will be our new Priest-In-Charge. His first Sunday at SJTL will be December 11, 2011. David most recently was Vicar at St. Stephen's Church, Richmond, where he had responsibilities for administration, preaching, pastoral care, teaching, outreach, youth ministry and worship. Prior to being at St. Stephen's, he was the chaplain at St. Christopher's Episcopal School, Richmond.

David has a BA in psychology from Washington & Lee, a Master of Divinity from Vanderbilt, a PhD in theology from Union Theological Seminary and completed the required Anglican Studies courses from Virginia Theological Seminary.

David was born in Halifax, Va., but has lived in Richmond since he married his wife Mary. She went to St. Gertrude's High School and graduated from VCU. She teaches middle school science at St. Christopher's School. Their three children are still in school: Matt is in law school at University of Richmond; Maggie graduated from William and Mary in May and is currently in graduate school at William and Mary; Alexa is a sophomore at Longwood University. The family enjoys the outdoors, reading, exercise, and playing with the dogs, Bella and Beau.

As Priest-In-Charge, David currently has a three year commitment to SJTL. There will be a period of eighteen months in this capacity before he can be called as our Rector. During this first period, David and his family will continue to live in their home in Richmond and commute to SJTL.

In his interviews with the Search Committee and the Vestry, David spoke at length about his call to be the spiritual leader of SJTL. With his breadth of experience and enthusiasm, we believe that our search prayers have been answered.

The peace of God be with you.  
Dale Hill, Senior Warden