

David Annett Biographical Statement

I was born and raised in the Presbyterian church in Cincinnati, but explored many different churches during high school and college. I went to an Episcopal and Catholic Youth Group in high school, attended worship at an all African American Pentecostal church in college and found my way back to the PCUSA for theological reasons upon my return to Cincinnati. My undergraduate education was in Chemistry, and I was in the Pre-Med program at Wittenberg University, but after graduation decided to defer my pursuit of medical school for a year. I took a job as Chemist at the Cincinnati Water Works and began to volunteer as a youth group leader at Knox Presbyterian Church. I found out about a new position being created at Montgomery Presbyterian Church for a Director of Youth Ministries and was encouraged to apply. I had no experience, but knew how much I was enjoying my volunteer role at Knox so I took a step of faith and applied. I got the job and served at Montgomery for two and a half years before being called to Knox to serve as their youth leader. After ten years of service at Knox, I began to pay attention to a calling to ministry that I had tried to silence since I was little. I began coursework for a Master of Divinity degree at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary in August of 2014 and graduated this past May.

I have been married to my wife Kristen for eleven years and we have three wonderful children, Jacob (8), Liliane (6) and Annabelle (3). I have one younger sister and two nephews who also live in town. My amazing parents care for all five of their grandkids throughout the week and are models of Christian faith and community for me. These people form the foundation of support which allows me to travel this road toward ordination in the Presbyterian Church USA.