

# THE REVEREND CANON TERENCE ALEXANDER LEE

Tuckahoe, New York

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## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Nearly two decades of experience in parish ministry
- Experienced participant in short-term foreign mission trips
- Knowledgeable Christian educator and retreat facilitator
- Effective communicator & Preacher
- Leader/Administrator of Pastoral Care for corporate, pastoral, and family-sized parishes
- Strong commitment to outreach, mission, conflict resolution, and social justice

## MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

- *Ordained to the Priesthood* in the Diocese of South Carolina, December 2005
- *Ordained to the Diaconate* in the Diocese of South Carolina, June 2005

### **Rector**

The historic St. Philip's Episcopal Church, New York, New York (July 2018-Present)  
Responsible for the daily administrative operations and spiritual life of this pastoral-sized congregation, including teaching, preaching, capital fundraising and improvements, staff management/development, budget management, program/infrastructure development, and implementation. I led the effective transition of worship life to virtual worship due to the impact of COVID-19 restrictions.

### **Priest-In-Charge**

St. John's Episcopal Church, Springfield Gardens, New York (May 2017-June 2018)

- Appointed by the Bishop of Long Island to revitalize a family-sized parish
- Responsible for the instruction and mentorship of a newly ordained priest who served as curate
- Developed the congregational life, religious education, pastoral care, and all administrative duties of the parish
- Led the congregation to a new vision and plan for growth and evangelism

### **Rector**

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church, Hollis, New York (September 2010-June 2018)

- Increased membership by 33% over seven 7 years through evangelism and outreach
- Increased financial stewardship by 30% over 7 years
- Led the parish in making capital improvements over half a million dollars
- I performed administrative duties such as overseeing building management, ordering supplies, contracting for services and repairs, and supervising staff and volunteers' work.
- Counseled individuals and groups concerning their spiritual, emotional, and personal needs
- Provided referrals to community service providers
- Created and implemented a youth group

- Implemented two regular bible studies which included
  - The Rector's Forum on Sundays (has included guest lecturers), and
- Initiated DOK
- Implemented MLK Day Service and Celebration
- Conducted Vestry Retreats (Invited Seasoned Priests for retreat leaders)
- Added to the spiritual life of lay leadership (i.e., spiritual reports and bible studies are offered before each Vestry Meeting)
- Enhanced ministry and outreach by adding Consultant to Youth, then hired for the position of Director of Children, Youth, and Families
- Established Youth and Church involvement in Diocesan Camp
- Offered Church and Community Health Fair and blood drive (2012)
- Began church-wide tithing and Re-established Financial Contributions to the Diocese
- Hired appropriate full-and part-time Church Staff
- Facilitated regular Staff Retreats
- Improved relationship with Diocese of LI (Payment of Assessment)
- Established protocol of Yearly Audit by an outside firm
- Served on Board of Directors for Camp DeWolfe
- Added a nursery - a ministry to infants and toddlers

### **Canon Pastor**

The Cathedral of St. John, Albuquerque, New Mexico (August 2008-August 2010)

- Assisted Clergy in planning, organizing, and goal setting to develop vital programs
- Administered religious rites
- Prepared and delivered sermons regularly
- Officiated weddings and funerals
- Developed & led weekly Bible studies
- Planned and led religious education programs for the congregation (Confirmation, Baptism Forums, Christian Formation)
- Served on Navajo Reservation at St. Mary's Oljato, Utah
- Leader of quiet days and retreats
- Provided pastoral care and counseling services to families, couples, and individuals
- Pastoral care to sick – hospitals, skilled care facilities, and personal residences
- Collaborated with ministry action teams (MAT) to devise congregational growth methods
- Organized and engaged in interfaith, community, civic, educational, and recreational activities
- Presented Pre-marital and couples counseling
- Supplied referrals to community services and mental health providers
- Trained and Supervised Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Chalice Bearers

### **Rector**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Bennettsville, South Carolina (July 2005-August 2008)

- Increased membership by 25% over 3 years through evangelism and outreach
- Increased financial stewardship by 22% over 3 years

- Participated in Diocesan Dominican Republic Medical Mission, 2007 & 2008
- Partnered with Marlboro County Family Literacy Program
- Performed administrative duties including overseeing building management, ordering supplies, contracting for services and repairs, and supervising the work of staff and volunteers
- Counseled individuals and groups
- Provided referrals to community service providers
- Served as Chaplain for the Bennettsville Police Department
- Served on the South Carolina Early Childhood Taskforce
- Served as Diocesan Chaplain of The Order of the Daughters of the King (September 2006-August 2008)
- Served as Spiritual Advisor for Cursillo Weekends in the Diocese of South Carolina
- Trained leaders of church, community, and youth groups
- Created a youth group and implemented accompanying programs

**Seminary Assistant**

*St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (Fall 2002-Summer 2003)*

*Messiah-St. Bartholomew Episcopal Church, Chicago, Illinois (Summer 2004-Spring 2005)*

**Lay Leader**

*Calvary Episcopal Church, Charleston, South Carolina (1997-2002)*

**ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Elementary School Teacher,**

*Dorchester District Two Schools, Summerville, SC (1996-2000; 2001-2002)*

*Knightsville Elementary School, Knightsville, South Carolina (August 2001-August 2002)*

*Windsor Hill Elementary School, North Charleston, South Carolina (August 1999-June 2000)*

*Oakbrook Elementary School, Ladson, South Carolina (August 1997-August 1998)*

*Windsor Hill Elementary School, North Charleston, South Carolina (August 1996-August 1997)*

*Oakbrook Middle School, Ladson, South Carolina (summer 1997 & 1998)*

**TEACHING/MENTORING EXPERIENCE**

**Mentor,** Newly Ordained Clergy, Diocese of Long Island, 2017-Present

**Faculty/Instructor,** The Abyssinian Institute for Christian Education, New York, New York 2012-2013

**Instructor,** Thursday Morning Bible Class, Confirmation Class, The Cathedral of St. John, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 2008-2010

**Mentor,** Marlboro County Family Literacy Program, Bennettsville, South Carolina 2007-2008

**Reader/Mentor,** Children's Defense Fund Freedom School, Bennettsville, South Carolina summer 2006 & 2007

**Mentor,** The Council to Foster Black Male Leadership, "The Beaux Affair," Charleston, South Carolina 1999-2002

**Instructor,** CoastTeam Leadership Institute, The College of Charleston, summer 1999

**PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT**

**Board Member**, Commission on Ministry, Episcopal Diocese of New York, 2019-Present  
**Board Member**, New Mexico Interfaith Power & Light, 2009-Present  
**Chaplain**, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Alpha Gamma Lambda Chapter, NY, -Present  
**Member**, 32<sup>nd</sup> Precinct Clergy Taskforce, 2019-Present  
**Delegate to the General Convention**, Elected for July 2018  
**Board Member**, The Queens Federation of Churches, 2016-2018  
**Board Member**, Directors 145 Valentine Lane Cooperators, 2014-2018  
**Nominating Committee**, Diocese of Long Island, 2014-2018  
**Vice-President & Board Member**, Camp DeWolfe, Diocese of Long Island, 2013-2018  
**Canon/Preacher**, The Cathedral of the Anglican Diocese of Wiawso, Ghana, West Africa, 2016  
**Spiritual Advisor**, Children's Defense Fund National Training, Knoxville, TN, summer 2016 & 2017

**SPECIALIZED TRAINING**

**Training**, Safe Church Training, Diocese of New York 2018  
**Training**, Sexual Ethics, Diocese of the Rio Grande, September 2009  
**Training**, Anti-Racism, Diocese of the Rio Grande, February 2009  
**Training**, Clinical Pastoral Education, Roper St. Francis Hospital, June-August 2003

**AWARDS & HONORS**

**Awarded**, Grant from The Society for the Increase of the Ministry, 2004-2005  
**Awarded**, Grant from The Evangelical Education Society, 2004-2005  
**Awarded**, Mercer Scholarship for Seminary Education, 2004-2005

**EDUCATION**

**NASHOTAH HOUSE SEMINARY**, Delafield, Wisconsin  
**Master of Divinity**, May 2005

**COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON**, Charleston, SC  
**Bachelor of Science, Elementary Education**, May 1996