

St. James has called the Reverend Mark A. Jenkins to serve as Rector of St. James parish. Mark received his MDIV in Seminary Studies in 1985 from the School of Theology at Sewanee: University of the South. He is married to Leigh Harrison Jenkins, a private piano teacher, and has two children ages 25 and 19. For the past year he has been serving as Interim/Priest-In-Charge at St. Andrew's in Clawson, Michigan. Prior to that he spent 18 years as Rector at St. David's, Garden City, Michigan which was later renamed Journey of Faith Church. Over the years, he has served on the Bishop's Staff for the Diocese of Michigan, and as an Adjunct Faculty Member at Wayne State University, including two years as Campus Minister.

Mark has been described by former parishioners as a "creative preacher, making the lessons not only historical but lively and lived." He provides ongoing care of the congregations he serves both personally as well as in developing, training, and supporting the ministry of Lay Visitors. Mark views his work as a "person designated within the body of Christ who works together with its members inviting all into the ministry to which we all are called."

Mark brings many talents, skills, and experience to St. James and we all look forward to welcoming him to the community in July.



" I look for a church that can be playful in the midst of exploring the serious questions of life."

The Reverend Mark A. Jenkins