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Biographical Information

Born: September 5, 1961, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA

Married: April 19, 1980 to Lisa Carter Sharpe

Spouse: Lisa Carter Sharpe, born January 25, 1961

Children:

Rebekah Moore Sharpe Borah; born January 17, 1985; married to Jason Borah, mother of Annelise, Benny, and Tom Borah

Louisville, KY

Ellen Kathleen Sharpe Turchi; born May 25, 1988; married to Reed Turchi

Nashville, TN

Hayden Elizabeth Mae Sharpe; born December 30, 1992; single

Winston-Salem, NC

Religious Affiliations/Ordinations

Anglican Church in North America, the Diocese of Christ Our Hope

Ordained to the presbyterate December 12, 2004; York Chapel, the Divinity School, Duke University, Durham NC; by the Rt. Revd. Charles H. Murphy III.

Ordained to the diaconate June 17, 2004; All Saints Church, Pawleys Island; by the Rt. Revd. Charles H. Murphy III.

The United Methodist Church

Ordained Elder, NC Conference of the United Methodist Church; June 16, 1993; Methodist University, Fayetteville, NC; by the Rt. Revd. C.P. Minnick, Jr.

Ordained Deacon, NC Conference of the United Methodist Church, June 13, 1990; Methodist University, Fayetteville, NC; by the Rt. Revd. C.P. Minnick, Jr.

Education

Nashotah House Episcopal Seminary; July 2009 – 2018; graduated May 24, 2018; D.Min. *with distinction*; emphasis on Christian Catechesis

The Divinity School of Duke University; 1997-1991; graduated May 12, 1991; M.Div. *magna cum laude*

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1979-1985; graduated August 12, 1985; B.A. in European History

Other: Princeton Theological Seminary, Pastor/Theologian program 2005-2007

Professional Experience: Thirty-four years of pastoral and teaching experience

Current Position

September 2007 – Present, Christ Church, Winston Salem, NC, ACNA

Planting Priest and Rector

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Dean of the Triad Deanery, Anglican Diocese of Christ Our Hope

Previous Pastoral Experience

2004 – 2007, Church of the Messiah, Anglican Mission in America, Durham, NC

Planting Priest and Rector

- Church of the Messiah disbanded in April of 2007.

1995 – 2004, Cornerstone United Methodist Church

Church Planter and Pastor

1411 Rim Road, Fayetteville, NC 28314

Appointed to by Bishop C.P. Minnick, Jr. to plant this church in June of 1995

- “Cold-start” church plant/mission in military community
- Oversaw phase 1 building project from inception to completion
 - Aided in the design of the church building
 - Developed resources to finance and administer this project.

1991-1995 Atlantic United Methodist Church

Senior Pastor of Atlantic UMC

146 School Drive, Atlantic, NC 28411

- Senior Pastor overseeing all worship, mission, and programing of local congregation
- Served in cooperative ministry with the Armenian Apostolic Church in Yerevan, Bertavan, Dilijan, Bagaran, Yervandashat, and Nagorno Karabagh, April-May 1995
 - Spearheaded local North Carolina effort to provide humanitarian assistance for war-ravaged Nagorno Karabagh
 - Ministered in the war zone between Armenia and Azerbaijan (Lachin Corridor). This included preaching, teaching, delivering humanitarian aid, and surveying needs for humanitarian assistance in previously closed areas.
 - In cooperation with the Armenian Apostolic Church, baptized 119 new Armenian converts in two weeks

1987-1991 Phillips Chapel United Methodist Church

Senior Pastor of Phillips Chapel UMC

2362 Brucewood Rd, Haw River, NC 27258

- Senior Pastor overseeing all worship, mission, and programing of local congregation
- Participated in drafting the “Durham Declaration,” a theological statement by Stanley Haurwas PhD et alia.

Teaching Experience

Occasional Seminar Leader Duke Divinity School, 2007-2012

Supervisor for Duke Field Education Interns from 1988-2012

Participant in the Anglican-Episcopal House of Studies at Duke Divinity School

Preceptor, Duke Divinity School 2005 – May 2008. Courses precepted:

- PR 30 Introduction to Christian Preaching
- LTS 78 Introduction to Christian Worship
- XIANTHEO 130 Pastor’s Vocation

Adjunct Faculty, Dept. of Philosophy and Religion, Methodist University, Fayetteville, NC

2002 – 2003. Courses instructed:

- REL 104 Introduction to Biblical Literature
- REL 202 Introduction to New Testament

Adjunct Faculty, Dept. of Philosophy and Religion, Fayetteville Technical Community College

1998 – Spring 2002. Courses instructed:

- REL 211 Introduction to Old Testament
- REL 212 Introduction to New Testament

Publications

Revealing the Foundations (Doctoral Project)

The Foundations Course (14 Session Catechesis used by Christ Church and other congregations)

The Convergence Lectures: A Series of lectures for the broader Winston-Salem community addressing topics common to Christians and non-Christians

"Serving the Word," *Homily Service: an ecumenical resource for sharing the word*, June 2007

"The Healing Word," *Homily Service: an ecumenical resource for sharing the word*, December 2006

Also published in **Logia**, the creative arts periodical of Duke Divinity School

Areas of Interest

Particular interest and proficiency in:

- Training and equipping aspiring clergy for pastoral ministry and church planting
- Scripture and the Great Tradition
- Liturgy
- Homiletics
- Patristics and Early Church history
- Christian catechesis and formation
- Apologetics

Other Experience

Constitution and Canons Committee of the Diocese of Christ Our Hope, ACNA.

Ecclesiastical Court of the Diocese of Christ Our Hope, ACNA.

Regional Leader, Apostles Mission Network, AMiA, 2010-2011

Coordinator of Clergy Credentialing, Apostles Mission Network, Anglican Mission in America 2004-2010.

Editor and Publisher of **OrthoVox: An Online Journal of Classic Ecumenical Christianity** 1998-2005. **OrthoVox** received favorable mention in the journal *Pro Ecclesia* and other sources.

Fayetteville District Commission on Camping Ministries

Fayetteville District Building and Church Development Committee

Fayetteville District Board of Ordained Ministry

NC Conference Evangelical Fellowship

- President 2002-2003
- Vice President 2000-2001

Alamance District Scout Executive, Cherokee Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1985-1987

Hobbies

Backpacking

Gardening

Reading

Homebrewing

Languages

Some German. Some Greek and Latin vocabulary. Some conversational Armenian.