



October 13, 2014

Dear Friends,

Once again, God has nudged me out of my comfort zone and on to a new call in this most exciting journey I call - "my life."

On November 23, Devin and I will move to St. Michael's, MD where I will serve as Deacon at Christ Church, St. Michael's. I will also continue, very aggressively I might add, my work in Haiti - both as a partner in the Bondeau Partnership Project and as the Coordinator of the Best Practices for Haiti Medical Missions initiative.

While my heart is heavy at the thought of leaving so many good friends, it is also beating with excitement as I move on to my next call from God to serve those in need, those who are poor, and those who are suffering.

Please note - I will be here for another six weeks. There is still much work for us to do here at St. Paul's in pastoral care, Christian education, and mission work. Remember, together, and with God's help, we will!

Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Clelia", written over a horizontal line.

Clelia



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Dear Friends,

You have hopefully by now read or heard the news that our wonderful Deacon, the Reverend Clelia Garrity, has accepted a call to Christ Episcopal Church in St. Michael, Maryland. If not, I will pause while you read that information.....

You do not need me to tell you of the wonderful ministry Deacon Clelia has done here at St. Paul's and beyond. Her gifts as a teacher, a preacher, a leader, an administrator, a missionary, and a great example of what it means to be a Christian have blessed all of us and our community as well, locally and abroad.

But as Deacon Clelia will tell you, all of us are on a journey, all of us are listening (hopefully) for God's call (God does not just call clergy, as I hope you know), all of us need to be attentive to how God is shaking up our lives, both equipping us and sending us. As you have heard me say, every clergy person you have ever had at St. Paul's was just passing through, myself and Deacon Clelia included. Yet the church remains strong and committed because you are here, ready to do the work of Christ as a part of this unique and wonderful body of Christ at St. Paul's.

Rest assured we are already making sure the particular areas of focus which Deacon Clelia led and participated in will be well taken care of. Stay tuned for some announcements, especially regarding the areas of Pastoral Care and adult formation. The Reverend David Angelica has returned to Florida early this year and will help tremendously with the sacramental, preaching, and pastoral care needs. We are actively establishing some new protocols regarding Pastoral Care (and if you can help in that area, however you feel called, I would love to hear from you). We will make sure that important work continues as we look at how to best serve all our people in their time of need.

And, of course, Deacon Clelia will continue her vital work in Haiti, bringing her new church into the partnership which will strengthen all that we are doing together to make such a difference to the people of Bondeau. In Maryland, Deacon Clelia will continue her work with medical missions to Haiti for The Episcopal Church. St. Paul's will remain in partnership with the Ste. Marie Madeleine School in Bondeau.

I hope you will pray for Deacon Clelia and also help us celebrate her work and ministry amongst us. Look soon for details regarding a big party in November and how you can contribute to a purse to help show our appreciation for all she has meant to us.

Deacon Clelia will be with us until the end of the church year, the celebration of Christ the King on November 23rd. She reminds us that she intends to continue working and, that we have a lot to do.

Congratulations to Clelia! We have been blessed by you, may you continue to be a blessing to others.

Fr. David+

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