



The Rev. Canon William Spaid General Convention Deputy

Bill Spaid is a life-long Episcopalian who grew up in Maryland. He worked as a public school reading specialist before attending seminary. He served as rector of Saint Martin's Church in Kalamazoo for 16 years. He served on the Commission on Ministry and Standing Committee. Bishop Gepert invited him to join the diocesan staff in January 2003 where he serves as Canon to the Ordinary. As the Bishop's chief pastoral assistant he is staff liaison to the Commission on Ministry and administers the Title III canons as they relate to the ordination process. He also works closely with the Bishop and chancellor in managing the process relating to Title IV canons on ecclesiastical discipline and misconduct. Bill works with vestries and clergy, especially in times of change and conflict, assists the Bishop in planning diocesan liturgies and clergy events. He mentors the Fresh Start program for clergy in new positions, and provides pastoral support to clergy and their families on behalf of the Bishop. Bill has been part of the diocesan camp program for over twenty years, and has worked Cursillo weekends, and numerous retreats. Bill has a passion for the gospel, and to help congregations interpret traditional Anglicanism for health and growth in the twenty-first century.