

## Call to Ministry

My call to Christian ministry emerged from twin desires. First, there was the personal hunger to find a place and space where my administrative and creative gifts could be explored, developed, and utilized fully. The second desire was to hear someone speak healing to all those persons who, in seeking the life of faith, had received “stones for bread.” As these two merged in an understanding of a call to live as an elder in the United Methodist Church, I learned to envision ministry that could push the boundaries of the gospel forward into a realm where livelihood meets passion, rationality touches wildness, resolve coincides with kindness, and all these could exist in a dialectic that allows reckless faith to flourish.

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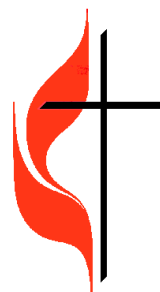
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## 2018 Appointment Associate Pastor

**Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church  
Minneapolis, Minnesota**

Introducing  
**Rev. Frenchie D. Magee**



*Minnesota Annual Conference of  
The United Methodist Church  
Bruce Ough, Bishop*

*Twin Cities District  
Rev. Dan Johnson, Superintendent*

## Education

M.Div., DUKE DIVINITY SCHOOL

B.A., GOSHEN COLLEGE, Peace, Justice and Conflict Studies

## Professional Experience

WALDEN CHAPEL UMC, Goodman, MS, Pastor

EPWORTH SCHOOL, Pietermaritzburg, KZN, South Africa,  
Chaplain

WALDEN CHAPEL UMC, Goodman, MS, Pastor

RUST COLLEGE, Holly Springs, MS, Dean of the Chapel

COUPARLE UMC, Camden, MS

GALLOWAY MEMORIAL UMC,

Jackson, MS, Interim Pastor,

Adult Spiritual Formation & Christian Education

UMC, GENERAL BOARD OF CHURCH & SOCIETY – Washington, DC

Analyst/Advocacy Intern

WALLTOWN MINISTRIES, Durham, NC, Chaplain

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MISSISSIPPI SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE – Jackson, MS, Special  
Projects Officer (Publications Division, Elections Division)

## Passion for Ministry

To equip, empower and encourage discipleship that allows Christ-followers and Christ-seekers to *love radically, think critically, and live passionately* as curious, joyful witnesses to God's presence and blessing.

## Vision of the Church

I believe the Church is a workshop of grace and radical hospitality, where all those who desire to know and love God, themselves and their neighbor can discover and practice the craft of authentic Christian community. The Church is also the locus of worship and praise to the triune God, where the Holy Spirit enables and guides those gathered in the practices that anchor and protect us as we obey our Lord's instruction to

make disciples. Thus, the Church is a place where the people of God create a true counter-culture that presses against the self-referential world in which we live.

## Leadership Style

I have been described as a collaborative, astute leader, both practical and persuasive in team settings. Administration for me is the art of using organizational systems, processes and methods to magnify the gifts of God in others so that they experience joy as they discover their own role in the ministry and work of Christ's kingdom. I believe in the power of holy conferencing and value the "third way," that often indicates the creative work of the Holy Spirit in community. I am not afraid to make decisions.

## Gifts for Ministry

Spiritual Gift surveys usually indicate that I have strong gift profiles in pastoral work, especially in guidance, teaching, giving and administration. One of my strongest gift sets is in communication across cultural and demographic lines. Another, very precious gift I possess is a personal understanding of suffering, healing, and reconciliation narrated through the incarnational presence of Christ. While more esoteric, this gift of deep empathy has been critical to the success of teaching and preaching for transformation.

## Theological Perspective

I am Wesleyan. My interest in, and commitment to, spiritual development in the Wesleyan tradition is unwavering. I believe our tradition provides one of the most expansive articulations of the Christian faith for those who desire to integrate heart, head and hands into a life of joy and transformation.