

## THE FORNEY FAMILY

**Liz** has been blessed by many loves: love of God, love of family, and love of creativity, color, shape and possibility. This makes her a pastor-mom-artist.

Liz received her Master of Divinity from Princeton Seminary. She has served in parishes and at Columbia Seminary in its Spiritual Formation.



Liz received training in Spiritual Direction from the Shalem Institute in Washington D.C.

As an artist, Liz has studied a wide variety of artistic media such as pottery, jewelry, watercolors and fused glass.

**Sam** is fourteen years old and will be entering 8th grade this year. He enjoys all things computer and sports. Sam also loves his two dogs Bridget and Zoe.



**Ellie** is eleven years old and will be entering the 6th grade. She loves art and dance. Ellie is excited to make new friends and learn all about Virginia.

## The church I would like to serve is...

One in which the congregation would be curious about the intersection between the biblical narratives and their faith and how these intersections inform everything from ethical decisions at work to Christian stewardship to good parenting.

The congregation would be growing in their capacity to care for one another and those they find in their local community—sharing in both celebrations and painful experiences, continually seeking and gaining strength from God.

A willingness to be available to the “new thing that God is doing” (as the prophet Isaiah encourages) is an important part of faithful discipleship.

## Your Pastor Nominating Committee

*Terry Forbes (Moderator)*

*Diane Schmidt (Vice - Moderator)*

*Jim Hubbard (Secretary)*

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*Ashley Schauer*

*Mac Thompson*

*Kitty Pettit (COM liaison)*

Your Pastor  
Nominating Committee  
unanimously  
recommends...

**Dr. David G. Forney**



As Pastor, Head of Staff  
First Presbyterian Church  
Charlottesville, VA,

July 2011

**" My deepest joy is facilitating the growth and nurture of God's people through leading worship, teaching and acts of service as we work and wait together for God's reign in this world. "** *David Forney*

### **What excites you about First Presbyterian, Charlottesville?**

"The congregation's desire to worship God faithfully and joyfully. Whatever style of worship we each prefer, when we gather to worship God with faith and joy, we become ready to serve with humility and love. That is a community I would be proud to be a part."



"I hear a similar movement of God's mission at FPC, where the congregation's vision is to "love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

### **FORMAL EDUCATION**

- Ph.D in Educational Administration, University of Texas, 1999
- Master of Divinity, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey, 1993
- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas (1987)

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

- Pastor (Head of Staff) First Presbyterian Church, Clarksville, Tennessee (2007—present)
- Editor, *Journal of Religious Leadership*, [www.arl-jrl.org](http://www.arl-jrl.org), (2005—present)
- Associate Dean of Faculty, Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia (1999-2007)
- Stated Supply Pastor, Burnet Presbyterian Church, Burnet, Texas (1999)
- Associate Pastor for Campus Ministry and Adult Education, University Presbyterian Church, Austin, Texas (1993-1997)

### **SERVICE TO THE LARGER CHURCH DENOMINATION**

David has served as a member of the Executive Committee of the Academy of Religious Leadership and Conflict Management Team, Greater Atlanta Presbytery. He has been asked to lecture and serve as keynote speaker multiple times on topics such as "Conflict and the Work of the Gospel," "A Missional Approach to Polity" and Strategic Planning.

His writing can be found in publications such as: *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary*, *Journal of Religious Leadership*, and *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching and the Arts*.

