



## Reverend David J. Powers

Pastor, preacher, and counselor motivated by a passion to serve God in the world through the Church.

### Experience

#### **SENIOR PASTOR, MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH; MADISON, GA - NOV 2013-PRESENT**

Serve as Head of Staff in a medium-sized congregation: 345 active members. Pastoral responsibilities include preaching approximately forty-five times per year, planning and leading weekly worship services, providing pastoral care and counseling to all generations. Administrative responsibilities include oversight of and visioning for twelve ministry teams, supervision of Associate Pastor, eight church staff, and ten preschool staff as well as serving as moderator of Session. Organizational responsibilities include direct coordination of Personnel, Worship, Generosity, and Property Ministries, facilitating new member classes, and oversight of all programmatic ministries.

#### **ASSOCIATE PASTOR, MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH; MADISON, GA – JUNE 2011-NOV 2013**

Served in a general capacity with particular responsibilities in Christian Formation, Youth, Generosity, and Worship ministries. Became the acting Head of Staff in November 2012 while serving as Associate Pastor.

#### **DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY, MADISON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH; MADISON, GA – AUG 2010 - MAY 2011**

#### **INTERN, PRESBYTERIAN CAMPUS MINISTRY AT EMORY UNIVERSITY; ATLANTA, GA – AUG 2009 - MAY 2010**

#### **CHAPLAIN, METHODIST HOSPITAL (CPE); ; 1000 BEDS, HOUSTON, TX - MAY 2009 - AUG 2009**

#### **INTERN, GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH; 3500 MEMBERS; HOUSTON, TX – JUNE 2008 - MAY 2009**

#### **INTERN, MOUNT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH; 3000 MEMBERS, MT. PLEASANT, SC - MAY 2007 - AUG 2007**

#### **INTERN, THE MUNICIPAL ASSOC. OF SOUTH CAROLINA; ADVOCACY FIRM, COLUMBIA, SC - MAY 2005 - MAY 2006**

### Education

**COLUMBIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY - MASTER OF DIVINITY, 2010;** Received *Honors Scholar Award*

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA - MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, 2006**

**PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE - BACHELOR OF ARTS, 2004;** Received *Most Outstanding Senior Award*

### Continuing Education

**Zick Preaching Scholar\*** - intensive preaching program facilitated by Rev. Tom Tewell and Rev. Steve Eason (2016-present)

**Macedonia Ministries Mentoring Program** - monthly, personal mentoring on best practices in leadership (2015-present)

**Something To Say** - boutique conference focused on the art of communication led by pastor & author Rob Bell (2018 & 2019)

**Chautauqua Institution\*** - selected for the Interfaith Clergy Program; a small group of Abrahamic faith leaders (2017)

**Mini-MBA Program for Pastors: Leading & Managing in Complex Environments Program** - Luther Seminary (2016)

**Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children Certificate Program** (2016 & 2019)

**Jesus Trail** - two week hike and educational experience across Israel (2015)

### Involvement

**President** - Alumni Council of Columbia Theological Seminary; **Preacher** - *Day1 Broadcast (September 2016)*; **Board Member**

- *Presbyterian Student Center at UGA*; **Board Member** - *Qwest West Inc.*; **Organizer and Chairperson** - *Unity*

*Morgan* (community organization working for racial justice and reconciliation in Morgan County); **Founding Member** - *OutCry*

(interfaith organization working to end gun violence in Georgia); **Member** - *Nominating Committee of Northeast Georgia*

*Presbytery*; **Co-Director** - *Montreat Middle School Conference 2016*; **Member** - *Madison/Morgan County Ministerial*

*Association*; **Chaplain** - *Morgan Memorial Hospital*; **Volunteer** - *Rise Reader Program*; **Volunteer** - *Meals on Wheels*; **Director** -

*Zick Preaching Scholar Alumni Program*

### Personal Interests

Runner, Hunter, Golfer, Dog-lover, Avid Reader, and Podcast Aficionado

\* - denotes competitive national selection process