



Rev. Frank Lybrand, “retired” in June 2019 as Senior Pastor of Carteret Street United Methodist Church in Beaufort. In September 2019, he joined St. Andrew as an Associate Pastor, assisting in worship and providing weekly congregational care and other support functions of the church. Frank has spent more than 39 years serving churches in the South Carolina Conference. We were so grateful that Frank also served us as our interim senior pastor after Rev. Dr. Robin Dease was elected Bishop and before Rev. Jonathan Tompkins joined us in July 2023.

Frank was born and grew up in Union, South Carolina, the youngest of three boys. His parents worked in the textile mills most of their lives. After graduating from high school, Frank served in the US Air Force as an air traffic control operator. When his four years of service were over, he returned to Union where he sensed a call to pastoral ministry. He graduated from Wofford College in 1983 while serving a local church. Frank’s Master of Divinity degree was earned at Erskine Theological Seminary as he continued to serve local congregations. In 1986, Frank was ordained as Elder in the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. Most of his ministry, he served as pastor of congregations in the upstate of South Carolina, until being appointed to Carteret Street UMC, Beaufort in 2015.

Frank is married to Sherry, his wife of 42 years. They have two children: Torey, who lives in Conway, SC and Taylor, along with his wife, Caroline, lives in Greenville, SC. Sherry is a retired public school teacher of 35 years experience. In retirement, Frank decided to give his time to watercolor painting. He also enjoys reading and watching movies with Sherry.

What he likes best about his role at St. Andrew is the interaction with the people. Says Frank, “I believe ministry is always people focused. Whether leading worship or the Healing and Wholeness Service, videotaping the Praying Together Online sessions, participating in the administration needs of the church or visiting persons in need, people and their connection to God stands at the center of ministry. If we forget that, our work, however good, will be in vain.”