

## Presbytery de Cristo Pulpit Supply List – 2016

### PASTOR BACKGROUND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Rev. Bill Evans is recently retired after a 30-year ministry in the PCUSA. His last call as an Interim was Head of Staff for the Presbyterian Church of the Master in Omaha, Nebraska, working with a strong staff including an Associate Pastor who had been there 9 years. PCM had a very strong mission emphasis. He served 3 other Interims, 2 in Phoenix and 1 in Southampton, New York at the oldest Presbyterian Church in America (founded 1640). He understands transitions and trained each of these Sessions with *The Anatomy of Peace*, by the Arbing Institute, an excellent resource for conflict resolution.

Bill served in the US Army honorably from 1975-78 as a Chaplain Assistant, and in the US Navy from 1984-87 as a (LT) Chaplain in Yokosuka, Japan. This included extensive prison ministry both in the brig and with Americans incarcerated in Japanese prison. Sharing responsibilities with 5 other Chaplains, he also specialized in counseling families in domestic violence crisis for Family Advocacy, and counseled a wide variety of needs on a base of 20,000 military personnel and families. He continued as a USN Reserve Chaplain for several years.

In Tucson, Bill was pastor of Tortolita Presbyterian from 1993-2005. Among community activities Tortolita led services many years in Northwest Tucson inviting several churches to participate in celebrating the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Tortolita was always a lead giver in de Cristo to Montlure Camp, and Bill served as Chaplain of 11 camps for Junior or Senior High in a period of 9 years.

Bill is available to preach or to lead workshops or studies on topics such as human trafficking, domestic violence, and racial reconciliation, as well as Bible studies emphasizing the active love that was central to everything Jesus taught and lived. He can help with memorial services or hospital calls during times of overload or when you need to be away on vacation or study leave.

**Rev. Elizabeth Smith**  
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Rev. Elizabeth Smith moved to Tucson in March 2015 from Roanoke, Virginia where she served for nearly three years as the Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults at Second Presbyterian Church. She graduated from Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia in May 2012, and has a BS in Education from the University of Kansas. Elizabeth is married to Bart Smith, the new pastor at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church.

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I was ordained in 1970 and in 1948 de Cristo called as organizing pastor of what became Faith Presbyterian Church in Sierra Vista. I served Faith as pastor until I retired October 1, 2010.

I have served during those twenty-six years in many positions including Moderator, Moderator of Committee on Ministry, and Moderator of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry. I have been in every church in the presbytery.

I have always enjoyed preaching and I believe worship is the heart of the church.

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I am a pastor with the Presbyterian Church, having served as a PC(USA) missionary in Latin America for the last 18 years, first with the Presbyterian Border Ministry in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, as co-director with my wife, Kim. In cooperation with the National Presbyterian Church of Mexico, I helped plant 3 churches, and did community development. Then in Nicaragua, I served as a professor of pastoral counseling, and Christian Education at the Ecumenical Center for Theological and Social Studies in Managua, Matagalpa, and Juigalpa for 6 1/2 years. I started a trauma recovery ministry, "Sanacion en Nombre de Jesucristo," for victim-survivors of a mudslide caused by Hurricane Mitch, October 30, 1998 which killed 3,054 persons. With over 600 people, some who had lost as many as 25 family members, my wife and I used many therapy interventions always based on the healing miracles of Jesus Christ. Those who were depressed and threatened to kill themselves decided instead to chose life. After 5 years, those who had Post Traumatic Stress Disorder had completely recovered. We witnessed the miraculous healing of Jesus Christ!

I served as parish associate, 7 years, with the Moravian Church of Managua, (tri-lingual, Spanish, Miskito, English) leading in worship, music, and preaching, and counseling children and families.

As a member of Presbytery de Cristo for 26 years, I was one of the founding pastors of the Holy Way Presbyterian Church, and then worked at Southside Presbyterian in refuge ministry, and teaching SS. I started the presbytery's Peacemaking with Justice Committee serving as chairperson from 1986- 92.

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I have been blessed to preach at a number of churches in the Presbytery. I thoroughly enjoy worshipping with and getting to know the other part of my church family. I have been ordained as a Minister of the Word and Sacrament since 2005, and have been on the staff of Northminster Presbyterian since 1997.

**Rev. Jim Cobb** Cell phone 520-483-1767

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Rev. Cobb retired in 2002 having served in three churches as an installed pastor and two churches as Interim Ministry Specialist. My wife and I currently live in Casa Grande, Arizona, where I am a Parish Associate at First Presbyterian Church in Casa Grande. I serve Presbytery de Cristo as a member of an Administration Commission and as a member of the Committee on Ministry.

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Walter retired from the Douglas Policy Department in 1992. He has completed the Lay Academy in John Calvin Presbytery in 1999 and has been a CLP for 11 years. He has completed classes at Debuque Distance Learning and recently was approved by the CPM of Presbytery de Cristo ready to receive a call in this Presbytery.

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Rev. Marvel is an ordained RCA pastor, a graduate of Fuller Theological Seminary where she was a doctoral student. She is retired from full-time church pastor. Her last ministry was 13 years at Rosemont Community in Tucson.

She has memorized the Gospel of Mark and story tells it for conferences and retreats.

Married, 40 years, to Jim Marvel. We have three grown children, (two RCA pastors) and we are grandparents of four of the most wonderful little folk God has ever created.