



Rev. Barbara Simmers

Peace Lutheran Church
Slidell, LA

The Rev. Barbara Simmers earned her Master's of Divinity from Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, SC. Pastor Simmers has been ordained for 22 years, serving three congregations. Reformation Day (2020) will be her 16th anniversary serving at Peace, Slidell, LA. She was a voting member at Churchwide Assembly in the 2009 church decision to include LGBTQ Christians into full participation in the ELCA and a leader in this avenue of social justice. She is also passionate about women's rights and the ministry of elderly people. Pastor Simmers served also as a hospice chaplain for 7 1/2 years. She has wide and deep experience with hospitality ministry since the 2005 storm, Hurricane Katrina and working with Habitat for a Humanity. She enjoys teaching and public speaking. Prior to ordained ministry, Pastor Simmers was a florist, and uses her creative talents in her ministry. She is single and loves Maine Coon cats, New England in the Fall, working with people, the Northshore of New Orleans, and being in nature.



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