

Bio for MVP on Rev. Deb. Bowsher

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A native Ohioan, Rev. Deb is very excited to have begun sharing the faith journey of Trinity United Presbyterian Church in Zanesville. Her sense of serving “the least of these” in Christ’s name was instilled by her Mom who was a life-long Presbyterian. Deb relishes discovering new ways to teach and preach God’s word – even without words - and believes remembering God’s compassion with others in crisis is both an honor and a blessing from God!

Before being ordained in 2010, she sold informational services to lawyers. She loves her family – including her cats – listening to and singing all kinds of music, reading, kayaking and riding.

As to more details, here’s a few snippets:

1. Born and raised in Dayton, I’m a native Ohioan. Notice I did not say Buckeye... A proud Otterbein alum, I did not attend The OSU.
2. My Mom was a life-long Presbyterian. She and Dad were married well over sixty years and brought my sister and me into a very loving home. She’s the one who taught me Christ’s value of caring for - and standing up for - people who aren’t like me.
3. I have a cousin who lives in Las Vegas but is as close as a sister to me. My sis and I have both lived there too!
4. As my cats can attest, I love pretty much all animals, except alligators, snakes and giant squid. (OK I like to eat calamari – they aren’t scary!).
5. Before seminary I sold BMWs and law books. And because of the law books I’ve lived all over the USA: Safety Harbor, Florida; Las Vegas and Reno, NV; Phoenix, AZ; Wilmington, DE and Delaware, OH.
6. My favorite courses in seminary were “War and Christianity” and the “Doctrine of the Trinity.” But the best part of that journey was studying and building relationships with members of 30+ denominations.
7. Once upon a time I was married.
8. I love to read (mostly cozy mysteries, but David Brooks’ “Road to Character” was awfully good); listen to and sing all kinds of music; used to rock climb – when I lived out west, before breaking my leg hiking to a new climb. I still enjoy hiking and kayaking, riding, gardening and mowing lawns with a tractor mower.
9. And believe it or not, I’m an introvert!