

## **BIO: The Rev. Dr. Ann J. Broomell, Rotating Supply Clergy**

Since 1994 The Rev. Dr. Ann J. Broomell has served parishes in New England and the Middle Atlantic States in cathedral dean, rector, and interim rector positions.

Originally a member of the UCC, she was drawn to the sacramental and mystical traditions and to the social justice focus of the Episcopal Church. She is a graduate of Episcopal Divinity School (MDiv) and Seabury-Western Theological School (DMin).

After serving as Deacon- and Priest-in-Charge of a parish in MA, she served as rector and cathedral dean in dioceses in the Middle Atlantic States. She then discerned a call to interim ministry and served in that role in several parishes. Her interest in Anglo-Catholic worship began as she served as thurifer at the Society of St. John the Evangelist in Cambridge MA while in seminary. A recent parish where she served as interim was at Christ Church, New Haven, a more traditional Anglo-Catholic parish where her initial love of this style of worship was rekindled.

Since moving to Mount Pleasant, SC in 2019, Mother Ann has served as a Priest Associate at St. Stephens in Charleston and was recently Interim Rector at The Historic Calvary Episcopal Church, Charleston, from which she retired last August. In addition to preaching and celebrating as supply in the parishes of the diocese, she is a mentor and spiritual director to students at Yale Divinity School and offers spiritual direction locally as well. She has recently completed serving three years on the Board of the League of Women Voters of the Charleston Area organizing voter registration and education events at high schools, colleges and universities, as well as festivals and community gatherings in the tri-county area. In addition, she enjoys kayaking, singing, reading, travel, and time with friends and family.

Mother Broomell is especially delighted to be with the people of St. Monica and St. James this summer. She is looking forward to offering Sunday Supply and other services and duties as may be needed. She will be able to spend time with her daughter and son-in-law who live in NE Washington and friends in the area and will be looking for permanent housing as she hopes to move here in the Fall.