



The cathedral announces the appointment of a new associate priest

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Christ Church Cathedral has announced that the Rev'd Dr. Deborah Meister will be its next associate priest. she will work with the dean The Very Rev'd Bertrand Olivier and the pastoral team to support and develop several of the Cathedral's pastoral and liturgical ministries.

Deborah is an alumna of Harvard and holds a PhD in English literature from UCLA and a master of divinity from Berkeley Divinity School at Yale. She is bringing to the cathedral substantial pastoral experience from numerous parishes in the eastern United States from Birmingham, AL, to Washington, DC, and most recently, Glastonbury, CT.

Deborah is passionate about the adult education, having developed and taught her own program combining spiritual development and practical life application. She has a heart for poverty alleviation in urban centres.

Dean Olivier says, "Deborah is joining the cathedral team at a particularly exciting moment in our community life. We are in the middle of a restoration project which demands much energy. However, we also see God at the work in our community, with the growing interest for our Progressive and inclusive theology and for our diverse ministries and outreach programmes. Deborah's competence, professionalism, and deep faith will be an invaluable asset for our Cathedral life."

"I'm thrilled to join the team at Christ Church Cathedral," says Rev'd Dr. Meister. "I admire the Cathedrals engagement to be at once a spiritual and artistic site for Montrealer's and an oasis of compassion and safety for those who need it. I can't wait to deepen our involvement with God and with others as we serve Christ together."

Deborah will be installed at the choral Eucharist at 10:30 on Sunday September 15th.

Located on Rue Sainte-Catherine, in the heart of downtown Montréal Christ Church Cathedral is the mother Church of the Anglican Diocese of Montréal. Rooted in Anglican tradition it is known for the quality of its music and as the base of numerous ministries and community activities. The cathedral seeks to serve the English- and French-speaking communities, the young and the older, from all socio-economic backgrounds, and all gender and sexual orientation identities. All are welcome at Christ Church Cathedral.