Joshua Benton

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Education

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| 2014 - present | Trinity Evangelical Divinity School | DMin Pastoral Care |
| 2000-2005 | Calvin Theological Seminary | MDiv |
| 1998-2001 | Calvin College | BA English |
| 1996-1998 | Ventura College | AA Liberal Arts Studies |

Employment History

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| 7/2013 – 2/2017 | Friendship Chapel (CRC) | Jenison, MI |
| * Developed and taught curriculum for adult education * Developed and implemented an organic mentoring program for developing leaders * Taught one on one discipleship methods * Led church through Calvin Seminary’s Renewal Lab * Pastoral care as needed * Due to the financial unviability of the congregation, I led church through the decision process to close. I learned much about leadership and discipleship during this time. | | |
| 8/2010 – 7/2013 | Corsica CRC/Grace Reformed | Corsica, SD |
| * Developed and taught curriculum for adult education * Regular pastoral care * Taught high school catechism * Led two congregations worshiping together * Worked with both councils in beginning merger discussions | | |
| 12/2007 – 8/2008 | Lansing Presbyterian Church | Lansing, IL |
| * Acted as part time interim pastor * Helped develop community benevolence program * Pastoral care as needed | | |
| 8/2006 – 7/2010 | Bethel Christian Reformed Church | Lansing, IL |
| * Volunteer * Developed Bethel Cares program which aided families in need in Lansing community and also placed volunteers in the local elementary school * Developed and taught curriculum for adult education * Taught discipleship and evangelism training * Preached as requested | | |

Certifications

Certificate of Christian Studies—Missions and Evangelism, Fuller Theological Seminary, 2009

Sermons may be found at www.pastorjosh73.wordpress.com