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Dear Fellow Parishioners:

On behalf of a fully engaged and supportive Bishop Benfield and the enthusiastic and unanimous (15-0) vote of the Vestry, I am beyond thrilled to tell you that our new Dean and Rector will be the <u>Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux</u>.

Rev. Meaux has been the Rector at Trinity Episcopal Church in Danville, Kentucky for the past nine years. She was born in Beaufort, South Carolina and over the years has lived across the southern United States. She received her Master of Divinity from the Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas and has served Trinity (New Orleans, Louisana) and Saint Michael and All Angels (Dallas, Texas) in addition to Trinity in Danville. She is married to Jared, who is in IT software and works from home, and has three children – Elise (age 16), Jacob (age 13), and Woodrow (age 7).

I want to expressly thank our terrific Search Committee, whose members have worked tirelessly over the last eighteen months to discern the right individual to be our Dean and Rector. They demonstrated their love for Trinity by working right through the global pandemic. When you see them, please express your appreciation to Co-Chairs Steve Bethel and Mary Starr Brock and committee members Adam Baldwin, Sarah Bennings, Elizabeth Clark, Eliza Gaines, John Milwee, George Morledge, Clarke Tucker, and Mary Margaret Wippo.

I must also tell you what great leadership Russ has provided during this interim period and challenging time for all of us. The same goes for Lisa and the entire staff as well. Bless you all.

Amy Meaux will be the 21st Dean and Rector of Trinity and, obviously, the first female. You will find her to be very engaging and full of good energy. While we always honor our history, we can now look forward to an exciting new beginning, a promising new chapter in our life together, and a bright future for our church family.

Please join me, the Bishop, the Search Committee, and the Vestry in welcoming Amy.

Yours in Christ,

Rett Tucker

Senior Warden