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Distinguished Citizen biography for:

Katie Bishop

b. 1983

Honored as a Distinguished Citizen in 2022

Rev. Katie Bishop was born in Washington, D.C., and raised in Alexandria, Virginia. Katie married Rev. Chris Bishop in 2006. They have two daughters, Eden and Bethany, and are in the process of adopting a son from Haiti.

Katie attended T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria, Virginia, Marymount College in Arlington and Wesley Seminary in Washington, D.C. She met her husband Chris on their very first day there when the class pictures were taken.

Chris and Katie were married in their second year at seminary, on June 24, 2006, and were ordained together on June 4, 2010.



Katie was called to serve in Brunswick at the New Hope United Methodist Church, where she preached her first sermon on July 4, 2010. She served as pastor until 2020.

Katie came to know Brunswick through New Hope's previous pastor, the Rev. Vicky Starnes. She learned a lot about our community through their conversations before transferring here.

Katie's contribution to the Brunswick community includes being pastor of New Hope, serving with The Brunswick Ecumenical Assistance Committee On Needs (BEACON) as president and then as the co-leader of the Brunswick Food Bank Leadership Team, coordinating the Community Christmas Program, and as a Girl Scout Volunteer. She also worked with the Brunswick Area Recreation Council (BARC) as minister in the "Renewal of Wedding Vows" ceremony, encouraged and participated in "Freezin' for a Reason" (as pictured above), and gave the blessing for the American Legion and the Eagle motorcycle riders.

She remembers the blessing of serving the Brunswick community as something she will always treasure. Katie said the following about Brunswick, "Wonderful people, committed to building up the community, Brunswick is a unique place to live and work. I am most proud to have been a part of this community in its work to serve the least and lost, feeding our neighbors, providing school supplies and Christmas gifts to the less fortunate. There is a unique partnership in Brunswick with the government, the BEACON, the community agencies, and other nonprofits which is truly remarkable. What a wonderful community."



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The Mayor and Council and the Brunswick History Commission are proud to honor Rev. Katie Bishop as a Distinguished Citizen of Brunswick, Maryland.