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Bruen Chapel UMC is pleased to welcome our new Pastor, Don Ferris-McCann and his wife Lisa to our community and our church family.

The Reverend Doctor Don Ferris-McCann is a native of Michigan. Born and raised near Grand Rapids, he received his Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Business Administration from Grand Valley State University. After a short time in working for a refrigeration contractor as a Project Manager, Don surrendered to his call to become a Pastor, and received his Master of Divinity from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL in 1984. Don was ordained as a Deacon in the United Methodist Church in 1983 and as an Elder in 1986 in the West Michigan Annual Conference.

Don has served in congregations of various sizes throughout his pastoral career. In 2001 he earned his Doctor of Ministry in Preaching from McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, IL. Being a life-long learner has brought Don a wealth of experience and knowledge which he has used as an Adjunct Professor of Leadership and Religious Studies at Siena Heights University, and as an Adjunct Professor of Religion for Northern Virginia Community College.

When Don's wife Lisa was afforded an opportunity to work at the American Council of Education in Washington, DC, Don made the move to Northern Virginia. Since his arrival he has served as the Minister of Education at Galloway UMC (Falls Church), Interim Pastor of Smith Chapel UMC (Great Falls), and as Pastor of Upperville and Unison UMC's.

Dr. Lisa Ferris-McCann is the Associate Director of Military Programs at the American Council of Education. She leads a department dedicated to providing military personnel with every educational advantage by working with the Department of Defense to evaluate and recommend higher education credit for the training they receive while they serve our country.

Lisa was born and raised in Dearborn, Michigan. She received her Bachelor at Central Michigan University, her Masters in Leadership at Siena Heights University, and her Doctor of Education at Ferris State University.

Don and Lisa are the parents of three grown children, all busy living their own lives.

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