



## **Rev. Alan Combs**

Rev. Alan Combs grew up United Methodist in Powhatan, Va. He is a graduate of Hampden-Sydney College (BA in Religion) as well as Duke Divinity School (MDiv, ThM) He was ordained as an elder in the Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church in 2011.

Combs currently serves as lead pastor at First Salem in the Valley Ridge District. Prior appointments include Heritage UMC (Lynchburg) as an associate pastor, Lane Memorial UMC (Altavista), and Front Royal-John Wesley UMC Charge (Front Royal).

He is currently in his third term serving on the Board of Ordained Ministry. In the past, he has served as a lay member and then a clergy alternate to Jurisdictional Conference, and he has served on the General Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns.

He is married to Morgan; the couple met at the Wesley Foundation that serves Longwood and Hampden-Sydney College. She is the school nurse at South Salem Elementary School. They have three children: Mary Alex (14) , Laurel (12), and Walker (10). They also have two pugs named Duke and Chip.