W. Ford Price

Ford Price is a native of Huntington, West Virginia and one of three children. Ford graduated from Huntington High School in 1975 and earned a BA at Marshall University with a major in history and minors in English, Chemistry, Math, and Humanities in 1980. Ford also earned a teaching certificate in 2007 and is a certified secondary school social studies with six years of teaching experience.

After receiving the call to ordained ministry in the United Methodist Church, Ford pursued education at the Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Eberhard-Karl University in Tuebingen, Germany, and Harvard Divinity School, where he earned a M.Div. in 1985. Ford completed his D.Min. at United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio in 1995 with an emphasis on building Christian community that includes new people. Ford was ordained Deacon in 1983 and Elder in 1985 by Bishop William Boyd Grove.

Ford is married and the father to five wonderful children who now are grown, educated, and gainfully employed. One of Ford’s children is also a United Methodist pastor in Pittsburgh. Ford is the proud grandfather of four beautiful girls and one handsome boy.

Ford has served appointments in local churches since 1985. They include: Humphreys UMC and Robinson Chapel UMC in Tornado, 1985-1992, Christ Church UM in Charleston as Associate Minister, 1992-1995, Kenova UMC in Kenova, 1995-2004, Central UMC, 2012-2016 in Huntington, and Epworth UMC, 2016-2023 in Ripley.

Ford was trained as a Growth Plus Consultant in 1998 and has led several churches in assessing ministries, implementing change, and developing ministry action plans. He has received both Basic and Advanced Coach Training in the West Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church. Ford enjoys helping pastors and churches in reaching their fullest, God-given potential.

Ford enjoys movies and dinners with his wife, spending time with family, especially grandchildren, and friends, outdoor activities, including golf, hiking, tennis, and turkey hunting.