The Rev'd Canon Ronald L. McCrary was ordained to the priesthood in 1979 following five years as a symphony violinist. He was rector of Christ Church, Overland Park, Kansas for twenty-one years, during which the parish grew from a small mission to one of the largest in the diocese ... and it was under his leadership that it was one of the first parishes to secure its exodus from The Episcopal Church with all its property and assets. Having taken a graduate degree from the University of Texas in 1975 ... having married a Texas native ... and with their three children and six grandchildren being in the DFW metroplex and Austin, they moved to Dallas following his retirement from parochial ministry and entrance into a ministry of church planting, coaching rectors and consulting with parishes and dioceses. Canon McCrary is also a potter whose works are carried in various galleries in Texas.