

## **BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION FOR OFFICER NOMINEES**

### **Cecil Phillips – Nominated for Moderator 2022-23**

Cecil Phillips was installed as Vice-Moderator in September 2021. He has been a member of Dickey Memorial Presbyterian Church since 1987, having joined because of the church's strong sense of mission. He and his wife were married there in May 1989. He is an elder who has served multiple times on the session. He sings in the church choir and has cooked for Paul's place.

Prior to "retirement" in 2005 Cecil worked in sales and advertising for three local television stations. He joined the Delaware National Guard as a Private in May 1964, serving for thirty years and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel, battalion commander of the 1-175<sup>th</sup> Infantry – The Fifth Regiment of Maryland. He was promoted to Colonel by the state of Maryland while serving as the Honorary Colonel of the Regimental Association.

### **Andrew Connors – Nominated for Vice-Moderator 2022-23**

Andrew Connors has been Senior Pastor at Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church since 2004. From 2010-2021 he served as clergy co-chair of Baltimoreans United in Leadership Development (BUILD), a local affiliate of the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) and Maryland's largest citizen's power organization. One of the founders of NEXT Church, a national movement among Presbyterians excited about the future of the Presbyterian Church (USA), he has also served as co-chair. He serves on several nonprofit boards and is a frequent contributor to journals and commentaries.

Andrew holds degrees from Duke University and Columbia Theological Seminary, and was the 2001 recipient of the David H.C. Read Preaching Award.