

Minister

Reverend Chad Thompson

Pastor Chad was born in Hawaii but raised mostly in Colorado. He was in the top eight of his high school class (there were only 8 seniors). He started out going for a teaching credential at Morgan Community College but then his younger sister called and said he should complete his education at her school, Northwest Christian College (now Bushnell University), in Eugene, Oregon. He moved up there in 1999. While he was there, he heard the Lord calling him to youth ministry. He switched majors and graduated top of his class in 2003 (he was the only MDiv graduating at that ceremony). He started his youth ministry career at Neighborhood Church of Christ in Sutherlin, Oregon. He was also working in landscaping at the time. In 2008, he moved to Selma to continue his education. Again, he started with teaching but he heard God call him to ordained ministry. He graduated with his Master of Divinity in 2013. As he grew older, youth ministry grew distant to him. He decided to go back to school again for teaching. While he was working toward his credential, he was hired as the interim pastor here at FCC Selma. During the church's search for a settled minister, he realized how much he loved being the "real" pastor. Other people had noticed too, and he was hired this past January as the settled pastor.

He met his wife, Charlotte, while at NCC. They got married in 2000. They have six children and just found out they will be grandparents in February. His interests outside of church include Denver Broncos football, fishing, reading, and watching movies. He also loves going to church camp every summer with his wife.