

## BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

### CLERGY CELEBRATING SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARIES OF ORDINATION IN 2019

#### 70 YEARS – 1949

##### **Luther J. Binkley -Retired**

1962-91 Professor of Philosophy, Franklin and Marshall College  
1963-64 Teacher, Graduate Courses, LTS  
1959-60 Visiting Fellow, Cambridge University, England  
1956-62 Associate Professor in Philosophy, F&M  
1951-56 Assistant Professor in Philosophy, F&M  
1949-51 Instructor in Philosophy, F&M

#### 65 YEARS - 1954

##### **Louis J. Hammann, III - Retired**

1997-04 Adjunct Professor of Philosophy, Gettysburg College  
1956-97 Professor of Religion, Gettysburg College  
1957-67 Stated Supply, Penn Central Conference  
1954-56 Pastor, Weldon Springs, St. Charles, MO

##### **James W. Morris - Retired**

2002-05 Interim Area Conference Minister - Penn Central Conference  
1992-02 Interim Pastorates  
1977-92 Pastor, Colonial Park UCC, Harrisburg  
1970-76 Pastor, St. John's UCC, Shamokin  
1959-70 Pastor, Grove Methodist, West Chester  
1954-59 Pastor, Ross Street Methodist, Lancaster  
1952-54 Pastor, Fulton Circuit Methodist, Drumore  
1951-52 Pastor, Allenwood/Elimsport Methodist, Allenwood

#### 60 YEARS – 1959

##### **Richard Ernest Benner - Retired**

2000-12 Visitation Pastor, Grace, Hanover  
2007 Interim, Mt. Olivet, East Berlin  
2005, 07 Interim, Cashtown-McKnightstown Charge  
1999-00 Visitation Pastor, Trinity & St Paul's – Wolf's  
1994-97 Pastor, Redeemer, Littlestown  
1988-94 Pastor, Calvary, Barto  
1971-87 Pastor, St. Paul's (Wolf's), York  
1967-71 Associate Pastor, Christ, Bethlehem  
1965-66 Pastor, Heidelberg and Ebenezer, New Tripoli (PNE)  
1959-65 Pastor, David's and Zion, Millersburg

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#### **John C. Oliphant – Retired**

2004-07 Interim Associate Pastor, Church of the Apostles, Lancaster  
2002-04 Interim Pastor, Bergstrasse Lutheran, Ephrata  
1980-97 Pastor, Peace, Swartzville  
1968-80 Pastor, St. Paul's, Stowe  
1962-68 Pastor, St. Stephen's, Philadelphia  
1959-62 Pastor, St. Paul's, Chicago, IL  
1959-60 Supply, Monticello, Wisconsin and Mission Board, Madison, Wisconsin

#### **David Serfass – Retired**

2000-10 Interims at: Trinity Reformed UCC, Holland, PA  
St. Paul's UCC, Fort Washington, PA  
Christ Church UCC, Annville, PA  
Nuuanu UCC, Honolulu, HI  
St. Paul's UCC, Robesonia, PA  
Bausman UCC, Wyomissing, PA  
1989-99 Pastor, Glenside United Church of Christ, Glenside, PA,  
1980-89 Pastor, First United Protestant Church, UCC, Hilo, HI  
1970-80 Pastor, First Congregational Church, UCC, Canandaigua, NY  
1965-70 Pastor, Keen Valley United Church of Christ, Keen Valley, NY  
1963-65 Pastor, Emanuel Evangelical United Brethren, Grand Island, NY  
1959-62 Pastor, Trinity Evangelical United Brethren, Grand Island, NY

#### **55 YEARS - 1964**

#### **Robert M. Bistline**

2012- DP, Zion, New Providence (Strasburg)  
2010-12 Interim, St. Luke's, Lititz  
2006-09 Interim, Salem Evangelical Lutheran, Ephrata  
2000-06 Pastor, Salem, Harrisburg  
1998 Interim, First Reformed, Lancaster (4 months)  
1995-96 Interim Pastor, St. Paul's, Stoverstown  
1992-95 Interim Executive Director, Lancaster County Council of Churches  
1979-92 Pastor, Church of God, Landisville  
1970-79 Pastor, College First Church of God, Findlay, OH  
1962-70 Pastor, Homeacres First Church of God, Toledo, OH

#### **Ed Gobrecht – Retired**

#### **DeForrest Koontz – Retired**

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#### **Joseph F. Krabill - Retired**

1993-01 Pastor, St. John's, Boalsburg  
1984-92 Pastor, Paradise, Louisville, Ohio  
1977-84 Pastor, Trinity, Millersburg  
1969-76 Pastor, Church of the Master, Hickory, NC  
1968-69 Clergy Intern, Intercity Ministry Program, Cleveland  
1967-68 Chaplain Intern, Fairview General Hospital, Cleveland  
1964-67 Pastor, St. Paul's, Titusville

#### **Willcox, Nancy - Retired**

1967-69 Pastor, First Congregational, Benton Harbor, MI

#### **50 YEARS - 1969**

#### **Richard C. Gordon - Retired**

2009-14 Supply Pastor, Shared Ministry, Harrisburg  
2007-08 Interim, St. John's, Jonestown  
2001-06 Associate Pastor, Camp Hill Presbyterian Church  
2000-01 Interim Associate, Redeemer Lutheran, Lancaster & Pastor for Baptismal  
Discernment, St. Paul's Lutheran, Millersville  
1998-00 Pastor, Willow Street, Willow Street  
1984-98 Pastor, Chapel Hill, Camp Hill  
1975-84 Pastor, Kapaa, Hawaii  
1968-75 Pastor, Shelton Congregational, Shelton, CT

#### **Thomas E. Herrold - Retired**

1970-05 Pastor, St. Paul's, Mechanicsburg  
1967-69 Pastor, Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church, Dayton, OH

#### **45 YEARS - 1974**

#### **Greg D. Beck - Retired**

1983-2016 Pastor, Uniting Church in Victoria, Australia  
1982-83 Interim Pastor, Mt. Zion Reformed, Spring Grove  
1980-81 Supply Pastor, St. Bartholomew's, Hanover  
1978-82 Pastor, St. Paul's Dubs, Hanover  
1974-78 Pastor, Ft. Loudon, McConnellsburg

#### **Frederick H. Faust - Retired**

2007 Interim, Zion, Herndon  
1994-05 Pastor, Himmel's, Rebuck  
1990-93 Conference Dean of Delaware Maryland Synod

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1977-94 Pastor, St. Peter's, Lutheran, Clear Spring, MD  
1974-77 Pastor, St. Paul's/Mt. Joy Lutheran Parish, Gettysburg

#### **John E. Fureman**

1997- Chaplain, Phoebe-Berks Village, Wernersville (PSE)  
1988-97 Pastor, St. John's, Red Lion  
1984-88 Pastor, Immanuel, Shillington  
1974-84 Pastor, St. John's (Blymire's), Dallastown

#### **Michael C. Romig - Retired**

1991-2014 Pastor, Dreisbach, Lewisburg  
1974-91 Pastor, Lykens Valley Charge, Berrysburg

#### **Barry R. Smock**

1994- Pastor, Pleasant Hill Chapel, Jonestown  
1983-94 Interim/Supply Pastor, Penn Central Conference churches  
1978-83 Pastor, Salem, Campbelltown  
1974-78 Pastor, The Uniontown Charge

#### **Keith Tussing – Retired**

2015-16 IN – McConnellsburg – Ft. Loudon Charge  
2010-14 Pension Boards  
2005-10 Lancaster Theological Seminary  
1993-03 Walker Methodist Sr. Services, MN  
1983-05 Virginia St. Church, MN  
1989-93 Colonial Church of Edina, MN  
1985-89 Professional Fund Raising Services, MN  
1980-85 United Theological Seminary, MN  
1974-80 Our Saviour's Church, WI

#### **40 YEARS - 1979**

#### **Jeffrey R. Diller - Retired**

1987-2018 Pastor, Zion Reformed, Chambersburg  
1981-87 Pastor, Trinity and St. Peter's, Tower City (PSE)  
1978-81 Pastor, Conestoga Cooperative Parish

#### **Bruce Farrell**

2013- Pastor, Zion Gosherts, Lebanon  
1991-2013 Chaplain: Army National Guard  
1999-2005 Pastor St. Thomas, Bernville  
1997-1999 Marketplace Ministry, Area Supervisor

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1992-1997 Pastor Trinity UCC, Palmyra  
1981-1992 St. John's UCC, Bernville, PA , Pastor  
1979 -1981 Shepherd of the Hills UCC, Bechtelsville, PA, Associate Pastor

#### **Jeffrey Hamilton**

2004- Pastoral Counselor, Private Practice  
2002-04 Pastor, Willow Street  
2000-02 Pastoral Counseling Centers of TN  
1988-00 Pastoral Counselor, Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton OH  
1983-88 Trauma Chaplain, Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton OH  
1982-83 Residency in Chaplaincy  
1981-82 Pastor, Trinity Church, Watsontown  
1979-81 Pastor, Trinity/Colonial Park Cooperative Ministry

#### **John C. Miller**

2018- Pastor, St. Paul's Herndon  
2014- Pastor, Trinity, Millersburg  
1982-2013 Pastor, Zion's Reformed, Ephrata  
1979-1982 Pastor, Trinity, Altoona (Penn West)

#### **Jeffrey A. Wagner**

1994- Pastor, Lykens Valley Charge, Berrysburg & Lykens  
1984-94 Pastor, St. John's, Bellefonte  
1979-84 Pastor, Paradise Charge, Turbotville/Milton

#### **Lee Zortman – Retired**

2017-present Interim Pastor of Wyoming Valley Presbyterian, Wilkes-Barre, PA  
2017-present Flex Chaplain in the Northeast Region Hospitals of the Geisinger Health System,  
Wilkes-Barre and Scranton, PA  
2015-2016 Interim Pastor of Congregational UCC, Evansville, WI  
2015 Interim Pastor of Immanuel Lutheran, Waupun, WI  
2003-2015 Pastor of Olivet Congregational UCC, Columbus, WI  
1987-2003 Pastor of Locust Grove UCC, York, PA  
1982-1987 Pastor of Myerstown UCC, Myerstown, PA  
1979-1982 Pastor of the Carlisle Rural Charge UCC (St. Matthew's & Salem Stone),  
Carlisle, PA

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#### 35 YEARS - 1984

##### **Lila Butz – Retired**

1997-1998 Interim Pastor, Redeemer's, Littlestown  
1997 Interim Pastor, St. Paul's, Stoverstown  
1995-1996 Interim Pastor, Emmanuel, Abbottstown  
1994-1995 Interim Pastor, Salem, Dover  
1992-1994 Interim Pastor, Redeemer's, Littlestown  
1990-1992 Interim Pastor, Bethlehem (Steltz UCC and ELCA), Glen Rock  
1985-1989 Chaplain, Selinsgrove Center, Selinsgrove  
1984 Interim Pastor, White Deer Charge, W. Milton  
1983 Interim Pastor, Trinity, Watsontown

##### **Henry Covert – Retired**

1995-04 Pastor, St. Peter's, State College  
1988-95 Chaplain, State Prison – Rockview / Bellefonte  
1984-88 Pastor, Delaware Run, Wesleyans  
1983-84 Supply, Stonington Wesleyans  
1982 State Park Chaplain

##### **Carol Kipe - Retired**

1990-2010 Pastor, Church of the Apostles, Mercersburg  
1984-90 Pastor, Lemaster/Upton Charge  
1982-84 Pastor, St. Thomas, Mercersburg

##### **David Meyer**

Pastor, Spring Creek Church PCUSA, Lemont  
Interim, Trinity, Hublersburg  
Interim Supply, Nittany Valley Charge  
Pastor, Woodcock Valley Parish UCC, Marklesburg  
Interim Protestant Chaplain, U. of Pittsburgh, Johnstown  
Pastor, Trinity UCC, South Greensburg  
Pastor, Unity UCC, Shanksville  
Pastor, St. Paul's UCC, Titusville

##### **Robert Muise - Retired**

2005-11 Chaplain, Ephrata Manor  
1987-04 Pastor, St. Peter's, Lancaster

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#### **Debra Sickles - Retired**

2014-18 Admin. Assistant, Kairos School of Spiritual Formation, Lancaster  
1995-13 Support Staff, Parish Resource Center, Inc., Lancaster  
1990-93 Co-Pastor, State Line Charge  
1987-90 Co-Pastor, St. John's, Jonestown  
1984-86 Co-Pastor, St Peter's, Perkasio

#### **30 YEARS – 1989**

#### **Bradley Haws**

2016- IN to DP, St. John's Denver  
1989-2015 Pastor, St. John's Center, East Earl

#### **Kelly Shiflett**

2013- Pastor, Trinity, Hallam  
2005-11 Pastor, Sherburne UCC, NY  
2000-05 Pastor, Hanks Chapel, NC  
1998-00 Pastor, Seagrove UCC, NC  
1996-98 Interim/Supply, Western NC Assoc.

#### **25 years – 1994**

#### **Dwight Hein**

2002- Pastor, Salem, Campbelltown  
1994-02 Pastor, Emmanuel UCC, Ohio

#### **Joel Hummel**

2006- Dir Pastoral Care – Homewood at Plum Creek  
2013-2015 Chaplain CCRC & Worship help, Emmanuel, Hanover PA  
2004-2013 Deacon, Teacher, Chaplain, Emmanuel, Abbottstown PA  
1999-2002 Worship Assistance, Kailua Christian Church, HI  
1999-2002 Worship Assistance, First UCC, Carlisle  
1998-99 Chaplain – Manor Care Health Svc., PA  
1994-97 Assoc. Pastor, Neighborhood Church, CA

#### **Lawrence Knutson - Retired**

2001-02 Interim, Trinity, Biglerville  
2000-01 Interim, St. John's Red Lion  
1999-00 Interim, St. John's Orwigsburg  
1997-99 Interim, New Hope, Glen Rock

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1995-97                      Interim, Zion, Arendtsville  
1994-95                      Interim, First Reformed, Lancaster  
1993                              Interim, St. John's Red Lion

#### **Linda Lauman – Retired**

2012-                          Interim, Grace, Lebanon  
2004-                          Pastor, Grace, Lebanon  
2004                              Interim, St. John's, Fredericksburg  
1993-03                        Pastor, Myerstown

#### **Daniel Shahan**

2015                              Interim, St. Paul's, Urban  
2007-14                        Pastor, Salem, Elizabethville  
2002-07                        Pastor, New Holland, Lanc.  
1998-02                        Pastor, Eagle Butte & Dupree UCC, South Dakota  
1994-98                        Pastor, Harts Grove UCC, Ohio

#### **Cathy Sherry - Retired**

1990-2015                      Mt. Zion, York (Assoc Pastor, Co-Pastor, Senior Pastor)

#### **John Ward-Diorio**

2008-                              Pastor, St. Paul's, Mechanicsburg  
1994-2007                      Pastor, First Parish Church Congregational, Maine

#### **20 Years – Ordained 1999**

J. William Schiller	Harrisburg Assoc.	1999
Cynthia Garis	Lebanon Assoc.	2/21/1999
Dietmar Plajer	Central Assoc.	3/1/1999
Karin Stork-Whitson	Mercersburg Assoc.	3/14/1999
Michael Smith	Northern Assoc.	8/22/1999
Betty Snapp-Barrett	Lancaster Assoc.	10/24/1999

#### **15 Years – Ordained 2004**

Jason Royle	Lebanon Assoc.	8/14/2004
Christopher Rankin	Lancaster Assoc.	10/24/2004

#### **10 Years – Ordained 2009**

Danielle Neff	York Assoc.	8/16/2009
Carol Price	Lebanon Assoc.	10/18/2009
Ronnette Comfort-Butler	Lancaster Assoc.	11/1/2009

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**5 Years – Ordained 2014**

Donna Hale

Mercersburg Assoc.

4/06/2014

Douglas Schader

Central

3/30/2014