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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

Carrie Call

2016- Exec. Director of Development and Communication at LTS
2012-16 Assoc Conf. Min., Indiana-Kentucky Conference
2004-12 Dir. (Office for Civic & Social Engagement), St. Mary's College, IN
2002-12 Instructor, (Depts Ed & Psychology) at St. Mary's College, Indiana
1992-97 Pastor, Old First Church, Middletown, NJ

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

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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
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

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| 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

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| Jason Royle | Lebanon Assoc. | 8/14/2004 |
| Christopher Rankin | Lancaster Assoc. | 10/24/2004 |
| David Zortman | Central Assoc. | 7/25/2004 |

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10 Years – Ordained 2009

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

5 Years – Ordained 2014

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| Donna Hale | Mercersburg Assoc. | 4/06/2014 |
| Douglas Schader | Central | 3/30/2014 |