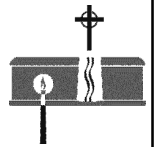


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The Reverend Joseph P. Bleakley

November 23, 1945—September 16, 2012

Pastor Joseph Paul Bleakley was born on November 23, 1945 in Clinton, Iowa, the son of Paul and Betty (Baker) Bleakley. He married Judith Hlatky on June 6, 1992.

He received an Associate of Arts Degree from Clinton Community College, Clinton, IA (1966); a Bachelor of Arts (Chemistry) from Wartburg College, Dubuque, IA, (1968); a MDiv from Wartburg Lutheran Seminary, Dubuque, IA (1972); and a Doctor of Ministry (Preaching) from the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Chicago, IL (1997). Pastor Bleakley served his internship at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Greendale, WI, and was ordained October 8, 1972 at Lutheran Church of the Atonement, Clinton, IA.

Pastor Bleakley served as pastor at Pontoppidan Lutheran Church, Elliott, IL (1972-75); as pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Streator, IL (1975-1978); as pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Gilman, IL (1978-85); as pastor at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Benson, IL (1985-98); as interim pastor at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, Quincy, IL (1998-99); as interim pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Lincoln, IL (1999-2000); as assistant to the bishop of the Central / Southern Illinois Synod, Springfield, IL (2000-08); as interim pastor at First Lutheran Church, Beardstown, IL (2009-10); as interim pastor at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Belleville, IL (2010-11); and he retired from active ministry in July of 2011.

Pastor Bleakley is survived by his wife Judith; his children John, Kristen, Brian; seven grandchildren; and one sister, Barbara.

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Pastor Paul E. Bungum

March 20, 1927—January 15, 2013

Pastor Paul E. Bungum was born on March 20, 1927 in Hayfield, Minnesota, the son of Norman and Elsie Bungum. He married Nellie (Mirzayou) on May 30, 1965.

He received an Associates Degree from Waldorf College, Forest City, IA (1948); a Bachelor of Arts from Luther College, Decorah, IA (1950) and his MDiv. from Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, MN (1956). Pastor Bungum served his internship at Chetek Lutheran Church, Chetek, WS; and was ordained at Chatfield Lutheran Church, Chatfield, MN on May 27, 1956.

Pastor Bungum served as pastor at Nekoma Lutheran Church, Nekoma, ND (1956-1964); as a Missionary at Lutheran Orient Mission, Iran (1963-1966); as pastor at First Lutheran Church, Opheim, MT (1966-1969); as pastor at Christ Lutheran Church, Lignite, ND (1972-1976); as pastor at United Lutheran Church, Gardner, IL (1979-1987); as pastor at Pontoppidan Lutheran Church, Elliott, IL (1987-1992); and he retired from active ministry in August of 1992.

Pastor Bungum is survived by his wife, Nellie and daughter, Kimberly.