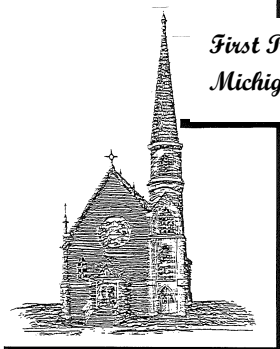
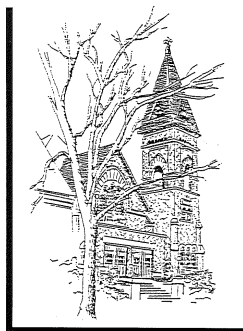


Anniversary Celebration

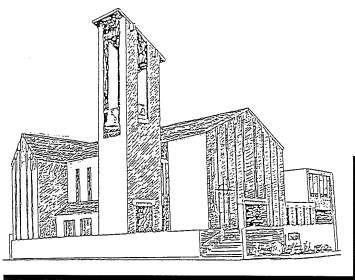
*First Presbyterian Church
Michigan City, Indiana*



1872



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Anniversary Celebration

June 26, 2022

The First Presbyterian Church

Michigan City, Indiana



Alice Macullo

October 08, 1972

Donna Wiseman

April 02, 1944





Alice Yacullo 50 Year Member



Alice has lived in LaPorte County her whole life, although she has had opportunities to travel to London, Amsterdam, Paris, Madrid, and Lisbon as a young adult. Later in life she also traveled in Canada, Alaska, Hawaii, and Japan.

Even though she was somewhat unchurched as a child, she believed that people should get married in a church, and she wanted her children to be raised in the church. Her two best friends were Presbyterians, "So here I am".

Alice was born into a large family, but was adopted and raised by her aunt and uncle. In 1971 she married Jerry Yacullo and they have two sons, Anthony and Michael Yacullo, and a granddaughter, Natalie Yacullo.

Alice retired from Purdue North Central in 2011 after having worked in the Registrar's Office for 25 years. Among other things, she did room scheduling, worked on

certifications for veteran students, entered grades, printed diplomas, created commencement processions, and assisted students, faculty, and staff in general. She also volunteered to write articles for the in house newspaper. Her interest was helping where needed, which she continues to do here at First Presbyterian!

Alice has served as a Deacon, an Elder, and held the position as Clerk of Session from October, 2006 to February, 2020. She helped coach/play softball on our Presbyterian team with Ree Labaj, experiencing much fun and success. All of Alice's and Ree's children were also on the team during that time. In 2006/2007, Alice attended Geneva Center to receive a Lay Pastor certification. She feels it has been a privilege to fill the pulpit in our own church, along with several other pulpits within our Presbytery. She served on a Nominating Committee for the Wabash Valley Presbytery, and also on a Reconciliation Committee. In 2012, Alice attended the General Assembly in Minneapolis as an Elder Commissioner, representing Wabash Valley Presbytery. Together with Lois Miley, Alice has faithfully led the 3B exercise group for seniors for over eight years. Although she didn't include this in her bio, we are all grateful for her current membership on our hard-working Buildings and Grounds Committee, frequently catching sight of Alice in the Edith Boyd Lounge with the little sweeper in her hands. She also neglected to mention that she was Woman of the Year in 2018.

In response to the question asking her about special memories she'd like to share, Alice wrote:

#1. The General Assembly was important to me because it expanded the ordination of teaching Elders, ruling Elders, and Deacons to be more inclusive, regardless of sexual orientation.

#2. I had the privilege of holding my granddaughter when she was born, and having the overwhelming sensation that I was receiving her straight from the arms of God.

We are grateful to Alice for her many years of devotion and service to God and our church, and have been truly blessed with her presence.



Donna Wiseman 78 Year Member



Donna was born in South Bend, Indiana, but moved to Michigan City when her father got a job on the South Shore Railroad.

Donna's mother was from a church family, and after moving to Michigan City, she visited First Presbyterian with a friend. With that visit, she found a home here for herself and her own family. Thus began Donna's 78-year-long faithful relationship with First Presbyterian Church.

Donna has two sisters and four children: Kelly, Susie, and twins Doug and Greg. She also has three granddaughters, three great grandsons, and one great granddaughter.

Donna was employed throughout her life at Kroger's and then Jaymar Ruby from where she retired. She and Susie can often be found on a week morning at Schoop's where they love to have breakfast. This custom of eating out has also been a part of family tradition on Sundays after church (always 8 o'clock in the summer!). Many of us

can remember Chuck, Donna and Susie departing right after church service, headed for a favorite restaurant. And Donna and Susie continue to carry on this tradition!

Her service to our church has been rich and varied. She has served as a Deacon, participated in the Prime Timers program, and has been a member of the Wednesday Circle. Donna also spent a lot of time with her good buddy Shirley Ryan cleaning the kitchen until it sparkled! Donna served as a receptionist in the office for years, answering the phone, filing, counting money, proofreading bulletins and annual reports that she and Louise Durflinger would then assemble, and just helping out wherever she could.

Donna is a hard-working, humble, helpful lady who has always been a giving person with this church. She would bring a dish for any event, whenever asked, and supports the many special requests the church has, from flowers, to VBS, to Soup Kitchen and beyond.

We are indeed thankful to Donna for the many ways she has been a part of and faithful to this congregation and her God.



So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, till I proclaim Thy might to this generation and Thy power to all descendants.

Psalm 71:18

