

## “New Member Profile”

This week’s feature : Karen Davis



Karen was born in Latrobe, PA and grew up with her sister, Darlene. Their parents attended a local Lutheran Church and had them baptized and they became part of the Faith Community. At the age of 7, the family moved to St. Petersburg, Florida as her father had a health condition that would improve in a warmer climate. She attended Boca Ceiga High School, and then went on to study at St. Petersburg Junior College and University of Florida majoring in Education. In college she met her future husband , Peter, who was an Engineering major.

Karen was a stay at home Mom to their two children, Laura and Douglas, until they were in high school. Karen volunteered at the hospital, in the school classroom assisting primary children improve their reading skills. Karen volunteered with the Girl Scouts and managed all the troops in Citrus County. Karen and Peter were both actively involved with the Cub Scouts.

Peter worked for a consulting firm and was involved with many projects over the years which required the family to move many times. They have been blessed with four grandchildren Jacob, Emma, Cole and Logan. As a grandmother, Karen lives close by and has been able to be involved in their activities, go camping, and travel with them.

Prior to retirement, Karen had been employed at the First Catholic Slovak Union for 23 years. This Fraternal Organization sold life insurance, annuities and offered other financial services. She was an Administrative Assistant and also handled all Human Resources for the office including payroll and insurance.

Karen had visited Prince of Prince in 1997 and attended for a period, but then moved back to Florida. After Covid hit, she returned to the area and was pleased to see this welcoming community again. She began to participate in the Lenten services with the weekly soup and Lenten study. She was introduced as a new member on May 21, 2023! She currently resides in North Ridgeville.

Karen and Peter had a wonderful 50 year marriage that was a blessing. Peter passed away 10 years ago. She fondly remembers trips to many National Parks throughout our country with him. She enjoys reading and traveling, including Alaska and Europe several times. I know she will become active in POP and reflect her Love of God.

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