"Member Profile"

This week's feature : Marie Witt



(Marie pictured with her daughter Mary Lasky)

Marie was born in Lakewood, OH in 1935 and spent most of her life on the west side of Cleveland and surrounding areas. She also spent two years in France when her husband was in the military and twelve years in lowa. She returned from lowa five years ago and settled in with her daughter Mary and her Son-In-Law Steve in Avon Lake.

Marie met her husband Edward at West Tech High School in Cleveland. He had recently immigrated from Germany and they were married in 1955. He went on to become a toolmaker at General Motors and spent his entire career there. He passed away in 1990.

Marie and her husband raised three girls and a boy. The oldest daughter lives in Colorado and has three children and six grandchildren. Her middle daughter lives in Olmsted Township. Her

youngest daughter is Mary who has two sons who are both working on graduate degrees, one in Davis, California and the other in Des Moines, Iowa. The son, Carl, passed away twenty-two years ago from an aggressive form of cancer.

After retiring from NASA Glenn Research Center's Communications Branch in 2000 Marie was fortunate to travel to several European countries and Japan. These were all delightful trips. She knows it has been wonderful to see various cultures and meet so many fine people. Her daughter Mary and she began coming to Prince of Peace in the fall of 2022 after attending other Lutheran churches in the area. They quickly became aware of the friendliness and dedication to service that Prince of Peace offered and they joined in the spring of this year!

These days, one of Marie's most interesting hobbies is quilting which she has been enjoying for the past thirty years. Most of her quilts are given to various charities and friends and family members. She quickly joined the Comfort Quilters group here at Prince of Peace and thoroughly enjoys the group. For many years, Marie has been volunteering at various food pantries wherever she lived and currently volunteers at CRS (Community Resources Services) in Avon Lake. She is hoping to get more involved with the food collection and distribution efforts here at Prince of Peace.

When people see the service opportunities that POP has committed to, they have a quick response...how can I help? Marie brought her energy here from her foundation of caring for others. God has come into Marie's heart and she intends to use the gifts given to her. Seek her out on Sundays at the traditional service, you will find a follower of Christ living out her strong faith!

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