

BIO: Rev. Linda Richardson+

Linda's education includes a BA and an MA in speech and language pathology from California State University at Long Beach and a certificate in Spiritual Direction from Christos Center for Spiritual Formation (christoscenter.org).

Her professional life includes approximately 30 years working as a speech and language pathologist with young children with disabilities.

A parallel professional track includes working alongside her husband Bill+ as a campus minister (Ferris State University, Big Rapids, MI) with Campus Ambassadors. She also ministered alongside Bill as he pastored a Baptist Church for 13 years in Glen Ellyn (1980-1993) after leaving campus ministry.

In 1993, she and Bill left the Baptist church and began to attend Church of the Resurrection in Wheaton. She served on the board at Rez. In 1997, she and Bill moved to Church of the Great Shepherd and she was informally ordained (at that time ACNA had not been formed) and served as a deacon.

In 2004, Linda was officially ordained a deacon in AMiA. That year Bill+ and Linda planted a church (Church of the Savior/ACNA) in West Chicago which later moved to Wheaton. She has preaching/teaching gifts and has had the privilege of using her gifts as a pastor and priest (ordained to the priesthood in 2012) and called as associate rector of Church of the Savior at that time. After serving for 12 years at Savior, Linda+ and Bill+ retired in 2016. She continues as a non-stipendiary assisting priest at Church of the Savior.

Being a pastor and spiritual director are the strongest callings of Linda's life. Listening to other people and loving is how she has lived out her calling. David Augsburg writes this: Being heard and being loved are so closely bound together as to be almost indistinguishable.

BIO: Rev. William Richardson+

Bill was raised in California and completed his degree (BA) in Education before he began to teach high school biology and coach baseball. After four years of coaching, he heard God's call to go to seminary listening for God's guidance into the future. He furthered his education and graduated with a M.Div. from Talbot Theological Seminary (LaMirada, CA) and served his home church as a campus pastor while in seminary. He was ordained in 1974 in the Baptist Church. Shortly, he was called to campus ministry with Campus Ambassadors in Big Rapids, MI. (campusambassadors.com).

After realizing the brevity of relationships in campus ministry, he was called to the pastorate. His desire to speak into peoples' lives from birth to death was a strong part of his calling. He has followed that call since 1980, serving as pastor or associate pastor in the congregations he served.

He served as senior pastor at First Baptist Church of Glen Ellyn but began to discover the beauty and depth of liturgical worship and left the Baptist tradition in 1993. He served in stipendiary and non-stipendiary positions at Church of the Resurrection and Church of the Great Shepherd, Wheaton from 1993 to 2004.

He was ordained to the Anglican priesthood in 2004 in AMiA and planted Church of the Savior in West Chicago/Wheaton that same year. His call to plant the church was affirmed by Bishop Sandy Greene and

pastoring Church of the Savior has been the greatest ministry experience of his life. He has been described as a servant/leader with strong gifts of encouragement and wisdom and a deep love of Scripture. He cares deeply about his flock (walking with them throughout their lives, being there for them in times of need). He has a great sense of humor.

He also retired from Church of the Savior in 2016 and continues to serve the church as an assisting priest (non-stipendiary) and is grateful for this opportunity.

Bill+ and Linda+ have two sons and daughters-in-law and three granddaughters. They reside in Wheaton, IL.