

Pastor Bob originally hails from Tampa, Florida and spent his early childhood there, followed by later years in northern California. He joined the US Marine Corps as an administrator, earned the rank of sergeant, and served at Marine Barracks in Japan before receiving an honorable discharge. After that, Bob attended schools and worked in various industries in California. He then moved into the union flooring trade, where he became a journeyman installer. Almost 24 years ago, he married Donna and they moved to Illinois. They have no children, but several nephews and nieces scattered across the country. They've owned Border Collies and currently answer to a Terrier/Chihuahua rescue dog. Bob enrolled in seminary to learn more about Christ. At Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Bob realized his calling while taking a class on sermons. *"I felt the peace and love of God from my first sermon."*

He was ordained by the UCC and began pastoring at First United Church of Christ in Clay City, Indiana. *"I was blessed to serve there 10 years and am now looking forward to more years here with Immanuel UCC."*

Donna grew up in Chicago and spent her childhood vacations in the Eagle River area, and many day trips since through southern Wisconsin. She works part time for a computer software company.

Their small dog, Spot promises to be very enthusiastic in what she will see as her job protecting the church!

*"I am so thankful to our God for bringing us together."*