The Rev. Gary Heedum a faithful pastor of this church for 50 years

Gary Heedum was born on September 11, 1947. He graduated from Carthage College, Kenosha, WI in 1968 & Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN in 1972. While in seminary, Gary served as a Resident Chaplain at North Memorial Hospital, Minneapolis, MN from 1970-1972.

Gary was united in marriage to Linda DeLong on September 5, 1969, and they became the parents of three daughters – Julie, Dori, and Jill.

Gary was ordained on June 4, 1972, and served the following congregations:



- Cambridge Lutheran, Cambridge, MN (Associate Pastor, 1972-1978)
- Division for Mission, LCA (Pastor/Developer, Palatine, IL (1978-1979)
- All Saints, Palatine, IL (Senior Pastor, 1979-1994)
- Gloria Dei, Downers Grove, IL (Senior Pastor, 1994-2002)
- St. Barnabas, Cary, IL (Senior Pastor, 2002-2006)

Pastor Heedum retired on September 1, 2010, after 38 years of active ministry. He went on to serve two interims, one at Trinity Lutheran Church, Rockford and Living Waters Lutheran Church, Crystal Lake, both in Illinois.

Pastor Heedum and his wife currently live in Cary, IL.