



Marion C. Harrison

Pastor 1982 – 1984

Born in Dayton, Ohio on November 10, 1932.

Received Bachelor of Divinity (1958) and Master of Divinity (1970) from Eden Theological Seminary, Webster Groves, Missouri.

Family: Wife Barbara, children Cheryl Ann, Stephen, Cynthia, and Cathryn.

Following Reverend Engelsdorfer's departure, he served as church associate pastor beginning June 1, 1978.

Harrison was installed as Senior Pastor of St. Paul's on March 21, 1982. As Reverend Eichenlaub's health began to fail, he was elected to this position.

Celebrated 25th anniversary of ordination with church service on June 12, 1983.

The front arch on the east side of the church sanctuary was found to be seriously damaged by termites. It was replaced in August, 1983 by removing a section of the roof and lowering the arch into place. This was a real crisis in the life of the church because there was a great deal of concern about the safety of the sanctuary.

He resigned his position in February, 1984.

Information Sources:

The Church History portion of the Saint Paul United Church of Christ Pastoral Position document, 1984

Moments in History pamphlets compiled by Archivist Alice Jerome for insert to St. Paul's Church Service Programs during the 150th Anniversary year (1989)

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