Born and raised in Oregon, Ron Naff was graduated from high school in Hermiston and went on to attend Northwest Christian College (now Bushnell University) in Eugene, from which he received a Bachelor of Science degree in 1974. His graduate work was completed at Brite Divinity School of Texas Christian University where he received his Master of Divinity degree in 1977. He was ordained that same year by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Waurika, Oklahoma.

Ron has pastored churches in Illinois, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and Montana. He was pastor at First Christian Church in Longview from 1995-2010. He has worked on several denominational and ecumenical boards, including as a Trustee for Bushnell U. (1985-93; 2021-present). While in Longview, he has served on the Boards of Cowlitz County Habitat for Humanity, Stageworks Northwest, and Family Promise. He sings with the Castle Rock Men's Ensemble, and also volunteers for the Longview Public Schools. Interests and hobbies include community theatre, counted cross stitch, travel and collecting *Peanuts* memorabilia.

Ron currently attends Longview Presbyterian Church with his wife, Kay, a retired (Huntington Middle School) teacher. They have two sons, Michael (deceased, 1982), and Matthew, an R.A. Long High School graduate (2002) employed by Interstate Honda in Chehalis. They have lived in Longview for 30 years