

Born and raised in Oregon, Ron Naff was graduated from high school in Hermiston and went on to attend Northwest Christian College (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 eight years as member of the Board of Trustees for Northwest Christian College (1985-93). While in Longview, he has served on the Boards of Cowlitz County Habitat for Humanity (2003-2010, 2016--present), Stageworks Northwest (2017-2019) and Family Promise. Before the Covid-19 pandemic he sang with the Castle Rock Men's Ensemble, volunteered at a local elementary school (both of which he hopes to do again).

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 middle school teacher. They have two sons, Michael (deceased, 1982), and Matthew, who is an R.A. Long High School graduate (2002) and employed by Columbia Ford. They have lived in Longview for 25 years.