

**Kathryn O'Connor Kuhn**, age 50, of Kiel, Wisconsin, died on November 2, 2020 at home, surrounded in love by her immediate family.

Kathryn was born in Grand Rapids, MI on November 8, 1969 to Rev. Gerald and Barbara (Hofmeister) O'Connor. She received her bachelor's degree from Miami University, Oxford, OH in 1991, and a Master of Divinity from Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, MO in 1995. Kathryn was ordained as a pastor in the United Church of Christ in 1997.



Kathryn and the Rev. Dr. Karl Kuhn were married on May 28, 1994 in the Eden Seminary Chapel in St. Louis, MO. They moved to Karl's home state of Wisconsin in 1995. Their children, Joshua (Gianna Pornasoro) Kuhn and Clare Kuhn, were the joy of Kathryn's heart. Their happiness was her happiness.

Kathryn's years of service to the United Church of Christ included pastoring local Wisconsin churches such as Our Saviour's UCC (Germantown), Bethlehem UCC (Kiel), Saron UCC (Sheboygan Falls), and most recently First Congregational UCC (Appleton), where she was Pastor for Congregational Care and Mission. Kathryn also served as a short-term interim pastor for First Congregational UCC (Sheboygan) and Grace Congregational UCC (Two Rivers). Her ministry began by supporting men, women and children living with HIV/AIDS through the St. Camillus AIDS Ministry (Wauwatosa) in the mid-1990's. In between parish placements, Kathryn's ministry reflected a close connection to the health and human service ministries of the church and community, including Cedar Community (West Bend), where she served first as a hospice chaplain and later as Director of Ministries. Kathryn's best days were spent with family and friends, appreciating good food, red wine, laughter and much gratitude for the simpler things in life.

In addition to her husband, her children and her father, those who grieve include her brother, David (Lisa) O'Connor, father-in-law, Allen Kuhn, sisters-in-law Liz (Tom) Wank and Louise (Dan) Hubert, three nieces and six nephews, and many friends. She was preceded in death by her mother and mother-in-law.

A memorial service be held at a later time, when at last it will be safe for folks to gather to celebrate Kathryn's life.

In lieu of flowers or plants, the family requests memorials be given to the Sheboygan County Cancer Care Fund, First Congregational UCC (Appleton)'s Kenya Partnership, or Eden Theological Seminary.