

Meet the Chaplains

Reverend Brian Brooks, M. Div., Chaplain. Brian has been a chaplain at Children's since 1996 and has served in a variety of patient care units. At present, Brian serves as the manager of the Chaplaincy Department covering both the St. Paul and Minneapolis campuses of Children's Hospitals and Clinics. In addition, Brian works with Children's Hematology/Oncology program and is part of the Cystic Fibrosis team. Brian has been a member of the Children's Ethics Committee since 1998.

Brian graduated from Evangel University in Springfield, Missouri with a degree in Psychology. He attended Bethel Theological Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota, where he received his Master of Divinity degree. Brian served as a chaplain resident at the Mayo Medical Center before joining the chaplaincy staff at Children's. He is an ordained minister in the Assemblies of God and is a board certified chaplain with the Association of Professional Chaplains.

Brian and his wife live in St. Paul and are very involved in their local church.

You can reach Brian at (612) 813-7346.

Reverend Peter E. Lund, M. Div., Chaplain. Peter has worked at Children's Hospitals and Clinics since 1996. He worked one year on the Minneapolis campus as a chaplain resident and then as a staff chaplain in St. Paul assigned to patients on 7940 (Pediatric Epilepsy), and patients treated by the Hematology/ Oncology team. Peter is a member of St. Paul's CISD team (Critical Incident Stress Debriefing) and is active in bereavement programs and services of the Healing Quilt. Currently, Peter is the chaplain for Children's Hospice and Karuna (Palliative Care) programs.

Peter attended Gustavus Adolphus College, receiving his Bachelor's Degree in Religion and Psychology. His Master of Divinity degree was received from Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, Massachusetts. After the seminary, Peter moved back to Minnesota and completed two years of clinical pastoral education, one at Abbott Northwestern Hospital, and the other at Fairview University Medical Center. He was ordained as a minister in the United Church of Christ in 1996 and served as an associate pastor at a church in Anoka for three years.

You can reach Peter at (612) 813-6264.

Reverend Abby Davis, M. Div., Chaplain. Abby is primarily assigned to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and Infant Care Center (ICC) on the Minneapolis campus. She has been at Children's Hospital since 1996, when she started as a chaplain resident through Abbott Northwestern Hospital's clinical pastoral education program. Abby is actively involved in many

aspects of the Healing Quilt Bereavement Program and the Hands Joining Hands Committee.

Originally from Boston, Massachusetts, Abby graduated from Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine in 1991 with a major in religion and a minor in Spanish. Interpreting Spanish at Massachusetts General Hospital led her into chaplaincy work. Upon graduation from Bowdoin, Abby worked at an orphanage in Guatemala, then returned to the United States to attend Harvard Divinity School, where she earned her Master of Divinity degree in 1995. After graduation from Harvard, Abby moved to Minnesota to pursue a chaplain residency position at North Memorial Hospital in Robbinsdale, MN. Abby's roots are in the United Church of Christ and the Unitarian Universalist (UU) churches. Abby is an ordained Christian UU minister and is a board certified chaplain with the Association of Professional Chaplains.

You can reach Abby at (612) 813-6801.

The Reverend Dee Moore, Chaplain. Dee has been part of the Chaplaincy Department at Children's Hospital and Clinics since January 2001. She worked one year in the Minneapolis Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and is currently working on the St. Paul campus where she is assigned to provide chaplaincy services to the NICU, Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, and Station 3200.

Dee has a nursing background, having received her undergraduate degree in nursing from Augustana College in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and studied further at the University of Michigan, School of Public Health, earning a Master's of Public Health degree. Work in public health took her to a migrant health program in northern Michigan, a public health agency in Detroit, and to the Ramsey County Nursing Service in St. Paul. A strong sense of call to ministry later in life brought Dee to begin a new career and studies at Bethel Theological Seminary, where she earned a Master of Divinity degree. Her clinical pastoral education was completed at Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis, with assignments in the AIDS clinic and program, an oncology unit, and Women Care. Dee continues to facilitate the Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support Group at ANW.

Ordination was received through the National Association of Christian Congregational Churches and Colonial Church of Edina. To work with children and their families has been her passion. It brought her to work at Children's Hospitals and Clinics as a chaplain.

You can reach Dee at (651) 220-6527.

The Reverend Sherry Braun, M. Div., Chaplain. Sherry has been a chaplain on the Minneapolis campus since 1990. She works primarily in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and on 7th floor, but has served on almost all

patient care areas at one time or another. She was very involved in the development of the Healing Quilt bereavement program, served as coordinator for bereavement follow-up and presently co-chairs the Bereavement Council. In the past, Sherry served on the Ethics Committee and on the Institutional Review Board. Sherry often facilitates grief support groups for siblings, parents, and grandparents through the Healing Quilt program.

Sherry graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College in 1976 with a BA in nursing. Working in pediatrics at the University of Minnesota led her to consider a different avenue of ministry and she received her Master of Divinity degree from United Theological Seminary in New Brighton, MN in 1983. After ordination the following year by the United Church of Christ, Sherry served as a parish pastor in Pennsylvania for four years. Specialized chaplaincy training included residencies at Hershey Medical Center in Hershey, PA, and at Methodist Hospital in St. Louis Park, MN.

Sherry was able to go on mission trips to Honduras through the International Health Service and is hoping to rekindle her Spanish skills in the near future in order to better serve Children's Spanish speaking families. The arrival of her daughter Kira in 1994 interrupted Sherry's travels for the present but Kira has been her life's richest blessing.

You can reach Sherry at (612) 813-6805.

Other Chaplaincy Staff You May Meet

On Call Roman Catholic Priests are assigned to each hospital by the Diocese to provide for the emergency or sacramental need of Roman Catholic families. You may contact the priest through the regular daytime chaplain. On evenings, nights, and weekends, the on-call priest is available through the nursing supervisor (Minneapolis campus) or the hospital operator (St. Paul campus).

Dr. Irv Nudell is the Jewish liaison for the Minneapolis campus. We can also contact the Twin Cities Jewish Healing program to provide additional support. Contact the Chaplain's office.

Carol Faust is the Chaplaincy secretary. Her office is on the Minneapolis campus and can be reached at (612) 813-6253.

Linda Lehmann is the bereavement coordinator for the Healing Quilt Bereavement Program. See the [Healing Quilt](#) for further information.