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David was born and raised in the south/central region of Michigan and is a graduate of Michigan State University (E. Lansing, MI), majoring in Instrumental Music Education. Upon graduation in 1976, David has held 4 positions: Asst. Band Director at Gladstone Area School District, MI (1976-1984), Director of Bands at Marshall Area School District, MI (1984-1996), Asst. Band Director

Littlestown Area School District (1997-1998), taught General Music/7th Grade Chorus at Gettysburg Area Middle School, PA (1996-2010), Elementary Band Director in Gettysburg (2010-2012) and Director of Bands for Gettysburg Middle & High School (2012-2017). He retired in 2017 after 40 years of teaching.

David has been Choir Director at Gettysburg Presbyterian Church (GPC) since 1997, after previously holding a position as Choir Director for the Marshall Presbyterian Church, Marshall, MI, from 1985-1996. In addition, he is the Music Coordinator for Contemporary Worship at GPC. David is also a semi-professional trumpet and guitar player.

David has been married to Pat Conklin since 1975, who met as singing partners in High School Choir. They have three adult children, Carrie (Music Teacher/Voice Instructor in Gettysburg, PA, Aaron, employed at Exelon Nuclear Facility near Joliet, III,) and Ryan (Firefighter in Lancaster, PA).

In his free time David loves writing and making music, playing trumpet & guitar, attending concerts, going to movies, traveling, visiting wineries, and supporting and loving his granddaughters, Tessa, Audrey and Clara.