



MEMORIES OF SPECIAL PEOPLE

“Margaret (Peggy) Soderberg”

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When someone speaks the name Margaret Soderberg, it takes us a minute to realize said person is referring to Peggy. That is the only name many of us associate with her.

She was one of the first people I met at First United Methodist Church; she was on the search committee with which I interviewed to become Director of Music. I had already known her through our mutual contacts in the community, and while we were not well acquainted, I knew the friendly smile she showed me when I first walked into the room for my interview was genuine. She along with others from that committee and from the choir proceeded to welcome me into the church and into its larger life. During my first several years here she rarely missed a rehearsal. She was a dedicated member of the choir, and had been for many years. As I learned to know the church I also learned to know how deeply rooted Peggy and Bill were in the congregation and in the community, and how dedicated they were to the church, to



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the people in the church, and to the city. In my “mind’s eye” the picture I see of Peggy is her laughing, fully engaged in a moment of joy with some friend or family member.

