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In 1987, Amy graduated from Waynesburg University with a BSN and began her nursing career caring for postop cardiothoracic patients at Allegheny General Hospital (AGH) in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She spent the next 26 years at AGH in a variety of hospital clinical specialty areas as well as staff development, home health nursing and hospice care. Due to her continued passion for nursing education and healthcare administration, Amy earned her Master of Science in Organizational Leadership degree from Geneva College in 2003 and a Doctor of Nursing Practice from Waynesburg University in 2010. Soon after completing the Pittsburgh Mercy Parish Nurse Preparation Course in 2007, Amy became a salaried parish nurse for one year at a large Presbyterian Church in the Pittsburgh area. This parish nurse position laid the foundation for her current role as a health ministry specialist and consultant to churches at the Pittsburgh Mercy Parish Nurse & Health Ministry Program. Since Amy joined Pittsburgh Mercy in 2012, she has been active in such committees as Nursing Council and the Spiritual Care Committee. In addition, since 2015, Amy established and continues to coordinate the visitation ministry and the bereavement support ministry at her local family church, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Pittsburgh. She and her team work closely with the clergy as they serve parishioners who are sick, homebound, and/or grieving loss of a loved one. As a lifelong learner, Amy completed her two-year study at the Pneuma Institute (part of the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary) in 2016 and is a qualified spiritual director for individuals and groups. Amy feels blessed to be a part of the Pittsburgh Mercy Parish Nurse Ministry and enjoys helping faith community nurses and health ministers learn about whole-person health, balancing body, mind, and spirit. On a personal note, Amy enjoys traveling, reading, trying new restaurants, and walking her two Shih Tzu pups. Amy and her husband Mark are excited to be "First-Time Grandparents" to their one year old grandson Kairos. He is their joy and delight!