## **Lindy Whitt**

Lindy graduated from Evangel University in Springfield, Missouri in May 1984 with a Bachelor of Music Education Degree. After graduating from Evangel University he returned to Newfoundland and started his teaching career. He spent 23 of his 30 teaching years in Lewisporte, NL where he developed a vibrant instrumental music program at Lewisporte Intermediate and Lewisporte Collegiate. His music program developed a reputation as one of the top programs in central Newfoundland. Lindy's concert bands, jazz bands and choirs have received numerous awards throughout his teaching career. His bands have travelled to St. John's many times during his teaching career to participate in the Rotary Music Festival, and Lindy feels very honoured to be invited to adjudicate the concert band festival this year.

Since retiring in June 2015, Lindy continues to be actively involved in the music community of Grand Falls-Windsor where he continues to share his passion for music education and performance. He maintains a small piano studio, he is the lead director for the Grand Falls-Windsor Concert Band. The GFW concert band is a community ensemble open to all levels of musicians who have a love of music, and a passion for performing in a concert band. Lindy also enjoys working with choral ensembles and was the artistic director for Off The Cuff Community Chorus for the past 5 years.

Lindy is married to his wife Gail, and they enjoy traveling together, walking and hiking with their giant schnauzer ~ Jazz. Lindy and Gail also enjoy singing in a gospel trio, and share their talents within the community and surrounding area. They have four children, and have 7 beautiful grand children and enjoy spending quality time together.