

# Hearing Loop Testimonials

**- First-time hearing loop system user** - "I can't stop smiling. The system went way beyond meeting my expectations. I was in awe. From the very first words [the Pastor] spoke, I could understand every word. It was wonderful. It was great to sit in wonderment and watch the faces of the people as they 'tuned in.' What an overwhelming experience. Thank you so much. I thought I would never again be able to experience a church service where I could hear every word and be able to follow along with the music!"

**- Administrator at church with a hearing loop system** - "I experienced my first bone crushing hug from a...lady at my church. She was crying and said I changed her life. FM hearing assistance failed to help her. She attended Mass faithfully despite the fact she could not hear Father speaking. It was a unique experience for me."

**Sue B. (Spouse of a hearing loop user).** -

*The TV hearing loop has made such a difference for my husband. Now when I miss a word or sentence in a show, I ask him what was said and he usually always hears what I missed. Great difference for me, too, volume is normal again!*

**Laura G. , parent of two children who use CIs** - *They love it! The first night, some of the comments I heard my daughter say: "Mom this is soooo much better!" "So THAT'S what they're saying there!" "I love how that commercial sounds! (It was one with lots of nature sounds in it.) My kiddos are very successful CI users and I was really thinking the loop would just help to make listening easier when there was lots of noise in the room, I never dreamed it would have this much of an impact overall.*

**Wayne H** - *I recently attended the Cochlear America Celebration convention in San Diego, where I had a demonstration of a looped room connected to a TV. With my cochlear implant, the sound was very impressive.*

**Judy W** - *"The meeting the other night showed me how miraculous they (t-coils) are. In the looped room, I heard every word that was said. What a revelation that speech in a meeting setting could sound that clear to me! It left me wanting more. Still definitely planning to have looping in our home"*

**Sr. R, bilateral hearing aid user** - *"If people in church only knew how much better loops make us hear, they would have them installed. I stopped attending church because I just cannot hear the sermon."*

**Corinne B Cochlear Implant recipient at the Cochlear Celebration 2013** -

*I went to a meeting in the room with the loop installed. Wow! The difference is like night and day. Although my cochlear implant has made it where I can hear - I still rely on captions in the large meetings. When I activated my telecoil in the room with a loop, every single word came through clearly. Three different speakers talked. One threw out a few jokes! I didn't miss anything. I could take notes and look at the slides without constantly monitoring the captions. I was in the back of the room!! This amazes me because I am newly implanted and haven't even trained my brain to hear very well yet! And even I didn't miss a word. CI's are a miracle but the loop is, in my mind, almost equally miraculous.*

**Jill V** - *My daughter is lying on my lap right now. We are watching "Cupcake Wars." In our "pre-loop" days, she sat apart from us all, about two feet in front of the TV, so that she could hear better. It's so much better with her on my lap! Thank you for helping to make our world better!*

**Jill V** - *Yay! Yay! Yay! The loop kit arrived Friday and my husband and I had it installed and functioning in less than two hours! The look on our daughter's face was PRICELESS when she realized we had looped our own living room! Absolutely amazing!!*

**Christine K retired attorney** -

*Hearing loop technology has dramatically improved my hearing. I cannot say enough good about it. The elimination of background noise means that I don't have to sit in the front row all the time. I can actually watch the power point screen instead of staring at the speaker's face for lip reading cues. My husband and I can watch television together again because we have our own separate sound systems. ... Since my first 'AHA Moment' of listening to the clear amplified sound provided by the T-coil, I have been trying to spread the word about this remarkable technology. The first hearing loop site in my county was at my home in our television room. Next came my church. And recently the meeting room at the public library. ...Hearing impaired people deserve to know about this technology and have more venues looped. It will enhance their quality of life - just as it has for me.*

**Vicki D - mother of 2 girls who use hearing aids** - *The girls are loving it. We just have learned to have to turn the loop off when they go to bed so they don't hear adult TV/movies, etc!!! They also have personal neck loops when using their IPODs and Nintendo DS's. We are now considering looping our travel vehicle and including a microphone so the girls can actually hear conversations and answers to their questions while we are on the go.*

**Rick M** - *It is incredible how well I can hear at church. I hear every word! People are missing out if they don't use the hearing loop in church.*

**Dale H - Neenah, WI** – “Wow!”

**Rosemary S** - *Having the speaker's presentation going right into your hearing aids improves the quality of what you hear, what you retain and the amount of energy you expend to hear. I didn't have to be in the first or second row to hear. I didn't miss 30 or 40 percent of the presentation. I could experience what a normal hearing person could experience.*

**Dorothy S** - *I used to clap when others clapped. I used to laugh when others laughed though I usually didn't hear what it was about. Now I hear every word in church. I absolutely love the hearing loop.*

**Jerome G** - *The hearing loop is the best thing they ever done at our church!*

**Barb H** - *I can't convey in words how I felt this morning in church. I heard every word, no matter where the clergy stood or sat. What a thrill to finally hear a sermon. And it was clear as a bell...no echo, no reverberations. I am so grateful to you. You have given me such a great gift and I am so grateful to you, and God! Sincerely, Barb*

**Meta G** - *The hearing loop lets me hear the minister without any background noise. Best of all, I am able to do this with my 8 year old hearing aid without any extra cost! All I have to do in church is push a button and I can hear.*

**Gwenn J** - *In my opinion, the loop is working very well at my church. I went to Ash Wednesday service and the whole homily went right in my hearing aid! Now I feel I have no excuse not to fast and abstain and repent. What fun is that going to be? And it's all your fault. ;o) Take care and have a good weekend. Gwenn*

**Merlin L** - *Putting the hearing loop in my church is the best thing they have done. Now I can hear and understand the pastors so much better and feel like going to church!*

**Dorothy B** - *I went to a service at a local church, which has been looped. It is wonderful. I could understand most everything, especially women's voices, which I usually have trouble with. Keep up the good work.*

**Tanya S** - *On December 19th I attended the Singers Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. I was invited by a friend to attend this special event and it was my first time at Trinity Episcopal Church. I am 45 years old and have a severe hearing impairment. As I was struggling to hear the words of the speaker presenting the first lesson I remembered that my audiologist, Juliette, mentioned that a few churches in Oshkosh have recently installed the hearing loop system. I took a chance and pressed the button on my hearing aid to activate the T-coil. I was pleasantly surprised that it worked and I heard every word of every speaker. As a hearing impaired person I miss out on so much and face challenging "hearing" situations everyday. I just want you to know that attending this event was one of the highlights of the holiday season.*

**Norm D** - *I went to my Lutheran Church on Feb 25 (Ash Wednesday. I sat in the center section on the left side and 3 rows from the back. I could hear every word that was said. I turned off my hearing aid once and was amazed at the difference. I think every church should get a loop system. It works great!*

**Hazel M** - *I wanted to phone you but the tears would not stop flowing. These were tears of happiness. One of the reasons I like the loop is because I made a new friend. This hearing loop has given me so much happiness in a short time. Sunday December 27th was my first experience with the new loop. Pastor walked down the center isle. He said to everyone quote: You can't see any wires or no external speakers but the people with hearing aids know what I am talking about. Then he said, Hazel can you hear? Yes ! Yes! was my answer. On the other side of the church sitting next to my friend Audrey, a stranger to me, said to Audrey: WHAT EVER THEY DID IT WORKED FOR ME TOO I can REALLY HEAR GOOD. Hazel*

**A parishioner offered this unsolicited compliment** - *Thank you so much for helping people with hearing aids hear better. It made a big difference to my mother-in-law last month when she was able to hear every word at the confirmation service of our son at St Mary's.*

**Jeanne C** - *My husband Ed and I both use hearing aids. Ed can now finally hear the homily! I asked him "Honey, can you hear what Father is saying?" and he answered: "What the ....., of course!" We just love the loop system both at the church and for our TV at home!*

**Dorothy Y** - *This hearing loop "perks my ears up". It is great to hear the Mass preachings, the Priest's & Sr. Pam's witty remarks and the homily at our church along with the religious songs. The best thing is that I can do all this without hearing the background noises or the babies crying! But I am not alone: I know other hard of hearing people are enjoying the loop at church too!*

**Bud S** - *What do I like the most about my hearing aids? GOING TO CHURCH!*

**Gertrude R - St. Katherine Drexel in Kaukauna, Wi** - *I took my mother to our looped church for Mass. In her words, "I could hear every word, and this is the first time that's happened in years." She went on to say how much more she got out of the service and realized how much she had been missing.*

**Jim K** - *We were finished looping in 1 1/2 days, and used it for the first time last Sunday--5-3-09. I told four people that we were going "live", and had four very positive responses after the service. We received warm thank you's for our investing time and effort in making this technology available.*

**Mr. D. P.** - *This is the best I have heard at our church! Mr.D.P.*

**William S.** - *This is probably the first time in 20 years that I have been able to hear the sermon clearly. The hearing loop at St Mary's is more than I expected. William S*

**Mrs. Jeanette S.** - *I wore my hearing aid for the Easter Service and to my surprise I heard every word the minister said. It sure made a difference to hear him instead of just sitting there wondering what he said. How did anyone ever think this "Looping" up? Mrs. Jeanette S*

**Douglas H.** - *Thank you all so much for helping make this hearing loop a reality for our Episcopal Church. This morning during the 10 a.m. service I was thrilled beyond imagination when I turned on my Telecoil sound and heard with such wonderful clarity the spoken word. Churches and many other large meeting areas invariably have so much background noise that even the best of hearing aids won't help unless the meeting room has a hearing loop installed and one is able to turn on a Telecoil. Now our church members, those of us who have only partially heard The Word of God, will think of you who helped make this project a reality. Hearing and understanding is so so wonderful. Thank you so much, Douglas H*

**Rev. Merlin H.** - *I have attended the first worship services at UMC since the hearing loop has been installed. For me, it's GREAT! I can hear everything perfectly. Thank you. Rev. Merlin H*

**Rev. Merlin H** - *I attended the service in the looped chapel at Evergreen, I sat near the fire place and I was able to hear every word!*

**Ken C** - *My church recently installed a hearing loop which literally surrounds the sanctuary with sound. Heretofore, hearing impaired churchgoers were limited to using an FM receiver which picked up from the church's sound system. This new approach is vastly superior. I am delighted to be able to use my hearing aids' t-coil to hear everything in the service, often with more clarity and accuracy than even those with good hearing. For example, at a recent morning's service I could hear clearly the words of a woman who spoke into the mike in a whisper. Attendees with normal hearing told me after the service that they could not hear her. My thanks to all who have made this enhancement to my worship experience possible.*

**John P** - *I now have three rooms in my home that are equipped with loop systems and it is very gratifying to adequately hear and understand the news, sportscasts and movies once again.*

**Mrs. R.** - *"Since the loop system has been installed in our Church, I have been attending regularly again. I now can understand the sermons." - Mrs. R.*

**Algoma Blvd United Methodist Church - Chris P.** - *I am a member of our looped Church. What I experienced last Sunday was nothing short of a miracle. For the very first time in many, many years I was able to hear every single word said in church along with every note of music. I cannot express my thankfulness in words. It was truly one of my most memorable moments in my life and I felt "normal." Thank you. Chris P*