



## Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

### Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

8/28/2018 - 9/3/2018

The call report details when pastors, teachers, and staff ministers change positions within WELS. The Conference of Presidents oversees and coordinates the calling process.

#### NO DECISION REPORTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date issued
Rev Joel Russow	Faith LC Tallahassee FL	Martin Luther College New Ulm MN Pastor; Admission Counselor	7/29/2018
Rev Joel Jenswold	Bethlehem LC Hortonville WI	Lord of Love LC De Forest WI Associate Pastor	7/29/2018
Rev Richard Warnecke	Christ LC Pewaukee WI	Christ LC Merrill WI Pastor	8/5/2018
Rev Joel Thomford	Zion LC Chesaning MI	Immanuel LC Buffalo MN Pastor	8/5/2018
Rev Gary Kluball	King of Kings LC Clifton Park NY	Conference of Presidents Pastor; Christian Giving Counselor	8/7/2018
Rev Jason Baldwin	Hope LC Saint Charles MI	Michigan Lutheran Seminary Saginaw MI Pastor	8/9/2018
Rev Michael Sullivan	Immanuel LC Kewaunee WI	Divine Word LC Nepean ON Canada Pastor	8/12/2018
Rev Caleb Bassett	Redeemer LC Fallbrook CA	Bethlehem LC Manassas VA Pastor	8/12/2018
Rev Aaron Boehm	Shepherd of the Hills LC La Mesa CA	Shoreland Lutheran High School Somers WI	8/13/2018

Pastor; Youth Ministry  
Director

Rev Patrick Feldhus	St John LC Cornell WI	The Lutheran Home Hope Residence Belle Plaine MN Pastor; Jesus Cares Ministry Chaplain	8/14/2018
Rev Aaron Schumann	Faith LC Pittsburg KS	Lamb of God LC Lafayette IN Pastor	8/15/2018
Rev Philip Gurgel	St John LC Newark DE	Trinity LC Waukesha WI Pastor	8/19/2018
Rev Nathan Nass	St Peter LC Saint Peter MN	St Paul LC Green Bay WI Associate Pastor	8/19/2018
Rev Philip Gurgel	St John LC Newark DE	Riverview LC Appleton WI Associate Pastor	8/19/2018
Rev Gary Wong	Retired	Zion LC New Ulm MN Pastor; Retirement Call	8/19/2018
Rev Joel Voss	Resurrection LC Centerville OH	Peace LC Loves Park IL Pastor	8/19/2018
Rev Philip Bigelow	St John LC Hemlock MI	Zion LC Olivia MN Pastor	8/19/2018
Rev Peter Kesting	Zion LC Fremont WI	Peace LC Milbank SD St John LC Summit SD Pastor	8/19/2018
Rev Paul Vander Galien	Salem LC Lowell WI	St Paul LC Stratford WI Grace LC Mosinee WI Pastor	8/20/2018
Rev Jay Bickelhaupt	Apostles LC Billings MT	Immanuel LC South Lyon MI Pastor	8/21/2018
Rev David Rosenau	St Mark LC Leesburg FL	Good Shepherd LC Cedar Rapids IA Pastor	8/22/2018
Rev Kent Reeder	Illumine LC Rock Hill SC	Grace LC Seattle WA Pastor	8/22/2018
Rev Kirk Lahmann	St John LC Burlington WI	St John LC Watertown WI Associate Pastor	8/23/2018

Rev Joel Heckendorf	Immanuel LC Greenville WI	Light of the Valleys LC Reno NV Pastor	8/23/2018
Rev David Koelpin	Living Savior LC Littleton CO	New Mission Joplin MO Pastor	8/24/2018
Rev Martin Luchterhand	Crown of Life LC Fort Myers FL	Zion LC Rhineland WI Associate Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Joel Tullberg	Shepherd of the Hills LC Lansing MI	Trinity LC Crete IL Associate Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Mark Kaesmeyer	Cross of Christ LC Coon Rapids MN	Grace LC Milwaukee WI Associate Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Michael Schroeder	Living Hope LC Wildomar CA	St John LC Peshtigo WI Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Peter Sternberg	St John LC Red Wing MN	St Matthew's LC Niles IL Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Daniel Westendorf	Crown of Life LC Warren MI	Garden Homes LC Milwaukee WI Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Paul Fritz	St John LC Fremont WI	St John LC & Trinity LC Carson ND Immanuel LC Elgin ND Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Mark Reichert	St Paul's LC Norfolk NE	Good Shepherd LC Sioux Falls SD Associate Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Jesse Johnston	Mt Calvary LC Menasha WI	New Hope LC West Melbourne FL Pastor	8/26/2018
Rev Nathan Kassulke	Grace LC Tucson AZ	St John LC Bay City MI Associate Pastor	8/29/2018
Rev Darren Green	St Peter LC Monticello MN	Friendly Counselor India	8/29/2018
Rev Michael Hartman	1 Latin America Team	St Paul's LC Stevensville MI Associate Pastor	8/29/2018
Rev Newton Trimmer	Atonement LC Baltimore MD	Immanuel LC Gibbon MN Pastor	8/30/2018

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date issued
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Mrs Naomi Evenson		Prairie LS Gibbon MN	8/23/2018
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ECM Teacher; Less Than  
Half-Time Call

<b>Staff Ministers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date issued</b>
Ms Kristen Koepsell	Cross of Christ LC Boise ID	Christ the Lord LC Cottage Grove MN Staff Minister	7/29/2018
Mr Steven Millerman		CrossWalk Lutheran Ministries Laveen AZ Staff Minister; Director of Worship Arts	8/20/2018
Mr James Brandt		Pilgrim LC Minneapolis MN Development Director	8/26/2018

## **CALLS ACCEPTED**

<b>Pastors</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date accepted</b>
Rev Curt Grube	Retired	Emanuel LC Forestville WI Pastor; Retirement Call	9/1/2018

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date accepted</b>
Mrs Alexa Foelske		St John LS Wrightstown WI ECM Teacher; One Year, Three-Fourths Time Call	8/30/2018

## **CALLS DECLINED**

<b>Pastors</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date declined</b>
Rev Nathan Kassulke	Grace LC Tucson AZ	Faith LC Tacoma WA Pastor	8/28/2018
Rev Michael Lindemann	St John LC Lewiston MN	Paradise Valley LC Phoenix AZ Pastor	8/28/2018
Rev Mark Parsons	Faith LC Fond du Lac WI	New Mission Brandon SD Pastor	8/30/2018
Rev Jeremy Husby	Peace LC Hartford WI	St Paul LC Onalaska WI Associate Pastor	8/31/2018
Rev David Frey	Living Word LC Mission Viejo CA	Peace LC Wautoma WI Pastor	8/31/2018

Rev Thomas Westra	Beautiful Savior LC Cincinnati OH	Bethlehem LC Menomonee Falls WI Associate Pastor	9/1/2018
Rev Matthew Westra	Living Promise LC Morristown TN	Ascension LC Harrisburg PA Pastor	9/1/2018
Rev Scott Schwertfeger	Zion LC Arlington WI	Grace LC Tecumseh MI Pastor	9/1/2018
Rev George Swanson	Shepherd LC Albuquerque NM	Beautiful Savior LC Bella Vista-Hiwasse AR Pastor; Retirement Call	9/2/2018

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date declined</b>
Mr Christian Birsching		Siloah LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grades 5-6	8/28/2018

## **POSITION ELIMINATED**

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>Date eliminated</b>
Ms Belinda Diercks	St Lucas LS Milwaukee WI	8/31/2018