



Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

5/21/2019 - 5/27/2019

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

Note: *There was an error in reporting on the May 20, 2019, call report. Mrs. Connie Weilage did not resign her call, as reported. Her limited duration call expired, as reported below. We apologize for this error.*

NO DECISION REPORTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date issued
Rev John Hering	Divine Peace LC Garland TX	One Africa Team Missionary	4/12/2019
Rev Daniel Witte	Trinity LC Nicollet MN	One Africa Team Theological Educator	4/12/2019
Rev Abram Degner	Christ the Lord LC Houston TX	Latin America Missionary	4/25/2019
Rev Paul Schroeder	King of Kings LC Apache Junction AZ	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI Teacher; Religion	4/27/2019
Rev Kirk Lahmann	St John LC Burlington WI	Peace LC Green Lake WI Pastor	4/29/2019
Rev Timothy Soukup	Salem LC Milwaukee WI	Abiding Savior LC Killeen TX Pastor	5/1/2019
Rev Douglas Weber	Retired	Hope LC Portland MI Pastor; Retirement Call	5/5/2019
Rev Steven Gabb	Gethsemane LC Los Angeles CA	Pilgrim LC Menomonee Falls WI Pastor	5/5/2019
Rev Christopher Rathje	Abiding Hope LC Ocala FL	Beautiful Savior LC Fort Wayne IN Pastor	5/7/2019

Rev Philip Bigelow	St John LC Hemlock MI	St Matthew's LC Oconomowoc WI Pastor	5/8/2019
Rev Steven Hillmer	The Springs LC Sparks NV	St Matthew's LC Oconomowoc WI Pastor	5/8/2019
Rev Andrew Fix	St John LC Lannon WI	Bethlehem LC Hortonville WI Associate Pastor	5/12/2019
Rev Lincoln Albrecht	River of Life LC Goodyear AZ	Peace LC Kokomo IN Pastor	5/12/2019
Rev Martin Wildauer	St Matthew LC Port Washington WI	Zion LC Rhineland WI Associate Pastor	5/14/2019
Rev Kyle Bitter	St John LC Wauwatosa WI	St Luke LC Watertown WI Associate Pastor	5/15/2019
Rev Timothy Matthies II	Cross of Glory LC Washington MI	Asia Lutheran Seminary Professor; Hebrew	5/16/2019
Rev Nathan Ericson	Martin Luther LC Oshkosh WI	Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Mequon WI Professor; Director of Library & Educational Technology	5/16/2019
Rev Jeremy Cares	Shepherd of the Plains LC Lubbock TX	Truth In Love Ministry Nampa ID Associate Pastor	5/17/2019
Rev Adam Mueller	Redeemer LC Tucson AZ	St Peter LC Weyauwega WI Associate Pastor	5/19/2019
Rev Dr Kenneth Fisher Jr	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	Immanuel LC Greenville WI Associate Pastor	5/19/2019
Rev Jonathan Werre	Good Shepherd LC Sioux Falls SD	St Paul's LC North Mankato MN Associate Pastor	5/19/2019
Rev David Mielke	Christ LC Oakley MI	Zion LC Marathon WI St John LC Edgar WI Pastor	5/19/2019
Rev Zachary Pudlo	Crown of Life LC West Saint Paul MN	Apostles LC San Jose CA Associate Pastor	5/19/2019
Rev David Horton	Beautiful Savior LC Petoskey MI	St John LC Glencoe MN Pastor	5/21/2019
Rev James Mumm	Retired	Bethel LC Arcadia WI Bethel LC	5/24/2019

Galesville WI
Associate Pastor;
Retirement Call

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date issued
Ms Alexandria Caira		Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL Teacher; Middle Grades	4/12/2019
Mr David Voss	Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI	Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI Teacher; Social Studies	4/16/2019
Prof Nathan Kieselhorst	Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI	Emanuel LS New London WI Principal	4/28/2019
Ms Laura Kosteretz		Building Blocks Christian Learning Center Mequon WI Teacher; Provisional Call	4/29/2019
Mrs Tammy Kuehl		Holy Cross LS Madison WI Teacher; Primary Grades	4/29/2019
Mrs Rachel Neumann	St Paul LS Tomah WI	St Paul LS Tomah WI Teacher; Grades 7-8, Half-Time Call	5/2/2019
Mr Michael Falk	St John LS Bay City MI	First LS Elkhorn WI Principal & Grades 7-8	5/5/2019
Mr Jeffrey Wetzal	St Paul LS Muskego WI	First LS La Crosse WI Principal & Grades 7-8	5/5/2019
Mrs Abby Zuberbier		Martin Luther LS Neenah WI Teacher; Grades 5-6	5/5/2019
Mrs Kathleen Szmanda	St John's LS Burlington WI	First LS Elkhorn WI Teacher; Grades 1-2	5/5/2019
Mrs Laura Shilling		Crown of Life LC Fort Myers FL ECM Director	5/5/2019
Dr Cynthia Whaley	Martin Luther College New Ulm MN	Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI Teacher; Dean of Adult & Graduate Studies	5/9/2019
Mr Jon Woldt	St John LS Libertyville IL	Cross of Glory LS Peoria AZ Principal	5/12/2019

Mrs Jessica Krause	New Hope Lutheran Academy West Melbourne FL	Peace LS Sun Prairie WI Teacher; Grade 1	5/12/2019
Mr Jonah Gauger	Immanuel LS Waukegan IL	St John LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 5	5/12/2019
Mr Eric Kaesermann	St Paul LS Arlington MN	Immanuel LC Medford WI Principal	5/12/2019
Mr Harmon Krause	New Hope Lutheran Academy West Melbourne FL	Peace LS Sun Prairie WI Teacher; Grade 7	5/12/2019
Mrs Lesley Kaesermann	St Paul LS Arlington MN	Immanuel LC Medford WI Teacher; Grades 3-4	5/12/2019
Mr Michael Plocher	St Paul's LS New Ulm MN	Kingdom Prep Lutheran High School Wauwatosa WI Teacher; Spanish	5/13/2019
Ms Janise Janikowski		St Paul LS Cudahy WI Teacher; Grade 3	5/19/2019
Miss Meredith Moeller	St Matthew LS Janesville WI	Good Shepherd LS Burnsville MN Teacher; Grades 3-4	5/19/2019
Miss Emily Hunt	Christ Our Savior Academy Columbia TN	Southridge LC Kennewick WA ECM Director	5/19/2019
Mr Frank Van Brocklin	Northland Lutheran High School Mosinee WI	Good Shepherd's LC West Allis WI Teacher; Grades 7-8	5/19/2019
Mr Timothy Gustafson	David's Star LS Jackson WI	St John LS Baraboo WI Principal & Upper Grades	5/19/2019
Miss Sarah Howell	Small Steps Christian Learning Center Port Orange FL	Good Shepherd Early Childhood Center Sioux Falls SD ECM Director	5/19/2019
Mr Joshua Kramer	Good Shepherd LS West Bend WI	Faith LS Antioch IL Teacher; Upper Grades, Music	5/19/2019
Miss Kali Gross	Samuel LS Marshall MN	Samuel LS Marshall MN ECM Director	5/19/2019
Mrs Renee Manian		Samuel LS Marshall MN Teacher; Grades 1-2	5/19/2019
Miss Emily Hunt	Christ Our Savior Academy Columbia TN	Little Lambs Preschool Fort Collins CO ECM Director	5/19/2019

Mr Scott Georgson	Good Shepherd LS Sioux Falls SD	St John LC Libertyville IL Teacher; Grades 6-8	5/19/2019
Mrs Kim Marie Lemke	St John's LS Jefferson WI	Grace Lutheran Academy Lowell AR Teacher; Lower Grades	5/19/2019
Mr Peter Lemke	St John's LS Jefferson WI	Grace Lutheran Academy Lowell AR Principal & Upper Grades	5/19/2019
Mr Daniel Kell	Christ LS Zumbrota MN	St Paul LC Wonewoc WI Principal	5/19/2019
Mrs Rachel Gustafson	David's Star LS Jackson WI	St John LS Baraboo WI ECM Director	5/19/2019
Mrs Lisa Gumm		King of Kings LS Maitland FL ECM Director	5/19/2019
Mr Stephen Kamps	First LS Lake Geneva WI	First LC Lake Geneva WI Interim Principal	5/19/2019
Mr Scott Stevenson	Pilgrim LS Mesa AZ	Pilgrim LS Mesa AZ Principal	5/19/2019
Mrs Nicole Barabas		Grace LS Saint Joseph MI Teacher; Grade 1	5/20/2019
Mr Benjamin Rank	Eastside LS Madison WI	Evergreen Lutheran High School Tacoma WA Principal	5/20/2019
Mr Joel Grulke	Our Savior LS Grafton WI	Holy Trinity LC Wyoming MI Principal	5/20/2019
Mrs Amy Grulke	Our Savior LS Grafton WI	Holy Trinity LC Wyoming MI ECM Director	5/20/2019
Miss Lauren Mantz	Jordan LC West Allis WI	Lamb of God LS West Allis WI ECM Director	5/20/2019
Mrs Kelli Baas	Trinity LS Brillion WI	First Lutheran Preschool Lake Geneva WI ECM Director	5/21/2019
Mr Jonah Gauger	Immanuel LS Waukegan IL	St Jacobi LS & LC Greenfield WI Teacher; Grade 5	5/21/2019
Mr Keith Hackbarth	St John LS Wauwatosa WI	Westside Christian School Middleton WI Teacher; Upper Grades	5/21/2019
Mrs Maura Hegman		Cornerstone Early Learning Center	5/21/2019

Hugo MN
ECM Teacher

Miss Brea Biebert		Kingdom Prep Lutheran High School Wauwatosa WI Teacher; Latin, Provisional Call	5/21/2019
Mrs Ashley Renstrom		Westside Christian School Middleton WI Teacher; Upper Grades	5/21/2019
Mr Lyle Timm	St Paul LS Franklin WI	Shoreland Lutheran High School Somers WI Teacher; Science	5/22/2019

Staff Ministers	Current call	New call	Date issued
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Mr Kevin Ehlike	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI Development Director / Mission Advancement Director	5/1/2019
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CALLS ACCEPTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date accepted
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Rev Daniel Johnston	Living Savior LC Blair NE	Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School Commerce City CO International Program Director & Teacher	5/19/2019
Rev Hernandez Daylo Jr	Prince of Peace LC Yuma AZ	Michigan Lutheran High School Saint Joseph MI Pastor; Dean of Students	5/26/2019

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date accepted
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Mr Kenneth Proeber	Christ the Lord LS Brookfield WI	Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI Interim Principal; Half- Time Call	5/16/2019
Mrs Laurel Papenfuss	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI Teacher; Math	5/17/2019
Mrs Michele Bayer		Pilgrim LS Mesa AZ Teacher; Grade 2, Half- Time Call	5/20/2019
Mrs Amanda Van Kampen		Mt Calvary Lutheran Academy	5/20/2019

Flagstaff AZ
Teacher

Mrs Kathaleen McGowan

Mt Calvary LS
Redding CA
Teacher; Kindergarten &
Grade 1, Provisional Call

5/21/2019

Mrs Kristin Groth

Grace LS
Glendale AZ
Teacher; Upper Grades,
Half-Time Call

5/22/2019

Mrs Angela Hohenstein

Wisconsin Lutheran High
School
Milwaukee WI

Kettle Moraine Lutheran
High School
Jackson WI
Teacher; Band

5/22/2019

Mrs Heather Stelzer

Wisconsin Lutheran
College
Milwaukee WI
Teacher; Business

5/22/2019

CALLS DECLINED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date declined
Rev Marcus Schulz	Emanuel LC New London WI	Bethlehem LC Menomonee Falls WI Associate Pastor	5/23/2019
Rev Robert Raasch	Mount Olive LC Appleton WI	Good Shepherd LC Cedar Rapids IA Pastor	5/24/2019
Rev Jacob Scott	Zion LC Arlington WI	Trinity LC Marshfield WI Pastor	5/24/2019
Rev Timothy Spiegelberg	Carbon Valley LC Firestone CO	Goodview Trinity LC Goodview MN Pastor	5/25/2019
Rev Timothy Glende	St Peter LC - North Campus Appleton WI	CrossWalk Lutheran Ministries Laveen AZ Pastor	5/26/2019

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date declined
Mr Lance List	St John LS Peshtigo WI	Wisconsin LS-Middle School (6-8) Racine WI Administrator; Dean of Students	5/18/2019
Mr Tyler Morgan	Divine Savior Academy - Sienna Plantation Missouri City TX	Trinity LS Waukesha WI Teacher; Grade 7	5/20/2019
Mrs Anneliese Gumm	Trinity LS Nicollet MN	St John LS Caledonia MN Teacher; Grades 5-6	5/21/2019

Mr Joseph Gumm	Trinity LS Nicollet MN	St John LC Caledonia MN Principal	5/21/2019
Mrs Ashley Steinmetz	Shepherd of the Valley LS Menasha WI	Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Preschool Menasha WI ECM Director	5/21/2019
Miss Emily Hunt	Christ Our Savior Academy Columbia TN	Crown of Life LC Fort Myers FL Teacher; Grades 3-4	5/22/2019
Mr Jarrod Pfarr	St Peter LS Appleton WI	Huron Valley Lutheran High School Westland MI Teacher; Physical Education & Athletic Director	5/22/2019
Mr David Backus	St John LS Manitowoc WI	St Paul LS Fort Atkinson WI Principal & Upper Grades; Departmentalized	5/24/2019
Mrs Melissa Nehls	Martin Luther College New Ulm MN	MLC Early Childhood Learning Center New Ulm MN ECM Teacher	5/24/2019

Staff Ministers	Current call	New call	Date declined
Mr Paul Frisque	St Jacobi LS Greenfield WI	St Paul's LC Stevensville MI Staff Minister	5/20/2019

RESIGNED

Teachers	Current call	Date resigned
Mrs Kristi Hirsch	Hope Lutheran Early Learning Center-Preschool Manhattan KS	6/30/2019

CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY

Teachers	Home church	Death date
Mr Kyle Gut	St Mark LC Green Bay WI	5/21/2019

LIMITED LENGTH CALL EXPIRED

Teachers	Current call	Date effective
Mrs Jill Bartelt	St John LS Lannon WI	6/30/2019

Miss Hannah Zabel

Michigan Lutheran High School
Saint Joseph MI

6/30/2019

Mrs Connie Weilage

St Paul LS
New Ulm MN

6/30/2019