



Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

12/17/2019 - 12/23/2019

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: Due to the upcoming holiday season, the next call report will be posted on Jan. 6, 2020.

NO DECISION REPORTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date issued
Rev Stephen Wiesenauer	Hong Kong	One Asia Team Leader	10/10/2019
Rev Robert Smith	Redeemer LC Hastings NE	Our Savior LC Sun City AZ Pastor	10/30/2019
Rev Michael Willitz	Lord of Love LC Deforest WI	Christ the Redeemer LC Barre VT Pastor	11/10/2019
Rev Daniel Habben	St John LC St John's Saint John Antigua	Mt Calvary LC Flagstaff AZ Pastor	11/13/2019
Rev Timothy Spaude	St Jacobi LC Greenfield WI	Good Shepherd LC Benton Harbor MI Pastor	11/21/2019
Rev Daniel Schumann	Friedens LC Randolph WI	Shepherd of the Hills LC Winchester VA Pastor	11/24/2019
Rev Geoffrey Kieta	Peace LC Livonia MI	St Peter LC Brodhead WI Pastor	11/24/2019
Rev Joel Nitz	Messiah LC Olympia WA	Hmong Asia Pastor	11/26/2019
Rev Eric Schroeder	St John LC Wauwatosa WI	Bethany LC Fort Atkinson WI Associate Pastor; Academy President	12/1/2019

Rev Jacob Scott	Zion LC Arlington WI	Peace LC Kokomo IN Pastor	12/1/2019
Rev Frank Rose	Zion LC & St John LC Kingston WI	Grace LC Benson AZ & Vail AZ Associate Pastor	12/1/2019
Rev Jeffrey Berg	Martin Luther LC Oshkosh WI	Good Hope LC Ellensburg WA Dual Parish with Good Faith S Cle Elum WA Pastor; Retirement Call	12/1/2019
Rev Paul Bader	Retired	St John (Barre Mills) LC La Crosse WI Pastor; Retirement call	12/1/2019
Rev Stephen Koelpin	Crown of Life LC Yucaipa CA	New Mission Wesley Chapel FL Missionary	12/2/2019
Rev James Fleming	St Peter LC - North Campus Appleton WI	The Springs LC Sparks NV Pastor	12/2/2019
Rev Jacob Scott	Zion LC Arlington WI	Good Shepherd LC Kearney NE Pastor	12/2/2019
Rev Douglas Westenberg	St Peter LC Marshfield WI	St Michael's LC Fountain City WI Pastor	12/3/2019
Rev Christopher Schroeder	Pan de Vida / Bread of Life LC Santa Ana CA	Shepherd LC Albuquerque NM Pastor	12/3/2019
Rev Thomas Glende	Beautiful Savior LC Fayetteville NC	Faith LC Excelsior MN Pastor	12/4/2019
Rev Daniel Waldschmidt	St John LC Burlington WI	St Paul's LC Menomonie WI Associate Pastor	12/5/2019
Rev John Hering	Divine Peace LC Garland TX	Board for Home Missions Mission Counselor	12/5/2019
Rev Steven Gabb	Gethsemane LC Los Angeles CA	Bethlehem LC Menomonee Falls WI Associate Pastor	12/8/2019
Rev Mark Gabb	St Paul LC Beverly Hills FL	Grace LC Milwaukee WI Associate Pastor	12/8/2019
Rev Andrew Schroeder	California Lutheran High School Wildomar CA	First LC Lake Geneva WI Pastor	12/8/2019
Rev Gregory Tobison	Grace LC Hutchinson MN	Trinity LC Eugene OR Pastor	12/8/2019

Rev Silas Schmitzer	St Matthew LC Stoddard WI	St Paul's LC Plymouth NE Associate Pastor	12/8/2019
Rev Bradley Pearson	St James LC Prairie Du Sac WI	St John LC Hemlock MI Pastor	12/9/2019
Rev Timothy Westendorf	Abiding Word LC Highlands Ranch CO	Mt Olive LC Overland Park KS Pastor	12/9/2019
Rev Joel Naumann	St Mark LC Eau Claire WI	Prince of Peace LC Yankton SD Pastor	12/9/2019
Rev Curtis Golm	Messiah LC Milwaukee WI	St Matthew LC Freeland MI St John LC Saginaw MI Pastor	12/10/2019
Dean Timothy Dolan	Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI	Immanuel LC Greenville WI Associate Pastor	12/11/2019
Rev Mark Kom	Crown of Life LC West Saint Paul MN	Goodview Trinity LC Goodview MN Pastor	12/11/2019
Rev Joel Gaertner	The Lutheran Home Belle Plaine MN	Trinity LC Winner SD Pastor	12/11/2019

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date issued
Miss Cassandra Schwark	Trinity LS Aberdeen SD	Mt Calvary LC Waukesha WI Teacher; Grade 1	11/18/2019
Mrs Maria Felten	St John LS Caledonia MN	St John LS Caledonia MN Preschool & Resource Teacher; Provisional Call	11/21/2019
Mrs Kristin Hadenfeldt	St Paul LS Menomonie WI	St Paul LS Menomonie WI ECM Director and Teacher; Extended Day Program Coordinator	11/21/2019
Mr Jonah Gauger	St Jacobi LS Greenfield WI	St Jacobi LS Greenfield WI Teacher; Grade 5 & Technology Director	11/26/2019
Mr Patrick Hurley	Grace Christian Academy Falls Church VA	Divine Savior LC-Liberty Hill Liberty Hill TX Principal	11/26/2019
Mrs Karilyn Hurley	Grace Christian Academy Falls Church VA	Divine Savior LC-Liberty Hill Liberty Hill TX ECM Teacher	11/26/2019

Mrs Marlee Hill	St Paul LS North Fond du Lac WI	Good Shepherd LS West Bend WI Teacher; Grade 3	12/1/2019
Miss Kathryn Gut	Shepherd of the Valley LS Westminster CO	Victory Preschool Jacksonville FL ECM Director	12/1/2019
Mr Philip Haefner	Trinity LS Bay City MI	St John LC Caledonia MN Principal	12/1/2019
Mr Jared Christensen	St Paul LS Saint James MN	Cross of Glory LS Peoria AZ Principal	12/1/2019
Miss Rebecca Wagner	Redeemer Learning Center Tomahawk WI	Leap of Faith Lutheran Preschool New Lisbon WI ECM Director	12/2/2019
Mr James Livingston	Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI	Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School New Ulm MN Director of Technology	12/2/2019
Mr Marc Meihack	Bethany LS Kenosha WI	Salem LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Upper Grades, Departmentalized ELA	12/2/2019
Miss Barbara Noon	Beautiful Savior Preschool Clarksville TN	Zion LC Denver CO ECM Director	12/3/2019
Mr Paul Kanzenbach	St John LS Milwaukee WI	St Paul LS Muskego WI Teacher; Grade 5	12/4/2019
Mr Michael Chappell	Precious Lambs Preschool Jacksonville FL	Jesus Loves Me Learning Center North Mankato MN ECM Director	12/4/2019
Mrs Erin Koschnitzke	Lakeside Lutheran High School Lake Mills WI	Garden Homes LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; K5	12/4/2019
Mrs Michelle Korth	Trinity LS Marshfield WI	Neenah LS (3-8) Neenah WI Teacher; Spanish	12/5/2019
Mr Ryan Wiechmann	Northland Lutheran High School Mosinee WI	Luther High School Onalaska WI Principal	12/5/2019
Mrs Anna Wendt		St Peter LS Saint Peter MN Teacher; Grades 3-5	12/5/2019
Mr Jon Kulhanek	Bay Pines LS Seminole FL	St Mark LS Eau Claire WI Teacher; Grades 7-8 & Athletic Director	12/8/2019

Miss Sarah Seelow	St John's LS Burlington WI	St John LS Waterloo WI Teacher; Grades K-2	12/8/2019
Miss Rebecca Gervais	Cornerstone Early Learning Center Hugo MN	Abiding Peace LC Simpsonville SC ECM Teacher	12/8/2019
Mr Aaron Krause	Bethany LS Manitowoc WI	St Stephen LS Beaver Dam WI Principal; Grades 5-8, Departmentalized	12/8/2019
Miss Hannah Rothe	Christ Our Redeemer LS Aurora CO	St Paul LS Rapid City SD Teacher; Grades 4 & 7-8	12/8/2019
Mrs Michelle Springer	St Paul LS Ixonia WI	St Paul LS Moline IL ECM Teacher	12/8/2019
Mr Benjamin Springer	St Paul LS Ixonia WI	St Paul LS Moline IL Principal	12/8/2019
Miss Kaylen Orr	Building Blocks Christian Academy Los Angeles CA	Risen Savior Christian Academy Pooler GA ECM Director	12/8/2019
Mr Zachary Seeger	Abiding Peace Academy Simpsonville SC	Immanuel LS Salem OR Principal; Upper Grades	12/8/2019
Mr Matthew Nottling	St Mark's LS Watertown WI	Good Shepherd LC Deltona FL Principal	12/8/2019
Mr Daniel Plath	Crown of Life LS West Saint Paul MN	St Paul LS Beverly Hills FL Principal	12/8/2019
Mrs Erin Nottling	Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI	Good Shepherd LC Deltona FL Teacher; Grades 6-7 & Spanish	12/8/2019
Mr Chad Clough	Word of Life LS Milwaukee WI	St Paul LS Franklin WI Teacher; Grade 6	12/8/2019
Mr Ryan Finkbeiner	Mount Lebanon LS Milwaukee WI	Abiding Word LS Houston TX Principal	12/8/2019
Mrs Rebecca Seeger	Abiding Peace Academy Simpsonville SC	Immanuel LS Salem OR Teacher; Grades 1 & 2	12/8/2019
Mr Duane Vance	Jerusalem LS Morton Grove IL	Illinois Lutheran Schools Inc Crete IL Executive Director	12/9/2019
Mr Joshua Schoeneck	Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	12/9/2019

Teacher; Director of
Technology

Mr Justin Wiechmann	St Matthew's LS Oconomowoc WI	St John LC Libertyville IL Teacher; Upper Grades	12/9/2019
Mrs Elisabeth Ziel	St Matthew's LS Oconomowoc WI	Peridot-Our Savior's LS Peridot AZ Teacher; Grade 2	12/9/2019
Mr Eric Ziel	St Matthew's LS Oconomowoc WI	Peridot-Our Savior's LS Peridot AZ Teacher; Grade 6	12/9/2019
Mr William Strasser Jr	Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI	Shoreland Lutheran High School Somers WI Teacher; Industrial Arts	12/9/2019
Mrs Abigail Kurth	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI Director of Bands	12/9/2019
Mr Justin Liepert	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI Teacher; English	12/9/2019
Mr Justin Ohm	Crown of Life LS West Saint Paul MN	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI Teacher; Mathematics & Coaching	12/9/2019
Mr Luke Rothe	Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI	St Marcus LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 7	12/11/2019
Mrs Natalie Walz		St Marcus LS Milwaukee WI ECM Teacher	12/11/2019
Mrs Megan Prater	St Paul LS Fort Atkinson WI	St Paul LS Lake Mills WI Teacher; Grade 5	12/11/2019
Miss Jennifer Lindloff	Peace LS Sun Prairie WI	Divine Savior Academy - Sienna Plantation Missouri City TX Teacher; Grades 3 & 4	12/11/2019
Mrs Allison Byers	St Paul LS Lake Mills WI	Good Shepherd Early Childhood Center Sioux Falls SD ECM Director	12/11/2019
Mr Christopher Avila	St John LS Red Wing MN	Christ LC Eagle River WI Principal; Grades 4-6	12/11/2019
Miss Gina Radue	Great Plains Lutheran High School Watertown SD	St Marcus LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 7	12/11/2019

Mr Travis Wendt	Bethlehem LS-South Menomonee Falls WI	St Mark LS Green Bay WI Teacher; Grade 7 & Vice Principal	12/12/2019
Mr Joel Plocher	Holy Trinity LS Des Moines WA	St Paul LS Green Bay WI Teacher; Grades 7-8	12/12/2019
Mrs Holly Dannecker	St John's LS Sparta WI	St Mark LS Green Bay WI Teacher; Grade 4, Special Education, Resource Teacher	12/12/2019
Miss Katherine Huebner	West Lutheran High School Plymouth MN	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI Teacher; English	12/14/2019
Miss Deborah Schultz	Emanuel Lutheran Preschool Tawas City MI	Samuel LS Marshall MN ECM Director	12/15/2019
Mr Andrew Olson	St Philip LS Milwaukee WI	Emmanuel LS Tempe AZ Teacher; Grade 6	12/15/2019
Miss Amanda Ehrenberg	St Paul LS South Haven MI	First Steps Early Learning Center La Crescent MN ECM Director	12/15/2019
Mr David Backus	St John LS Manitowoc WI	Apostles LS & Apostles Lutheran High School San Jose CA Principal	12/15/2019
Ms Michelle Yotter	St Peter LS Saint Peter MN	St Peter LS Schofield WI Teacher; Kindergarten	12/15/2019
Mr Steven Lehman	St Paul LS North Fond du Lac WI	St Paul LS Menomonie WI Teacher; Grades 5 & 6	12/15/2019
Mrs Ahnsharee Klusmeyer	Peace LS Green Lake WI	Good Shepherd's LC West Allis WI Teacher; Grades 7-8 & Children's Ministry	12/15/2019
Miss Hannah Zabel		Peace LS Kissimmee FL Teacher; Grades 6-8, Limited Duration Call	12/15/2019
Mr Paul Patterson	Wisconsin LS-Early Childhood Campus (K4-2) Racine WI	Commission on Lutheran Schools Waukesha WI Associate Director of Lutheran Schools	12/16/2019
Mr Justin Vilski	Prince of Peace LS Taylorsville UT	Christ Alone LS Thiensville WI Principal	12/16/2019

Mrs Rachel Arndt		Trinity LS Waukesha WI ECM Teacher; Half-Time Call	12/16/2019
Mr Jonathan Boche	Kingdom Workers Waukesha WI	Kingdom Prep Lutheran High School Wauwatosa WI Teacher	12/16/2019
Mr Benjamin Priebe	Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI	Evergreen Lutheran High School Tacoma WA Principal	12/16/2019
Mr Joel Schultz	Trinity LS Caledonia WI	Westside Christian School Middleton WI Teacher; Grades 5 -8	12/17/2019
Mr Marc Shambeau	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL Teacher; Math	12/17/2019
Mr Kurt Nielsen	Zion LS Monroe MI	Huron Valley Lutheran High School Westland MI Teacher; Athletic Director & Coach	12/17/2019
Mr Alan Nolte	Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI	Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI Principal of Education	12/17/2019
Mr Benjamin Wells	Nebraska Evangelical Lutheran High School Waco NE	Arizona Lutheran Academy Phoenix AZ Teacher; English	12/17/2019
Mr Stephen Roekle	Zion LS Egg Harbor WI	Risen Savior LS (Main Campus) Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 6	12/17/2019
Mr David Ring	Nebraska Evangelical Lutheran High School Waco NE	Wisconsin LS-Middle School (6-8) Racine WI Teacher; Grades 6-8 & Dean of Students	12/17/2019
Mrs Carrie Schumacher		St John's LS Newburg WI ECM Teacher; Half-Time Call	12/18/2019
Mr Kurt Stielow	St Marcus LS Milwaukee WI	Cornerstone Lutheran Network Salem LS Milwaukee WI Administrator; Dean of Students	12/18/2019
Mr John Ganey	St Paul LS Lake Mills WI	Cornerstone Lutheran Network Salem LS Milwaukee WI	12/18/2019

Teacher; Upper Grades,
Departmentalized Science

Mr Micah Walz	Star of Bethlehem LS New Berlin WI	Good Shepherd Lutheran Academy Deltona FL Teacher; Grades 7 & 8	12/22/2019
Mr Alexander Vandenberg	Zion LS Columbus WI	Immanuel LS Medford WI Principal; Grades 6-8	12/22/2019
Mr Craig Kiecker	Emmanuel LS Tempe AZ	Christ-St Peter LS-West Campus Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 7	12/22/2019

Staff Ministers	Current call	New call	Date issued
Mr Joshua Wendt	First German LS Manitowoc WI	St Peter LC Saint Peter MN Staff Minister	12/5/2019
Mr Joel Burmeister	St Croix Lutheran Academy West Saint Paul MN	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI Administrator; Director of Mission Advancement	12/14/2019

CALLS ACCEPTED

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date accepted
Mrs Stephnie Marquez	Arizona Lutheran Academy Phoenix AZ	Arizona Lutheran Academy Phoenix AZ Teacher; Part-Time, Provisional Call	12/4/2019
Ms Melissa Scriver		Christ-St John's LS West Salem WI Teacher; Grades 1 & 2	12/17/2019
Mrs LaShawn Smith	MLC Early Childhood Learning Center New Ulm MN	Jesus Loves Me Learning Center North Mankato MN ECM Teacher	12/18/2019
Mrs Peggy Janke		Jesus' Lambs of Grace Lutheran Manitowoc WI ECM Director	12/19/2019
Mrs Elizabeth Carlovsky	Abiding Word LS Houston TX	St John LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 5	12/19/2019
Mrs Emily Sadler	St John LS Milwaukee WI	St John LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 2	12/19/2019

Mrs Ashley Steinmetz	Shepherd of the Valley LS Menasha WI	Shepherd of the Valley LS Menasha WI Teacher; Kindergarten	12/19/2019
Miss Rachel Veith	Gethsemane LS Omaha NE	St John LS Watertown WI Teacher; Grade 4 & Technology Director	12/20/2019
Mr Ethan Hutchinson	Our Savior LS Wausau WI	Shoreland Lutheran High School Somers WI Teacher; Science	12/21/2019
Mr Paul Berger	Chaplains in Schools Inc. Milwaukee WI	Christ Alone LS Thiensville WI Interim Principal; Teacher	12/23/2019

Staff Ministers	Current call	New call	Date accepted
Mr Andrew Thiesfeldt		Immanuel LC Greenville WI Staff Minister	12/17/2019

CALLS DECLINED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date declined
Rev Scott Stone	Reformation LC San Diego CA	Hope LC Portland MI Pastor; Retirement Call	12/4/2019
Rev Jonathan Learman	St Peter LC Theresa WI	Christ LC West Salem WI Associate Pastor	12/15/2019
Rev Daniel Westendorf	Crown of Life LC Warren MI	Shepherd of Peace LC Norfolk NE Pastor	12/20/2019
Rev Kevin Klug	Abiding Love LC Loveland CO	Bethlehem LC Hortonville WI Associate Pastor	12/21/2019

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date declined
Mrs Willette Cambrice		Kingdom Prep Lutheran High School Wauwatosa WI Teacher; English	12/16/2019
Miss Vicki Jensen	St Paul LS Algoma WI	Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL Teacher; Grade 2	12/17/2019
Mr Adam Glodowski	Trinity LS Kiel WI	St Paul LC Tomah WI Principal; Grades 7 & 8	12/17/2019

Mr Christopher Maki	St Croix Lutheran Academy West Saint Paul MN	Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL Administrator; Dean of Students & Teacher	12/17/2019
Mrs Rebecca Maki	St Croix Lutheran Academy West Saint Paul MN	Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL Teacher; English & Drama	12/17/2019
Mr David Porth	Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI	Faith LS Antioch IL Teacher; Upper Grades, Music	12/17/2019
Prof Jennifer Mehlberg	Martin Luther College New Ulm MN	CrossLife LC Pflugerville TX ECM Director	12/18/2019
Mr Chad Marohn	St Paul LS Howards Grove WI	Emanuel LS New London WI Principal	12/19/2019
Mr David Schulz	St Stephen LS Beaver Dam WI	King of Kings LS Maitland FL Principal; Grades 6-8	12/19/2019
Mr Stephen Gurgel	St Paul LS Rapid City SD	Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI Principal; Grades 5 & 6	12/19/2019
Mrs Martha Johnson	Bethlehem LC Menomonee Falls WI	Luther High School Onalaska WI Teacher; Band, Art, & Drama	12/20/2019
Mr Landon Zacharyasz	Mount Olive LS Appleton WI	St John LC Wauwatosa WI Principal	12/20/2019
Mrs Maura Hegman		Trinity-St Luke Western Ave Campus Watertown WI ECM Director	12/20/2019
Miss Rachel Petermann	Trinity LS Kiel WI	Our Redeemer LS Madison WI Teacher; Grades 1-2	12/21/2019
Miss Sandra O'Laire	St Marcus LS Milwaukee WI	St Paul's LC Columbus OH ECM Teacher	12/21/2019
Mr Luke Scherschel	Zion LS Toledo OH	Atonement LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 8	12/21/2019
Miss Angela Birner	Crown of Life Christian Academy Fort Myers FL	St Mark Little Lions Preschool Salina KS ECM Teacher	12/21/2019
Miss Megan Bauer	Beautiful Savior LS Grove City OH	Star of Bethlehem LS New Berlin WI Teacher; Grade 3	12/21/2019

Mr Michael Marquardt	St Croix Lutheran Academy West Saint Paul MN	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI Teacher; Choral Director	12/22/2019
Mr Matthew Kopp	Michigan Lutheran Seminary Saginaw MI	Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI Professor of English	12/22/2019

Staff Ministers	Current call	New call	Date declined
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Mrs Sarah Guenther	Wisconsin Lutheran Institutional Ministries Inc Oconomowoc WI	Wisconsin Lutheran Institutional Ministries Inc Oconomowoc WI Staff Minister; Full-Time Call	12/23/2019
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RESIGNED

Teachers	Current call	Date resigned
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Mr Paul Krause	East Fork Lutheran High School Whiteriver AZ	6/30/2020
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RETIREMENT

Pastors	Current call	Date retired
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Rev Mark Bitter	Christ the King LC Tulsa OK	5/31/2020
Rev Steven Olson	Prince of Peace LC Martinez GA	6/30/2020

Teachers	Current call	Date retired
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Mrs Jeanne Steinbrecher	St Paul LS Muskego WI	12/31/2018
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