



Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

5/14/2019 - 5/20/2019

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, the next call report will be posted on Tuesday, May 28, 2019.*

NO DECISION REPORTED

| Pastors | Current call | New call | Date issued |
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| 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 Marcus Schulz | Emanuel LC New London WI | Bethlehem LC Menomonee Falls WI Associate Pastor | 4/28/2019 |
| Rev Daniel Johnston | Living Savior LC Blair NE | Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School Commerce City CO International Program Director & Teacher | 4/28/2019 |
| Rev Jacob Scott | Zion LC Arlington WI | Trinity LC Marshfield WI Pastor | 4/28/2019 |
| Rev Timothy Glende | St Peter LC - North Campus Appleton WI | CrossWalk Lutheran Ministries Laveen AZ Pastor | 4/28/2019 |
| Rev Paul Bader | St Paul LC Onalaska WI | St Matthew LC Winona MN Pastor; Part-Time Call | 4/29/2019 |

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| Rev Kirk Lahmann | St John LC Burlington WI | Peace LC Green Lake WI Pastor | 4/29/2019 |
| Rev Hernandez Daylo Jr | Prince of Peace LC Yuma AZ | Michigan Lutheran High School Saint Joseph MI Pastor; Dean of Students | 4/30/2019 |
| 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 Robert Raasch | Mount Olive LC Appleton WI | Good Shepherd LC Cedar Rapids IA 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 Timothy Spiegelberg | Carbon Valley LC Firestone CO | Goodview Trinity LC Goodview MN Pastor | 5/13/2019 |
| 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 |

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| Rev Jeremy Cares | Shepherd of the Plains LC Lubbock TX | Truth In Love Ministry Nampa ID Associate Pastor | 5/17/2019 |
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| Teachers | Current call | New call | Date issued |
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| Ms Alexandria Caira | | Divine Savior Academy Doral FL Teacher; Middle Grades | 4/12/2019 |
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| Mrs Heather Stelzer | | Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI Teacher; Business | 4/14/2019 |
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| Mr David Voss | Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI | Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI Teacher; Social Studies | 4/16/2019 |
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| Mrs Ashley Steinmetz | Shepherd of the Valley LS Menasha WI | Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Preschool Menasha WI ECM Director | 4/23/2019 |
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| Prof Nathan Kieselhorst | Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI | Emanuel LS New London WI Principal | 4/28/2019 |
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| Mrs Tammy Kuehl | | Holy Cross LS Madison WI Teacher; Primary Grades | 4/29/2019 |
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| Ms Laura Kosteretz | | Building Blocks Christian Learning Center Mequon WI Teacher; Provisional Call | 4/29/2019 |
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| Mrs Kristin Groth | | Grace LS Glendale AZ Teacher; Upper Grades, Half-Time Call | 4/29/2019 |
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| Mr Jarrod Pfarr | St Peter LS Appleton WI | Huron Valley Lutheran High School Westland MI Teacher; Physical Education & Athletic Director | 5/1/2019 |
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| Mrs Laurel Papenfuss | Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI | Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI Teacher; Math | 5/1/2019 |
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| Mr Lance List | St John LS Peshtigo WI | Wisconsin LS-Middle School (6-8) Racine WI Administrator; Dean of Students | 5/2/2019 |
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| Mrs Melissa Nehls | Martin Luther College New Ulm MN | MLC Early Childhood Learning Center New Ulm MN ECM Teacher | 5/2/2019 |
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| Mrs Rachel Neumann | St Paul LS Tomah WI | St Paul LS Tomah WI Teacher; Grades 7-8, Half-Time Call | 5/2/2019 |
| Mrs Anneliese Gumm | Trinity LS Nicollet MN | St John LS Caledonia MN Teacher; Grades 5-6 | 5/5/2019 |
| Mr Michael Falk | St John LS Bay City MI | First LS Elkhorn WI Principal & Grades 7-8 | 5/5/2019 |
| Mr Joseph Gumm | Trinity LS Nicollet MN | St John LC Caledonia MN Principal | 5/5/2019 |
| Mr Jeffrey Wetzel | St Paul LS Muskego WI | First LS La Crosse WI Principal & Grades 7-8 | 5/5/2019 |
| Mr Tyler Morgan | Divine Savior Academy - Sienna Plantation Missouri City TX | Trinity LS Waukesha WI Teacher; Grade 7 | 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 |
| Mrs Angela Hohenstein | Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI | Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI Teacher; Band | 5/6/2019 |
| Miss Emily Hunt | Christ Our Savior Academy Columbia TN | Crown of Life LC Fort Myers FL Teacher; Grades 3-4 | 5/8/2019 |
| Mr David Backus | St John LS Manitowoc WI | St Paul LS Fort Atkinson WI Principal & Upper Grades, Departmentalized | 5/9/2019 |
| 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 |

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| 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 Kenneth Proeber | Christ the Lord LS Brookfield WI | Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI Interim Principal; Half- Time Call | 5/12/2019 |
| Mrs Amanda Van Kampen | | Mt Calvary Lutheran Academy Flagstaff AZ Teacher | 5/12/2019 |
| Mr Michael Plocher | St Paul LS New Ulm MN | Kingdom Prep Lutheran High School Wauwatosa WI Teacher; Spanish | 5/13/2019 |
| Mrs Kathaleen McGowan | | Mt Calvary LS Redding CA Teacher; Kindergarten & Grade 1, Provisional Call | 5/15/2019 |
| 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 | King of Kings 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, Administration | 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 |
| 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 |

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| 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 |
| Mrs Michele Bayer | | Pilgrim LS Mesa AZ Teacher; Grade 2, Half-Time Call | 5/19/2019 |
| Ms Janise Janikowski | | St Paul LS Cudahy WI Teacher; Grade 3 | 5/19/2019 |
| Mr Scott Stevenson | Pilgrim LS Mesa AZ | Pilgrim LS Mesa AZ Principal | 5/19/2019 |

| Staff Ministers | Current call | New call | Date issued |
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| Mr Paul Frisque | St Jacobi LS Greenfield WI | St Paul's LC Stevensville MI Staff Minister | 4/29/2019 |
| Mr Kevin Ehlke | Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI | Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI Development Director/Mission Advancement Director | 5/1/2019 |

CALLS ACCEPTED

| Pastors | Current call | New call | Date accepted |
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| Mr Philip Henning | CRM | Grace LC Burke SD Pastor | 5/15/2019 |
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| Rev Clark Schultz | Lakeside Lutheran High School Lake Mills WI | Shepherd of the Hills LC West Bend WI Associate Pastor | 5/19/2019 |
| Teachers | Current call | New call | Date accepted |
| Ms Brenda Willis | | Redeemer LS Tucson AZ ECM Teacher; Half-Time, Provisional Call | 5/5/2019 |
| Mrs Karilyn Hurley | | Grace Christian Academy Falls Church VA Teacher; 4K & 5K | 5/13/2019 |
| Mrs Aubrey Hayes | | St Peter LC - North Campus Appleton WI ECM Teacher | 5/14/2019 |
| Mr Scott Martens | | Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI Teacher; Sports Management | 5/15/2019 |
| Ms Bethany Zeitler | | Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI Teacher; Sports & Exercise Science, Provisional Call | 5/15/2019 |
| Mrs Stephanie Liepert | | St Paul LC North Fond du Lac WI ECM Teacher | 5/16/2019 |
| Miss Elaina Mercier | | Bethlehem LS Hortonville WI ECM Director | 5/17/2019 |
| Mrs Jennifer Boll | | St Stephen LS Beaver Dam WI Teacher; Grade 6 | 5/18/2019 |
| Mr Alan Nolte | Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI | Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI Interim Principal | 5/20/2019 |

CALLS DECLINED

| Pastors | Current call | New call | Date declined |
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| Rev Jason Strong | Light of the World LC Fairbanks AK | New Mission Joplin MO Pastor | 5/15/2019 |

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| Rev Andrew Schroeder | California Lutheran High School Wildomar CA | St Paul LC East Troy WI Pastor | 5/17/2019 |
| Rev Brett Brauer | Trinity LC Watertown WI | First German LC Manitowoc WI Associate Pastor | 5/18/2019 |
| Rev Benjamin Tomczak | Bethel LC Sioux Falls SD | Zion LC Columbus WI Associate Pastor | 5/18/2019 |
| Rev Jeremy Husby | Peace LC Hartford WI | First LC La Crescent MN Pastor | 5/18/2019 |
| Rev Jay Bickelhaupt | Apostles LC Billings MT | Bethany LC Fort Atkinson WI Associate Pastor; Academy President | 5/19/2019 |
| Rev David Rosenau | St Mark LC Leesburg FL | New Mission Brandon SD Pastor | 5/19/2019 |
| Rev Daniel Johnston | Living Savior LC Blair NE | Good Shepherd LC Kearney NE Pastor | 5/19/2019 |

| Teachers | Current call | New call | Date declined |
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| Mrs Naomi Porth | Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI | Loving Shepherd LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grades 3-4 | 5/10/2019 |
| Mr Patrick Hurley | Grace Christian Academy Falls Church VA | St Marcus LS Milwaukee WI Administrator | 5/13/2019 |
| Miss Rachel Struck | Eastside LS Madison WI | St Paul LS Rapid City SD Teacher; Grades 4, 7-8 | 5/14/2019 |
| Mr Karl Bauer | St Paul First LS North Hollywood CA | Arizona Lutheran Academy Phoenix AZ Teacher; Music | 5/15/2019 |
| Ms Stephanie Kriewall | | Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI Teacher; Math & Computer Science | 5/15/2019 |
| Mr Craig Zibrowski | Mt Olive LS Mankato MN | St John LS Waterloo WI Teacher; Grades 5-6 | 5/15/2019 |
| Mrs Sarah Myers | St Mark LS Green Bay WI | Trinity LS Neenah WI Teacher; Grade 6 | 5/15/2019 |
| Ms Dianne Martin | Salem LS Colorado Springs CO | St Matthew's LS Stoddard WI ECM Teacher | 5/15/2019 |

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| Mr Kevin Klug | Holy Trinity LS Okauchee WI | Emanuel First LS Lansing MI Principal | 5/19/2019 |
| Mr Noah Larson | | Shoreland Lutheran High School Somers WI Teacher; STEM, Provisional Call | 5/20/2019 |
| Mr Kurt Steffen | St Paul LS Muskego WI | Bethlehem LS-South Menomonee Falls WI Teacher; Grade 6 | 5/20/2019 |

RESIGNED

| Pastors | Current call | | Date resigned |
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| Rev Ralph Rosenberg | Bethlehem LC Hortonville WI | | 5/23/2019 |
| Teachers | Current call | | Date resigned |
| Mrs Connie Weilage | St Paul LS New Ulm MN | | 6/30/2019 |
| Prof Naomi Fritz | Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI | | 6/30/2019 |

CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY

| Pastors | Home church | | Death date |
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| Rev John Meyer | Resurrection LC Monroe WI | | 5/8/2019 |
| Teachers | Home church | | Death date |
| Miss Venita Schrupp | Faith LC Excelsior MN | | 5/11/2019 |
| Mr Frederick Blauert | St Paul LC New Ulm MN | | 5/14/2019 |
| Dr Edward Meyer | Salem LC Woodbury MN | | 5/16/2019 |

RETIREMENT

| Teachers | Current call | | Date retired |
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| Prof Ronald Shilling | Martin Luther College New Ulm MN | | 5/15/2019 |

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| Prof Wayne Wagner | Martin Luther College New Ulm MN | 5/15/2019 |
| Mrs Nancy Ebeling | St John's LS Newburg WI | 6/30/2019 |

LIMITED LENGTH CALL EXPIRED

| Teachers | Current call | Date effective |
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| Miss Crystal Carmichael | St Croix Lutheran Academy West Saint Paul MN | 6/30/2019 |