



## Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

# Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

**6/22/2021 - 6/28/2021**

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, July 6, 2021.

## NO DECISION REPORTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date issued
Rev Jeffrey Schmidt	Emanuel LC Flint MI	St Paul LC Mauston WI Associate Pastor	5/23/2021
Rev Paul Meier	Immanuel LC Neenah WI	St John LC Goodhue MN Pastor	5/30/2021
Rev Matthew Hennig	Christ LC North St Paul & Hugo MN	Amazing Grace LC Dickinson ND Missionary	6/3/2021
Rev Paul Schulz	Risen Savior LC Chula Vista CA	Reformation LC Dousman WI Pastor	6/3/2021
Rev Paul Schulz	Risen Savior LC Chula Vista CA	Shepherd of the Valley LC West Fargo ND Pastor	6/3/2021
Rev Stephen Kuehl	Shepherd of Peace LC Powell OH	Zion LC Rhineland WI Associate Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Adam Zimpelmann	Good Shepherd LC Fond du Lac WI	Immanuel LC Woodville WI Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Matthew Krenke	St John's LC Jefferson WI	Lutheran Institutional Ministry Association Austin MN St John's LC Minneapolis MN Pastor	6/6/2021

Rev Peter Janke	East Asia	Summerlin LC Las Vegas NV Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Jeffrey Bonack	St Paul LC Muskego WI	Trinity LC Jenera OH Associate Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev John Koelpin	Calvary LC Dallas TX	Salem LC Milwaukee WI Associate Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Matthew Ewart	NorthCross LC Lakeville MN	Zion LC Monroe MI Associate Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Scott Oelhafen	Trinity LC Waukesha WI	St Paul's LC New Ulm MN Associate Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Matthew Reis	Trinity LC Bangor MI	St Peter LC Monticello MN Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Jonathan Werre	Good Shepherd LC Sioux Falls SD	St John LC Whitewater WI Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Paul Schroeder	King of Kings LC Apache Junction AZ	Timothy LC Saint Louis Park MN Pastor	6/6/2021
Rev Ryan Landwehr	St Mark LC Spruce WI Our Savior LC Lena WI	St Matthew LC Spring Valley WI St Peter LC Elmwood WI Pastor	6/7/2021
Rev Timothy Glende	St Peter LC - North Campus Appleton WI	Morning Star LC Jackson WI Associate Pastor	6/8/2021
Rev Johnold Strey	Crown of Life LC Hubertus WI	Peace LC Janesville WI Pastor	6/9/2021
Rev Jeremy Husby	Peace LC Hartford WI	Shepherd of Peace LC Norfolk NE Pastor	6/9/2021
Rev Jared Oldenburg	Eternal Rock LC Castle Rock CO	St John LC Hastings MN Associate Pastor	6/13/2021
Rev Brian Diring	Our Shepherd LC Lancaster CA	St James LC North Branch MI Pastor	6/13/2021
Rev Mark Westra	Prince of Peace LC Fairport NY	Grace LC Crivitz WI Pastor	6/13/2021
Rev John Backus	Christ the Lord LC Clearwater FL	Salem LC Woodbury MN Pastor	6/13/2021

Rev Joel McKenney	St Paul LC Algoma WI	St John LC Burlington WI Associate Pastor	6/13/2021
Rev Mark Kom	Crown of Life LC West Saint Paul MN	Star of Bethlehem LC New Berlin WI Associate Pastor	6/13/2021
Rev Gregory Lyon	Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI	Grace LC Milwaukee WI Associate Pastor	6/13/2021
Rev Joel Gawrisch	New Life LC Shoreview MN	Redeemer LC Tucson AZ Associate Pastor	6/13/2021
Rev Andrew Johnston	One Latin America Team	Christ the Vine LC Temecula CA Pastor	6/13/2021
Rev Philip Casmer	Christ the Lord LC Brookfield WI	Christ LC Marshall MN Pastor	6/14/2021
Rev Norman Burger Jr	Shepherd of the Hills LC Lansing MI	St John LC Mukwonago WI Associate Pastor	6/15/2021
Rev Andrew Luehring	St John LC Kaukauna WI	Cross of Christ LC Coon Rapids MN Associate Pastor	6/15/2021
Rev Clinton Kreuziger	Crown of Life LC Marietta OH	Emmanuel LC Owatonna MN Pastor	6/16/2021
Rev Peter Martin	Faith LC Radcliff KY	Native American Administrative Committee Missionary; Native Christian Counselor	6/16/2021
Rev Brian Roloff	Ascension LC Plymouth MN	Faith LC Anderson CA Pastor	6/16/2021
Rev James Borgwardt	Redeemer LC Fond du Lac WI	Northwestern Publishing House Vice President of Publishing	6/17/2021
Rev Isaac Cherney	Redeemer LC Yakima WA	Fairview LC Milwaukee WI Pastor	6/19/2021
Rev Scott Schwertfeger	Zion LC Arlington WI	St Paul LC Saint James MN Pastor	6/20/2021
Rev David Parsons	Holy Cross LC Tucson AZ	King of Kings LC Willoughby OH Missionary	6/21/2021
Rev Keith Schleis	Abiding Faith LC Smyrna TN	Mt Calvary LC Waukesha WI Associate Pastor	6/22/2021

Rev Christian Winkel	Redemption LC Milwaukee WI	Abiding Savior LC Elk River MN Pastor	6/22/2021
Rev Timothy Gerbing	Christ LC Pewaukee WI	Resurrection LC Rochester MN Associate Pastor; Coordinating Pastor	6/22/2021
Rev Nathaniel Biebert	Risen Savior LC Austin TX	St John LC Appleton WI Pastor	6/23/2021
Rev Steven Waldschmidt	Christ Alone LC Dardenne Prairie MO	Immanuel LC Greenville WI Associate Pastor	6/23/2021
Rev Mark Rohrback	Redeemer LC Cedarburg WI	St Matthew LC Benton Harbor MI Pastor	6/24/2021
Rev Luke Italiano	Amazing Grace LC Florence KY	First LC Aurora NE Pastor	6/24/2021
Rev Seth Scheuerlein	St Luke's LC Grand Rapids MN	Grace LC Tucson AZ Pastor	6/27/2021

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date issued</b>
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Mrs Heidi Williams	Little Lambs Learning Center Danube MN	Little Lambs Learning Center Danube MN ECM Director; Half-Time, One-Year Call	5/20/2021
Mrs Heidi Borgwardt		Redeemer LS Fond du Lac WI Teacher; Grades 7-8, Half-Time Call	5/23/2021
Mrs Susan Buss		St Paul LS Menomonie WI Teacher; Grade 2, One- Year Call	5/25/2021
Miss Allison Bovee	Bethlehem LC Menomonee Falls WI	Star of Bethlehem LS New Berlin WI Teacher; Grade 4, One- Year Call	5/27/2021
Mrs Dorann Mahnke	St Paul LC Onalaska WI	St Paul LS Onalaska WI Teacher; Grades 6-7, Less-Than-Half Time, One-Year Call	6/2/2021
Mrs Melissa Minzlaff	Peace LS Livonia MI	Huron Valley Lutheran High School Westland MI Teacher; One-Year, Less- than-Half Time Call	6/4/2021
Mrs Kim Pappenfuss		Cross of Glory LS Peoria AZ	6/6/2021

Teacher; Grades 5-8  
Language Arts, Art, Half-  
Time, One-Year Call

Mrs Rebekah Foxen		Cross of Glory LS Peoria AZ Teacher; Grades 1-8, Music, One-Year, Less- Than-Half-Time Call	6/6/2021
Mrs Tracy Birkholz		Good Shepherd LS Burnsville MN Teacher; Middle/Upper Grades, Half-Time Call	6/6/2021
Ms Melissa Hebl		St Paul's LS Saginaw MI Teacher; Grade 2, One- Year Call	6/6/2021
Mr John LeBlanc		Faith LS Fond du Lac WI Teacher; Release-Time Teacher, Grades 6-7, Three-Quarter-Time, Provisional Call	6/6/2021
Mr Robert Buss	St Paul LS Menomonie WI	St Paul LS Menomonie WI Teacher; Grades 5-8, One-Year Call	6/6/2021
Mrs Lori Monday	St Peter LS Appleton WI	St Peter LS Appleton WI Teacher; Upper Grade Math, One-Year, Half- Time Call	6/9/2021
Mrs Renee Erdmann	St Peter LS Appleton WI	St Peter LS Appleton WI Teacher; Spanish, One- Year, Less-Than-Half Time	6/9/2021
Mr David Koester		Shepherd LS Albuquerque NM Principal; One-Year, Half- Time, Provisional Call	6/13/2021
Mrs Kimberly Frey	St Paul LS Appleton WI	St Paul LS Plymouth NE Teacher; Grades K-1, One-Year Call	6/13/2021
Mrs Hannah Buske		Mt Olive Lutheran Preschool Shakopee MN ECM Teacher; Less-Than- Half-Time Call	6/13/2021
Mrs Heather Pagel	Lamb of God LS West Allis WI	St Paul LS Franklin WI Teacher; Upper Grades, One-Year Call	6/16/2021
Ms Jenna Winder		Riverview LS Appleton WI	6/19/2021

		Teacher; Grades 3-4, One-Year Call	
Mr Eric Matz		Reformation LS San Diego CA Teacher; Grade 2, One- Year Call	6/20/2021
Mrs Hannah Buske		Roots to Wings Learning Center Lake City MN ECM Teacher; Half-Time Call	6/23/2021
Mrs Bethany Anderson	Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI	Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI ECM Director; Call made Permanent	6/23/2021
Mrs Catherine Meier		Lakeside Lutheran High School Lake Mills WI Teacher; Family and Consumer Science, Half- Time, One-Year Call	6/23/2021
Mrs Kristi Bredendick	Lakeside Lutheran High School Lake Mills WI	Crown of Life LS West Saint Paul MN Teacher; Grade 1, One- Year Call	6/27/2021
Mrs Stephanie Wolfram		St Paul LS Wisconsin Rapids WI Teacher; Grades 1-2. Provisional Call	6/27/2021
Mrs Haley Arndt		Trinity-St Luke Clark St Campus Watertown WI Teacher; Grade 6, One- Year Call	6/27/2021
Mrs Heidi Hansen	St Mark LS Green Bay WI	King's Kids Learning Center Corona CA ECM Director; One-Year, Three-Quarter Time Call	6/27/2021
Mrs Megen Rupnow	Risen Savior LS Mankato MN	St Paul LS Fort Atkinson WI Teacher; Grades 1-2, One-Year Call	6/27/2021

## CALLS ACCEPTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date accepted
Rev Jeremy Cares	Shepherd of the Plains LC Lubbock TX	New Mission Parrish FL Missionary	6/25/2021
Teachers	Current call	New call	Date accepted

Mrs Stephanie Armstrong	Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI	Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI Professor; Assistant Professor of Nursing	5/5/2020
Miss Caitlin Knueppel		Mount Lebanon LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 4, Provisional Call	5/16/2021
Ms Samantha Johnson		St Marcus LS - Main Campus K4 - Gr 8 Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grades 5-6 Math, One-Year, Provisional Call	5/16/2021
Mrs Stephanie Ehlke		Redeemer LS Fond du Lac WI ECM Director; Moms & Tots Director, One-Year, Half-Time Call	6/8/2021
Mr Daniel Bredendick	St Paul LS Fort Atkinson WI	Salem LS Stillwater MN Teacher; Grades 5-6, Technology Director	6/21/2021
Mr Henry Hoenecke	Crown of Life Christian Academy Fort Myers FL	Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL Teacher; Grade 7, One-Year Call	6/21/2021
Mrs Bethany Schwartz	Northdale Lutheran Preschool Tampa FL	Northdale Christian Academy Tampa FL Teacher; Kindergarten, Call made Permanent	6/21/2021
Ms Jennifer Knutson		First German LS Manitowoc WI Teacher; Music, Half-Time Call	6/21/2021
Mrs Andrea Loduha		Crown of Life LS Hubertus WI Teacher; Grade 5, One-Year, Provisional Call	6/22/2021
Mrs Carol Campbell	Emmanuel LS Tempe AZ	Emmanuel LS Tempe AZ ECM Teacher; Half-Time, Provisional Call	6/22/2021
Mrs Therese Steinke	St Paul LS Stevensville MI	St Paul LS Stevensville MI Teacher; Grades 7-8, One-Year Call	6/23/2021
Mrs Amanda Miller		Shepherd LS Albuquerque NM Teacher; Grades 6-8, One-Year Call	6/24/2021

Mrs Teresa Dohm		St Paul LS Stevensville MI ECM Teacher	6/25/2021
Mrs Tiffany Vanderhoof	Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI	Pilgrim LS Menomonee Falls WI Teacher; Resource Teacher & Learning Coordinator, Call made Permanent, Full-Time Call	6/26/2021
Mrs Christina Kirk- Schellenbach		St Mark LS Lincoln NE Teacher; Grades 5-6, One-Year, Provisional Call	6/26/2021
Mrs Joanne Mattes	Northdale Lutheran Preschool Tampa FL	Northdale Lutheran Preschool Tampa FL ECM Director and Teacher; Call made Permanent	6/27/2021
Miss Brooke Berlin		Christ LS North Saint Paul MN Teacher; Grade 6, One- Year, Provisional Call	6/28/2021

## CALLS DECLINED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date declined
Rev Marcus Schulz	Emanuel LC New London WI	Ministry of Christian Giving Christian Giving Counselor; Michigan & North Atlantic Districts	6/21/2021
Rev Thomas Westra	Beautiful Savior LC Cincinnati OH	Trinity LC Waukesha WI Associate Pastor	6/23/2021
Rev Timothy Satorius	Grace LC Falls Church VA	Calvary LC Canyon Country CA Pastor	6/24/2021
Rev Paul Stratman	St Stephen LC Beaver Dam WI	St James LC Portage MI Pastor	6/24/2021
Rev Steven Prah	Foundation LC Peyton CO	St John LC Fairfax MN Pastor	6/24/2021
Rev Dr Timothy Bourman	Sure Foundation LC Woodside NY	Zion LC Lansing MI Pastor	6/24/2021
Rev Peter Korthals	St Paul LC Amherst NH Beautiful Savior LC South Portland ME	Water of Life LC - Racine Campus & Caledonia Campus Racine WI Associate Pastor	6/25/2021



Rev Aaron Duve	Holy Redeemer LC Port Huron MI	St Paul LC Oconto Falls WI Pastor	6/25/2021
Rev Rodney Rixe	Trinity LC Hoskins NE	St Paul LC Roscoe SD St John LC Bowdle SD Pastor	6/26/2021
Rev John Gensmer	Abiding Love LC Cape Coral FL	St Paul LC Livonia MI Associate Pastor	6/26/2021
Rev Fred Schurman III	Lord of Lords LC Casper WY	Good Shepherd LC Pipestone MN St John LC Lake Benton MN Pastor	6/26/2021
Rev Frederic Berger	St Paul's LC Plymouth NE	Our Savior LC Grafton WI Associate Pastor	6/26/2021
Rev Andrew DeGier	Trinity LC Merrill WI	St Lucas LC Milwaukee WI Associate Pastor	6/26/2021
Rev Stephen Lehmann	Mt Olive LC Iron Mountain MI	Brooklyn LC Brooklyn Park MN Pastor	6/26/2021
Rev Nathanael Brenner	Holy Scripture LC Fort Wayne IN	Trinity LC Winner SD Pastor	6/26/2021
Rev Thadeus Flitter	Zion LC Valentine NE	St Paul's LC Franklin WI Associate Pastor	6/26/2021

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date declined</b>
Mr Paul Wichmann		Zion LS Columbus WI Principal; One-Year, Half-Time Call	6/21/2021
Mr Henry Hoenecke	Crown of Life Christian Academy Fort Myers FL	Grace Christian Academy Falls Church VA Principal	6/21/2021
Mr Henry Hoenecke	Crown of Life Christian Academy Fort Myers FL	Michigan Lutheran Seminary Saginaw MI Administrator; One-Year Call	6/21/2021
Miss Kati Guenterberg		Emanuel LS New London WI Teacher; Grades 5-8 Dept., Half-Time, One-Year Call	6/21/2021
Mr Daniel Bredendick	St Paul LS Fort Atkinson WI	Christ-St Peter LS-West Campus	6/22/2021

Milwaukee WI  
Teacher; Grade 7

Miss Kati Guenterberg

St John-St James LS  
Reedsville WI  
Teacher; Principal  
Release-Time Teacher,  
Less-Than-Half-Time Call

6/22/2021

Mrs Karlie Habermann

Holy Trinity Lutheran  
Academy - Child Care  
New Hope MN

St Paul LS  
Fort Atkinson WI  
Teacher; Grades 1-2,  
One-Year Call

6/25/2021

Mrs Rebecca Verbeke

Emanuel LS  
New London WI  
Teacher; Grades 5-8  
Dept., Half-Time, One-  
Year Call

6/28/2021

## RESIGNED

Teachers	Current call	Date resigned
Mr Jonathan Stern	Word of Life LS Milwaukee WI	6/30/2021
Mrs Kristi Bredendick	Lakeside Lutheran High School Lake Mills WI	6/30/2021

## CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY

Teachers	Home church	Death date
Mr Robert Makinen	Christ LC West Salem WI	6/13/2021

## RETIREMENT

Pastors	Current call	Date retired
Rev Philip Paustian	St Martin LC Rapid River MI	7/24/2021

## POSITION ELIMINATED

Teachers	Current call	Date effective
Prof Sibylle Krause	Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI	6/30/2021