



Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

5/31/2022 - 6/6/2022

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 Daniel Laitinen	Multi-Language Productions Waukesha WI	Multi-Language Productions Waukesha WI TELL Missionary	4/27/2022
Rev Matthew Westra	Living Promise LC Morristown TN	St Andrew LC Middleton WI Associate Pastor for Service and Outreach	5/1/2022
Rev Timothy Patoka	Grace LC Tucson AZ	Peace LC King of Prussia PA Pastor	5/8/2022
Rev Stephen Helwig	Gethsemane LC Omaha NE	Board for Home Missions Administrator	5/11/2022
Rev Matthew Frey	Living Word LC Montrose CO	Summerlin LC Las Vegas NV Pastor	5/13/2022
Rev Jason Jobs	St John LC Markesan WI	Our Savior LC Perry MI Pastor	5/16/2022
Rev James Fleming	St Peter LC - North Campus Appleton WI	Michigan Lutheran High School Saint Joseph MI President	5/16/2022
Rev Noah Bater	Prince of Peace LC Thousand Oaks CA	Peace LC Hartford WI Associate Pastor	5/17/2022
Rev James Langebartels	Zion LC Ogema WI	St Jacobi LC Greenfield WI	5/17/2022

	St John LC Rib Lake WI	Associate Pastor	
Rev Joel Tullberg	Shepherd of the Hills LC Lansing MI	Trinity LC Waukesha WI Associate Pastor	5/22/2022
Rev John Stelter	St John LC Princeton WI	Faith LC Antioch IL Associate Pastor	5/22/2022
Rev Chad Walta	Christ LC Milwaukee WI	Bethany LC Fort Atkinson WI Associate Pastor Lead Campus Pastor	5/22/2022
Rev Joel Naumann	St Mark LC Eau Claire WI	Redeemer LC Mandan ND Pastor	5/22/2022
Rev Jacob Scott	Zion LC Arlington WI	St John LC Janesville MN Trinity LC Janesville MN Pastor	5/23/2022
Rev Duane Rodewald	Abiding Peace LC Simpsonville SC	St John LC St John's Saint John Antigua Pastor	5/23/2022
Rev Joel Neumann	Faith LC Black River Falls WI	Our Savior LC Grafton WI Associate Pastor	5/24/2022
Rev Joel Hoff	Trinity LC Neenah WI	Asia One Team Missionary	5/25/2022
Rev Joel Spaude	St Peter LC Fort Collins CO	Asia One Team Missionary to Indonesia	5/25/2022
Rev Christopher Ewings	Faith LC Anchorage AK	Gethsemane LC Davenport IA Pastor	5/29/2022
Rev Daniel Solofra	CrossWalk Lutheran Ministries Laveen AZ	Ascension LC Jacksonville NC Pastor	5/29/2022
Rev William Carter	St Paul LC Brownsville WI	St Peter LC Mayville WI Additional call, dual with St. Paul, Brownsville, WI	5/31/2022
Rev Jonathan Lehmann	CRM	Deer Valley LC Phoenix AZ Pastor	6/1/2022
Rev Bryant Laude	Zion LC Mobridge SD St Jacobi LC Glenham SD	St John LC Milwaukee WI Associate Pastor	6/1/2022

Rev David Endorf	CRM	Brooklyn LC Brooklyn Park MN Pastor	6/1/2022
Rev Mark Tiefel	Emanuel LC New London WI	Martin Luther College New Ulm MN Professor of music and dean of chapel	6/1/2022
Rev Curt Backhaus	St Paul LC Tomah WI	Risen Savior LC Austin TX Pastor	6/2/2022
Rev Michael Schneider	Zion LC Crete IL	Huron Valley Lutheran High School Westland MI Palabra de Vida Detroit MI Teacher; Grades 9-11, Spanish and Crossing Bridges Coordinator	6/2/2022
Rev Jonathan Hein	Commission on Congregational Counseling Waukesha WI	New mission start in Canton, GA Pastor	6/2/2022
Rev Michael Schneider	Zion LC Crete IL	Hope LC Chino Valley AZ Hope LC-Prescott Prescott AZ Pastor	6/2/2022
Rev Ib Meyer	Grace LC Woodlands Saint George	Immanuel LC Lakeside AZ Pastor	6/4/2022
Teachers			
Teachers	Current call	New call	Date issued
Mrs Connie Mann		St Paul LS Menomonie WI Teacher; Grade 5, Upper Grades Music, Provisional Call	5/17/2022
Mr Jonathan Lindemann	St Paul LS Ixonia WI	St Paul LS Bangor WI Teacher; Vice-Principal, Grades 7-8	5/18/2022
Mrs Erin Koschnitzke		Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI Teacher; Teacher & Coach, Three-Quarter Time Call	5/18/2022
Ms Ashley Larson		Risen Savior LS Mankato MN Teacher; Grades 3-8, Dept. Learning, Half- Time, Provisional Call	5/20/2022
Mrs Angelia Braatz		Holy Cross LS Madison WI	5/21/2022

		Teacher; Grade 3, Provisional Call	
Mrs Keely Prekop	Trinity-St Luke Western Ave Campus Watertown WI	St Peter LS Helenville WI ECM Teacher; 4K	5/22/2022
Mr Stephen Schultz		Ascension LS and Preschool Sarasota FL Principal; Interim Principal, One-Year Call	5/22/2022
Mr Daniel Whitney	Risen Savior LS Mankato MN	Trinity LS Belle Plaine MN Principal; One-Year, Half- Time Call	5/22/2022
Mr Daniel Whitney	Risen Savior LS Mankato MN	St Peter LS Saint Peter MN Principal; One-Year, Half- Time Call	5/22/2022
Mrs Michele Bayer	Pilgrim LS Mesa AZ	Pilgrim LS Mesa AZ Teacher; Half-Time, One- Year Call, Principal Release Time, Teacher Aide	5/22/2022
Mrs Amanda Wittig		St John LS Red Wing MN Teacher; Grades 3-4, One-Year Call	5/24/2022
Mrs Sally Petersen		Salem LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 1	5/24/2022
Mr Michael Homan		St Paul LS Tomah WI Teacher; Upper Grades, Athletic Director, One- Year Call	5/24/2022
Mrs Kristine Fischer		St John LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 1, Provisional Call	5/24/2022
Ms Michelle Yotter	St Peter LS Saint Peter MN	Roots to Wings Learning Center Lake City MN ECM Teacher; 3K, One- Year Call	5/29/2022
Mrs Colleen Gentele	Christ LS Eagle River WI	Zion LS Rhineland WI Teacher; Grades 3-4, One-Year Call	5/31/2022
Mrs Lori Gieschen		Zion LS Rhineland WI Teacher; Grades 1-2, One-Year Call	5/31/2022

Miss Claire Boeder	Trinity LS Belle Plaine MN	St Paul LS Saint James MN ECM Teacher & Kindergarten	6/1/2022
Mrs Calla Schoch		St Croix Lutheran Academy West Saint Paul MN Teacher; Grades 6-8 Dept. Science	6/1/2022
Mrs Eve Headrick		St John's LS Burlington WI Teacher; Kindergarten	6/1/2022
Mrs Catherine Kuehl		St John's LS Burlington WI Teacher; Grade 3, Provisional Call	6/1/2022
Mr Craig Breitzkreutz	Faith LS Antioch IL	St Paul LS Fort Atkinson WI Principal	6/3/2022
Mr Craig Breitzkreutz	Faith LS Antioch IL	Good Shepherd LS Burton MI Teacher; Grades 6-8	6/5/2022
Mr Craig Breitzkreutz	Faith LS Antioch IL	St Paul LS Stevensville MI Teacher; Grades 7-8	6/5/2022
Miss Jenessa Werre		St John LS Watertown WI ECM Teacher	6/5/2022
Ms. Elizabeth Reimers		Grace LS St. Joseph MI Teacher; Grades 5-8, Dept. Science, Provisional Call	6/5/2022

Staff Ministers	Current call	New call	Date issued
Mr Christopher Dean	Costa Maya Ministries Mahahual Quintana Roo	Bloomington LC Bloomington MN Congregation Staff Minister; Youth and Family Minister	5/17/2022
Mr James Boggs	St John LC Lannon WI	St John LS Libertyville IL Principal & Staff Minister of Outreach	5/25/2022

CALLS ACCEPTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date accepted
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Rev Michael Helwig	Lakeside Lutheran High School Lake Mills WI	St John LC (Town of Lake Mills) Waterloo WI Pastor Part time	6/5/2022
Rev Andrew M Schmidt	CRM	Zion LC Morgan MN Pastor	6/5/2022
Teachers	Current call	New call	Date accepted
Mrs Kailey White		Grow in Peace Learning Center Sun Prairie WI ECM Director; One-Year Call	5/7/2022
Mrs Holly Dannecker	St Mark LS Green Bay WI	St Mark LS Green Bay WI Director; Grade 4, Student Services Director, One-Year Call	5/23/2022
Mrs Christine Pankow		St John LS Goodhue MN ECM Teacher	5/28/2022
Mrs Lyndsey Lervold		Mt Calvary LS Redding CA Teacher; Grades K-2, Provisional Call	5/29/2022
Mrs Rachel Christie	St Paul LS Beverly Hills FL	St John LS Juneau WI ECM Teacher; One-Year, Half-Time Call	5/31/2022
Mrs Tanya Rasmussen		Christ LS Zumbrota MN Teacher; Grades 3-5, Provisional Call	6/1/2022
Mrs Rachel Hoenecke		Divine Savior Academy Doral FL ECM Director; One-Year Call	6/4/2022
Mrs Colleen Bauer		Christ the Lord LS Brookfield WI ECM Teacher; Provisional, Half-Time Call	6/4/2022
Mrs Monica Haakenson		Immanuel LS Waukegan IL ECM Director	6/5/2022
Mrs Kelly West		St Matthew LS Spokane WA Teacher; Grade 1, Provisional Call	6/5/2022
Mrs Hope Loescher		St Paul LS Green Bay WI Teacher; Grade 3, One- Year Call	6/5/2022

Staff Ministers	Assignment	Date assigned
Miss Ashley Peterson	St Matthew LC Ontario WI St John LC Kendall WI Congregation Staff Minister; Limited Duration Assignment	6/6/2022

CALLS DECLINED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date declined
Rev Richard Miller	Redeemer LC Scottville MI	Ascension LC Antigo WI Pastor	5/6/2022
Rev Carl Schroeder	St Peter's LC Sturgeon Bay WI	Grace LC Spring Hill FL Pastor	6/2/2022
Rev David Clark	Grace LC Glendale AZ	Redeemer LC Tucson AZ Associate Pastor	6/5/2022
Rev Andrew Schwartz	Christ the King LC Bremerton WA	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI Teacher	6/5/2022
Rev Jason Hacker	Grace LC Waukesha WI	St Paul's LC Rapid City SD Associate Pastor	6/5/2022
Rev Daniel Frey	Gethsemane LC Lees Summit MO	Salem LC Woodbury MN Pastor	6/5/2022
Rev Aaron Nitz	Good Shepherd LC Cheyenne WY	St John's LC Dakota MN Pastor	6/5/2022

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date declined
Mr Timothy Schroeder		St Paul LS Tomah WI Teacher; Upper Grades, Vice-Principal	6/2/2022
Mrs Keely Prekop	Trinity-St Luke Western Ave Campus Watertown WI	St John LS Watertown WI ECM Teacher	6/4/2022

RESIGNED

Teachers	Current call	Date resigned
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Mrs Valerie Young	St Marcus LS - Main Campus K4 - Gr 8 Milwaukee WI	6/30/2022
Miss Abigail Mleziva	St Marcus LS - Main Campus K4 - Gr 8 Milwaukee WI	6/30/2022
Ms Melissa Clapp	St Marcus LS Milwaukee WI	6/30/2022
Ms Samantha Johnson	St Marcus LS - North Campus K - Gr 8 Milwaukee WI	6/30/2022

CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY

Teachers	Home church	Death date
Mrs Glenda Bernarde Zimmerman	Trinity LC Minocqua WI	12/16/2021
Mrs Helen Meyer	Mount Olive LC Appleton WI	5/24/2022

RETIREMENT

Pastors	Current call	Date retired
Rev Mark Gefaller	St Paul's LC Broken Bow NE St Paul LC North Platte NE	6/30/2022

Teachers	Current call	Date retired
Mrs Karie Mindock	Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI	6/30/2022
Mr Mark Ricke	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	6/30/2023