



Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

10/3/2023 - 10/9/2023

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 Nathaniel Winkel	Mountain Valley LC Eagle CO	Emmanuel LC Hudson WI Pastor	8/31/2023
Rev Joel Naumann	St Mark LC Eau Claire WI	One Africa Team Pastor; Ministry Training Missionary	9/7/2023
Rev Collin Vanderhoof	Pilgrim LC Menomonee Falls WI	New Mission Start Kronenwetter WI Menomonie WI Pastor	9/9/2023
Rev Jonathan Learman	St Peter LC Theresa WI	Morning Star LC Jackson WI Associate Pastor	9/10/2023
Rev Michael Sullivan	Divine Word LC Ottawa ON Canada	Risen Savior LC Mansfield OH Pastor	9/10/2023
Rev Larry Schwanke	St John LC Milton WI	Peace LC Wautoma WI Pastor	9/11/2023
Rev Nathan Seiltz	Multi-Language Productions	Living Shepherd LC Laramie WY Pastor	9/11/2023
Rev James Borgwardt	Redeemer LC Fond du Lac WI	Living Savior LC Kalispell MT Pastor	9/12/2023
Rev John Stelter	St John LC Princeton WI	Hope LC Irmo SC Pastor	9/14/2023

Rev Daniel Schmidt	St Matthew's LC Oconomowoc WI	St Stephen LC Fall River WI Pastor	9/17/2023
Rev David Rosenau	St Mark LC Leesburg FL	Faith LC Antioch IL Associate Pastor	9/17/2023
Rev William King	Good Shepherd LC Cedar Rapids IA	Faith LC Radcliff KY Pastor	9/17/2023
Rev Jacob Scott	Zion LC Arlington WI	St John LC Two Rivers WI Associate Pastor	9/17/2023
Rev James Fleming	St Peter LC - North Campus Appleton WI	Beautiful Savior LC Cincinnati OH Pastor	9/17/2023
Prof Nicolas Schmoller	Martin Luther College New Ulm MN	Salem LC Stillwater MN Associate Pastor	9/17/2023
Rev James Krueger	Retired	St Matthew LC Ontario WI St John LC Kendall WI Pastor	9/20/2023
Rev Nathanael Brenner	Holy Scripture LC Fort Wayne IN	Living Hope LC Peoria IL Pastor	9/20/2023
Rev Mark Panning	One Africa Team	St Peter LC Savanna IL Trinity LC Mount Carroll IL Pastor	9/20/2023
Rev Zachary Pudlo	Crown of Life LC West Saint Paul MN	Cross of Glory LC Peoria AZ Pastor	9/20/2023
Rev Thomas Barthel	Rock of Ages LC Payson AZ	Salem LC Owosso MI Pastor	9/21/2023
Pastor Keith Schleis	Abiding Faith LC Smyrna TN	Mt Olive LC Lincoln NE Pastor	9/21/2023
Rev Johann Caauwe	St John's LC Wood Lake MN	Grace LC Geneva NE Trinity LC Grafton NE Pastor	9/21/2023
Rev Joel Voss	Emanuel First LC Lansing MI	Michigan Lutheran Seminary Saginaw MI Pastor; Dean of Students	9/22/2023
Rev Aaron Steinbrenner	Peace LC Hartford WI	Martin Luther LC Oshkosh WI Associate Pastor	9/24/2023

Rev M John Derme	Shepherd of the Mountains LC Reno NV	Zion LC South Milwaukee WI Pastor	9/24/2023
Rev Benjamin Steenbock	Zion LC Hartland WI	First German LC Manitowoc WI Associate Pastor	9/24/2023
Rev Joseph Berg	Nain LC West Allis WI	Atonement LC Baltimore MD Pastor	9/24/2023
Rev Robert Frick	Mt Calvary LC Waukesha WI	Good Shepherd LC Burnsville MN Associate Pastor	9/24/2023
Rev James Werner	Reformation LC San Diego CA	Peace LC Trinity FL Pastor	9/24/2023
Rev Philip Kieselhorst	Shepherd of the Valley LC Westminster CO	Hope LC Chino Valley AZ & Prescott AZ Associate Pastor	9/25/2023
Rev Silas Schmitzer	St Matthew LC Stoddard WI	New Life LC Rockford IL Pastor	9/26/2023
Rev Andrew DeGier	Trinity LC Merrill WI	Memorial LC Williamston MI Pastor	9/27/2023
Rev Daniel Babinec	St John LC Gladwin MI Good Shepherd LC Beaverton MI	St Paul's LC Broken Bow NE Pastor	9/28/2023
Rev Matthew Minzlaff	Immanuel LC South Lyon MI	Petra LC Sauk Rapids MN Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Brian Roloff	Ascension LC Plymouth MN	Redeemer LC Tomahawk WI Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Luke Werre	Peace LC Sun Prairie WI	King of Kings LC Frankenmuth MI Mt Sinai LC Montrose MI Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Sean De Frain	St John LC Tarzana CA	St John LC Riga MI Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Mark Voss	Immanuel LC Long Valley NJ	Christ LC Pewaukee WI Associate Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Benjamin Blumer	NorthCross LC Lakeville MN	Crossroads Church Chicago IL Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Brian Pechman	Risen Savior LC Pooler GA	Christ the King LC Port Charlotte FL Pastor	10/1/2023

Rev Benjamin Radtke	St Martin's LC Watertown SD	Christ Our Rock LC Rochester MN Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Tyler Shinnick	Martin Luther LC Neenah WI	St John LC Waterloo WI Associate Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Benjamin Kempfert	Immanuel LC Waupaca WI	Trinity LC Watertown WI Associate Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Paul Krueger	Mt Lebanon LC Milwaukee WI	New Mission Start Idaho Falls ID Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Jason Schmidt	Shepherd of the Hills LC Tucson AZ	Mountain View LC Calgary AB Canada Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Christopher Goelzer	Good Shepherd LC Deltona FL	Rock of Ages LC Kansas City MO Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Glenn Rosenbaum	Grace LC Saint Joseph MI	St Peter's LC Fond du Lac WI Associate Pastor	10/1/2023
Rev Steven Neumann	New Life LC - Central Kenosha WI	Messiah LC Green Bay WI Associate Pastor	10/3/2023
Rev Tyler Peil	Prince of Peace LC Salt Lake City UT	St John LC Wauwatosa WI Associate Pastor	10/3/2023
Rev Benjy Pederson	Cross of Christ LC Coon Rapids MN	Resurrection LC Chesapeake VA Pastor	10/5/2023
Rev Adam Manian	St John LC Vesta MN Peace LC Echo MN	Gloria Dei LC Grand Blanc MI Pastor	10/5/2023
Rev Bill Limmer	Victory of the Lamb LC Franklin WI	Immanuel LC Sault Sainte Marie MI Pastor	10/5/2023
Rev John Backus	Christ the Lord LC Clearwater FL	Green Valley LC Henderson NV Pastor	10/5/2023
Rev Daniel Heiderich	Good News LC Lehi UT	Our Redeemer LC Yorktown VA Pastor	10/6/2023
Rev Stephen Schamber Sr	Holy Trinity LC Wyoming MI	Zion LC Valentine NE Pastor	10/9/2023

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date issued
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Mrs Laura Jaeger	St John's LS Two Rivers WI	St John's LS Two Rivers WI ECM Director & Teacher	9/15/2023
Mr Ryan Jacobs		Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI Teacher; Provisional Call	9/27/2023
Mrs Susan Riediger	St Paul LS Bangor WI	St Paul LS Bangor WI Teacher; Grades 1-2, Permanent Call	10/4/2023
Mr Christian Monday	Zion LS Denver CO	Zion LS Denver CO Principal	10/8/2023

Staff Ministers	Current call	New call	Date issued
Mr James Boggs	St John LC Lannon WI	Divine Word LC Plover WI The Word LC Stevens Point WI Congregation Staff Minister	9/19/2023

CALLS ACCEPTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date accepted
Rev Jason Hacker	Grace LC Waukesha WI	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI President	10/6/2023
Rev Michael Hatzung	Christian Giving Counselor - MN	Ministry of Christian Giving Christian Giving Counselor; Retirement Call, Northern half of the MN District	10/9/2023

CALLS DECLINED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date declined
Rev Thomas Meissner	Lamb of God LC Columbus OH	St Lucas LC Milwaukee WI Associate Pastor	9/30/2023
Rev Philip Janke	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Fond du Lac WI	Risen Savior LC Orlando FL Pastor	10/3/2023
Rev Peter Prange	New Life LC - South Kenosha WI	St Stephen LC Beaver Dam WI Associate Pastor	10/4/2023

Rev Paul White	Loving Shepherd LC Milwaukee WI	Zion LC Olivia MN Pastor	10/5/2023
Rev David Salinas	Christ the Lord LC Houston TX	Palabra de Vida Detroit MI Pastor	10/5/2023
Rev Adam Bode	St Paul LC Howards Grove WI	Good Shepherd LC Omaha NE Pastor	10/5/2023
Rev Michael Johnson	Good Shepherd LC Sioux Falls SD	Trinity LC Caledonia WI Associate Pastor	10/6/2023
Rev Benjamin Zamzow	St Mark LC Bemidji MN	St Luke LC Little Chute WI Pastor	10/6/2023
Rev Bradley Pearson	St James LC Prairie du Sac WI	St John LC Hancock MN Calvary LC Glenwood MN Pastor	10/7/2023
Rev Steven Neyhart	Faith LC Reedsburg WI	Grace LC Manitowoc WI Pastor	10/7/2023
Rev Chad Walta	Christ LC Milwaukee WI	St John's LC Jefferson WI Associate Pastor	10/7/2023
Rev Eric Hansen	Crown of Life LC Corona CA	Living Water LC Oshkosh WI Associate Pastor	10/7/2023
Rev Caleb Free	Risen Savior LC Lakewood Ranch FL	Bethany LC Manitowoc WI Associate Pastor	10/7/2023
Rev Caleb Schultz	Cross of Life LC Mississauga ON Canada	St Paul LC Prescott WI Pastor	10/7/2023
Rev Christopher Ewings	Faith LC Anchorage AK	Lamb of God LC West Lafayette IN Pastor	10/8/2023

RESIGNED

Teachers	Current call	Date resigned
Mrs Melissa Scriver	Christ-St John's LS West Salem WI	10/2/2023
Mr Mark Krause	Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI	10/6/2023
Mrs Elisabeth Wong	Risen Savior Christian Academy Pooler GA	12/31/2023

Mrs Jeni Schleef

Neenah LS (3-8)
Neenah WI

6/30/2024

RETIREMENT

Pastors	Current call	Date retired
Rev Michael Hatzung	Christian Giving Counselor - MN Maplewood MN	12/31/2023
Teachers	Current call	Date retired
Mr Paul Weihing	St Croix Lutheran Academy West Saint Paul MN	6/30/2024
Mrs Jane Hurst	St Paul LS Tomah WI	6/30/2024

CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY

Pastors	Home church	Death date
Rev James Babler	Zion LC Stetsonville WI	10/8/2023