



Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

9/12/2023 - 9/18/2023

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 Jonathan Werre	Good Shepherd LC Sioux Falls SD	Our Redeemer LC Yorktown VA Pastor	8/9/2023
Rev Darin Warnecke	St John LC Sturgis MI	Our Savior's LC Wausau WI Pastor	8/16/2023
Rev Kurt Uhlenbrauck	St Jacob LC Grass Lake MI	St Peter LC Chilton WI Pastor	8/17/2023
Rev Scott Wolfram	Divine Word LC Plover WI	Peace LC King of Prussia PA Pastor	8/20/2023
Rev Geoffrey Rue	St Paul LC East Troy WI	St John LC Lewiston MN Pastor	8/22/2023
Rev Matthew Westra	Living Promise LC Morristown TN	Christ LC Oakley MI Pastor	8/22/2023
Rev Steven Bode	Zion LC Allenton WI	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI Pastor; Theology Department	8/23/2023
Rev Jason Hacker	Grace LC Waukesha WI	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI President	8/23/2023

Rev Kenneth Rodrigue	Grace LC New London WI	St John LC Burlington WI Associate Pastor	8/24/2023
Rev James Winterstein	Pilgrim LC Mesa AZ	St Mark LC Salina KS Pastor	8/24/2023
Rev Matthew Kuske	St Paul LC Lomira WI	Zion LC Greenleaf WI Associate Pastor	8/27/2023
Rev Christopher Ewings	Faith LC Anchorage AK	Lamb of God LC West Lafayette IN Pastor	8/27/2023
Rev Thomas Meissner	Lamb of God LC Columbus OH	St Lucas LC Milwaukee WI Associate Pastor	8/27/2023
Rev Julius Buelow	St Paul LC Saginaw MI	Risen Savior LC Mc Farland WI Pastor	8/27/2023
Rev Jeffrey Sonntag	Shining Mountains LC Bozeman MT	Mt Olive LC Delano MN Pastor	8/27/2023
Rev Seth Bode	Bethlehem LC Carmel IN	St Paul's LC Rapid City SD Associate Pastor	8/27/2023
Rev Patrick Brown	Bethany LC - Parkway Campus Appleton WI	Christ Alone LC Thiensville WI Associate Pastor	8/28/2023
Rev Daniel Burgess	Water of Life LC Las Vegas NV	Good Shepherd LC Midland MI Pastor	8/29/2023
Rev Andrew Lindke	St Mark LC Normal IL	Peace LC Livonia MI Pastor	8/29/2023
Rev Peter Sulzle	St John LC Redwood Falls MN	Cross of Christ LC Kingman AZ Pastor	8/29/2023
Pastor David Strucely	Atonement LC Plano TX	Eastside LC Madison WI Associate Pastor	8/30/2023
Rev Jonathan Bauer	Good News LC Mount Horeb WI	Resurrection LC Chesapeake VA Pastor	8/31/2023
Rev Nathaniel Winkel	Mountain Valley LC Eagle CO	Emmanuel LC Hudson WI Pastor	8/31/2023
Rev Joel Heckendorf	Light of the Valleys LC Reno NV	Grace LC Glendale AZ Associate Pastor	8/31/2023
Rev Paul Biedenbender	Christ LC Denver CO	New Mission Start Panama City Beach, FL Pastor	9/2/2023

Rev Albert Meier II	St John LC Summit SD Peace LC Milbank SD	Divinity-Divine Charity LC Whitefish Bay WI Pastor	9/3/2023
Rev Gerald Arnold Jr	Bethlehem LC Menomonee Falls WI	Peace of Our Savior LC New Carlisle OH Pastor	9/3/2023
Rev David Pagel	New Life LC - South Kenosha WI	Mountain View LC Calgary AB Canada Pastor	9/3/2023
Rev Steven Neyhart	Faith LC Reedsburg WI	Grace LC Manitowoc WI Pastor	9/7/2023
Rev Joel Naumann	St Mark LC Eau Claire WI	One Africa Team Pastor; Ministry Training Missionary	9/7/2023
Rev Brett Naumann	Trinity LC Kiel WI	Faith LC Sussex WI Associate Pastor	9/7/2023
Rev Bradley Snyder	Cross of Christ LC Boise ID	Gloria Dei LC Grand Blanc MI Pastor	9/7/2023
Rev Collin Vanderhoof	Pilgrim LC Menomonee Falls WI	New Mission Start Kronenwetter WI Pastor	9/9/2023
Rev David Salinas	Christ the Lord LC Houston TX	Palabra de Vida Detroit MI Missionary	9/10/2023
Rev Jonathan Learman	St Peter LC Theresa WI	Morning Star LC Jackson WI Associate Pastor	9/10/2023
Rev Michael Johnson	Good Shepherd LC Sioux Falls SD	Trinity LC Caledonia WI Associate Pastor	9/10/2023
Rev Chad Walta	Christ LC Milwaukee WI	St John's LC Jefferson WI Associate Pastor	9/10/2023
Rev Bradley Pearson	St James LC Prairie du Sac WI	St John LC Hancock MN Calvary LC Glenwood MN Pastor	9/10/2023
Rev Adam Bode	St Paul LC Howards Grove WI	Good Shepherd LC Omaha NE 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 William Kant	Good Shepherd LC Vallejo CA	Christus LC Delavan WI Pastor	9/11/2023
Rev Nathan Seiltz	Multi-Language Productions	Living Shepherd LC Laramie WY Pastor	9/11/2023
Rev Jeremy Husby	Peace LC Hartford WI	Faith LC River Falls WI Pastor	9/12/2023
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 William Finn	Grace LC Tecumseh MI	Hope LC Andover MN Pastor	9/14/2023

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date issued
Mrs Laura Jaeger	St John's LS Two Rivers WI	St John's LS Two Rivers WI ECM Director & Teacher	9/15/2023

CALLS ACCEPTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date accepted
Rev Dennis Himm	Retired	St Paul LC Manistee MI Pastor; Limited Time, Retirement Call	9/11/2023
Rev Michael Duncan	Retired	Christ LC Eagle River WI Associate Pastor	9/12/2023
Rev Edward Frey Jr	WLCFS-Christian Family Solutions Germantown WI	Wisconsin Lutheran Institutional Ministries Inc Oconomowoc WI Director of Ministry	9/16/2023

Teachers	Current call	New call	Date accepted
Mrs Sarah Huey	St Marcus LC Milwaukee WI	St Marcus LS - Main Campus K4 - Gr 8 Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 8 Math, Provisional Call	9/14/2023
Ms Sarah Sugita		St Marcus LS - Harambee Campus - K4 - Gr 3 Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 1, Provisional Call	9/15/2023

Mrs Mary Rixe	Refuge LC Raleigh NC	Refuge Early Learning Center Raleigh NC ECM Teacher; Infant Lead	9/17/2023
Ms Natalie Gryniewicz		St Marcus LS - Harambee Campus - K4 - Gr 3 Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 3, Provisional Call	9/17/2023

CALLS DECLINED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date declined
Rev Clayton Welch	Bethlehem LC Manassas VA	Bethany LC Fort Atkinson WI Associate Pastor; Lead Campus Pastor	9/11/2023
Rev Geoffrey Cortright	Saviour of the Nations LC Vancouver BC Canada	Christ LC Pewaukee WI Associate Pastor	9/11/2023
Rev Michael Bartsch	Retired	Peace LC Wilmot WI Pastor	9/12/2023
Rev James Fischer	Retired	Holy Cross LC Standish MI Pastor; Retirement Call	9/14/2023
Rev Joel Schulz	Divine Savior LC-Delray Beach FL Delray Beach FL	Crossroads Church Chicago IL Pastor	9/14/2023
Rev Michael Weigand	Faith LC Fond du Lac WI	St Paul's LC Stevensville MI Pastor	9/14/2023
Rev Mark Kom	Crown of Life LC West Saint Paul MN	Hope LC Chino Valley AZ & Prescott AZ Associate Pastor	9/15/2023
Rev Steven Hillmer	St Matthew's LC Oconomowoc WI	Immanuel LC Sault Sainte Marie MI Pastor	9/15/2023
Rev Marques Nelson	St Paul's LC North Mankato MN	Peace LC Granger IN Pastor	9/15/2023
Rev Jason Baldwin	Hope LC Saint Charles MI	First LC Green Bay WI Pastor	9/16/2023
Rev Andrew Schwartz	Christ the King LC Bremerton WA	Green Valley LC Henderson NV Pastor	9/16/2023

Rev Kurt Schaser	St John's LC Newburg WI	Peace LC Trinity FL Pastor	9/16/2023
Rev Michael Kampman	St Paul LC North Fond du Lac WI	Christ Our Rock LC Rochester MN Pastor	9/16/2023
Rev Matthew Vik	St Paul's LC Fort Atkinson WI	Christ LC North St Paul & Hugo MN Associate Pastor	9/16/2023
Rev Peter Metzger	St Peter LC St. Albert AB Canada	Shepherd of the Lakes LC Fairmont MN Pastor	9/16/2023
Rev Darin Aden	St John St James LC Reedsville WI	New Mission Start Idaho Falls ID Pastor	9/17/2023
Rev Harmon Lewis	Messiah LC Johns Creek GA	Michigan Lutheran Seminary Saginaw MI Pastor; Dean of Students	9/17/2023
Rev Joel Tullberg	Shepherd of the Hills LC Lansing MI	Trinity LC Watertown WI Associate Pastor	9/17/2023
Rev Aaron West	St Matthew LC Spokane WA	St John LC Wauwatosa WI Associate Pastor	9/18/2023

CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY

Pastors	Home church	Death date
Rev Allen Capek	Fount of Life LC Colorado Springs CO	9/11/2023

RETIREMENT

Teachers	Current call	Date retired
Mrs Rachel Gustafson	David's Star LS Jackson WI	6/30/2024
Mr Timothy Gustafson	David's Star LS Jackson WI	6/30/2024
Mrs Joan Mueller	Mount Olive LS Appleton WI	6/30/2024