



## Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

### Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

**1/10/2017 - 1/16/2017**

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: From now on future service changes such as retirements, resignations, positions eliminated, etc., will appear on the call report that includes the date that they are *reported* rather than the call report that contains the *effective* date of the service change.

#### NO DECISION REPORTED

Pastors	Current call	New call	Date issued
Rev Beck H Goldbeck	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI	Bethany LC Manitowoc WI Associate Pastor Retirement Call	11/13/2016
Rev Randy K Hunter	St Andrew LC Middleton WI	Atlanta Mission Intown GA Pastor	11/17/2016
Rev Timothy R Gerbing	Christ LC Pewaukee WI	Missionary Nigeria and Cameroon	11/29/2016
Rev Nicholas J Guillaume	Abiding Word LC Maineville OH	Grace LC Casa Grande AZ Pastor	12/1/2016
Rev Ryan C Wolfe	Redeemer LC Mandan ND	Salem LC Owosso MI Associate Pastor	12/12/2016
Rev Jonathan R Balge	St Matthew LC Milwaukee WI	Abiding Love LC Cape Coral FL Pastor	12/13/2016
Rev Keith E Petersen	Bethlehem LC Watertown SD	St John LC Kendall WI St Matthew LC Ontario WI Pastor	12/18/2016

Rev Aaron J Dolan	First LC Racine WI	Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI Teacher	12/27/2016
Rev Andrew C Schultz	St John (Barre Mills) LC La Crosse WI	Shepherd of the Hills LC Tucson AZ Pastor	1/2/2017
Rev Richard H Warnecke	Christ LC Pewaukee WI	New Mission Victoria TX Pastor	1/3/2017
Prof Stephen H Geiger	Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Mequon WI	St Paul LC Saginaw MI Associate Pastor	1/3/2017
Rev Jonathan D Quinn	Beautiful Savior LC Moncks Corner SC	Good Shepherd LC Omaha NE Pastor	1/4/2017
Rev Kevin M Boushek	Beautiful Savior LC La Porte IN	Gethsemane LC Oklahoma City OK Pastor	1/4/2017
Rev Martin P Spaude	Calvary LC Chandler AZ	St John LC Lake City MN Pastor	1/5/2017
Rev Jeremy J Husby	Peace LC Hartford WI	New Life LC Rockford IL Pastor	1/5/2017
Rev Christopher P Kruschel	Living Savior LC Valrico FL	Cross of Glory LC Baton Rouge LA Pastor	1/8/2017
Rev Duane C Schmeichel	Redeemer LC Maple Grove MN	Lamb of God LC Madison AL Pastor	1/8/2017
Rev James F Borgwardt	Redeemer LC Fond du Lac WI	Shepherd of the Hills LC Knoxville TN Pastor	1/8/2017
Rev John R Gensmer	Christ Our Savior LC Columbia TN	Rock of Ages LC Kansas City MO Pastor	1/8/2017
Rev Mark J Rohrback	Redeemer LC Cedarburg WI	Redeemer LC Tomahawk WI Associate Pastor	1/8/2017
Rev Paul T Biedenbender	Christ LC Denver CO	Rocky Mountain Lutheran High School Commerce City CO Pastor, Spanish Teacher	1/8/2017
Rev Noah M Bater	Prince of Peace LC Salt Lake City UT	St James LC Milwaukee WI Pastor	1/8/2017
Rev Jacob C Behnken	Good Shepherd LC Midland MI	Living Water LC Wind Lake WI Pastor	1/8/2017

Rev Gregory A Tobison	Grace LC Hutchinson MN	Trinity LC Belle Plaine MN Associate Pastor	1/8/2017
Rev Samuel C Degner	Bethel LC Menasha WI	Star of Bethlehem LC Santa Maria CA Pastor	1/9/2017
Rev Charles A Westra	Christ Our Savior LC Columbia TN	Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Mequon WI Professor of Evangelism and New Testament	1/10/2017
Rev Howard O Mohlke	Messiah LC Nampa ID	Apache Christian Training School Missionary Director	1/11/2017
Rev John W Stelljes	Light of Life LC Greenwood IN	Our Redeemer LC Yorktown VA Pastor	1/11/2017
Rev Noah M Bater	Prince of Peace LC Salt Lake City UT	Prince of Peace LC Thousand Oaks CA Pastor	1/11/2017
Rev Michael J Kuschel	St Matthew LC (Flora) Renville MN St Matthew LC Danube MN	Shepherd of the Hills LC Duluth MN Pastor	1/12/2017

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date issued</b>
Mr Joshua J Schoeneck	Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI	Martin Luther College New Ulm MN Director of Academic Computing and Online Learning	12/3/2016
Miss Kathy E Wilsmann	St Paul LS Mount Calvary WI	St Paul LS Mount Calvary WI Teacher; Grades 5-8	12/4/2016
Mr Jeffrey L Roloff	Siloah LS Milwaukee WI	St John LS Redwood Falls MN Teacher; Grade 5	12/11/2016
Mr Daniel J Kasten	Bethlehem LS Hortonville WI	Wisconsin LS-Middle School (6-8) Racine WI Teacher; Grades 6-8 and Dean of Students	12/11/2016
Miss Anne E Marquardt	Gloria Dei LS Belmont CA	Martin Luther LS Oshkosh WI ECM Director	12/11/2016
Miss Elizabeth J Murry		Immanuel LS Medford WI Teacher; 3K/4K and Upper Grades, Departmentalized, Limited Duration Call	12/11/2016

Mrs Elissa E Ellermann	Grace Christian Academy Falls Church VA	Christ-St Peter LS-West Campus Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 3	12/12/2016
Mrs Kirsten J Kasten	Peace LS Livonia MI	Huron Valley Lutheran High School Westland MI Teacher; One-Year Part- Time Call	12/13/2016
Mrs Rebecca H Finke		Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI Teacher; Mandarin	12/16/2016
Mr Scott D Brown	St Paul LS Norfolk NE	St John LS Neillsville WI Teacher; Grades 3-5	12/18/2016
Mr Timothy P Sonntag	St John's LS Burlington WI	St John's LS Burlington WI Teacher; Grade 4	12/19/2016
Mr Jason T Gibson	Trinity LS Neenah WI	St John's LS Burlington WI Principal and Upper Grades Departmentalized	12/19/2016
Miss Emily Y Gorzalski	Loving Shepherd LS Milwaukee WI	New Hope Lutheran Academy West Melbourne FL Teacher; Grades 1-2	1/1/2017
Mrs Darnell J Anthony	Star of Bethlehem LS New Berlin WI	Bethlehem LS-South Menomonee Falls WI Teacher; Grade 5	1/3/2017
Mr Joel T Lauber	Good Shepherd LS Omaha NE	Salem LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 3	1/3/2017
Rev Seth P Haakenson	Nebraska Evangelical Lutheran High School Waco NE	Michigan Lutheran Seminary Saginaw MI Professor of Spanish	1/5/2017
Mr Steven K White	St Paul LS Saint James MN	St Paul LS South Haven MI Principal	1/5/2017
Mr Timothy P Mueller Jr	Star of Bethlehem LS New Berlin WI	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI Administrator; Director of Education	1/7/2017
Mrs Rachel K Backus		Bay Pines LS Seminole FL ECM Director; Provisional Call	1/8/2017
Mr Benjamin L Rank	Eastside LS Madison WI	Salem LS Stillwater MN Principal and Grades 5-8	1/8/2017

Mr Timothy F Pingel	Zion LS (Morrison) Greenleaf WI	St Paul LS Lake Mills WI Teacher; Grade 4	1/8/2017
Mr Benjamin J Raddatz	Our Savior LS Grafton WI	Shepherd LS Albuquerque NM Teacher; Grades 3-5	1/8/2017
Mr Zachary J Cvikel	St John's LS Jefferson WI	St Peter's LS Sturgeon Bay WI Teacher; Grades 7-8	1/8/2017
Miss Lisa B McKenney	Little Lambs Preschool Fort Collins CO	St Paul LS Rapid City SD Teacher; Kindergarten	1/8/2017
Mr Jeremiah D Drews	St Mark LS Lincoln NE	Peace LS Livonia MI Principal and Grades 7-8	1/8/2017
Miss Jessica A Seiltz	Redeemer LS Tucson AZ	St John LS Bay City MI Teacher; Grades 3-4	1/8/2017
Ms Mollie E Dorn	Mt Calvary LS Redding CA	St Paul LS Rapid City SD ECM Director	1/8/2017
Miss Kari L Fuerstenberg	Abiding Word LS Houston TX	St Philip LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; 5K	1/8/2017
Mrs Stefanie L Hill		Brooklyn Bridge Preschool Brooklyn Park MN ECM Director and Teacher; One-Year Call	1/8/2017
Miss Karla K Opperman	St John LS Red Wing MN	Samuel LS Marshall MN ECM Director and Teacher	1/8/2017
Ms Alanna Walker	Immanuel LS Waukegan IL	Immanuel LS Waukegan IL Teacher; Kindergarten, Provisional Call	1/8/2017
Mr Jonah Gauger	Immanuel LS Waukegan IL	Immanuel LS Waukegan IL Teacher; Upper Grades. Provisional Call	1/8/2017
Mr Justin T Wiechmann	St Matthew's LS Oconomowoc WI	Christ-St Peter LS-West Campus Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 4	1/9/2017
Mrs Amanda C Kroll	Salem LS-Greenfield MN Greenfield MN	Christ-St Peter LS-East Campus Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 1	1/9/2017
Mr Chad T Marohn	St John LS Lannon WI	Grace LC Oshkosh WI Principal and Grades 7-8	1/15/2017

Mrs Gretel E Kiecker		St John LS Lomira WI Teacher; Grades 1-2	1/15/2017
Mrs Mary Naumann		St Peter's LS Fond du Lac WI Teacher; Grade 4	1/15/2017
Mr Jacob N Zimmermann	Gethsemane LS Omaha NE	St John LS Fremont WI Principal and Grades 5-8	1/15/2017
Mr Timothy R Hochmuth	Good Shepherd's LS West Allis WI	First LS Elkhorn WI Teacher; Grades 5-6	1/15/2017
Ms Justine M Smith	Peace LS Kissimmee FL	Grace LC Oshkosh WI Teacher; Kindergarten	1/15/2017
Miss Samantha J Hussman	St Paul LS Livonia MI	Holy Trinity LS Okauchee WI Teacher; Grades 1-2	1/15/2017
Miss Alison J Kolander	Trinity LS Kaukauna WI	Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL ECM Director	1/15/2017

<b>Staff Ministers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date issued</b>
Dr Scott A Gostchock		Grace in Action Minneapolis MN Director of Program Development	11/17/2016
Mr Timothy B Babler	Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL	Grace LC Falls Church VA Staff Minister	1/15/2017

## **CALLS ACCEPTED**

<b>Pastors</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date accepted</b>
Rev Andrew K Frey	Holy Cross LC Standish MI	St John LC Appleton WI Associate Pastor	1/11/2017
Rev Jonathan P Bilitz	Luther High School Onalaska WI	Wisconsin Lutheran Chapel Madison WI Pastor	1/15/2017
Rev David J Salinas	Grace LC Yakima WA	Sure Foundation LC Woodside NY Associate Pastor	1/15/2017

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date accepted</b>
Ms Meghan Neimann		Garden Homes LS Milwaukee WI	11/30/2016

Teacher; Grade 2,  
Provisional Call

Mr Nicholas K Trebesch	Evergreen Lutheran High School Tacoma WA	Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI Professor	1/9/2017
Mrs Barbara H Polzin		St John LS Saint Paul MN Teacher; Grades 2-4	1/10/2017
Miss Katherine A Huebner	St Lucas LS Milwaukee WI	West Lutheran High School Plymouth MN Teacher; English	1/10/2017
Mr Chris C Poetter	Holy Cross LS Madison WI	Holy Cross LS Madison WI Principal and Grades 7-8	1/11/2017
Mr Jason T Hagedorn	Luther High School Onalaska WI	Shoreland Lutheran High School Somers WI Teacher; Mathematics	1/11/2017
Mr Timothy D Grundmeier		Martin Luther College New Ulm MN Professor of History	1/11/2017
Mr Jonathan A Laabs		Martin Luther College New Ulm MN Professor of Music	1/13/2017
Mr John A Byus Jr	First LS La Crosse WI	Luther High School Onalaska WI Teacher; Director of Mission Advancement	1/13/2017
Mr Michael L Koestler	St Lucas LS Milwaukee WI	Shoreland Lutheran High School Somers WI Principal	1/15/2017

<b>Staff Ministers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date accepted</b>
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Mr John E Kramer		1 Latin America Team Staff Minister	1/5/2017
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## **CALLS DECLINED**

<b>Pastors</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date declined</b>
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Rev Brett A Ehlke	St Paul's LC Stevensville MI	Immanuel LC Manitowoc WI Associate Pastor	1/12/2017
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Rev Jonathan A Micheel	Prince of Peace LC Salt Lake City UT	Good Shepherd LC Burnsville MN Associate Pastor	1/13/2017
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<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>New call</b>	<b>Date declined</b>
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Mr David A Zuberbier	Peace LS Bradenton FL	St John LS Fremont WI Principal and Grades 5-8	1/9/2017
Miss Jessica J Neumann	Grace LS Glendale AZ	Trinity LS Hoskins NE Teacher; Kindergarten- Grade 3	1/10/2017
Mr Matthew D Schreiber	Immanuel LS La Crosse WI	Prairie LS Gibbon MN Teacher; Grades 1-2	1/10/2017
Mr Jordan M Schmitzer	Grace LS Oshkosh WI	Immanuel LS Salem OR Teacher; Grades 3-5	1/11/2017
Miss Abby C Mehlberg	Trinity LS Marshfield WI	St Mark Little Lions Preschool Salina KS ECM Director	1/11/2017
Miss Sarah A Seelow	St John's LS Burlington WI	St Paul LS Beverly Hills FL Teacher; Grade 1	1/12/2017
Miss Catherine E St John	St John LS Mukwonago WI	Little Lambs Learning Center Mandan ND ECM Teacher	1/14/2017
Mr Brian J Gottschalk	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	Arizona Lutheran Academy Phoenix AZ Teacher; Mathematics	1/15/2017
Mr Patrick C Cortright	St Matthew LS Spokane WA	Good Shepherd LS Sioux Falls SD Principal	1/15/2017
Miss Rebecca K Rixe	Crown of Life Christian Academy Fort Myers FL	St Paul Lutheran Early Childhood Center Appleton WI ECM Director	1/15/2017
Mrs Jennifer K Rannow		Peace LS Sun Prairie WI ECM Director	1/15/2017

## RESIGNATIONS

Teachers	Current call	Date resigned
Mr Michael M Sebald	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	6/30/2017
Mr Peter A Markgraf	Good Shepherd LS Sioux Falls SD	6/30/2017
Mrs Penny J Lecker	Bethany Lutheran Preschool Saginaw MI	6/30/2017



Mrs Rebecca L Rogotzke	St John LS Redwood Falls MN	6/30/2017
Mrs Heather L Duquaine	Grace LS Oshkosh WI	6/30/2017
Mr David J Jirikowic	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Alicia L Campbell	St John LS Wauwatosa WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Carly J Balluch	St Mark Little Lions Preschool Salina KS	6/30/2017
Mrs Amanda A Becker	Apostles LS San Jose CA	6/30/2017
Mr Jason D Schleef	Immanuel LS Salem OR	6/30/2017
Mr Micah J Ricke	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Kelly L Radke	Cross of Glory LS Washington MI	6/30/2017
Miss Elaina T Mercier	St John LS Saint Paul MN	6/30/2017
Miss Emily K Waldek	Trinity LS Hoskins NE	6/30/2017
Miss Ruth L Wendland	Brooklyn Bridge Preschool Brooklyn Park MN	6/30/2017
Miss Lisa J Carmichael	St Matthew's LS Stoddard WI	6/30/2017

## RETIREMENTS

Pastors	Current call	Date retired
Rev Thomas A Schulz	St Thomas LC Phoenix AZ	4/30/2017
Rev John E Warmuth	Immanuel LC Neillsville WI	5/31/2017
Rev Allen L Lindke	Mt Sinai LC Montrose MI	6/15/2017
Rev Ronald W Mehlberg	Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI	6/30/2017
Rev Dr Michael W Dietz	Christian Giving Counselor - MN/So New Ulm MN	6/30/2017
Rev Beck H Goldbeck	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI	6/30/2017
Prof James F Korthals	Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Mequon WI	8/31/2017

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Current call</b>	<b>Date retired</b>
Mr Jeffrey A Inniger	Trinity LS Waukesha WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Nancy D Borchard	St Paul's LS Saginaw MI	6/30/2017
Mr Roger L Festerling	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	6/30/2017
Miss Ruth H Huebner	Shepherd of the Valley LS Menasha WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Beth M Humann	Evergreen Lutheran High School Tacoma WA	6/30/2017
Mr James E Carolfi	Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Miriam A Festerling	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Lois M Zander	Samuel LS Marshall MN	6/30/2017
Mrs Nancy L Beyersdorf	St Paul's LS Saginaw MI	6/30/2017
Mrs Colette B Zarling	Prairie LS Lower Site Gibbon MN	6/30/2017
Mrs Gayle S Bauer	Lakeside Lutheran High School Lake Mills WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Mary A Free	St Paul LS Rapid City SD	6/30/2017
Mr Rodney R Herbison	Crown of Life LS West Saint Paul MN	6/30/2017
Ms Marilyn M Bond	Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI	6/30/2017
Mrs Margaret L Poor	St Martin's LS Watertown SD	6/30/2017

## **CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY**

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Home church</b>	<b>Death date</b>
Mrs Dorma J Reinke	Christ LC Big Bend WI	1/1/2017

**Correction:** On the January 3 call report, Candice Learman was listed as resigning her position at Ascension Lutheran School, Escondido, Calif. This was incorrect. Her position was eliminated due to the closing of the preschool. We apologize for the error.