



Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Pastor, teacher, and staff minister call report

1/17/2017 - 1/23/2017

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 |
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| Rev Nicholas J Guillaume | Abiding Word LC Maineville OH | Grace LC Casa Grande AZ Pastor | 12/1/2016 |
| 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 |

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| Rev Kevin M Boushek | Beautiful Savior LC La Porte IN | Gethsemane LC Oklahoma City OK Pastor | 1/4/2017 |
| 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 | 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 | Shepherd of the Hills LC Duluth MN Pastor | 1/12/2017 |

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| Rev Frederick B Schleg | Beautiful Savior LC Everett WA | Palos LC Palos Heights IL Pastor | 1/15/2017 |
| Dean Timothy D Dolan | Luther Preparatory School Watertown WI | Good Shepherd LC Deltona FL Pastor | 1/15/2017 |
| Rev Troy D Jacobs | Shepherd of the Plains LC Fort Morgan CO | Immanuel LC Hadar NE Pastor | 1/15/2017 |
| Rev Daniel T Naumann | Grace LC Prairie du Chien WI | Our Savior LC Longmont CO Pastor | 1/15/2017 |
| Rev Jonathan D Fischer | Resurrection LC Chesapeake VA | Crown of Life LC West Saint Paul MN Associate Pastor | 1/15/2017 |
| Rev Matthew P Frey | Living Word LC Montrose CO | Mountain View LC Great Falls MT Pastor | 1/15/2017 |
| Rev Jon F Zabell | St Paul LC Green Bay WI | Eastside LC Madison WI Associate Pastor | 1/16/2017 |
| Rev Clint A Rogas Jr | Grace LC Scroggins TX | Abiding Faith LC Pinehurst TX Pastor | 1/16/2017 |
| Rev Benjamin D Reichel | A Mighty Fortress LC Fulshear TX | Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI Pastor | 1/16/2017 |
| Rev Timothy S Gauger | Christ Our Savior LC Rockford MI | Atlanta Mission Intown GA Pastor | 1/17/2017 |
| Mr Ib V Meyer | CRM | Grace LC Grand Anse Saint George Grenada Pastor | 1/17/2017 |
| Rev Stephen M Luchterhand | Deer Valley LC Phoenix AZ | Trinity LC Minocqua WI Pastor | 1/19/2017 |
| Rev Jonathan P Kruschel | St Paul's LC Stevensville MI | St John LC Westland MI Pastor | 1/19/2017 |
| Rev Luke D Italiano | St Luke LC Kenosha WI | Amazing Grace LC Florence KY Pastor | 1/19/2017 |
| Rev Kenneth J Fisher Jr | Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI | Siloah LC Milwaukee WI Pastor | 1/22/2017 |
| Rev Joel M Naumann | St Mark LC Eau Claire WI | St John's LC Juneau WI | 1/22/2017 |

| Teachers | Current call | New call | Date issued |
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| 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 Timothy P Sonntag | St John's LS Burlington WI | St John's LS Burlington WI Teacher; Grade 4 | 12/19/2016 |
| 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 | 1/8/2017 |

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| | | Teacher; Kindergarten | |
| 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, Provisional Call | 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 | 1/15/2017 |

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| | | Teacher; Grades 5-6 | |
| 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 |
| Mr Mark R Nolte | St Paul LS Howards Grove WI | Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI Teacher; Math and Science | 1/16/2017 |
| Mrs Renee E Pastorek | St Paul LS Fort Atkinson WI | St John LS Wauwatosa WI Teacher; Lower/Middle Grade Teacher | 1/16/2017 |
| Mrs Erika L Martin | Jesus Loves Me Learning Center Jackson MI | Loving Shepherd LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Kindergarten | 1/16/2017 |
| Mrs Darnell J Anthony | Star of Bethlehem LS New Berlin WI | Siloah LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 1 | 1/17/2017 |
| Mr Scott R Sievert | St Croix Lutheran Grades 6-12 West Saint Paul MN | Fox Valley Lutheran High School Appleton WI Teacher; English | 1/17/2017 |
| Mrs Erin L Mensching | | St Jacobi LS Greenfield WI Teacher; Grade 1 | 1/17/2017 |
| Mr Michael J Fetcenko | Mt Olive LS Delano MN | St Paul LS Onalaska WI Teacher; Upper Grades | 1/17/2017 |
| Mr Michael B Pingel | Mt Lebanon LS-Alpha Campus PK-4 Milwaukee WI | Siloah LS Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 4 | 1/17/2017 |
| Mr Casey D Pufahl | St Croix Lutheran Grades 6-12 West Saint Paul MN | Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI Teacher; Music | 1/18/2017 |
| Mr Jeremiah D Schmiede | Sola Fide LS Lawrenceville GA | Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI Teacher; Chemistry | 1/18/2017 |
| Miss Christine E Swoboda | Shepherd LS Albuquerque NM | Sienna Lutheran Academy Missouri City TX Teacher; Kindergarten- Grade 1 | 1/18/2017 |

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| Mrs Melissa R Brown | | Riverview LS Appleton WI ECM Teacher; One-Year, Half Time Call | 1/22/2017 |
| Mr James M Ott | Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI | Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL Teacher; High School Life Sciences | 1/22/2017 |
| Mrs Deborah R Felsing | Jerusalem LS Morton Grove IL | Jerusalem LS Morton Grove IL Teacher; Grades 3-8 Departmentalized | 1/22/2017 |
| Mrs Jill M Hagedorn | Mt Calvary-Grace LS La Crosse WI | Bethany LS Kenosha WI Teacher; Kindergarten | 1/22/2017 |
| Miss Jessica R Martinez | St Philip LS Milwaukee WI | Beautiful Saviour LS Carlsbad CA Teacher; Grades 2-4 | 1/22/2017 |
| Mr Kyle P Swogger | Trinity LS Brillion WI | Immanuel LS Salem OR Teacher; Grades 3-5 | 1/22/2017 |
| Mrs Jessica R Ross | Ascension LS Escondido CA | Shepherd of the Hills LS La Mesa CA Teacher; Kindergarten- Grade 4 | 1/22/2017 |
| Mr Jeremy F Seeger | Martin Luther LS Oshkosh WI | Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL Teacher; Mathematics and Middle School STEM | 1/22/2017 |

| Staff Ministers | Current call | New call | Date issued |
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| Mr Timothy B Babler | Divine Savior Lutheran Academy Doral FL | Grace LC Falls Church VA Staff Minister | 1/15/2017 |
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CALLS ACCEPTED

| Pastors | Current call | New call | Date accepted |
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| Rev Beck H Goldbeck | Manitowoc Lutheran High School Manitowoc WI | Bethany LC Manitowoc WI Associate Pastor Retirement Call | 1/21/2017 |
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| Teachers | Current call | New call | Date accepted |
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| Miss Elizabeth J Murry | Immanuel LS Medford WI | Immanuel LS Medford WI Teacher; 3K/4K and Upper Grades | 12/31/2016 |
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| | | Departmentalized, Limited Duration Call | |
| Mrs Leah Munson | | St James Preschool Portage MI ECM Director and Teacher; Half-Time, Provisional Call | 1/11/2017 |
| Mrs Elissa E Ellermann | Grace Christian Academy Falls Church VA | Christ-St Peter LS-West Campus Milwaukee WI Teacher; Grade 3 | 1/17/2017 |
| Miss Kathy E Wilsmann | St Paul LS Mount Calvary WI | St Paul LS Mount Calvary WI Teacher; Grades 5-8 | 1/23/2017 |

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| Dr Scott A Gostchock | | Grace in Action Minneapolis MN Director of Program Development | 1/15/2017 |
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CALLS DECLINED

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| Rev Ryan C Wolfe | Redeemer LC Mandan ND | Salem LC Owosso MI Associate Pastor | 1/15/2017 |
| Rev Randy K Hunter | St Andrew LC Middleton WI | Atlanta Mission Intown GA Pastor | 1/17/2017 |
| Rev Jonathan R Balge | St Matthew LC Milwaukee WI | Abiding Love LC Cape Coral FL Pastor | 1/20/2017 |
| Rev Timothy R Gerbing | Christ LC Pewaukee WI | Nigeria and Cameroon Missionary | 1/20/2017 |
| Rev Jeremy J Husby | Peace LC Hartford WI | New Life LC Rockford IL Pastor | 1/20/2017 |
| Rev Martin P Spaude | Calvary LC Chandler AZ | St John LC Lake City MN Pastor | 1/21/2017 |

| Teachers | Current call | New call | Date declined |
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| Mr Jason T Gibson | Trinity LS Neenah WI | St John's LS Burlington WI Principal and Upper Grades Departmentalized | 1/16/2017 |
| Mr Jeffrey L Roloff | Siloah LS Milwaukee WI | St John LS Redwood Falls MN | 1/17/2017 |

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| | | Teacher; Grade 5 | |
| Mr Scott D Brown | St Paul LS Norfolk NE | St John LS Neillsville WI Teacher; Grades 3-5 | 1/18/2017 |
| Mr Joshua J Schoeneck | Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson WI | Martin Luther College New Ulm MN Director of Academic Computing and Online Learning | 1/19/2017 |
| Miss Anne E Marquardt | Gloria Dei LS Belmont CA | Martin Luther LS Oshkosh WI ECM Director | 1/21/2017 |
| Miss Emily Y Gorzalski | Loving Shepherd LS Milwaukee WI | New Hope Lutheran Academy West Melbourne FL Teacher; Grades 1-2 | 1/21/2017 |
| Mr Daniel J Kasten | Bethlehem LS Hortonville WI | Wisconsin LS-Middle School (6-8) Racine WI Teacher; Grades 6-8 and Dean of Students | 1/22/2017 |

RESIGNED

| Teachers | Current call | Date resigned |
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| Ms Roseann L Gould | St Paul LS East Troy WI | 1/19/2017 |
| Mrs Marjorie K Flanagan | Wisconsin Lutheran High School Milwaukee WI | 6/30/2017 |
| Ms Liesel K Geppert | Trinity LS Waukesha WI | 6/30/2017 |
| Mrs Nicole R Trebesch | Light of Life Preschool Covington WA | 6/30/2017 |
| Mr Ryan R Hill | Abiding Word LS Houston TX | 6/30/2017 |

CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY

| Pastors | Home church | Death date |
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| Rev Donald A Seifert | Calvary LC Canyon Country CA | 1/22/2017 |

RETIREMENT

| Pastors | Current call | Date retired |
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Rev Paul E Schweppe

St John LC
Bay City MI

7/31/2017

| Teachers | Current call | Date retired |
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| Mr Daniel E Schmal | Wisconsin Lutheran College Milwaukee WI | 12/31/2016 |
| Mrs Joanne R Tetzlaff | St Luke LS Oakfield WI | 6/30/2017 |
| Mrs Karen J Behm | Emmanuel LS Tempe AZ | 6/30/2017 |

LIMITED LENGTH CALL EXPIRED

| Teachers | Current call | Date effective |
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| Miss Elizabeth J Murry | Immanuel LS Medford WI | 5/28/2017 |

POSITION ELIMINATED

| Teachers | Current call | Date effective |
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| Mrs Danielle N Fetcenko | Mt Olive LS Delano MN | 6/30/2017 |
| Mr Michael J Fetcenko | Mt Olive LS Delano MN | 6/30/2017 |