



## Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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

9/12/2017 - 9/18/2017

The call report details when pastors, teachers, and staff ministers change positions within WELS. The Conference of Presidents oversees and coordinates the calling process.

#### NO DECISION REPORTED

| Pastors                | Current call                          | New call                                              | Date issued |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Rev David Blaho        | Emmanuel LC<br>Zephyrhills FL         | Ascension LC<br>Crossville TN<br>Pastor               | 8/12/2017   |
| Rev Michael Nitz       | Bethany LC<br>Saginaw MI              | Our Savior LC<br>Longmont CO<br>Pastor                | 8/13/2017   |
| Rev Steven Wagenknecht | Abiding Savior LC<br>Weslaco TX       | Our Savior LC<br>Pomona CA<br>Pastor                  | 8/17/2017   |
| Rev Bradley Taylor     | Prince of Peace LC<br>Flower Mound TX | Shepherd of the Valley LC<br>Westminster CO<br>Pastor | 8/20/2017   |
| Rev John Stelljes      | Light of Life LC<br>Greenwood IN      | Mt Olive LC<br>Shakopee MN<br>Pastor                  | 8/21/2017   |
| Rev James Plocher      | St Luke LC<br>Vassar MI               | St John LC<br>Bay City MI<br>Associate Pastor         | 8/22/2017   |
| Rev Stephen Schmiel    | Faith Evangelical LC<br>Prior Lake MN | St Paul's LC<br>Broken Bow NE<br>Pastor               | 8/23/2017   |
| Rev Andrew Bauer       | New Life LC<br>Lake Zurich IL         | First LC<br>Elkhorn WI<br>Pastor                      | 8/27/2017   |
| Rev Daniel Wagenknecht | Grace LC<br>Yorba Linda CA            | Trinity LC<br>Belle Plaine MN<br>Associate Pastor     | 8/27/2017   |

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| Pres Joel Petermann  | Michigan Lutheran Seminary<br>Saginaw MI    | Zion LC<br>Torrance CA<br>Pastor                                            | 8/27/2017 |
| Rev Timothy Denney   | Redeemer LC<br>Big Rapids MI                | Shepherd of the Hills LC<br>Duluth MN<br>Pastor                             | 8/28/2017 |
| Dean David Koehler   | Michigan Lutheran Seminary<br>Saginaw MI    | Calvary Academy - Florida, Inc<br>Mulberry FL<br>Pastor; Executive Director | 8/29/2017 |
| Rev Brian Hackmann   | Peace LC<br>Eagle River AK                  | Resurrection LC<br>Maumee OH<br>Pastor                                      | 8/29/2017 |
| Rev Timothy Satorius | Grace LC<br>Falls Church VA                 | Bethel LC<br>Menasha WI<br>Associate Pastor                                 | 8/29/2017 |
| Rev Joshua Janke     | Risen Savior LC<br>Mc Farland WI            | St Paul LC<br>Grant Park IL<br>Pastor                                       | 8/30/2017 |
| Rev Troy Jacobs      | Shepherd of the Plains LC<br>Fort Morgan CO | Abiding Word LC<br>Maineville OH<br>Pastor                                  | 8/30/2017 |
| Rev Steve Schmeling  | Zion LC<br>Toledo OH                        | Pilgrim LC<br>Minneapolis MN<br>Pastor                                      | 9/6/2017  |
| Rev Peter Zaferos    | Living Shepherd LC<br>Laramie WY            | St Marcus LC<br>Milwaukee WI<br>Associate Pastor                            | 9/6/2017  |
| Rev Lance Hoff       | St Luke LC<br>Watertown WI                  | Immanuel LC &<br>St Mark LC (Richwood)<br>Watertown WI<br>Pastor            | 9/6/2017  |
| Rev Brian Pechman    | Risen Savior LC<br>Pooler GA                | Friedens LC<br>Kenosha WI<br>Associate Pastor                               | 9/10/2017 |
| Rev Joel Naumann     | St Mark LC<br>Eau Claire WI                 | Zion LC<br>Greenleaf WI<br>Associate Pastor                                 | 9/10/2017 |
| Rev Jonathan Micheel | Prince of Peace LC<br>Salt Lake City UT     | St Matthew's LC<br>Niles IL<br>Pastor                                       | 9/10/2017 |
| Rev Matthew Hennig   | Christ LC<br>North Saint Paul &<br>Hugo MN  | Grace LC<br>Vail AZ &<br>Benson AZ<br>Associate Pastor                      | 9/10/2017 |
| Rev Andrew Naumann   | Michigan Lutheran Seminary<br>Saginaw MI    | Emanuel First LC<br>Lansing MI<br>Associate Pastor                          | 9/11/2017 |
| Rev Eric Schroeder   | St John LC<br>Wauwatosa WI                  | St John LC<br>Two Rivers WI<br>Associate Pastor                             | 9/11/2017 |

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| Rev Matthew Zimpelmann | Cross of Christ LC<br>Boise ID                                                 | Good Shepherd LC<br>Omaha NE<br>Pastor          | 9/11/2017 |
| Rev Jonathan Learman   | St Peter LC<br>Theresa WI                                                      | Zion LC<br>Rhineland WI<br>Associate Pastor     | 9/12/2017 |
| Rev David Boettcher    | St John LC<br>Wetaskiwin AB Canada<br>Mighty Fortress LC<br>Red Deer AB Canada | St John LC<br>Stanton NE<br>Pastor              | 9/12/2017 |
| Rev Philip Kiecker     | Gethsemane LC<br>Raleigh NC                                                    | Good Shepherd LC<br>Cheyenne WY<br>Pastor       | 9/13/2017 |
| Rev Daniel Baumler     | Christ Our Redeemer LC<br>El Paso TX                                           | St John's LC<br>New Ulm MN<br>Associate Pastor  | 9/13/2017 |
| Rev Andrew Retberg     | Good Shepherd LC<br>The Woodlands TX                                           | Mt Calvary LC<br>Redding CA<br>Pastor           | 9/13/2017 |
| Rev Charles Gumm       | Community LC<br>Honolulu HI                                                    | Friendly Counselor<br>India                     | 9/14/2017 |
| Rev Jeffrey Limpert    | Christ Our Rock LC<br>Rochester MN                                             | Redeemer LC<br>Maple Grove MN<br>Pastor         | 9/14/2017 |
| Rev Ethan Steinbrenner | Bethany LC<br>Fort Atkinson WI                                                 | St Peter LC<br>Weyauwega WI<br>Associate Pastor | 9/14/2017 |
| Pres Paul Wendland     | Wisconsin Lutheran<br>Seminary<br>Mequon WI                                    | Asia Lutheran Seminary<br>Professor             | 9/16/2017 |

| <b>Teachers</b> | <b>Current call</b> | <b>New call</b> | <b>Date issued</b> |
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| Mrs Erin Bohl |  | Cornerstone Early<br>Learning Center<br>Hugo MN<br>ECM; Assistant Director | 9/10/2017 |
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| <b>Staff Ministers</b> | <b>Current call</b> | <b>New call</b> | <b>Date issued</b> |
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| Mr James Boggs | Good Shepherd LC<br>The Woodlands TX | St John LC<br>Lannon WI<br>Staff Minister of Youth &<br>Family | 8/22/2017 |
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**CALLS ACCEPTED**

| <b>Pastors</b> | <b>Current call</b> | <b>New call</b> | <b>Date accepted</b> |
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| Rev Paul Ibisch | Retired | St Peter's LC<br>Larsen WI<br>Pastor | 9/13/2017 |
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Prof Paul Zell

Wisconsin Lutheran  
Seminary  
Mequon WI

Living Savior LC  
Asheville NC  
Pastor

9/15/2017

## CALLS DECLINED

| Pastors               | Current call                                      | New call                                                                        | Date declined |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Rev Larry Schlomer    | World Missions Office<br>Waukesha WI              | Divine Savior LC<br>Doral FL<br>Pastor                                          | 9/12/2017     |
| Rev Dale Reckzin      | St John LC<br>Oak Creek WI                        | St Peter LC<br>St. Albert AB Canada<br>Pastor                                   | 9/13/2017     |
| Rev Eric Hansen       | St Mark LC<br>De Pere WI &<br>Green Bay WI        | Abiding Peace LC<br>Simpsonville SC<br>Associate Pastor                         | 9/13/2017     |
| Rev Marc VonDeylen    | Lord of Life LC<br>Friendswood TX                 | King of Kings LC<br>Frankenmuth MI<br>Pastor                                    | 9/16/2017     |
| Rev Joel Jenswold     | Bethlehem LC<br>Hortonville WI                    | St Paul LC<br>Saginaw MI<br>Associate Pastor                                    | 9/16/2017     |
| Rev Eric Roecker      | Pilgrim LC<br>Menomonee Falls WI                  | Beautiful Savior LC<br>Marietta GA<br>Pastor                                    | 9/16/2017     |
| Rev Timothy Bode      | Abiding Savior LC<br>Elk River MN                 | Our Savior LC<br>Harrisonville MO<br>Pastor                                     | 9/16/2017     |
| Rev Matthew Frey      | Living Word LC<br>Montrose CO                     | St John LC<br>Vacaville CA<br>Pastor                                            | 9/16/2017     |
| Rev Andrew Ewald      | St John LC<br>Clare MI<br>Faith LC<br>Harrison MI | Glory to God LC<br>Tinley Park IL<br>Our Redeemer LC<br>Grant Park IL<br>Pastor | 9/16/2017     |
| Rev Thad Bitter       | Grace LC<br>Portland OR                           | Ascension LC<br>Escondido CA<br>Pastor                                          | 9/17/2017     |
| Rev Robbin Robbert    | King of Kings LC<br>Wasilla AK                    | Beautiful Savior LC<br>Spooner WI<br>Pastor                                     | 9/17/2017     |
| Rev Matthew Grunewald | St John's LC<br>Saint Clair MN                    | St Paul LC<br>Adams WI<br>Pastor                                                | 9/17/2017     |
| Rev Steven Pagels     | St Matthew's LC<br>Oconomowoc WI                  | Luther High School<br>Onalaska WI<br>Pastor; Dean of Students                   | 9/17/2017     |

## RESIGNED

| Teachers         | Current call                   | Date resigned |
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| Mrs Jody Schultz | St John LS<br>Redwood Falls MN | 6/30/2018     |

## CALLED TO ETERNAL GLORY

| Teachers       | Home church              | Death date |
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| Ms Erma Hamann | St Paul LC<br>New Ulm MN | 9/11/2017  |