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Circuit Visitors Ratified

1. AltenburgRev. Dr. Paul Winningham
2. ArnoldRev. Jason Wagner
3. Cape GirardeauRev. Weston Wildauer
4. CarrolltonRev. Glen Gutz
5. Columbia.....Rev. Donaldo Sonntag
6. Concordia North.....Rev. Mark Junkin
7. Concordia South.....Rev. Jacob Mueller
8. FarmingtonRev. Kyle Castens
9. Jackson BootheelRev. Joshua Schmidt
10. Jefferson CityRev. Brian Whittle
11. Kansas City CentralRev. Gary Stolle
12. Kansas City North.....Rev. Gregg Reiser
13. Kansas City South.....Rev. Steven Andrews
14. Northeast Missouri.....Rev. Jeffrey Dock
15. Rolla.....Rev. John Perling
16. St. Charles.....Rev. Ryan Taylor
17. St. JosephRev. Eamonn Ferguson
18. St. Louis AfftonRev. David Gruenwald
19. St. Louis Ellisville.....Rev. Douglas Chinberg
20. St. Louis Kirkwood.....Rev. Scott Jonas
21. St. Louis North.....Rev. Nathan Ruback
22. St. Louis OverlandRev. David Boisclair
23. St. Louis South.....Rev. Matthew Clark
24. Sedalia.....Rev. Jeremy Freeman
25. Southwest Missouri.....Rev. Kyle Fittje
26. Springfield.....Rev. Mickey Wilkey
27. WashingtonRev. Mat Hayter
28. WentzvilleRev. Jeremy Klaustermeier

Minutes of the Twenty–First Convention of The Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod June 12-14, 2022

Theme: Tell the Next Generation

The convention commenced on Sunday, June 12 with a Divine Service hosted by Zion Lutheran Church in St. Charles, Missouri. The preacher for the opening service was the Rev. Ben Ball, Sixth Vice President of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. An excerpt of his sermon was included in Sunday's *Today's Business* and is included here:

It is His Gospel that our risen Lord Jesus would have proclaimed to you, taught to you, and that He gives you, each according to your calling, with His grace and all your hope in Him, to proclaim it too; to your children, to those not yet born. You see, Christians, disciples of Jesus are full of hope. We do not give way to despair, in this world gone mad, but gather to receive the gifts of God, and plan on giving them to generations to come, as long as our Lord wills. You are a child of God. You are a disciple of Jesus Christ. You put your hope in Him, He will not fail you. He is risen and He will raise you up. Do not forget His mighty works, but keep His commandments, and bear witness to what you have heard, the Word of God. Tell the next generation of Jesus Christ and His mighty works. Amen.

Also assisting in the service were Rev. Dr. Michael Fieberkorn; organist Mark Thoelke; singers Logann Edinger, Brinn Miller, Daniel Thoelke, and Carter Thiemann; with musicians Aaron Mahnke, Dan Littles, John Israel, Sean Bippen, Chris Ranner, and Teresa Thoelke.

The convention offering was \$21,433.03 and is designated towards the convention theme of Tell the Next Generation. Specifically, the funds will be used to support the District's partnership with the Concordia Center for the Family to train coaches who will work with Missouri congregations to equip parents, grandparents, and all those responsible for raising children with tools to teach the faith in the home. The convention offering will help defray some of the costs associated with this endeavor. The offering will also support a youth leadership summit for high school students that is currently in the planning stage. Attendees will be encouraged in their faith and exposed to leadership roles within the church, both volunteer opportunities and professional church vocations.

Minutes of Session One – Monday, June 13, 8:00 a.m.

The opening devotion was led by the Rev. Dr. Michael Fieberkorn, Associate Pastor, Zion Lutheran Church, Harvester. Rev. Fieberkorn preached on the Magnificat in Luke 1. The following summary is from Monday's *Today's Business*:

Rev. Fieberkorn touched on the absence of Joseph, the earthly father of Jesus. He established a connection to the theme for the Twenty–First Missouri District Convention, which is Telling the Next Generation. The question then stands, who is to tell them? This is the role of pastors, other church workers, and parents, but especially fathers. By God's



design, fathers are intended to teach the faith to their household and serve as a faithful example for them. There is no replacement for a father that will faithfully instruct. While the example set by earthly fathers is significant, it is the work of the Heavenly Father that harbors and sustains faith by His Holy Spirit. May we give glory to God and commend and encourage fathers in their vocation of “Telling the Next Generation” the one faith in Christ by their words and deeds.

President Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan called the convention to order at 8:31 a.m. in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Rev. Samuel Powell, Secretary of the convention, provided the first registration report as follows:

Voting Pastoral Delegates.....	154
Voting Lay Delegate.....	179
Total Voting Delegates.....	333
Advisory Clergy Delegates.....	19
Commissioned Advisory Delegates.....	28
Emeritus Pastors.....	10
District Staff, Volunteers, Guests.....	29
Total Registered.....	419

President Hagan presented the Standing Rules to the assembly. There was an objection to the standing rules as presented, but no debate. A voice vote was taken and the standing rules were adopted as presented.

President Hagan turned the chair over to Rev. William Marler, 1st Vice President of the Missouri District. Rev. Marler then invited President Hagan to give his President’s Report, which is summarized here and based upon what is recorded in Monday’s *Today’s Business*:

Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan’s President’s Report opened the Twenty–First Missouri District Convention. President Hagan offered a short summary of his complete report found in the *Convention Workbook*. In a short accompanying video, the President highlighted the blessings of receiving newly called workers to the Missouri District. The video highlighted over 8,000 individuals who participated in the *SHINE!* initiative in its second year. Concluding the video message, an acknowledgment of the confounding challenges the pandemic presented set the tone for sober reflection on the needs of the District. The President exhorted pastors to faithfully preach the Word and rightly administer the Sacraments in response to the decline in worship attendance, and teach the absolute necessity of corporate worship. Reminding the convention and delegates with an encouragement of our shared confession, the delegates heard the reality and promise loud and clear: “There are challenges, but we have a faithful God.”

In his full report, the President explained in more detail that the difficulties and outcomes manifested during the pandemic intensify present challenges regarding church attendance



and new church worker recruitment. Several of the President’s Critical Targets, especially Healthy Servants, Healthy Workers, and Healthy Schools, begin to address these issues. The President stressed the great opportunity before the convention, its delegates, and the entire District with the Tell the Next Generation initiative coupled with Synod’s Set Apart to Serve efforts to recruit, train, and sustain future generations of church workers. He stated, “The need for church workers is increasing at an alarming rate.” The convention’s theme of Tell the Next Generation fittingly orders the need and task for the re-elected President’s 2022-2025 triennium.

President Hagan resumed the chair and invited Rev. Jacob Sletten, Chair of the elections committee, to present the election rules and explain the voting procedures. This presentation included multiple sample votes to assist the delegates in becoming familiar with the electronic voting devices.

The first question put before the assembly was: “In anticipation of the next convention, we aspire to reduce the number of copies printed. Please indicate if you are in favor of a digital version of *Today’s Business*.”

For 197 votes..... 67.0%
 Against 97 votes..... 33.0%

The second question put before the assembly was: “How would you prefer to receive/access a copy of *Today’s Business* (choose 3)?”

2. Emailed a Copy..... 253 votes..... 84.9%
 1. Printed a Copy..... 210 votes..... 70.5%
 3. Visiting the MO District website 200 votes 61.1%
 4. Other digital means/QR code..... 146 votes..... 49.0%

President Hagan welcomed Mr. Dale Werts, member of the Board of Directors and Chair of the Tellers, to present the slate for the election of District President. The nominees for President are:

Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan with 69 nominations
 Rev. William Marler with 3 nominations

Rev. Sletten was welcomed back to the stage for the adoption of the slate for the election of District President. The slate for District President was presented to the assembly. The results of the motion to ratify the slate for President are as follows. The motion passed.

For 298 votes..... 98.4%
 Against 5 votes..... 1.7%

Rev. Dr. Fieberkorn came forward to offer a prayer before the election. Rev. Sletten then led the delegates through the voting process. The election results for President are:

Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan with 309 votes (93.9%)



Rev. William Marler with 20 votes (6.1%)

Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan was re-elected as President of the Missouri District.

Mr. Dale Werts returned to the podium to present the nominees for 1st Vice President. The nominees for 1st Vice President are:

- Rev. William Marler
- Rev. Kristopher Morris
- Rev. Jason Shaw
- Rev. Brian Thieme

The results of the motion to ratify the slate for Vice President is as follows. The motion passed.

For 331 votes..... 99.4%
 Against 2 votes..... 0.6%

Rev. Sletten then led the delegates through the voting process for 1st Vice President. The election results for 1st Vice President are:

1. Rev. William Marler 177 votes..... 52.7%
2. Rev. Kristopher Morris 64 votes..... 19.0%
3. Rev. Brian Thieme 55 votes..... 16.4%
4. Rev. Jason Shaw 40 votes..... 11.9%

Rev. Marler was elected 1st Vice President of the Missouri District.

Rev. Sletten then led the assembly through the nominating process for 2nd through 4th Vice President. Those receiving the highest number of nominations were:

- Morris, Kristopher..... 113 votes
- Thieme, Brian 104 votes
- Shaw, Jason..... 73 votes
- Golden, Kevin 19 votes
- Asbury, Randy 18 votes
- Arnold, Tyler..... 13 votes
- Preus, Andrew..... 13 votes
- Fiene, Hans 12 votes
- Henrickson, Charles 12 votes
- Cloeter, Jeffrey..... 8 votes
- Hoehner, Mark 8 votes
- Klaustermeier, Jeremy 8 votes
- Schultz, Jeremy 8 votes
- Mueller, Jacob..... 8 votes



Rev. Dr. Kevin Golden and Rev. Dr. Tyler Arnold declined to allow their name to stand for election. Rev. Jeffrey Cloeter and Rev. Dr. Mark Hoehner were not in attendance and could not consent to serve.

The final slate for the election of 2nd through 4th Vice Presidents was:

- Morris, Kristopher
- Thieme, Brian
- Shaw, Jason
- Asburry, Randy
- Preus, Andrew
- Fiene, Hans
- Henrickson, Charles
- Klaustermeier, Jeremy
- Schultz, Jeremy
- Mueller, Jacob

Rev. Powell, Secretary of the convention, provided another registration report:

Voting Pastoral Delegates.....	155
Voting Lay Delegates	179
Total Voting Delegates	334

Rev. Rod Benkendorf, Chair of the Nominations Committee, presented the slate for District Secretary. Rev. Samuel Powell was the only nominee. There were no nominations from the floor.

The assembly was then led through the balloting process for 2nd through 4th Vice Presidents. The results of the first ballot are as follows:

1. Morris, Kristopher..... 226 votes..... 70.6%
2. Thieme, Brian 209 votes..... 65.3%
3. Shaw, Jason..... 133 votes..... 41.6%
4. Fiene, Hans 68 votes..... 21.3%
5. Asburry, Randy 64 votes..... 20.0%
6. Preus, Andrew..... 64 votes..... 20.0%
7. Schultz, Jeremy 64 votes..... 20.0%
8. Klaustermeier, Jeremy 145 votes..... 4.1%
9. Mueller, Jacob..... 44 votes..... 13.8%
10. Henrickson, Charles..... 29 votes..... 9.1%

Rev. Kristopher Morris was elected 2nd Vice President. Rev. Brian Thieme was elected 3rd Vice President. A second ballot was presented to the assembly to elect the 4th Vice President.

Shaw, Jason.....	181 votes.....	55.7%
Fiene, Hans	144 votes.....	44.3%



Rev. Jason Shaw was elected 4th Vice President.

A Tell the Next Generation video was shared that highlighted the work done in District congregations during the pandemic.

Returning to the business of the convention, Rev. Andrew Gimbel presented the work of floor committee two (Life Together) to the convention.

Mrs. Pam Nummela, floor committee member, read the resolves from resolution 2-01 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. Resolution 2-01 was put before the convention.

For	290 votes.....	95.7%
Against	13 votes.....	4.3%

Resolution 2-01 was adopted.

Resolution 2-02 was brought before the convention. The committee moved adoption. It was moved and seconded to amend resolution 2-02 by removing the fourth resolved. The motion to amend was put before the convention.

For	151 votes.....	49.7%
Against	153 votes.....	50.3 %

The motion to amend failed.

It was moved and seconded to amend lines 31-32 (*Workbook* p. 67) by removing “consider trained, intentional interim pastors who can help them.” The motion to amend was put before the convention.

For	245 votes.....	78.3%
Against	68 votes.....	21.7 %

The motion to amend passed.

The committee also accepted a change to the resolution by adding “be equipped” to line 2 (*Workbook* p. 68) between “congregations” and “for the next.” Resolution 2-02 as amended was put before the convention.

For	299 votes.....	95.5%
Against	14 votes.....	4.5%

Resolution 2-02 as amended was adopted.

Rev. Randy Asbury, floor committee member, read the resolves from resolution 2-03 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. There was discussion. It was moved and



seconded to amend the resolution by adding a new resolved that reads, “Resolved that those serving as church workers be encouraged to express a God-pleasing attitude toward serving in the vocation of church worker, and be it further,” between the original second and third resolves. The amendment was put before the convention.

For 255 votes..... 84.2%
Against 48 votes..... 15.8%

The motion to amend passed.

Resolution 2-03 as amended was put before the convention.

For 288 votes..... 95.7%
Against 13 votes..... 4.3%

Resolution 2-03 as amended was adopted. As directed by the resolution, the convention chaplain led the convention in a prayer for the schools, universities, and seminaries of the Church and that young people would consider church work vocations.

Mr. John Christman, floor committee member, read the resolves from resolution 2-04 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption.

For 288 votes..... 96%
Against 12 votes..... 4%

Resolution 2-04 was adopted.

Resolution 2-05 was brought before the convention. The committee moved adoption. It was moved and seconded to add “Whereas, judgement begins at the household of God” and “Resolved, that the District President, Vice Presidents, Circuit Visitors, and pastors humbly discuss in winkles, forums, and circuit meetings how we have fallen short and how we might, in fear of God, pursue greater faithfulness in the future, and be it finally.” After additional discussion, the question was called. The motion to end debate on the amendment to 2-05 was put before the assembly.

For 291 votes..... 92.1%
Against 25 votes..... 7.9%

The motion to end debate on the amendment passed. The amendment was then put before the assembly.

For 157 votes..... 48.5%
Against 167 votes..... 51.5%

The motion to amend failed. It was then moved and seconded to remove “pastors” from the second resolved and from the title of the resolution. It was then moved and second to amend this



amendment by removing “pastors” from the third and seventh resolves. The question was called. The motion to end debate on the amendment to the amendment for 2-05 was put before the assembly.

For 290 votes..... 95.7%
Against 13 votes..... 4.3%

The motion to end debate on the amendment to the amendment passed. It was then moved and seconded to refer this resolution back to the floor committee for further work.

For 154 votes..... 50.3%
Against 152 votes..... 49.7%

The motion to refer was adopted.

Secretary Powell provided another registration report:

Voting Pastoral Delegates.....157
Voting Lay Delegates179
Total Voting Delegates.....336

Rev. Jacob Mueller presented the work of floor committee one (Witness and Mercy) to the convention.

Rev. Joe Rodriguez, floor committee member, read the resolves from resolution 1-01 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. By consent, the committee accepted an amendment in the second whereas, replacing “connect” with “make known.” Resolution 1-01 as amended was put before the convention.

For 292 votes..... 97%
Against 9 votes..... 3%

Resolution 1-01 was adopted as amended.

Another Tell the Next Generation video was shared with the convention, focusing on the Hodiamont Ministry in St. Louis.

Mr. John Hagan, floor committee member, read the resolves from resolution 1-02 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. It was moved and seconded to amend the resolution by adding a new resolved, before the first resolved, “Resolved that the people and congregations of the Missouri District repent and seek the forgiving mercies of God for all instances of Xenophobia, racism, and rejection of the immigrant and sojourners among us, and be it resolved...” After discussion, the amendment was brought before the convention.

For 48 votes..... 15%
Against 271 votes..... 85%



The motion to amend failed.

The committee accepted, by consent, an amendment to the title of the resolution, changing “to” to “with.” Resolution 1-02 as amended was then brought before the convention.

For 306 votes..... 95.3%
 Against 15 votes..... 4.7%

Resolution 1-02 was adopted as amended.

Chaplain (Lieutenant Colonel) Steven Hokana, Assistant Director of the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces, presented the Bronze St. Martin of Tours award to two chaplains from the Missouri District, recognizing 20 years or more of outstanding service and exceptional ministry to military personnel. The pastors who received this award are Chaplain Jeremy Gorline, USNR and Chaplain David Oberdieck, USAR. Both Chaplain Gorline and Chaplain Oberdieck had the opportunity to address the convention and in particular, to thank their families.

Mr. Ron Hinchman, floor committee member, read the resolves from resolution 1-04 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. The committee accepted, by consent, an amendment that removed the word “religious” in the last resolved. After continued discussion, the orders of the day were called. It was noted that floor committee one would return later in the convention schedule.

Rev. Brian Thieme, District 3rd Vice President, assumed the chair of the convention and introduced President Hagan so that he could give his acceptance address. President Hagan shared four priorities for the coming triennium: church worker recruitment and retention, family discipleship, community engagement, and shared ministry. President Hagan also took the opportunity to introduce his family and to present flowers to his wife Jill, as they were celebrating their wedding anniversary at convention.

President Hagan resumed chairing the convention. He welcomed Rev. Dr. Jon Furgeson to the stage to present the work of floor committee three to the convention. Rev. Dr. Furgeson presented resolution 3-01 to the convention. The committee moved adoption. After discussion, the question was called. The motion to end debate on resolution 3-01 was put before the assembly.

For 308 votes..... 94.8%
 Against 17 votes..... 5.2%

The motion to end debate passed. Resolution 3-01 was put before the assembly.

For 304 votes..... 91.1%
 Against 26 votes..... 7.9%

Resolution 3-01 was adopted.



President Hagan welcomed Mrs. Sally Handrick, past President of the Missouri District LWML to the stage, along with newly elected President Marian Hoehner. They brought greetings on behalf of the organization, which recently met in convention.

The convention then joined in singing the hymn “Christ is our Cornerstone.” Rev. Dr. Fieberkorn, convention Chaplain, then led the assembly in prayer before lunch. The assembly went into recess for lunch.

When the assembly returned after lunch, President Hagan welcomed the President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Rev. Dr. Thomas Egger, who brought greetings on behalf of the institution. After his greetings, a video was shared about pastoral recruitment.

Rev. Dr. Kevin Golden, District 2nd Vice President, assumed the chair of the convention and welcomed Rev. Dr. Mark Kiessling to the stage. Rev. Dr. Kiessling serves as director of LCMS Youth Ministry. He presented part one of the convention essay titled, “Tell the Next Generation,” to the delegates. Rev. Dr. Kiessling’s essay referred the delegates to the Scriptural truths directing parents to teach their children the faith once delivered to the saints with the home as the primary place of faith development. Drawing from Psalm 78:1-8, Deuteronomy 6:6-9, and 1 Peter 2, as well as the Luther’s catechetical charge to house-fathers, Rev. Dr. Kiessling invited the delegates to consider mighty saving acts of God, as revealed in Holy Scripture, as comfort and promise for our own time and the coming generations. He also spoke about the challenges that the pandemic posed to parents in families, along with the pressures of social media.

President Hagan resumed the chair of the convention and invited Secretary Powell to provide another registration report. Secretary Powell reported:

Voting Pastoral Delegates.....	158
Voting Lay Delegates	179
Total Voting Delegates.....	337

President Hagan then welcomed Rev. Rod Benkendorf back to the stage to continue the work of the nominating committee. Rev. Benkendorf presented the slate for Board of Directors—Ordained, to the convention.

Rev. Randy Asburry
Rev. Jason Shaw

Rev. Shaw, who previously was elected to serve on the praesidium, declined his nomination for the Board of Directors—Ordained. With no nominations from the floor, the final slate for Board of Directors, Ordained, was:

Rev. Randy Asburry

The slate for Board of Directors—Commissioned was presented to the convention.



David A. Buchholz
Marc Debrick

A nomination was received from the floor, but it was ruled out of order because the nominee works for an agency of Synod, and is therefore unable to serve in this position.

The slate for Board of Directors—Lay was presented to the convention.

Dale Werts
Nathan Decker

There were no nominations from the floor.

The slate for Council on Mission and Ministry—Ordained was presented to the convention.

Rev. David Gruenwald
Rev. Paul Hoemann

There were no nominations from the floor.

The slate for Council on Mission and Ministry—Commissioned was presented to the convention.

Andrea Roettger
Carol (Carolyn) Thompson

There were no nominations from the floor.

The slate for Council on Mission and Ministry—Lay was presented to the convention.

Beth Berner
Kent Kunkel
Annette Torno

There were no nominations from the floor.

Rev. Sletten, Elections Committee Chair, returned to the stage to continue the elections process.

The ballot for Secretary was presented to the convention.

Rev. Samuel Powell 312 votes..... 100%

Rev. Samuel Powell was elected Secretary of the Missouri District.

The ballot for Board of Directors—Ordained was presented to the convention.

Rev. Randy Asbury 313 votes..... 100%



Rev. Randy Asbury was elected to the Board of Directors—Ordained position.

The ballot for Board of Directors—Commissioned was presented to the convention.

David A. Buchholz.....	175 votes.....	56.8%
Marc Debrick	133 votes.....	43.2%

David Buchholz was elected to the Board of Directors—Commissioned position.

The ballot for Board of Directors—Lay was presented to the convention.

Dale Werts	180 votes.....	56.5%
Nathan Decker	138 votes.....	43.4%

Dale Werts was elected to the Board of Directors—Lay position.

The ballot for the Council on Mission and Ministry—Ordained was presented to the convention.

Rev. David Gruenwald.....	159 votes.....	50.5%
Rev. Paul Hoemann	156 votes.....	49.5%

Rev. David Gruenwald was elected to the Council on Mission and Ministry—Ordained position.

The ballot for the Council on Mission and Ministry—Commissioned was presented to the convention.

Carol (Carolyn) Thompson.....	158 votes.....	52.8%
Andrea Roettger	141 votes.....	47.2%

Carol (Carolyn) Thompson was elected to the Council on Mission and Ministry—Commissioned position.

The ballot for the Council on Mission and Ministry—Lay was presented to the convention.

Kent Kunkel	172 votes.....	54.6%
Annette Torno	72 votes.....	22.9%
Beth Berner	71 votes.....	22.5%

Kent Kunkel was elected to the Council on Mission and Ministry—Lay position.

Rev. Benkendorf returned to the stage to present the slate for the District Nomination Committee—Ordained.

Rev. Jeremy Gorline
Rev. David Gruenwald

Rev. Paul Hoemann
Rev. Frank Lucas
Rev. Craig Reiter
Rev. Joe Rodriguez
Rev. James Thomas

There were no nominations from the floor.

Rev. Benkendorf then presented the slate for District Nominations Committee—Commissioned.

Marissa Engelhard
Jason Glaskey
Cheryl Honoree
Meredith Marsh
Dan Sterling

There were no nominations from the floor.

The slate for District Nominations Committee—Lay was presented.

Nathan Decker
Larry W. Dittmer
Thomas R. Johnson
Robert Schlichting

There were no nominations from the floor.

The slate for LCMS Committee on Nominations (Ordained or Commissioned) was presented to the convention.

Rev. David Gruenwald
Rev. Samuel Powell

There was a floor nomination for Rev. Brian Thorson. With no further nominations from the floor, the slate is as follows:

Rev. David Gruenwald
Rev. Samuel Powell
Rev. Brian Thorson

The slate for LCMS Committee on Nominations (Ordained or Commissioned)—Alternate was presented to the convention.

Rev. Charles Hendrickson
Rev. Brian Thorson



There were no nominations from the floor.

With the work of the Nomination Committee finished, the convention expressed thanks to Rev. Benkendorf and the committee.

Secretary Powell reported that there was no change from the previous registration report.

Rev. Sletten returned to the stage to continue the work of the elections committee. The ballot for the District Nominations Committee—Ordained positions was put before the assembly. This election was for four positions.

Rev. Joe Rodriguez	199 votes.....	62.6%
Rev. Paul Hoemann	194 votes.....	61.0%
Rev. James Thomas	173 votes.....	54.4%
Rev. Craig Reiter	165 votes.....	51.9%
Rev. Jeremy Gorline	162 votes.....	50.9%
Rev. David Gruenwald.....	162 votes.....	50.9%
Rev. Frank Lucas	162 votes.....	50.9%

Rev. Joe Rodriguez, Rev. Paul Hoemann, Rev. James Thomas, and Rev. Craig Reiter were elected to the District Nominations Committee.

The ballot for the District Nominations Committee—Commissioned positions was put before the assembly. This election was for two positions.

Jason Glaskey.....	163 votes.....	51.9%
Meredith Marsh.....	133 votes.....	42.4%
Dan Sterling	126 votes.....	40.1%
Marissa Engelhard	114 votes.....	36.3%
Cheryl Honoree.....	82 votes.....	26.1%

Jason Glaskey was elected to the District Nominations Committee. A second ballot was then taken to fill the second position.

Meredith Marsh.....	112 votes.....	35.6%
Dan Sterling	104 votes.....	33.0%
Marissa Engelhard	99 votes.....	31.4%

Because no candidate received more than 50% of the vote total, a third ballot was taken.

Meredith Marsh.....	188 votes.....	59.5%
Dan Sterling	128 votes.....	42.4%

Meredith Marsh was elected on this ballot, joining Jason Glaskey as those elected to the District Nominations Committee.



Note: After the conclusion of the convention, as the formal minutes were being prepared, it was noted that the third ballot for the Nominations Committee–Commissioned included six votes invalidly cast. These invalid votes were second votes erroneously cast by individuals and erroneously allowed by misconfiguration of the voting equipment. This did not affect the outcome of the election. Further review of the voting results showed no other instance of improperly configured voting equipment.

The ballot for the District Nominations Committee–Lay positions was put before the assembly. This election is for four positions.

Because the election was for four positions and there were for candidates, a for/against ballot was presented to the assembly to accept the slate as an election.

For	324 votes.....	98.5%
Against	5 votes.....	1.5%

Nathan Decker, Larry W. Dittmer, Thomas R. Johnson, and Robert Schlicting were elected to serve on the District Nominating Committee.

The ballot for the LCMS Committee on Nominations was put before the assembly.

Rev. Samuel Powell	128 votes.....	40.4%
Rev. Brian J. Thorson	99 votes.....	31.2%
Rev. David Gruenwald.....	90 votes.....	28.4%

No candidate received more than 50% of the vote total, so a second ballot was put before the assembly.

Rev. Samuel Powell	192 votes.....	61%
Rev. Brian J. Thorson	123 votes.....	29%

Rev. Samuel Powell was elected to the LCMS Committee on Nominations.

The ballot for the LCMS Committee on Nominations–Alternate was put before the assembly.

Rev. Brian Thorson.....	209 votes.....	65.1%
Rev. Charles Hendrickson	112 votes.....	34.9%

Rev. Brian Thorson was elected to serve as the alternate for the LCMS Committee on Nominations.

With the conclusion of the work of the election committee, the convention expressed thanks for the work of the committee.



Mr. Jonathan Schultz, President of Concordia Publishing House, greeted the convention and spoke about the work of Concordia Publishing House.

Rev. Ken Krueger, Vice President for strategy and mission integrity of Concordia Plan Services, greeted the convention and highlighted the work of Concordia Plan Services.

Rev. Mueller and floor committee one returned to the stage to present resolution 1-04 to the assembly again. The committee had previously accepted by consent the removal of the word “religious” prior to “freedoms” in the last resolved. The committee also presented an amendment to replace the first resolved with the following: “Resolved, that the Missouri District in convention thank the Lord for our military congregation members who are stationed in our communities and abroad, and assisting them to faithfully live in the Kingdom of man and the kingdom of God, and sharing the Gospel throughout the military community (Romans 13:1-2); and be it further...” Resolution 1-04 as amended was put before the assembly.

For	298 votes.....	99.7%
Against	1 vote.....	0.3%

Rev. Paul Hoeman read the resolves of resolution 1-03 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption.

For	319 votes.....	99.4%
Against	2 votes.....	0.6%

Resolution 1-03 was adopted.

Resolution 1-05 was put before the assembly. The committee moved adoption. The committee accepted by consent changes to the second resolved to change “commends” to “commend” and “encourages” to “encourage.”

For	318 votes.....	99.4%
Against	2 votes.....	0.6%

Resolution 1-05 was adopted as amended.

With floor committee one finishing their work, the convention expressed thanks to the committee.

Mr. David Fiedler, President of the LCMS Foundation, greeted the convention and spoke about the important work of the Foundation in the Missouri District.

Resolution 2-05 was brought back before the convention. At this point, there was an amendment to an amendment that was currently up for debate. Rev. Gimbel shared what was being put before the convention in the amendment to the amendment:

- title – remove “of”



- third whereas – remove “pastors”
- third to last whereas – remove “pastors”
- second resolved – remove “pastors”

The amendment to the amendment for Resolution 2-05 was put before the assembly.

For 84 votes..... 27.4%
 Against 223 votes..... 72.6%

The amendment to the amendment failed.

Rev. Gimbel then shared what was in the original amendment brought before the convention. Those amendments included:

- title – remove “of Pastors and”
- second resolved – remove “pastors”

The amendment was put before the assembly.

For 77 votes..... 24.6%
 Against 236 votes..... 75.4%

The amendment failed.

The committee then presented Resolution 2-05a as a substitute resolution, specifically highlighting changes made by the committee in consultation with delegates.

The assembly then voted to whether they wished to consider resolution 2-05a.

For 242 votes..... 74.5%
 Against 82 votes..... 25.5%

The motion to consider resolution 2-05a passed.

It was moved and seconded to add a resolved that reads, “Resolved, that the pastors of the Missouri District in their winks continue to work toward agreement as to how we might handle future uplevels in a faithful way, and be it finally...” The question was called. The motion to end debate on the amendment to resolution 2-05a was put before the assembly.

For 294 votes..... 94.8%
 Against 16 votes..... 5.2%

The motion to end debate passed. The amendment to resolution 2-05a was put before the convention.

For 165 votes..... 52.4%



Against 150 votes..... 47.6%

The amendment passed. The question was called on resolution 2-05a as amended. The motion to end debate on resolution 2-05a as amended was put before the assembly.

For 313 votes..... 96.9%
Against 10 votes..... 3.1%

The motion to end debate passed. Resolution 2-05a as amended was put before the assembly.

For 254 votes..... 78.2%
Against 71 votes..... 21.8%

Resolution 2-05a as amended was adopted. As directed by resolution by resolution 2-05a, the assembly joined in two verses of the hymn, “O God, Our Help in Ages Past.”

Rev. Michael Pottschmidt, floor committee member, read the resolves for resolution 2-06. The committee moved adoption. The question was called on resolution 2-06. The motion to end debate on resolution 2-06 was put before the assembly.

For 281 votes..... 87.8%
Against 39 votes..... 12.2%

The motion to end debate passed. Resolution 2-06 was put before the assembly.

For 315 votes..... 97.8%
Against 7 votes..... 2.2%

Resolution 2-06 was adopted.

Rev. Randy Asbury, floor committee member, read the resolves on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption.

The question was called on resolution 2-07. The motion to end debate on resolution 2-07 was put before the assembly.

For 223 votes..... 69.9%
Against 96 votes..... 30.1%

The motion to end debate passed. Resolution 2-07 was put before the assembly.

For 268 votes..... 84.3%
Against 50 votes..... 15.7%

Resolution 2-07 was adopted.



With the work of floor committee two completed, Rev. Gimbel introduced his committee and the convention expressed thanks for the committee’s work.

Rev. Dr. Russ Sommerfeld, President Emeritus of the Nebraska District and staff member at Concordia University, Nebraska brought greetings from that institution.

Rev. Jason Shaw, Chair of floor committee four, presented the work of the committee to the assembly.

Rev. Shaw read the resolves for resolution 4-01. The committee moved adoption. By consent of the committee the resolution was amended to read “until after three years have elapsed” replacing “until after one term has elapsed.” Resolution 4-01, as amended, was put before the assembly.

For	313 votes.....	98.1%
Against	6 votes.....	1.9%

Resolution 4-01 was adopted as amended.

Rev. Nick Hagerman, floor committee member, read the resolves for resolution 4-02. The committee moved adoption. Resolution 4-02 was put before the assembly.

For	318 votes.....	99.4%
Against	2 votes.....	0.6%

Resolution 4-02 was adopted.

Rev. David Gruenwald, floor committee member, read the resolves on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. Resolution 4-03 was put before the assembly.

For	310 votes.....	96.9%
Against	10 votes.....	3.1%

Resolution 4-03 was adopted.

Rev. Shaw read the resolves of resolution 4-04 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. Resolution 4-04 was put before the assembly.

For	306 votes.....	97.5%
Against	8 votes.....	2.5%

Resolution 4-04 was adopted.

Dr. Russel Dawn, President of Concordia University, Chicago brought greetings on behalf of the institution.



Rev. Hagerman read the resolves from resolution 4-05a on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. After discussion, including Secretary Powell speaking to the resolution, resolution 4-05a was brought before the assembly.

For 293 votes..... 94.2%
Against 18 votes..... 5.8%

Resolution 4-05a was adopted.

Rev. Gruenwald read the resolves of resolution 4-06 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. Resolution 4-06 was put before the assembly.

For 320 votes..... 99.4%
Against 2 votes..... 0.6%

Resolution 4-06 was adopted.

With its work completed, the convention expressed thanks to floor committee four.

Floor committee three returned to the stage. Rev. Dr. Jon Furgeson read the resolves of resolution 3-02 on behalf of the committee. The committee moved adoption. The committee noted that “the” needed to be added before “Lord’s Supper” in the second resolved.

It was moved and seconded to amend the resolution by adding a new resolved between the fourth and fifth (last) resolves. It reads, “Resolved that the Missouri District memorialize the LCMS in convention to direct the CTCR to clarify Gender Identity Disorder or Gender Dysphoria in Christian Perspective, particularly the distinction between Gender Identity Issues versus Bisexuality.”

The committee received, by consent, an amendment to the third resolved that changed “gender identification” to “gender and/or sex identification.” While the committee members further discussed the matter amongst themselves, a Tell the Next Generation video that highlighted campus ministry in the District was shared with the convention.

After the video, President Hagan called the orders of the day in order to give the floor committee and delegates an opportunity to work on resolution 3-02.

President Hagan then invited advisory ordained delegates to caucus after the convention recesses for the evening.

Rev. Dr. Fieberkorn led the assembly through compline as the assembly recessed for the day. After the service, the convention recessed until Tuesday morning.

Minutes of Session Two – Tuesday, June 14, 8:00 am.

The Tuesday morning session was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by the District’s 3rd Vice President, Rev. Brian Thieme. The convention Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Fieberkorn, then led the assembly through the Matins Memorial Service, with President Hagan serving as preacher. The text for President Hagan’s sermon was 1 John 3:2, “Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.”

After the memorial service, Rev. Thieme introduced Rev. Dr. Kiessling, who offered part II of his essay. This summary comes from Tuesday’s *Today’s Business*:

Returning once more to the convention’s theme verse, Ps. 78:6-7, the essayist introduced the practical “how-to’s” of teaching young people. Data collected from LCMS Youth Ministry—including demographics, baptismal and confirmation rates, and retention practices—intended to impress upon the delegates the practical ways in which parents may catechize the next generation. The data assisted the LCMS office in forming “Seven Best Practices of Youth Ministry.” Though references in the essay refer to youth, Dr. Kiessling informed the delegates the practices developed from the data, are helpful for young people of any age. The essayist stressed two main points from the data:

1. Engaged Parents: Parents, and all caregivers, are honored when they are engaged with the children, giving very high priority to corporate worship, prayer, and teaching the faith; and complemented by pastors and church workers. Actively engaging with faith lives is the most essential work set before parents.
2. Supportive Adults: Data suggests young people need a minimum of five supportive adults in their life to maintain retention. These adults invest time, sometimes organically, toward building trust and presence with young people. Intergenerational relationships are very valuable. If possible, long-term relationships are highly encouraged.

Rev. Dr. Kiessling listed the factors affecting retention of millennials in the church. They form the practical side of points one and two above.

- Worship participation
- Regular Bible reading
- Praying with parents
- Seeing parents, at least one, active in church leadership
- Good relationships with parents, especially the father
- Open discussion on personal challenges
- Open discussion on issues of faith
- Parents comfortable with open discussion of spiritual doubt

The essayist concluded with the reminder that the time required by parents and supportive adults, in home and church, learning to teach and building trust, is a long-term investment, not a quick return.

The District's 4th Vice President, the Rev. Kristopher Morris, assumed the chair from Rev. Thieme. Rev. Morris welcomed Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison, President of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, to present his report. This summary of President Harrison's report comes from Tuesday's *Today's Business*:

The report started with acknowledging the blessings and challenges to come out of COVID-19. Although COVID dropped in-person church attendance throughout the Synod, many Christians began listening to and watching church services for the first time in their lives by way of online services. And while there were (and still are) many conflicts between medical experts and theology experts, the LCMS is recovering well from it.

Harrison commented on several items, including "Doxology", the 7-03 Task Force, CUS, and Lutheran identity and mission. And he summarized the beneficial changes being made within the Concordia University system, citing individual changes made within programs at each university and reporting on his investigation into critical race theory at Concordia University Wisconsin. He also reported on our seminaries and stated that there is always a need for more pastors and deaconesses. Though, he noted the surge in LCMS church worker recruitment.

Another part of his report included LCMS relations with other Lutheran churches throughout the world as well as the Office of International Mission, international church planting, and the need for missionary support. He reported that each of our international seminaries is thriving, including those in the Dominican Republic, Taiwan, and Africa.

Harrison noted that life ministries within the LCMS are coping with the political changes regarding life issues throughout the United States. He also reported on resources for rural and small-town ministries, as well as a summary on child protection and abuse prevention resources.

Harrison also noted that, financially, this is the best shape the LCMS financial state has been in for over 30 years. Millions were given in support of the seminaries and Lutheran schools within the last several years.

Following President Harrison's report another Tell the Next Generation video was shared with the convention. This video focused on the *SHINE!* servant event.

President Hagan resumed chairing the convention and introduced Mr. Casey Carlson, LCEF District Vice President. Mr. Carlson highlighted LCEF's involvement with the District *SHINE!* servant event. He shared some of the blessings that have come to LCEF in the last several years and thanked the members of the Missouri District for their support and involvement in LCEF.

President Hagan welcomed Rev. Dr. Furgeson back to finalize the work of floor committee three. Resolution 3-02 (To Encourage Synod to Develop Resources to Aid Congregations and Schools Regarding Gender Identify Issues) was brought back to the convention for consideration. Rev. Dr. Furgeson updated the assembly on the work done on this amendment



since Monday’s session including the status of any amendments. The floor committee did accept some changes from the floor.

The floor committee moved adoption. There was discussion and the question was called. The motion to end debate on 3-02 was put before the assembly.

For	223 votes.....	85.8%
Against	37 votes.....	14.2%

The motion to end debate passed. Resolution 3-02 was put before the assembly.

For	265 votes.....	97.5%
Against	4 votes.....	1.5%

The resolution passed as amended.

The floor committee brought resolution 3-03 (To Affirm Biblical Anthropology and Denounce Racism as an Anti-Gospel Belief) before the convention.

It was moved and seconded to replace resolution 3-03 with overture 3-03/3-04.

For	18 votes.....	6.8%
Against	245 votes.....	93.2%

The motion failed. The question was then called. The motion to end debate on 3-03 was put before the assembly.

For	197 votes.....	74.1%
Against	69 votes.....	25.9%

The motion to end debate passed. Resolution 3-03 was put before the assembly.

For	258 votes.....	94.5%
Against	15 votes.....	5.5%

With the work of floor committee three completed, Rev. Dr. Furgeson introduced the members of his committee. The convention expressed its appreciation for the committee’s work.

Rev. Sletten from the elections committee presented the slate of circuit visitor nominees to the assembly for ratification. Secretary Powell offered a correction to the slate, with Rev. John Perling replacing Rev. Stephen Kamprath as the nominee for circuit 15.

For	265 votes.....	99.3%
Against	2 votes.....	0.7%

The corrected slate was ratified.

With the work of the elections floor committee completed, the convention thanked it with a round of applause.

President Hagan then took the opportunity to thank members of the District's Board of Directors in attendance. He then thanked the praesidium for their service. The Council on Mission and Ministry was then recognized. The floor committees and other standing committees were recognized. Zion Lutheran Church, St. Charles, was recognized for its service as the host congregation. The whole congregation, especially Rev. Dr. Fiebertorn, convention Chaplain, and Mark Thielke, director of worship, along with his family who assisted in the music at the convention, were recognized for their excellent service.

President Hagan then recognized District staff members for their work in preparing for and staffing the convention. Members of the Holiday Inn staff, along with Southwest AV, and Padgett Communications (voting machines) were recognized for their diligence in making the convention run smoothly. Dr. Sias, the convention Parliamentarian, along with stage managers Rev. Ron Lehenbauer and Mr. Jason Glaskey, and Secretary Powell were recognized for their service to the convention. The *Today's Business* staff was recognized.

Finally, the convention pages were recognized for their service. The pages included church work students from our Concordias, as well as other youth from around the District. The altar guild from Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbia, was thanked for its work in assisting with the divine service.

A final Tell the Next Generation video was shared that focused on church planting. The closing devotion followed. Rev. Dr. Fiebertorn was the liturgist and Rev. William Marler preached. The text for his sermon was Psalm 78. In his sermon Rev. Marler said that we are doomed to fail and go to hell, but through Christ death we are gifted graciously eternal life. The peace of the Holy Spirit has helped the church grow in the past and continues to grow His church today; we should also share this hope of salvation with our children and our families. The newly elected Circuit Visitors were installed near the end of the service.

After the service, Rev. Charles Hendrickson moved that the convention be adjourned. There was a second which was followed by a voice vote. The motion passed. The convention was closed at noon in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rev. Samuel Powell, Secretary

Convention Resolutions

Resolution 1-01

To Encourage Ministries, Congregations, and Schools to Participate in the District *SHINE!* Event

Whereas, our Lord encourages His people to “let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 5:16); and

Whereas, the Holy Spirit works through the witness of God’s people to make known the Gospel to our communities; and

Whereas, the Missouri District’s inaugural statewide servant *SHINE!* event from April 16 – 25, 2021, was blessed beyond anything we imagined with over 5,100 servants of our Lord Jesus from approximately 130 diverse ministries, congregations, and schools, all seeing to the concerns of their communities; and

Whereas, excitement generated the second *SHINE!* event from April 22 – May 1, 2022, foreshadowing the desire for another statewide servant event in 2023 with an invitation for participation extended to several neighboring districts; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District in convention thanks God for the talents and skills He has given us and the ability to use them during *SHINE!* so that others may be pointed to Him: and be it further,

Resolved, that the Missouri District in convention thanks God for the enthusiasm He has given to Missouri District ministries, congregations, and schools for service; and be it finally

Resolved, that the Missouri District in convention encourages all ministries, congregations, and schools to participate in the third District *SHINE!* event during April 14 - 23, 2023.

An amendment was proposed to change the fourth whereas to remove “connect” and replace it with “make known.” This amendment was accepted by the committee. Resolution 1-01 was adopted as amended.

Resolution 1-02

To Commend and Encourage Ministry with Immigrants and Refugees

Whereas, the 2020 census reported that over 4% of the population of Missouri are foreign born persons whom Christ by His blood has “ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation” (Revelation 5:9); and

Whereas, the LORD proclaims His love for the sojourner and that He watches over the sojourner (Deuteronomy 10:18; Psalm 146:9); and

Whereas, the LORD calls His people to reflect His love for the sojourner by treating them with justice and kindness (Exodus 22:21; 23:29; Leviticus 19:33; Deuteronomy 10:19; Jeremiah 7:6; Zechariah 7:10; Malachi 3:5); and

Whereas, Christ has called His Church to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that He has commanded (Matthew 28:19-20); and

Whereas, Christian Friends of New Americans (CFNA) faithfully cares for immigrants and refugees in St. Louis in body while also making disciples of them; and

Whereas, Lutheran Urban Mission Association of Kansas City (LUMA) has served faithfully in partnership and support of the Missouri District's outreach to refugees among the Oromo, Congolese, Mexican, Central and South American peoples; and

Whereas, church workers are prepared for service among refugees and immigrants through the Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology and the Hispanic Institute of Concordia Seminary—St. Louis; and

Whereas, the congregations and schools of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod have great opportunity to similarly serve sojourners independently or in partnership with CFNA and LUMA; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in Convention commend CFNA, LUMA, the Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology, the Hispanic Institute, congregations, congregation members, schools, and church workers who faithfully care for sojourners in body while also making disciples of them; and, be it further

Resolved, that the congregations, schools, and church workers of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod be encouraged to care for the sojourners in body while also making disciples of them both independently and through support of and partnership with CFNA, LUMA, the Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology, and the Hispanic Institute; and, be it finally

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in Convention humbly implore the LORD, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to look with favor upon the sojourners among us and bless our efforts to care for them in body and make them His disciples.

An amendment was proposed to change the "to" to "with" in the title of the resolution. This amendment was accepted by the committee. Resolution 1-02 was adopted as amended.

Resolution 1-03
To Commend and Encourage Lutheran Campus Ministry

Whereas, “the foolishness of God is wiser than men and the weakness of God is stronger than men” (1 Corinthians 1:25); and

Whereas, our college students are faced with unprecedented and unique challenges to their Christian faith while on campus; and

Whereas, the Holy Spirit works through ministry to college students to keep them in the faith, sends them as missionaries to share the Gospel, and works through them to call others to follow Jesus; and

Whereas, there are thousands of international students studying, living, and working on our Missouri college campuses who do not know Jesus and likely will not make a Christian friend during their time in the United States; and

Whereas, International Student Ministry, Inc. purposefully and effectively encourages congregations and individuals to intentionally reach out to international students with the Gospel and friendship; and

Whereas, Lutheran Student Fellowship and LCMSU faithfully serve students and Lutheran campus ministry leaders; and

Whereas, the Campus Ministry Network of the Missouri District effectively coordinates the collaborative work of the Lutheran campus ministries located in the District; therefore be it

Resolved, the Missouri District in convention gives thanks to God for the work being done by International Student Ministry, Inc., Lutheran Student Fellowship, LCMSU, and the Campus Ministry Network of the Missouri District as they minister to students of the faith and outside the faith who are attending college; and be it further

Resolved, that congregations that are near institutions of higher education be encouraged to intentionally engage in and support Lutheran campus ministry; and be it further

Resolved, that congregations, parents, and students be encouraged to provide student contact information to Lutheran campus ministries; and be it finally

Resolved, that students be encouraged to actively participate and bring others into Lutheran campus ministry for the sake of the Gospel.

After discussion by the assembly, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution 1-04

To Encourage Congregational Support for the Military Personnel and their Families

Whereas, the members of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) value the active, reserve, National Guard, and retired military who actively serve their congregations, spurring one another on toward love and good deeds and encouraging one another (Hebrews 10:24-25); and

Whereas, military communities have become an integral part of our congregations containing Christians who are uniquely positioned to share the Gospel with other military personnel; and

Whereas, Operation Barnabas provides support for military personnel and their families especially during long absences giving them strength to overcome adversities caused by those absences; and

Whereas, the military and the LCMS have collaborated to:

- provide Word and Sacrament ministry as an extension of the home congregation;
- establish a home away from home for military congregation members;
- support the military personnel through the challenges of military life;
- foster young adult retention of the military personnel;
- continue to connect with military personnel until permanently stationed; and

Whereas, ministry to military personnel has led retired military personnel to pursue a career in professional church work; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District in convention thank the Lord for our military congregation member who are stationed in our communities and abroad, and assisting them to faithfully live in the Kingdom of man and the kingdom of God, and sharing the Gospel throughout the military community (Romans 13:1-2); and be it further

Resolved, that congregation members entering the military be encouraged to list their religious preference as The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and not simply Christian or Protestant; and be it further

Resolved, the congregations be encouraged to continue sponsoring programs (Operation Barnabas, etc.) that help the military families to live the Christian life; and be it finally

Resolved, that members of Missouri District congregations be encouraged to communicate to military members at home and serving abroad in defense of our religious freedoms that they are always in our hearts and minds that they may have confidence in the Lord (Psalm 27).

An amendment was proposed to remove “religious” in the last resolved. This amendment was accepted by the committee. After debate and discussion, the committee presented a new first resolved. Resolution 1-04 was adopted as amended.

Resolution 1-05

To Encourage Congregational Participation in Lutheran Early Response Teams (LERT)

Whereas, the people of Missouri experience the effects of the broken world in storms, floods, and many other catastrophes as Romans 8:22 says, “For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now;” and

Whereas, we fear and love God by helping and supporting our neighbor in every physical need, including protecting their possessions and house; and

Whereas, events such as Hurricane Katrina and the Joplin tornado prompted our church body to consider how we might more effectively respond to disasters; and

Whereas, Lutheran Early Response Teams (LERT) have become an intentional avenue for congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to bear witness to Christ and do works of mercy in the name of Christ; and

Whereas, in this last triennium trained LERT provided coordinated witness and mercy efforts following floods, tornadoes, and other catastrophic events throughout the state; and

Whereas, LERT trained individuals from Missouri District congregations have also responded to disasters outside Missouri; and

Whereas, the congregations of the Missouri District were critical in providing spiritual and physical care to the first responders serving in the midst of such catastrophes; and

Whereas, advance planning and preparation are essential to effective mercy response and assistance in disaster situations; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District in convention give thanks to God that congregations and individuals have eagerly provided effective emergency assistance and response to disasters especially through the work of LERT; and be it further,

Resolved, that the Missouri District in convention recognize and commends the work of LERT and encourages district congregations to do the same; and be it further

Resolved, that circuits and congregations be encouraged to sponsor and schedule LERT training events during the next triennium; and be it finally

Resolved, that the members of Missouri District congregations be encouraged to receive LERT training so that they are prepared and available to respond more effectively to disasters as Galatians 6:2 says, “Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.”

After discussion by the assembly, the committee accepted by consent changes to the second resolved with “commends” being changed to “commend” and “encourages” changed to “encourage.” The resolution was adopted as amended.

Resolution 2-01

Tell the Next Generation: To Encourage the Equipping of Families in Faith Formation

Whereas, the LORD commands us to Tell the Next Generation in Psalm 78:5b-7: “He [the LORD] commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments”; and

Whereas, Moses writes the greatest commandment to be taught in the home all the time and everywhere in Deuteronomy 6:4-7: “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise”; and

Whereas, Proverbs 22:6 promises a God-blessed future when we are faithful to our children: “Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it”; and

Whereas, Paul in 2 Timothy 3:15 reminds Timothy of the blessing of his upbringing: “...how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus”; and

Whereas, In Ephesians 6:1-4, Paul emphasizes that serving in our calling as children and parents is pleasing to the Lord: “Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ‘Honor your father and mother’ (this is the first commandment with a promise), ‘that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.’ Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord”; and

Whereas, Dr. Martin Luther prepared the Small Catechism as a tool for instruction in the home as he notes in introducing each of the chief parts, “As the head of the family should teach them in a simple way to his household”; and

Whereas, as of mid-2020, about 26 percent of the world is under 15 years of age (www.statista.com/statistics/265759/world-population-by-age-and-region) and their parents are primarily millennials who believe that attending church once a month means they attend regularly: and

Whereas, 25 percent of children whose primary faith influence is the church will remain faithful in adult life, and 81 percent of children whose primary faith influence is the family will remain faithful into adulthood (Peter L. Benson, *Congregations at Crossroads: A National Study of Adults and Youth in the LCMS* [Search Institute, 1995], p. 21), which suggests that a home-centered paradigm is more effective for retention than one that is exclusively church-centered, and

Whereas, Christian Smith, the author of *Soul Searching*, says “For better or worse, most parents in fact still do profoundly influence their adolescents often more than do their peers, their children’s apparent resistance and lack of appreciation notwithstanding Most teenagers and their parents may not realize it, but a lot of research in the sociology of religion suggest that the most important social influence in shaping young people’s religious lives is the religious life modeled and taught to them by their parents” (Smith, 2005); and

Whereas, the Missouri District has partnered with the Concordia Center for the Family to train coaches to help congregations equip parents to teach the faith in the home as part of the Tell the Next Generation initiative; therefore be it

Resolved, that the congregations and schools of the Missouri District recognize the biblical mandate of parental responsibility to intentionally pass on the faith to their children in the home; and be it further

Resolved, that the congregations and schools of Missouri District be encouraged to equip parents to teach their children the faith in the home; and be it further

Resolved, that congregations be encouraged to explore creative ways to collaborate in this important task of equipping parents; and be it further

Resolved, that congregations and schools be encouraged to participate in the Missouri District’s Tell the Next Generation initiative by requesting assistance through a trained coach provided by the District; and be it finally

Resolved, that the Missouri District leadership continue to provide ongoing training through Tell the Next Generation conferences, Encourage and Equip (E²) conferences and ongoing training for the Tell the Next Generation Coaches to support our congregations in equipping parents, so that the homes of our families are places where Christ remains at the center.

After no discussion by the assembly, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution 2-02 To Encourage Congregations to Collaborate in Shared Ministry

Whereas, Shared Ministry is defined by Missouri District staff as: “Congregations coming together as stewards exercising their gifts with a clear vision for making disciples”; and

Whereas, as of 12/2019 (pre-COVID) There are 62 congregations with 35 or less in weekly worship in the Missouri District (21%); and

Whereas, as of 12/2019 (pre-COVID) The median size congregation has a worship attendance of 77 in the Missouri District; and

Whereas, shared ministry has shown opportunities to keep ministry locations viable and enhance their work for the sake of the gospel; and

Whereas, the Missouri District has hosted workshops for shared ministry among the circuit visitors, ten of our circuits, and five regional Equip and Encourage (E²) conferences; and

Whereas, Over the past four years the Missouri District has equipped and/or supported new shared ministry initiatives with a mission focus in over 20 congregations, including but not limited to:

- Arnold and Barnhart;
- Wentzville and New Melle;
- Messiah Independence and Congolese Refugee Ministry; and
- Rolla Circuit Children and Family Ministry Connector

Therefore, be it

Resolved, that every circuit be encouraged to participate in District Missions Shared Ministry Workshops; and be it further

Resolved, that mid-sized and large congregations be encouraged to explore ways they can proclaim the Gospel of Christ together through shared ministry with smaller partners; and be it further

Resolved, that church workers and congregations be encouraged to learn more about shared ministries proactively for their mission potential rather than a reaction to a crisis; and be it further

Resolved, that congregations experiencing vacancies be encouraged to faithfully explore opportunities for mission in shared ministries; and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District continue to prioritize shared ministry as one of its main emphases during the next triennium; and be it finally

Resolved, that faithful pastors and church workers serving in shared ministries be commended and encouraged to participate in this process so that their congregations for the next generation of leaders and opportunities be equipped for shared ministry.

An amendment was proposed to change the fourth resolved to remove “consider trained, intentional interim pastors who can help them.” This amendment was accepted by the committee. Another amendment was proposed to change the final resolved by adding “be equipped” between “their congregations” and “for the next generation.” After some discussion, debate was closed and the resolution was brought to a vote. Resolution 2-02 was adopted as amended.

Resolution 2-03 To Encourage Church Worker Recruitment

Whereas, one of the objectives of Synod (Article III – 3 of Synod’s constitution) is to recruit and train pastors, teachers and other professional church workers and provide opportunity for their continuing growth; and

Whereas, the numbers of Missouri District students receiving Missouri District church worker endowment scholarship grants has gone from 177 in 2005 to 49 in 2020; and

Whereas, the total number of church work students across the Concordia University System has dropped at an alarming rate from 2,613 in the 2005-06 academic year to 787 in the 2020-21 academic year; and

Whereas, each year there is an average of three hundred more requests for placement of Lutheran Teacher Diploma graduates from Concordia University System (CUS) schools than are available; and

Whereas, there has also been a decline in other church work programs at the Concordia University System schools; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District leadership and staff work with Lutheran school teachers to develop resources and plans for promoting church work vocations within congregations and Lutheran elementary and high schools in Missouri; and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District leadership and staff work with youth ministry leaders to develop resources and plans for promoting church work vocation among youth across Missouri; and be it further

Resolved, that those serving as church workers be encouraged to express a God-pleasing attitude toward serving in the vocation of church worker, and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District work with the schools of the Concordia University System to recruit students through congregational and District youth activities and promote church work vocations; and be it further

Resolved, that the congregations be encouraged to find creative ways to promote and support church work vocations among their children, youth, and adults; and be it further

Resolved, that each congregation regularly heed our Lord’s charge to “pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest” by praying for young people to consider church work vocations; and be it finally

Resolved, that the convention chaplain lead the convention in a prayer for the schools, universities, and seminaries of the Church and that young people would consider church work vocations.

An amendment was proposed to add a new resolved that begins with “Resolved that those serving as church workers....” Resolution 2-02 was adopted as amended.

Resolution 2-04

To Commend Lutheran Schools, Administrators and Teachers for Their Faithfulness, Especially During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Whereas, Jesus has given His followers the command to “go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you” (Mt 28:19-20 ESV, emphasis added); and

Whereas, Lutheran schools assist Christian parents in teaching their children the Christian faith and Lutheran doctrine and reach families who have no religious affiliation with the Gospel; and

Whereas, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) has a long history of establishing Lutheran schools to assist in the formation of life-long Christian disciples and to train future professional Lutheran church workers; and

Whereas, our LCMS Missouri District has 103 schools (pre-K; Grade 12), 1,705 teachers, and 13,181 students (statistics as of February 10, 2022); and

Whereas, the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic created wide-ranging challenges to our communities, congregations, and schools that are unprecedented in our lifetime; and

Whereas, our Lutheran schools, administrators, and teachers persevered throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, as demonstrated by such things as adapting to changing health protocols, welcoming new students and families, acclimating to virtual learning as necessary, accommodating multiple quarantine-situations for themselves and their students, serving as a non-anxious presence in an anxious time; and

Whereas, our Lutheran schools, administrators, and teachers continue to proclaim the certainty of Christ in uncertain times and exhibit Christ-like care and compassion to colleagues, students, and families; therefore be it

Resolved, that we praise and thank God for our Lutheran schools, administrators, and teachers for their faithfulness, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic; and be it further

Resolved, that congregations be encouraged to continue to support Lutheran education as part of their ongoing ministry to and with parents, children, youth, and families and in service to the Gospel; and be it finally

Resolved, that congregations with Lutheran schools and lay leadership teams responsible for Lutheran schools (e.g., Boards of Directors, school boards, etc.) be encouraged to provide appropriate tangible expressions of appreciation as well as opportunities for respite care in order

to sustain our teachers' and administrators' emotional, physical, and spiritual health and wellbeing.

After no discussion by the assembly, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution 2-05a
To Commend Pastors and Parish Servants for their Service
during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Whereas, in early 2020, the SARS-CoV-2 virus (“Coronavirus”) was beginning to spread across the world and a nationwide emergency was declared on March 13, 2020; and

Whereas, in March, April, and May of 2020, Missouri state government as well as many local governments imposed several shelter-in-place and stay-at-home orders which had drastic and immediate impacts for our congregations, schools, and ministries; and

Whereas, pastors, church workers, congregational leaders, and musicians were forced to rapidly change from current practices for worship, communion, education, giving, and many other facets of ministry; and

Whereas, the Missouri District provided counsel and support for congregations, schools, and ministries to help navigate these times through letters, meetings, and webinars; and

Whereas, later in 2020, the re-opening of congregations, schools, and ministries led to still new challenges, struggles, and stresses; and

Whereas, pastors, church workers, congregational leaders, and musicians once again had to adapt and innovate in order to carry out their Gospel mission since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic has had widespread, lasting impacts on congregations, schools, and ministries, particularly with regard to decline in mental and emotional health, retention, and church worker burnout; and

Whereas, there remains to this day 291 congregations, 114 educational ministries, and over 1,600 church workers in the Missouri District who are still acting to fulfill the Great Commission in their unique setting with their unique gifts; and

Whereas, our Lord Jesus Christ has taught us to receive such times of trial as a call to repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Luke 13:1-5; 24:46-47); therefore, be it

Resolved, that Missouri District President R. Lee Hagan and all of the other staff from the Missouri District office, in spite of all individual failings, weaknesses, and uncertainties, be commended for their support and leadership, especially during the pandemic; and be it further

Resolved, that pastors, church workers, congregational leaders, musicians, and all other servants of the church, in spite of all individual failings, weaknesses, and uncertainties, be commended for navigating and managing the quickly changing context of ministry through the COVID-19 pandemic; and be it further

Resolved, that those workers still seeking support be encouraged to get aid from Missouri District resources; and be it further

Resolved, that the pastors of the Missouri District in their winkels continue to work toward agreement as to how we might handle future upheavals in a faithful way, and be it finally

Resolved, that the assembly stand and join in singing stanzas 1 and 2 of “O God Our Help in Ages Past” (Lutheran Service Book 733), joyfully recognizing His hand in leading all of us into repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home:

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

After discussion by the assembly, the substitute resolution was amended with the addition of the second to last whereas. Resolution 2-05a, as amended, was adopted.

Resolution 2-06 To Commend Faithful Care of the Vulnerable

Whereas, the Lord has made known His care for “the fatherless, the widow, and the sojourner” (Deut. 10:18; Ps 68:5; 146:9) who were among the most vulnerable members of society; and

Whereas, the LORD has called us to embrace the vulnerable among us (Deut. 14:29; 16:11); and

Whereas, the LORD has called us to do justice for the vulnerable among us (Deut. 24:17; 27:19; Ps 10:18; 82:3; Isaiah 1:17; Jeremiah 22:3; Zechariah 7:10); and

Whereas, the LORD has called us to care for the vulnerable among us (Deut. 24:19-21; James 1:27); and

Whereas, the Lord exalts the humble (Luke 1:52); and

Whereas, Christ says that whoever humbles himself like a child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 18:4) and children were known as weak, dependent, and vulnerable in the first century; and

Whereas, we continue to witness the sinful exploitation of the vulnerable through abortion, elder abuse, human trafficking, and financial and legal manipulation of the impoverished; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in convention commend congregations, congregation members, and church workers who faithfully serve and care for the most vulnerable in our society; and, be it further,

Resolved, that the congregations of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod be encouraged to assist the most vulnerable among us; and, be it finally,

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in convention humbly implore God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to look with favor upon the vulnerable among us and bless our efforts to care for them.

After no discussion by the assembly, resolution 2-06 was adopted.

Resolution 2-07

To Commend the Use of Technology During COVID-19 to Proclaim Christ, and to Prioritize the Physical Gathering of the Church

Whereas, “The Church is the congregation of saints in which the Gospel is purely taught and the Sacraments are correctly administered” (Augsburg Confession VII:1), and

Whereas, the Holy Spirit “works faith, when and where it pleases God” “through the Word and Sacraments, as through instruments” (Augsburg Confession V:2), and

Whereas, Christ has promised that the Spirit works through the hearing of God’s Word and the physical means of Holy Baptism and the Lord’s Supper, and

Whereas, Christ’s Church is a physical reality flowing from the physicality of Holy Baptism and the Lord’s Supper; and Whereas, the physicality of the Church is in accord with the physicality of God’s good creation; and

Whereas, the Lord chose to dwell among His people of old in the physical tabernacle (Exodus 40) and temple; and Whereas, the Lord chose to dwell among His people through the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ (John 1 and Luke 2); and

Whereas, the Acts of the Apostles and the epistles of the New Testament testify to the physical presence of the apostles among the believers (for example, Paul states his longing to physically visit the congregation in Corinth; 2 Corinthians 2:16); and

Whereas, Christ shall come again to raise all believers to life everlasting in the new heaven and new earth, a physical eternity; and Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic led to restrictions that limited the regular life of Christian congregations; and

Whereas, congregational response to the restrictions included the use of technology to livestream, record, and otherwise make available services, Bible studies, and devotions; and

Whereas, the Holy Spirit blessed those efforts working through the Word to create and sustain faith; and Whereas, many congregations, congregation members, pastors, and other church workers suffered from the physical distancing of the pandemic restrictions, and

Whereas, the homebound members of our congregations were especially hard-pressed as access to those in retirement homes was curtailed so that pastors could not deliver the Supper to members for an extended period of time, and

Whereas, many have expressed concern that the duration of absence from the Divine Service may prompt some to choose virtual options to participate in the Divine Service rather than being physically present with the Body of Christ even after pandemic restrictions are lifted; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in convention commend congregations, congregation members, and church workers for using technology in service to the Gospel; and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in convention commend congregations, congregation members, and church workers who availed themselves of all lawful means to celebrate the Divine Service, and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in convention encourage congregations, congregation members, and church workers to respect and engage with those who attend services virtually rather than in-person due to widespread health concerns (such as a pandemic) or due to specific health restrictions (for example, someone with a suppressed immune system due to chemotherapy); and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in convention encourage congregations, congregation members, and church workers to direct anyone with whom they have connected via virtual services to sister congregations that are local to those persons so they may be integrated into the physical, corporate life of a congregation; and be it finally

Resolved, that the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in convention encourage congregations, congregation members, and church workers, to the fullest extent possible, to place priority upon the physical gathering of their congregation for the Divine Service.

After discussion by the assembly, resolution 2-07 was adopted.

Resolution 3-01

To Encourage Synod to Clarify Our Stance on Fetal Tissues and Their Use Related to Pharmaceutical Products

Whereas, God’s Word condemns murder (Exodus 20:13, Matthew 19:18, Romans 13:9); and

Whereas, God pledges a reckoning for the shedding of innocent blood (Genesis 9:5–6); and

Whereas, God’s children are called away from self-seeking (Romans 2:8), but rather to seek good for our neighbor (1 Corinthians 10:23–24); and

Whereas, the recent controversy surrounding vaccines for the SARS-CoV-2 virus have brought into the spotlight the ethical question of the relationship of fetal tissue to the production of some vaccines; and

Whereas, abortion violates God’s call to protect life; and

Whereas, aborted tissue has been harnessed in the field of pharmaceutical experimentation; and

Whereas, these tissues, and the cell lines derived from these tissues, are used to test certain pharmaceuticals, as well as to design, produce, and/or manufacture them, resulting in different levels of contact and use of such tissues with those products; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District memorialize The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in convention to direct the Commission on Theology and Church Relations (CTCR), and the two seminaries of our Synod to clarify any theological significance between the different types of fetal tissues used and if they are used directly or are derived cell lines; and be it

Resolved, that the above entities clarify what is biblically and ethically acceptable regarding the pharmaceutical products that in various manners are related to fetal tissues and how to differentiate for the sake of conscience; and be it finally

Resolved, that the LCMS congregations and pastors be encouraged to then apply the resulting guidance in our teachings and lives.

After discussion by the assembly, resolution 3-01 was adopted.

Resolution 3-02

To Encourage Synod to Develop Resources to Aid Congregations and Schools Regarding Gender Identity Issues

Whereas, before mankind’s fall into sin, God created Adam and Eve to be distinctly male and female (Gen. 1:27–28; Gen. 2:18–25); and

Whereas, after mankind’s fall into sin, Jesus affirms that in the beginning God created mankind “male and female” (Matt. 19:4); and

Whereas, our society includes many persons who are uncertain whether they are truly male or female, others who present themselves as a member of the opposite sex, some who participate in hormonal or surgical procedures in an attempt to change their God-given sex, and yet others who reject that there are only two genders; and

Whereas, congregations, schools, and individuals in our District are experiencing mounting pressures as a result of cultural changes and legal challenges on this topic; and

Whereas, many church workers and laity have asked for guidance in pastoral care for individuals and families struggling with matters of gender identity issues; and

Whereas, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) has recently produced resources such as the Commission on Theology and Church Relations (CTCR) document Gender Identity Disorder or Gender Dysphoria in Christian Perspective; therefore, be it

Resolved, that Missouri District in convention affirm and faithfully confess the biblical truth that God creates people as male and female; and be it further

Resolved, that the pastors, congregations, and schools of the District continue to deal compassionately with those who experience gender identity issues through the proclamation of the Law and Gospel, the sacrament of Holy Baptism, corporate and individual confession and absolution, and the proper administration of the Lord’s Supper; and be it further

Resolved, that the pastors, congregations, and schools of the District continue to deal compassionately with the family, friends, and all others impacted by those who suffer with gender identity issues through the Means of Grace, and be it further

Resolved, that church workers and congregations in the Missouri District be encouraged to study and discuss Gender Identity Disorder or Gender Dysphoria in Christian Perspective, and be it finally

Resolved, that the Missouri District memorialize the LCMS in convention to direct the Office of National Mission, Concordia Publishing House, and the two seminaries of our Synod to continue to provide resources that enable the Church to confess the truth boldly and deal compassionately with those who struggle with gender identity issues as well as with those who care for them.

An amendment was proposed to change the third whereas to reference “God-given sex” instead of “gender identification.” This proposal was accepted by the committee. After some discussion, debate was closed and the matter was brought to a vote. Resolution 3-02 was adopted as amended.

Resolution 3-03

To Affirm Biblical Anthropology and Denounce Racism as an Anti-Gospel Belief

Whereas, biblical anthropology reveals that all people are created in the same image of God, one human race no matter what our outward distinctions might be (Gen. 1:26–27; 9:6; cf. Acts 17:25–26), giving every human inherent value (Psalm 139:13–14); and

Whereas, in Jesus, God became man and so identifies fully with every human (Heb. 2:17) and His mission of redemption is for all of humankind (Matt. 1:1–17; Luke 3:23–38) and verifies the value of every person in the eyes of God (John 3:16–17); and

Whereas, the Apostle Peter said, “God doesn’t show favoritism, but in every nation the person who fears Him and does what is right is acceptable to Him” (Acts 10:34–35); and

Whereas, James says, “If you really fulfill the royal law, according to the Scripture, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself,’ you do well. But if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors” (James 2:8–9); and

Whereas, contrary to biblical anthropology, there are ideologies that determine a person’s worth or value by genetics, biological characteristics, or cultural heritage; and

Whereas, critical theory, a philosophical view derived from the Enlightenment and Marxism, frames humanity’s existence and outlook in terms of oppression and victimization, liberation and unfettered libertinism as most lately manifest in Critical Race Theory (CRT); and

Whereas, racism has existed and still exists in many forms in this sinful, broken world, and

Whereas, Christ’s Church is “from every nation, from all tribes and peoples, and languages” who celebrate around the throne of the Lamb (Rev. 7:9); and

Whereas, the Church exists to call the world to repent of sin, including racial and ethnic division and discrimination, and to proclaim that Christ Himself is our peace and all are reconciled to God and one another through the cross (Eph. 2:14–16); and

Whereas, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in convention has addressed racism in many of its forms in the following resolutions:

- 1971 — Res. 9-32: To Encourage Christian Action to Combat Racism
- 1973 — Res. 9-22: To Continue Efforts to Combat Racism
- 1977 — Res 10-18A: To Make Every Effort to Eliminate Racism

- 1979 — Res 4-11: To Reaffirm Efforts to Combat Racism
- 1981 — Res 8-07: To Oppose Racism and Violence
- 1983 — Res 3-09: To Clarify Position on Anti-Semitism
- 1992 — Res 3-03: To Combat All Racism
- 1995 — Res 2-05A: To Commend for Study the CTCR Document Racism and the Church; and

Whereas, the 1992 resolution states “racism is contrary to God’s Word and a sin against Him,” and Synod by-law 2.3.1 (a) states: “It shall be the policy of the Synod to decline membership to congregations whose constitutions deny membership or other congregational privileges to any Christian because of race or ethnic origin;” therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District affirm the biblical anthropology of the God-given value and dignity of every person; and be it further

Resolved, that the District encourage and assist the members of our District congregations, pastors, teachers, professors, congregations, and Synod to faithfully learn, witness, and teach the Christian faith, especially the doctrine of biblical anthropology for the sake of the Gospel; and be it further

Resolved, that we commend the schools, universities, and seminaries of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod for their faithful witness to God’s design and intent for human life, and Concordia Publishing House (CPH) and the Commission on Theology and Church Relations (CTCR) for providing teaching materials; and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District of the LCMS continue to denounce every form of racism, racial division, or separation as antithetical to the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and be it further

Resolved, that the congregations of the Missouri District be watchful and sober-minded regarding the idol of racism as a scheme of the devil intended to bring further suffering and division to the world and to hinder the Gospel; and be it further

Resolved, that we call on the CTCR and the two seminaries to study critical theory, including Critical Race Theory, and create content that highlights the differences between biblical anthropology and critical theory to help our people to be vigilant in the face of pervasive cultural error; and be it further

Resolved, that the Synod in convention encourage the schools, universities, and seminaries of the Synod to be on guard against the encroachment of any theories in their classrooms, curricula, and co-curricular activities that are contrary to biblical anthropology as taught in the Scriptures and in the Lutheran Confessions; and be it further

Resolved, that we earnestly pray, both for those who advocate racist ideologies and those who are thereby deceived, that they may see their error through the light of the Gospel, repent of this sin, and come to know the peace and love of Christ through redeemed fellowship in the one

Kingdom of God, established out of every nation, from all tribes and peoples, and languages; and be it finally

Resolved, that we pray for the many victims of racism, both within our Church and those in our world, and that the Church work to bring the healing power of the Gospel into their lives, and so join together in proclaiming Christ as the Savior for all.

After discussion by the assembly, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution 4-01

To Reinstate Term Limits for Circuit Visitors within Missouri District Bylaws

Whereas, the Missouri District has been well-served in the past by pastors serving as Circuit Visitors with their service being limited to three consecutive terms; and,

Whereas, the wisdom of past generations ought not be passed over lightly; and,

Whereas, the bylaw revisions adopted at the 2018 Missouri District Convention inadvertently removed term limits for Circuit Visitors not out of malice but through editorial oversight; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the By-Laws of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod be amended by the addition of the following sentence to Article II.F.2:

2. The president may serve an unlimited number of terms. No individual may be elected or appointed as secretary after three consecutive terms until at least three years have elapsed. No individual may be elected or appointed to the Board of Directors after two consecutive terms until at least three years have elapsed. No individual may be elected or appointed to the Council on Mission and Ministry after two consecutive terms until at least three years have elapsed. A Vice President after three consecutive terms, regardless of ranking, may not be elected to any other Vice President position until after three years have elapsed. **No individual may be elected or initially appointed as Circuit Visitor after three consecutive terms until after until after three years have** elapsed. Service for a period of one half or more of an unexpired term shall be counted as a full term.

After discussion by the assembly, the committee accepted by consent a change in the second to last line of the resolved, changing “one term has elapsed” to “three years have elapsed.” Resolution 4-01 was adopted.

Resolution 4-02
To Amend District Bylaw II.D.1.d

Whereas, the Missouri District bylaw II.D.1.d creates a conflict with Article II.D.2.a, which states that the candidates for each office will be the four nominees receiving the most nominations, provided they receive more than one nomination; therefore be it

Resolved, that the 2022 District Convention amend the District bylaws as follows:

Article II.D.1.d.

d. A committee of three laypersons from the Board of Directors shall be appointed as tellers by the secretary to tabulate the nomination results. The tellers shall report to the secretary the names of all Ministers of Religion – Ordained who have received **at least five nominating votes nominations** for the Offices of President and 1st Vice President. The Secretary shall report to the convention by means of the Convention workbook the names and number of nominations of all Ministers of Religion – Ordained who have received at least one nomination for the Offices of President and 1st Vice President;

After no discussion, resolution 4-02 was adopted.

Resolution 4-03
To Address the Ongoing Financial Challenges of Current and Future Church Workers

Whereas, one of the objectives of Synod (Article III – 3 of Synod’s constitution) is to recruit and train pastors, teachers, and other professional church workers and provide opportunity for their continuing growth; and

Whereas, the District established a Student Aid Endowment Fund in 1982 (with a current corpus of ~ \$1,000,000) which helps to provide funding for those preparing to enter the ministry; and

Whereas, tuition and other school related costs have risen significantly since the establishment of the endowment in 1982; and

Whereas, the average Missouri District scholarship grant has gone from \$1,350 in 2005 to \$1,900 in 2020; and

Whereas, the tuition, room, and board among our Concordia Universities has increased from an average of \$24,007 in 2005 to \$41,146 in 2020; and

Whereas, there have been concerns in recent years regarding educational debt for our church workers; and

Whereas, the total number of church work students across the Concordia University System has dropped at an alarming rate from 2,613 in the 2005-06 academic year to 787 in the 2020-21 academic year; and

Whereas, the universities, seminaries, Synod, and Concordia Plans have worked to help students to take steps to curb educational indebtedness; and

Whereas, The LCMS Recognized Service Organization Ministry Focus was formed to provide grants to assist with church workers with educational indebtedness; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Twenty-First Convention of the Missouri District direct the President and Board of Directors to study the feasibility of a capital campaign to address ministry needs within the District, not limited to but including, increasing the Missouri District Church Worker Scholarship Endowment Fund so that greater support can be provided to the Missouri District students in church worker programs; and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District leadership and staff seek to increase other sustainable sources for funding student aid; and be it further

Resolved, that the Missouri District commend the universities, seminaries, Synod, Concordia Plans, and Ministry Focus for their important work in addressing the issue of educational debt among our students; and be it further

Resolved, that the congregations and schools of the Missouri District be encouraged to provide opportunities for support of “Tomorrow’s Teachers and Preachers,” during the month of August each year of the triennium; and be it further

Resolved, that congregations with church worker endowment funds be encouraged to consider mobilizing those funds in partnership with circuit or the Missouri District Church Worker Endowment funds, or to make said funds available for students outside of their congregations; and be it finally

Resolved, that congregations of the District be encouraged to support this resolution with their prayers and with their bounties.

After no discussion, resolution 4-03 was adopted.

Resolution 4-04 To Memorialize Synod to Study Circuit Size Requirements

Whereas, current Synodical regulations concerning the size of electoral circuits (Synod bylaw 3.1.2a.) have made it challenging for some circuits and districts to achieve the minimum numerical requirements; and

Whereas, prior to the last several Synod Conventions, the Missouri District Board of Directors has requested exemptions for two electoral circuits each time that do not meet the minimum aggregate communicant membership; and

Whereas, it is Synod’s prerogative to set the requirements of electoral circuits in light of changing demographic and membership trends; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Missouri District in convention memorialize Synod’s Commission on Constitutional Matters and the Commission on Handbook to study the requirements of electoral circuits and provide a report to the Synod in advance of the 2026 Synod Convention.

After discussion, resolution 4-04 was adopted.

Resolution 4-05a To Amend District Bylaws to Conform to CCM Suggestions

Whereas, the Missouri District is required by the Handbook of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to submit all District bylaw changes to the Commission on Constitutional Matters for review prior to District conventions; and

Whereas, the Commission on Constitution Matters makes recommendations to District regarding Bylaw changes that assist in the administration and function of the District, especially in relation to the compliance of District Bylaws with Synod resolutions the Handbook of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod; therefore, be it

Resolved, that Article II.A of the By-Laws of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod be amended in the following manner.

Article II.A.1 The president is the chief executive **officer** of the district. Upon his request, or as may be provided by the bylaws of the district, he shall be assisted by the Vice Presidents and the circuit visitors in supervising the doctrine, practice and life of the Ministers of Religion – Ordained, Ministers of Religion – Commissioned, and congregations of the district.

Article IV.A.2 Perform the duties set forth in Synod Bylaw 4.4 and Synod Constitution Article XII and especially serve as chief executive **officer** of the district who leads the Board of Directors in the formulation of the district’s vision, mission and strategies and in their implementation.

And,

Resolved, that Article VIII.A of the By-Laws of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod be amended in the following manner:

Article VIII.A.4

~~The 2018~~ **Each** district convention shall elect to a six-year term on the Board of Directors one (1) Minister of Religion — Ordained, elected at large **and** one (1) Minister of Religion — Commissioned, elected at large, ~~and two (2) laypersons, elected at large. The 2018 district convention shall further elect to a three-year term on the Board of Directors one (1) Minister of Religion — Ordained, elected at large, one (1) Minister of Religion — Commissioned, elected at large, and one (1) layperson, elected at large.~~ **At alternating district conventions laypersons shall be elected at large to six year terms, with two (2) being elected at one convention and one (1) being elected at the following convention.**

Article VIII.A.5

~~The 2018~~ **Each** district convention shall elect to a six-year term on the Council on Mission and Ministry one (1) Minister of Religion — Ordained, one (1) Minister of Religion — Commissioned, and one (1) layperson. ~~The 2018 district convention shall further elect to a three-year term on the Council on Mission and Ministry one (1) Minister of Religion — Ordained, one (1) Minister of Religion — Commissioned, and one (1) layperson.~~

And,

Resolved, that Article VIII.C of the By-Laws of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod be amended in the following manner:

Article VIII.C.2.e

The election of the president and ~~of the~~ 1st Vice President shall follow the procedure of ~~the Synod Bylaw 4.7.1 and district bylaws~~ **District Bylaw II.D.3.**

Article VIII.C.2.g (new addition to bylaws)

Elections other than of the President and Vice Presidents shall follow the procedure of Synod Bylaw 4.7.3.

And,

Resolved, that Article X of the bylaws of the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod be amended in the following manner, completely replacing current bylaw Article X:

Article X.1

Amendments to these district bylaws may be made provided that they are: (a) not contrary to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Synod (Synod Bylaw 4.1.1.2 [a]); and (b) have been submitted to and approved by the Commission on Constitutional Matters (Synod Bylaws 3.9.2.2.3; 4.1.1.2 [b]) prior to being considered by the district convention; and (c) having been explicitly identified as bylaw amendments, are adopted by an affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates present and voting at a properly called district convention.

Article X.2

The district in convention may, when prior submission and approval of final bylaw language to the Synod's Commission on Constitutional Matters is not possible, vote to

amend its articles or bylaws provided the resolution is contingent on approval of the Commission on Constitutional Matters. The amended articles or bylaws become effective immediately upon, and only upon, approval of the Commission on Constitutional Matters. Should the Commission on Constitutional Matters not approve the adopted changes, the district Board of Directors may modify the amendments to comply with the Commission on Constitutional Matters requirements upon a two-thirds vote.

Article X.3

When necessitated by amendments to the Synod Constitution or Bylaws or otherwise expressly directed by a resolution of the Synod in convention, amendments may be made by a two-thirds majority of the district board of directors. Such amendments shall be drafted by the district secretary and shall be reviewed in advance by the LCMS Commission on Constitutional Matters.

After discussion by the assembly, resolution 4-05a was adopted.

Resolution 4-06 To Transfer Holy Cross—Ste. Genevieve from the Altenburg Circuit to the Farmington Circuit

Whereas, Holy Cross (Ste. Genevieve) desires to transfer from the Altenburg Circuit to the Farmington Circuit because of its ongoing partnership with Immanuel (Crystal City), Festus which is a member of the Farmington Circuit; and

Whereas, Holy Cross has no controversy or strife with any of the congregations of the Altenburg Circuit; and

Whereas, the congregations of the Altenburg circuit fully support the transfer of Holy Cross to the Farmington Circuit as ratified at their circuit forum on October fourth, 2020; and

Whereas, the Farmington Circuit will gladly receive Holy Cross into their company as ratified at their circuit forum on February 7th, 2021; and

Whereas, Pastor Reiter was the lone “nay” vote to the re-election of Roger Steinbrueck as Circuit Visitor, not to provoke controversy, but to symbolize humorously the exit of Holy Cross from the Altenburg circuit; and

Whereas, the Holy Cross voters’ assembly approved the transfer at their voter’s meeting on October 18th, 2020; therefore, be it

Resolved, that Holy Cross be transferred from the Altenburg circuit to the Farmington circuit at the 2022 Missouri District Convention.

After discussion by the assembly, resolution 4-06 was adopted.

Report of the President to the 2022 Missouri District Convention

Following the 2018 District Convention, the Missouri District leadership set out with plans and goals for this triennium. However, like so many plans that have been made throughout history, but especially during the last two years, we have been forced to adapt. Wise Solomon wrote, “Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the LORD that will stand.” While there was much accomplished related to the strategic plan during what would become a quadrennium, there were also new opportunities for support of congregations, schools, and church workers as we navigated the challenges associated with the pandemic together. Our consistent prayer has been for the ongoing proclamation of the Gospel through our congregations and schools, even reaching new people. The District leadership went back again and again to our mission of “serving and encouraging” the congregations, schools, and church workers of the Missouri District.

The 2018-2022 quadrennium saw new initiatives and causes for celebration across the District even with the many challenges. One of the highlights was the launching of *SHINE!*, a District-wide Servant Event that involved more than 130 groups and over 5,100 people. As we are currently gearing up for the 2022 *SHINE!* Servant Event, new groups from congregations and schools are already registering to participate. Our prayer is that our service to our neighbors would not be confined to weekly events, but would be part of our vocation as Christians and a way of life for a congregation.

Critical Targets

The Missouri District Board of Directors adopted the following critical targets for the staff and leadership for what was expected to be a triennium.

- **Healthy Servants** – The District staff and leadership continued to emphasize church worker health through our professional conferences for church workers, providing wellness resources to congregations and schools in support of church workers, orientation programs for new pastors, teachers, and parish-based commissioned ministers. Unfortunately, a planned Grace Place Wellness retreat for Missouri District church workers was cancelled due to the pandemic. Much support was provided to our church workers through staff members Rev. Gene Wyssmann and Rev. Marty Hasz and our Church Worker Care Team. The pandemic brought additional challenges to our church workers, and assistance was provided through regular Zoom meetings for pastors and school administrators in particular. DOXOLOGY, a LCMS Recognized Service Organization, provided Respite Retreats for pastors and commissioned ministers that were a great blessing to many.
- **Healthy Congregations** – The District has offered training and support for congregations through our E² (Encourage and Equip) conferences, Tell the Next Generation conferences, and in the area of reconciliation through a partnership with Ambassadors of Reconciliation. The E² conferences were held in 2020 and 2022 in five regions across the state. The conferences cover topics to assist elders and other lay leaders in topics ranging from youth and family to reconciliation and shared ministry. Additionally, the District offered two Tell the Next Generation conferences. In 2019, the conference was held in St. Charles and covered topics to assist congregations in supporting families with early childhood children. The 2021 conference was shifted to an online format and focused on families with adolescent children.

The District has worked previously with Ambassadors of Reconciliation (AoR) to provide training and resources for congregations and schools in addressing conflict biblically. Through this partnership, we were able to offer a six-week online coaching practicum through AoR for Missouri District church workers and laypeople.

- **Healthy Schools** – Key priorities in supporting our schools to be healthy and well-functioning, the District staff and leadership have provided School Board training, an orientation program for new teachers, and mentoring for new principals. Former Director of Schools, Alan Freeman provided regular Zoom meetings for school and early childhood administrators to initially provide online learning and then to navigate the changing protocols after returning to in-person learning. While there have been some short-term shifts to online learning, since the fall of 2021, all of the schools of the Missouri District were meeting in-person.
- **Strengthening Families** – The Tell the Next Generation and E² Conferences provided opportunities for assisting congregations in equipping families for faith formation in the home. In early 2022, the District trained fifteen “Tell the Next Generation Coaches” through Dr. Ben Freudenburg, from Concordia Center for the Family. These coaches will be available to assist congregations across the District in providing intentional training and support for families. The effort will be launched at the District Convention.
- **Engaging Communities** – The previous triennium saw an emphasis on community engagement through our Plus One initiative as congregations sought to reach out to their communities in one new way. More than half of our congregations participated in Plus One. In 2021, the District continued an emphasis on community outreach through the *SHINE!* Servant Event. As noted above, more than 5,100 people across the District participated in *SHINE!* I will be able to provide an update at the Convention regarding the 2022 *SHINE!* Servant Event. The District also supported community outreach by providing “Every One His Witness” training materials for every circuit in the District. In addition to the trainings that were offered throughout the circuits of the District, an overview of the materials was provided at the 2020 E² Conferences and a condensed online version has been made available to Circuit Visitors for use in each circuit. The Missouri District through the Council on Mission and Ministry (CMM) provides trained facilitators, a mini workshop, and a lending library curriculum for “Every One His Witness.” Facilitators and the mini workshop were developed in response to congregational surveys expressing concern that congregations lacked follow-up with the materials. The shorter workshop is available for use at forums and retreats of circuits or congregations. Depending on local needs, the workshop can range in length from ninety minutes to a half-day retreat. The Missouri District also has obtained limited streaming rights to use the full videos from a District lending library.

Support for Congregations and Schools during COVID-19 Pandemic

Many new challenges arose for congregations and schools since the COVID-19 pandemic began in March 2020. The support for our congregations, schools, and church workers shifted to online. Zoom meetings and a series of Wednesday webinars were offered on topics ranging from COVID protocols and the PPP loans to using technology to assist families in faith formation and dealing with anxiety. An online resources page was added to the website that included a variety of resources to assist congregations as they tried to “pivot” in so many areas. These resources included a stewardship series, a series of white papers, and videos and links to resources from our

Synod partners such as Concordia Plans, Concordia Publishing House, and the Synod. There were times early on during the pandemic when the Zoom meeting would be full with 100 participants and additional sessions had to be offered. While things are certainly different today than in the spring of 2020, there are still many challenges that exist as a result of the pandemic. The District also organized an “Epiphany and Easter Respite” program that provided pulpit supply for parish pastors during the first half of 2021 out of concern for their need for rest, since many had not taken a Sunday off since the pandemic began. Our staff continues to stand ready to provide support and assistance as congregation and school leaders work through these challenging times.

Opportunities

- **Shared Ministry** – The last seven years have seen new shared ministry partnerships developed between congregations in Barnhart and Arnold, New Melle and Wentzville, Knob Noster and the Lutheran Campus Center in Warrensburg, the Bootheel (including congregations in Kennett, Poplar Bluff, Dexter, and Sikeston), and Ste. Genevieve and Crystal City. New shared ministry partnerships are being explored across the District for the sake of the common good of Christ’s Church and our witness and service to our communities.
- **Tell the Next Generation** – Parents are the primary influence in the lives of children. The Scriptures and the Small Catechism teach that the role of teaching the faith to children is primarily the responsibility of parents. Parents play a crucial role in young people remaining connected to the Church in adulthood. Our goal with Tell the Next Generation is to assist congregations in equipping families to teach the faith in the homes.
- **Outreach Opportunities to Refugees and Immigrants** – Missouri District congregations and missions gather for worship in a dozen different languages. The opportunities for reaching diverse groups of people with the Gospel are growing. We are thankful for the work of Christian Friends of New Americans among refugees to the St. Louis area. Our District communications and social media have sought to highlight many of those mission opportunities through congregations, missions, and campus ministries.

Challenges

- **Declining Worship Attendance** – One significant concern is the decline in worship attendance among many congregations. Forty-eight percent of the congregations of the District now have seventy-five or less attending worship. This is why consideration of “Shared Ministry” relationships with other congregations is so important. Congregations working together in collaborative relationships that are more than just financial in nature, as is the case in many dual parish arrangements, enable congregations to consider more than survival.
- **Coping with COVID** – Pastors, DCEs, deaconesses, school administrators, and teachers should be commended for their faithfulness and devotion to their congregations. What began in the spring of 2020 forced hundreds of congregations and schools to adapt quickly and provide online platforms that had in some cases never even been considered. However, as the pandemic has dragged on, these servants, along with elected church and school leaders, bore the difficult task of determining the protocols to follow to offer in-person worship and

learning among frequently changing guidance from the Centers for Disease Control. These servants were faced with difficult decisions and, like all of their labors for the sake of the Kingdom, their sufficiency is in Christ. While some in congregations and schools have been disappointed with some of the congregational and school protocols, it is good for us to give thanks to God for these servants and their labor and leadership offered under extremely trying circumstances.

- Church Worker Recruitment – The need for church workers is increasing at an alarming rate, especially for trained Lutheran school teachers. The Convention workbook includes a report on church worker recruitment, retention, and funding and two overtures from the District Board of Directors.
- Disaster – Natural disasters are signs of the creation groaning under the effects of sin in our fallen world. Since the last Convention, flooding has been an issue that has affected congregations and their members in 2019 along the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers. While there have been numerous storms and tornadoes, the storm system that blew across the state in December 2021 was especially devastating. The storm system included a tornado that struck the areas around Augusta and New Melle, causing damage to the homes of families from Christ Lutheran Church in Augusta and St. Paul in New Melle. One member from Christ in Augusta died as a result of the storm destroying her home. St. Trinity in St. Louis suffered serious damage to the church and the parish hall as a microburst, as part of the same storm system hit their area.
- Retention of Youth – This is a concern expressed in every congregation I visit to discuss the call process. However, there are some creative approaches being considered. The congregations of the Rolla circuit see the challenges clearly with few children in the pews and confirmation students. They are working together to call a staff person to serve all of the congregations of the circuit in support of the congregations’ ministry to children, youth, and families.
- Culture – The pandemic has somewhat directed our attention away from the influence of the culture upon our families. However, our culture wages a never-ending war on the Church and Her confession of the truth of God’s Word, our teaching about issues related to sexuality, marriage, and the sanctity of life, and even the freedom afforded to all citizens in the First Amendment. Our prayer is that our congregations, early childhood centers, elementary schools, high schools, universities, seminaries, and Recognized Service Organizations would remain faithful to the Scriptures and Confessions in boldly professing the truth in our hostile culture.

Celebrations

- *SHINE!*– St. Paul calls the Thessalonians to give thanks in all circumstances. Even in the midst of the pandemic, the *SHINE!* Servant Event saw groups across the state bearing witness to Christ in their communities in word and deed. It is good for us to give thanks for the tremendous response to the first *SHINE!* event and pray for the upcoming event.
- Generosity of Donors and Congregations – Like many congregational leaders, District leadership was concerned with the beginning of the pandemic on many fronts including how it would affect giving. However, like in our congregations, God has moved the hearts of His

people to great generosity in the support of His Church and the work of His kingdom. Likewise, donors to the Missouri District have demonstrated great generosity toward the ongoing work of the District, but also for special initiatives such as Tomorrow's Teachers and Preachers (totaling more than \$57,000 for Church Worker Scholarship endowment fund) and the late December 2021 Disaster Response appeal (with gifts of more than \$64,000).

Synod Matters

The Synod was petitioned in late 2020 and early 2021 to delay the Synod Convention to 2023 and to allow districts to delay their respective conventions due to the COVID-19 pandemic. After the ballot initiative passed, the Missouri District Board of Directors voted to delay our Convention to 2022, along with thirty of the thirty-five Districts. Prior to the last several Synod Conventions, the Missouri District Board of Directors has requested exemptions for two electoral circuits each time that do not meet the minimum aggregate communicant membership. While it is important for the District to regularly consider the circuit alignment, it would also be prudent for the Synod to consider the requirements of electoral circuits in light of demographic trends.

Transitions

The Missouri District staff once again saw transitions since the last convention. Rev. Gene Wyssmann retired from his service on the staff at the end of 2019. He was a great blessing to the congregations and church workers of the District in his role of Church Worker and Congregational Health. Rev. Marty Hasz accepted the call to serve in that role, joining the staff in January 2020. Missouri District Director of Schools Alan Freeman accepted a call to serve as Associate Director of School Ministry for the Synod's Office of National Mission, beginning there in January 2022. A search process was launched in December of 2021 to call a new Director of Schools. A call by the District Board of Directors is expected to be issued in February 2022.

Quo Vademus

Where do we go from here? As the last Convention closed in June 2018, none of us could have expected all of the changes that would occur before we would meet again. However, our prayer is that our congregations, schools, church workers, and congregation members would remain faithful to God's Word and bear witness to Christ in a hostile world and in a divided nation. There remains only one thing needful for the people of Missouri and that is Christ and His Word. May God bless us no matter what things may come so that we may tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord!

Respectfully submitted by,

Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan, President

Report of the President at the 2022 Missouri District Convention

Dear friends in Christ,

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, the Lord of the Church! You can find the part of my report on pages 34-38 of the *Convention Workbook*, that reviews the work of the Missouri District over the last four years. At this time, we will share a short video on what God has been doing among us recently and challenges we face in the future. Please play the video.

https://youtu.be/vfLLrJ6G_mM

Reports and videos cannot begin to describe all that God has done among us, 290 congregations, 103 educational ministries, through campus ministries, mission organizations and God's people across Missouri these four years. We have much for which we can give thanks to God that He has done among us during this time.

My greatest concern and request for prayer is related to the continued decline in worship attendance, something that has been seen across Christian Churches in the United States and indeed among our Missouri District congregations. The influence of the culture and our struggle to retain younger generations into adulthood was a cause for concern before the pandemic hit. However, most of our congregations have seen a decline in worship attendance of approximately 10-15% since March 2020. While some of those who are absent are people who have health concerns, in many cases, congregations have noted the absence of young families whose engagement with worship has been largely limited to online since COVID-19. Please join me in praying for wisdom for pastors, elders and church leaders who seek to draw back those who have been absent from worship that they might see the necessity of gathering together with the saints of God to hear God's Word, receive Christ's Body and Blood, offer prayers for the whole people of God and lift our voices together in praise of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Nothing is more essential to the people of God than our corporate worship. I'm currently reading a book where the story is told of a deacon in the fourth century who was accused by the Roman magistrate of allowing Christians to meet illegally in his home. He boldly responded, "We cannot live, we cannot be, without that meeting." Dear friends in Christ, may we also be bold as we pray and as we look to the future. May the faithful promises of God fill us with courage as we proclaim the Gospel and tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord. In the last two years, I have found comfort in these prayerful words of the late Dr. Martin Franzmann, "O Spirit, who didst once restore Thy Church that it might be again The bringer of good news to men. Breathe on Thy cloven Church once more That in these dark and latter days There may be those whose life is praise, Each life a high doxology to Father, Son, and unto Thee." Amen.

So we give thanks for what has been done in the Lord's name and we pray for His blessing and guidance as we look to the future and as we bear witness to Christ in our congregations, in our schools, on college campuses, at military bases, in our communities and wherever the Lord leads us. May the Church bring the good news of men in these dark and latter days for only in Christ do we have the bright and eternal hope for the future.

Acceptance Speech of the President at the 2022 Missouri District Convention

“It is not good for man to be alone,” God said of His first created being. God designed humanity for community. Communion with God and then with others. Marriage is at its most basic a community, created by God. The Church is also at its most basic is a community created by God. One of the greatest challenges that we face in our post-pandemic world is the absence of many members from the public worship of the Church community.

Jesus Christ did not simply declare us righteous from His heavenly throne. Instead, our Lord became flesh and dwelt among us. Christ came down from His place at the Father’s right hand and became like one of us. He came among us One who serves and the way that He served was by showing mercy and proclaiming the Kingdom of God. He called sinners to leave behind their ways that focused only on themselves and to follow Him by becoming part of a community that is established by the grace of God. Noted missiologist Lesslie Newbigin put it this way, “Jesus didn’t write a book, but formed a community.”

The Lutheran understanding of the Church has always been focused on three elements – people, Word and Sacraments. Philipp Melanchthon describes the church in articles VII and VIII of the Augsburg Confession as the assembly of saints.” Dr. Luther writes of the Church in the third Article in the Large Catechism, “I believe that there is on earth a holy little flock and community of pure saints under one head, Christ...Of this community I also am a part and member, a participant and co-partner in all the blessings it possesses.” We do not have to go searching for the Church by find it where the Gospel is preached and the Sacraments are administered, whether there be many or few. The Church is first and always a community, communion with God and with one another.

It is not good for man to be alone. Our Lord still calls us out of the darkness of the isolation of sin and unbelief and into a community of relationships created and sustained by the Holy Spirit. Baptism is not act of mercy for an individual, but an incorporation into a community. Likewise, the Lord’s Supper is a communal meal wherein Christ serves the community and the community then shows mercy and love toward one another. Herman Preus wrote, “Luther sees the Sacrament as the best expression of the union of the individual Christian with Christ and with all other believers in the Body of Christ.”

We see clearly throughout the Scriptures that God’s Word was intended to be read, prayed and even in sung corporately. Paul’s instructed that his letters were to be read publicly. In the early days of the Church, the saints assembled together on the first day of the week, but already by the time of the letter to the Hebrews, there was concern over those who had forsaken the assembly.

God’s design for the Church is what Luke describes in Acts 2, “And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.” That is the goal, albeit an imperfect goal.

What does all this mean for the congregations of the Missouri District? Our hope is that the saints of God in every place are devoted to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. We pray that those who have been absent will return to receive Christ and His gifts within the assembly. This is what we hope for in all of our congregations. Many of our congregations have been struggling with a significant number of saints who are absent for worship and not all are absent because of health concerns. Our prayer is that our congregations would embody what is described in Acts chapter 2.

The Missouri District staff and leadership have been working on assessing additional needs of our congregations, schools, and church workers for this new triennium. We have listened to church workers and laity, in establishing these priorities. I would like to share with you four key priorities for this triennium.

The first priority is Church Worker Recruitment and Retention. The need for pastors, commissioned ministers, especially teachers is great. District leadership has identified strategies to assist in this area and will work with the Synod's Set Apart to Serve initiative to highlight church work vocations.

The second priority is Family Discipleship. Dr. Mark Kiessling in his essay will be highlighting the importance of teaching the faith within the home. We stand ready to assist congregations in equipping parents to carry out their God-given vocations of telling the next generation as they use the Scriptures, Hymnal and Catechism to teach their children.

The third priority is Community Engagement. We are thankful for all of the congregations that have participated in the Plus One Initiative, engaging their communities in one new way, and the *SHINE!* Servant Events. However, our prayer is that congregations will move beyond events to engage their communities that service and witness are a way of life for the people of God. We will continue to help congregations engage their communities to proclaim the Gospel.

The fourth priority is Shared Ministry. All across Missouri there are opportunities for congregations of all sizes and in all settings to collaborate so that we can be good stewards of the resources that God has entrusted to us and for the sake of preserving ministry and mission in communities across the state. There have been several new shared ministries established across the district. Sometimes this may include sharing a pastor, but it always includes congregations sharing resources to work together. There will be a need for even more shared ministries in the days ahead.

What all four of these critical targets have in common is that they are focused on the future. We recognize the need to raise up the next generation of faithful children, young adults, pastors, teachers, and church workers and for our congregations to look for ways to work together for the sake of the future. Our prayer is that all who the Spirit calls are drawn into a community of believers through the Means of Grace. We are praying for the future and trusting that God will preserve His Church as He has promised!

What St. Luke described in Acts is the goal for all of our congregations, but it is still imperfect. It is imperfect because it is a description of the Church Militant, the Church that exists under the shadow of the cross. The ultimate goal is the Church Triumphant, what St. John describes in Revelation chapter 7, "a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,"¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation

belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” The ultimate goal is that we join with the saints who have gone before us, with angels, archangels and with all the company of heaven in praising God in heaven.

Dear friends in Christ, I am confident in the future for the Church! It is a confidence that rests not on plans and priorities, congregations and leaders, but on Christ and His faithful Word and promises. May God preserve His Church among us that we might be a part of a community of believers where Christ is at the center with His good of gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. And may we all look forward to the eternal future that God has prepared for His Church in heaven and that this hope will sustain us even through times of suffering.

In closing, I leave you with words of Swedish Lutheran Bishop Bo Giertz. He passionately describes the Church’s zeal for reaching those who are lost and those who have strayed, “Even if the Church remains, we cannot be at peace when so many stay away. What we have envisioned of the essence of the Church: the Savior, on His heavenly throne with all the treasures of grace and the light that flows down from Him and takes on visible form and shape among us in the means of grace, all this is calling out for a continuation. It seeks faith on earth, it wants to gather us all in this light, which only for our sake is shining forth in the world. The Church is the vehicle for an infinite love, God’s love, stretching out to reach His lost children. It would be treason if the Church kept that love for herself so that she began to love her ancient liturgy, her hymns and her customs, but forgot the people that she has been sent to save. Precisely because she is God’s visible presence on earth, she must love all the people with God’s own love, also the most scornful and rejecting, also the lost and the repulsive. Her constant and burning longing must be to reveal the heavenly glory to the blind and insecure and straying and convey the atoning love to the suffering and oppressed.”

May we indeed be devoted to the Apostles’ Teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer” in every congregation across Missouri until we reach the ultimate goal of the great multitude from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages standing before the Jesus, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! May God grant it for Jesus’ sake. Amen.

Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan

Attendance Register of the 2022 District Convention

Voting Pastoral

Delegates

Abernathy, Roger
 Arnold, Tyler
 Asburry, Randy
 Backs, Ronnie
 Bartholomew, Andrew
 Barto, Gregory
 Bell, Randall
 Benkendorf, Rod
 Bereuter, Bryce
 Berry, Matthew
 Bibb, Tysen
 Bilgreen, David
 Blankenship, William
 Boettcher, Mark
 Boisclair, David
 Bongard, Stephen
 Brandon, Kurt
 Braun, Allen
 Breite, Douglas
 Burgdorf, Noah
 Castens, Kyle
 Clark, Matthew
 Cody, Richard
 Constien, Stephen
 Dehne, John
 Dehne, John
 Dickerson, Paul
 Diener, Michael
 Dinger, Andrew
 Dittmar, David
 Dock, Jeffrey
 Dressler, Steven
 Dressler, Martin
 Elliott, Bruce
 Ensor, Lewis
 Ferguson, Eamonn
 Fieberkorn, Michael
 Fiene, Hans
 Fittje, Kyle
 Foss, Rick
 Freeman, Jeremy
 Furgeson, Jon
 Gehrke, Wes
 Gibbs, Karl
 Gillmore, Steven
 Gledhill, Eric
 Gorline, Jeremy
 Goucher, Mark
 Greene, Frank
 Gruenwald, David
 Gutz, Glen

Hageman, James
 Hagerman, Nicholas
 Hanke, Will
 Hatcher, Joshua
 Hayter, Mathew
 Heaton, Chris
 Henrickson, Charles
 Hercamp, Jacob
 Hetzel, Brian
 Hoemann, Paul
 Hunsaker, Mark
 Iannelli, Mike
 Jonas, Scott
 Junkin, Mark
 Karg, Rory
 Kelm, Virgil
 Kennell, Andrew
 Ketelsen, Joshua
 Kettner, David
 Klaustermeier, Jeremy
 Knapp, Robert
 Kohn, Elden
 Kranz, Mark
 Krueger, Joel
 Kuhlman, Nathan
 Kurka, Gerald
 Kurz, Joel
 Landgraf, Paul
 Lange, Peter
 Lawrence, Wayne
 Lemmermann, Scott
 Lewis, David
 Lewis, Johnathan
 Lucas, Frank
 Lukefahr, David
 Malone, Robert
 Martin, Mark
 Mattsfield, Wade
 May, Jacob
 McCalley, Joseph
 McGinley, Dave
 Mehl, Silas
 Meissner, Craig
 Meyer, Jonathan
 Müille, Timothy
 Moore, David
 Morris, Kristopher
 Morris, Tim
 Mueller, Alan
 Mueller, Jacob
 Newman, Drew
 Oberdieck, David
 Oddi, David

Okine, Michael
 Otte, John
 Otto, Craig
 Paetow, Derek
 Parvey, Adam
 Parviz, Kevin
 Pederson, Joe Ed
 Pelsue, David
 Perling, John
 Pierce, Kent
 Pitsch, Scott
 Poppen, Tyler
 Pottschmidt, Michael
 Preus, Andrew
 Priem, Matthew
 Ratcliffe, Keith
 Reiser, Gregg
 Reiter, Craig
 Resner, Matthew
 Roberts, Bryan
 Rodriguez, Joe
 Roeglin, Matthew
 Rolf, David
 Roma, Thomas
 Ross, Bernard
 Roth, David
 Rottmann, Erik
 Salo, Scott
 Scheperle, Gerald
 Schlie, Joseph
 Schlie, Jesse
 Schmidt, Joshua
 Schultz, Jeremy
 Schultz, Charles
 Sletten, Jake
 Smith, William
 Snyder, Walter
 Sommer, Chris
 Sonntag, Donaldo
 Sponaule, Justin
 Stacy, Eric
 Tanney, Michael
 Taylor, Ryan
 Tessone, Andrew
 Theiss, Benjamin
 Thomas, Glen
 Thorson, Brian
 Torreson, Ted
 Voelker, William
 Weiler, Scott
 Weisenborn, Paul
 Weiser, Tim
 Wendorff, Carl

Whittle, Brian
 Wildauer, Weston
 Wilkey, Mickey
 Wilshusen, James
 Winningham, Paul
 Woerth, Warren
 Wolters, Luke

Voting Lay Delegates

Ahlers, Errol
 Albright, Justin
 Anderson, Ray
 Arenz, Steven
 Augustin, Tom
 Bachmann, Michael
 Bailey, Phillip
 Bass, Gary
 Batton, Shirley
 Bauche, Warren
 Baumhoegger, Harry
 Beaudean, Mark
 Becker, Larry
 Bentlage, David
 Berndt, Elson
 Birk, Robert
 Blake, Debra
 Blaue, Adam
 Bode, Darryl
 Bodenschatz, Glen
 Bohl, Keith
 Borgelt, Robert
 brauer, rick
 Brown, Diana
 Caffey, Dale
 Cantrell, Robert
 Christ, Allan
 Church, Kevin
 Cooper, Gary
 Cottrell, Mitchell
 Craig, Todd
 Crane, David
 Davidson, Ian
 Davis, Christopher
 Davis, Melba
 Dean, Michael
 Decker, Larry
 Derendinger, Daniel
 Dieckman, Dallas
 Diefenbach, John
 Dolson, Joe
 Donnell, Kenneth
 Dorland, Gary
 Drag, Gary



Voting Lay Delegates
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Eaton, David
Eggerman, Joseph
Ehlers, Terry
Epp, Howard
Feldkamp, Gary
Ferry, Jeffrey
Finck, David
Flandermeyer, Gary
Flippin, Kathy
Flowers, Michael
Fogarty, Deborah
Gebhardt, Mariam
Gerber, Sandra
Gholson, Bill
Grebing, Carla
Guemmer, Wade
Gunn, Kirk
Hagan, John
Hailey, James
Hall, Jeremy
Harms, Virgil
Harris, Allen
Hawkins-Hoehne, Heather
Hedberg, Jeff
Heins, Ron
Heitman, William
Henderson, Kenneth
Hill, James
Hinchmann, Ron
Hinck, Paul
Hinz, Seth
Hollander, Russell
Hook, Sue
Hoppe, Russ
Horman, Stanley
Howard, Jim
Iannelli, Michael
Jenkins, Chaim
Jones, William
Jungmeyer, Paul
Kaibel, Jerome
Kelley, Larry
Kelly, Charles
Kempfe, Donald
Kiefer, Daniel
Klatt, Ron
Klatt, Dan
Knost, Dan
Koch, Mark
Koeller, Stan
Koopmann, Charles
Korff, Steve
Kratzer, Sandy

Kroehnke, K. Michael
Kruse, Kristy
Lawrence, Jacqueline
Lefholz, Dan
Lekar, Mark
Lenz, Chris
Leonard, Alan
Linhardt, Harvey
Lininger, Adam
Little, Walter
Lock, Ryan
Luehrs, Andrew
Maichel, Gabe
Malwitz, Michael
Markel, Ryan
May, Michelle
McCoig, Larry
McCool, Yvonne
Melies, Pete
Meyer, Jim
Miille, Pam
Miller, Alan
Mirly, Todd
Moeller, Debbie
Moudy, Duane
Mowery, Kevin
Nephew, Michael
Newhard, James
Niethe, Sharon
Ninke, Laurie
Oehl, Dakota
Offerman, Kenneth
Otten, Stephen
Pelsue, Jill
Piehl, Beverly
Poppe, Karin
Powell, Dudley
Price, David
Rapp, Wade
Ressel, Randy
Robbins, Pete
Rolf, Cynthia
Rupp, Joe
Rusche, Rich
Satterwhite, Elvera
Schelp, Allen
Scherer, Keith
Schlegl, Tim
Schlichtmann, David
Scholl, Marcy
Schroeder, Kent
Schubert, Jason
Schuessler, Jon
Seabaugh, Darrel
Seider, Aaron
Siedenburger, Larry

Sletten, Courtney
Smith, John
Smith, Carline
Sowers, Kevin
Spitler, Allen
St. Onge, Charlie
Staehling, Philip
Stearns, Bryan
Steele, John
Stock, William
Stringer, Ron
Sturgeon, Richard
Szarejko, Fran
Tebo, Casey
Trowbridge, Bill
Turner, James
Viets, Doris
Wallis, Daniel
Weinhold, Delmer
Western, Joe
Westhoff, Richard
Wichern, Jeff
Wiese, Alan
Wilkey, Sharon
Wills, Curt
Wingfield, Becky
Wischmeyer, Don
Woerth, Benjamin
Yoder, Erv
Yonke, Brian
Zimmerman, Richard

Guest Speakers

Ball, Ben
Harrison, Matthew
Kiessling, Mark

District Staff

Behrmann, Cassie
Carlson, Casey
Geis, Bill
Hagan, R. Lee
Hasz, Marty
Irwin, Sarah
Krege, Peter
Kreienkamp, Daniel
Mort, Elsa
Schellin, Martha
Sieveking, Leah
Thompson, Sue
Zaruba, Colleen

Convention Pages

Hagan, Jack
Huckabay, Alyse
Humphrey, Abigail

Morris, Jonathan
Slayton, Anika
Slayton, Christian
Slayton, Britta

Guests

Adams, Melissa
Bartok, Jim
Beaudean, Sally
Bond, Gillian
Brandt, Gary
Bredehoeft, Neal
Breite, Christine
Buchholz, David
Burge, David
Caffey, Sondra
Chinberg, Doug
Christman, John
Drag, Jennie
Egger, Thomas
Engelhardt, Mark
Fortmeyer, Bernie
Frank, David
Gage, Donna
Geisler, Ralph
Gimbel, Andrew
Glaskey, Jason
Golden, Kevin
Griffin, Gary
Haak, Armand
Hagan, Caroline
Hagan, Jill
Hawkinson, Mark
Hemmer, Jeff
Hertwig, Fred
Hokana, Mary
Hokana, Steven
Honoree, Cheryl
Kamprath, Stephen
Kempfe, Laura
Knehans, Hannah
Koenig, Jarod
Kortmeyer, Leah
Krueger, Kenneth
Lehenbauer, Ronald
Lieb, Fran
Lieb, Kay
Marler, William
Marler, William
McDonnell, Ruth
Meggers, David
Metzger, Lavonne
Metzger, William
Meyr, HW
Moede, Jacob
Moennig, Amanda



Guests (continued)

Moore, Sam
Mueller, Bart
Ninke, John
Nummela, Pamela
Nummela, Thomas
Oswald, Drew
Poppe, Nathanael
Powell, Samuel
Rattelmuller, George
Reimnitz, David
Rriver, James
Rice, Denise
Rienke, John
Ruark, Mark
Schutt, Anne
Shaw, Jason
Sherwin, Kim
Sias, Heidi
Sias, John
Smith, Brent
Stallings, Cory
Stanish, Beenakumari
Stanley, Stanish
Stolle, Gary
Stratmann, David
Thoelke, Mark
Thoelke, Teresa
Thompson, Carol
Werts, Dale
Wollenburg, Alan
Wormington, Dana
Zerkel, Bradley
Zimmerman, Darrell

Membership Changes In The Missouri District

(As of June 1, 2022)

Pastors

Candidates Ordained/Installed

- Barto, Gregory (SL '20) ordained and installed Zion – Hillsboro 7/5/20 by K. Golden
- Bartok, James (SL '19) ordained and installed Faith – Springfield 6/22/19 by W. Marler
- Berry, Matthew (SL '21) ordained Concordia – Sikeston 7/4/21 by J. Hellwege, installed Concordia – Sikeston 7/4/21 by L. Hagan
- Blankenship, William (Colloquy '20) ordained and installed Trinity – Center 2/28/21 by L. Hagan
- Braun, Steven (FW '19) ordained and installed LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 6/23/19 by W. Braun
- Brown, Robert (SL '20) ordained Holy Cross – Collinsville, IL 7/19/20 by K. Wright, installed Peace – St. Louis 8/1/20 by L. Hagan
- Clemens, Daniel (SL '18) ordained Chapel of the Cross – St. Peters 6/17/18 by L. Hagan, installed King of Kings – Kansas City 7/1/18 by B. Thieme
- Denholm, George (SL '21) ordained St. Peter – Columbus, IN 7/10/21 by M. Teike, installed Emmaus – St. Louis 7/18/21 by L. Hagan
- Dickerson, Paul (SL '20) ordained and installed Christ Memorial – St. Louis 7/19/20 by L. Hagan
- DiLiberto, Anthony (SL '18) ordained and installed Good Shepherd – Collinsville 7/8/18 by M. Walther as missionary – LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis
- Elliott, Bruce (SL '21) ordained Risen Savior – Franklin, WI 7/25/21 by S. Niermann, installed Immanuel – Barnhart 8/1/21 by L. Hagan
- Ferguson, Eamonn (FW '18) ordained and installed Holy Trinity – Mound City 7/15/18 by L. Hagan
- Fisher, Maxx (SL '20) ordained Redeemer – Seymour, IN 7/19/20 by A. Currao, installed St. Paul – New Melle 8/2/20 by L. Hagan
- Gensch, Jeremiah (SL '19) ordained and installed Child of God – St. Peters 7/7/19 by K. Golden
- Heaton, William (SL '18) ordained St. Paul – Jackson 6/16/18 by L. Hagan, installed St. Paul – Fulton 7/21/18 by B. Thieme
- Jaseph, Philip (FW '21) ordained St. Paul – Annapolis, MD 6/20/21 by D. Maack, installed LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 6/20/21 by D. Maack
- Jensen, Nathaniel (FW '21) ordained and installed LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 7/25/21 by J. Furgeson
- Koenig, Jarod (SL '18) ordained Trinity – Cape Girardeau 6/17/18 by A. Wollenburg, installed Redeemer - Springfield 6/24/18 by W. Marler
- Kranz, Mark (FW '20) ordained Redeemer – Fort Wayne 6/21/20 by D. Petersen, installed Mt. Calvary – Excelsior Springs 8/9/20 by B. Thieme
- Lehenbauer, Andrew (SL '19) ordained Christ the King – Lake Ozark 8/4/19 by R. Lehenbauer, installed St. Paul – Concordia 8/11/19 by L. Hagan
- Loum, Cyril (SL '21) ordained and installed Faith – Oakville 12/12/21 by J. Brunette
- Marriott, James (SL '20) ordained Concordia Seminary – St. Louis 8/28/20 by L. Hagan
- McCalley, Joseph (FW '20) ordained and installed Trinity – Columbia 7/12/20 by L. Hagan
- McMiller, Tyler (FW '21) ordained and installed LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 7/3/21 by L. Hagan
- Mueller, Alan (SL '19) ordained Timothy – Woodstock, GA 6/23/19 by D. Brighton, installed Immanuel – Sweet Springs 7/28/19 by L. Hagan
- Neuendorf, James (FW '18) ordained St. Paul – Ann Arbor, MI 12/9/18 by T. Krey, installed LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 12/9/18 by D. Neuendorf
- Schlie, Jesse (FW '19) ordained and installed Trinity – Jefferson City 6/29/19 by L. Hagan
- Schlie, Joseph (FW '19) ordained and installed Immanuel – Perryville 6/30/19 by L. Hagan
- Schmitt, David (SL '21) ordained and installed Trinity – Park Hills 1/2/22 by K. Castens
- Schrader, Alexander (SL '21) ordained Guardian – Dearborn, MI 6/19/21 by D. Jung, installed Immanuel – Olivette 7/25/21 by L. Hagan
- Schram, Nicholas (SL '20) ordained Peace – Saginaw 7/12/20 by D. Gruenwald, installed Resurrection – St. Louis 8/9/20 by K. Golden
- Schultz, Jacob (SL '18) ordained St. Paul – Wood River, IL 1/12/19 by D. Schultz, installed Concordia – Kirkwood 1/13/19 by K. Golden
- Selbana, Abdi (Colloquy '20) installed 3/28/21 Christ – Platte Woods by G. Reiser
- Smith, William (FW '19) ordained and installed Trinity – Appleton City 6/23/19 by W. Marler
- Stacy, Eric (SL '20) ordained Trinity – Des Moines, IA 6/14/20 by B. Haney, installed Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine Neighbors 8/2/20 by W. Marler
- Stallings, Cory (SL '19) ordained and installed The Exchange Communities – Jackson 6/23/19 by M. Boettcher
- Wade, Tanner (SL '20) ordained and installed St. Paul – Des Peres 5/30/20 by L. Hagan

Ward, Dale (SL '20) ordained Concordia Seminary – St. Louis 8/14/21 by L. Hagan, installed New Beginnings – Pacific 8/15/21 by J. Sullivan
 Wehmeyer, Craig (SL '20) ordained and installed Immanuel – Washington 6/14/20 by L. Hagan
 Wendorff, Carl (FW '19) ordained and installed Faith – Warsaw 7/14/19 by K. Morris

Transferred to Our District

Allwardt, William (MI) to Emeritus 7/14/21
 Askins, Roy (TX) to Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis 2/3/20 by P. Lange
 Bahkou, Abjar (TX) to Concordia Seminary – St. Louis 8/24/18 by D. Meyer
 Becker, Vance (MNS) to Board for International Mission – St. Louis 8/25/19 by M. Teigen
 Bibb, Tysen (MNN) to Trinity – Norborne 12/13/20 by B. Thieme
 Bischoff, Clifford (EN) to Emeritus 10/27/21
 Bluege, Joseph (TX) to Candidate 4/29/22
 Boedecker, David (MI) to Emeritus 10/6/21
 Bombaro, John (PSW) to LCMS – St. Louis 8/12/18 by B. Thomas
 Bongard, Stephen (IN) to Concordia – Kirkwood 10/18/20 by L. Hagan
 Brandon, Kurt (MI) to Immanuel – Higginsville 8/19/18 by L. Hagan
 Brandt, Gary (OK) to Emeritus 9/1/18
 Buchmueller, Barrett (IE) to Candidate 5/13/21
 Burge, David (TX) to Emeritus 6/1/21
 Cody, Richard (TX) to St. Peter – St. Joseph 4/3/22 by L. Hagan
 Constien, Stephen (FG) to St. Paul – Farmington 6/24/18 by A. Wollenburg
 Daenzer, Sean (ND) to Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis 2/5/20 by M. Harrison
 Dinger, Andrew (NJ) to Timothy – St. Louis 12/2/18 by L. Hagan
 Fieberkorn, Michael (CI) to Zion – St. Charles 11/16/19 by L. Hagan
 Fields, Anthony (KS) to Immanuel – Jefferson City 10/11/20 by L. Hagan
 Fiene, Hans (NI) to Prince of Peace – St. Louis 6/7/20 by K. Golden
 Foss, Richard (PSW) to Faith – Springfield 2/27/22 by W. Marler
 Francisco, Thurman (PSW) to Emeritus 12/14/21
 Gadeken, Robert (MI) to Emeritus 10/5/20
 Gibbs, Karl (CI) to Immanuel – Carrollton 10/6/19 by L. Hagan
 Gillam, Jack (NEB) to Emeritus 8/22/19
 Gledhill, Eric (MI) to Faith – Jefferson City 2/2/19 by L. Hagan
 Gorline, Jeremy (TX) to Child of God – St. Peters 11/18/18 by B. Thieme

Griebenaw, Douglas (PSW) to Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod – St. Louis) 2/10/22 by M. Harrison
 Hall, Gary (NJ) to Concordia Publishing House – St. Louis 9/18/19 by P. McCain
 Heller, Brian (NI) to Lutheran Senior Services – St. Louis 10/17/20 by D. Meggers
 Hemler, Jonathan (SI) to Candidate 9/21/20
 Hochgrebe, Ryan (CNH) to Timothy – Blue Springs 6/6/21 by W. Marler
 Hoemann, James (TX) to Concordia – Frohna 8/4/19 by L. Hagan
 Holt, Benjamin (SI) to St. Matthew – Ernestville 6/9/19 by W. Marler
 Koeller, Martin (NW) to Emeritus 8/16/21
 Lakies, Chad (NOW) to Lutheran Hour Ministries – St. Louis 8/15/19 by A. Cook
 Lange, Peter (KS) to Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis 9/13/19 by M. Harrison
 Lim, Edmund (IN) to Immanuel – Olivette 12/1/18 by L. Hagan
 Luhman, Eric (NEB) to Candidate 11/26/19
 May, Jeremy (OK) to Trinity – Park Hills 5/19/19 by L. Hagan
 Mastic, Andrew (RM) to Pathfinder – Ellisville 2/13/22 by D. Garrett
 McGinley, David (NI) to Webster Gardens – Webster Groves 8/22/21 by J. Christiansen
 Meissner, Craig (NI) to Holy Cross – Kansas City 5/1/22 by L. Hagan
 Metzger, William (NI) to Emeritus 7/1/19
 Meyer, Jonathan (SW) to Holy Cross – O'Fallon 9/15/19 by K. Golden
 Miller, James (SI) to Candidate 3/25/22
 Miller, Stephen (SE) to Messiah – St. Louis 11/18/18 by K. Golden
 Mueller, James (TX) to Messiah – Weldon Spring 4/7/19 by L. Hagan
 Ninke, John (SO) to Emeritus 4/21/22
 Parvey, Adam (MNS) to Abiding Savior – St. Louis 1/16/22 by K. Golden
 Penhallegon, Phillip (MI) to Concordia Seminary – St. Louis 8/28/20 by D. Preus
 Preus, Andrew (IE) to Trinity – New Haven 8/15/21 by L. Hagan
 Prieto, Ely (TX) to Concordia Seminary – St. Louis 8/27/21 by T. Egger
 Resner, Matthew (SD) to Zion – Moberly 2/10/19 by L. Hagan
 Rockrohr, Paul (RM) to Board for International Mission – St. Louis 4/14/19 by R. Schlechte
 Ross, Bernard (CI) to Trinity – Alma 3/3/19 by L. Hagan
 Schempf, Michael (SW) to Board for International Mission – St. Louis 9/23/18 by D. Growth
 Schempf, Michael (SW) to Emeritus 3/25/22

Schoedel, John (IN) to Emeritus 10/4/21
 Schultz, Nathan (NJ) to Candidate 1/5/22
 Scott, Tobin (TX) to Candidate 2/10/21
 Serina, Richard (NJ) to Commission on Theology and Church Relations – St. Louis 9/23/21 by L. Hagan
 Short, Paul (TX) to Emeritus 1/15/20
 Taylor, Ryan (NEB) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/25/19 by L. Hagan
 Theiss, Benjamin (SD) to St. John – Brunswick 9/22/19 by B. Thieme
 Theiss, Terry (NI) to Emeritus 4/11/22
 Urban, Otto (TX) to Emeritus 6/1/20
 Weiler, John (FG) to Emeritus 8/27/20
 Weiser, Tim (SI) to Immanuel - Rosebud 2/23/20 by L. Hagan
 Wilshek, David (SI) to Emeritus 5/31/19
 Wilshusen, James (SD) to Ebenezer – Leslie 8/15/20 by K. Morris
 Wilson, Lynn (SD) to Candidate 8/1/20
 Wittenberger, Denis (SW) to Emeritus 11/21/19
 Wurst, Robert (MI) to Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis 12/13/19 by M. Harrison

Transferred to Other Districts

Bach, Phillip (Emeritus) to NEB 8/24/20
 Baker, Garth (Emeritus) to FG 11/26/19
 Bartelt, Andrew (Emeritus) to NW 12/15/2020
 Bayless, Andrew (St. Trinity – St. Louis) to NOW 8/23/21
 Becker, Vance (Board for International Mission – St. Louis) to MNS 8/25/19
 Benito Morejon, John (Candidate) to RM 6/1/20
 Benkendorf, Rod (Concordia – Frohna) to MC 8/31/18
 Bombaro, John (LCMS – St. Louis) to PSW 8/14/18
 Braun, Steven (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to TX 7/1/19
 Burge, David (Emeritus) to TX 9/10/19
 Cody, Richard (Immanuel – Conway) to TX 8/27/18
 Collver, Albert (Candidate) to SI 8/13/20
 Cortright, Charles (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to SW 7/29/21
 Dahlke, James (Emeritus) to NEB 11/26/18
 Devantier, Paul (Emeritus) to NW 7/15/20
 DiLiberto, Anthony (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to SI 7/25/18
 Dobler, Michael (Candidate) to EA 5/1/20
 Earl, Brian (Chai v' Shalom – St. Louis) to NE 2/11/19
 Edwards, Michael (Faith – Springfield) to MDS 1/31/22
 Ehrhard, Jacob (Trinity – New Haven) to NI 1/7/19
 Erkkinen, Eric (Emeritus) to IN 9/28/20
 Espinosa, Alfonso (Candidate) to PSW 7/23/18
 Foss, Richard (Immanuel – Jefferson City) to PSW 12/9/20
 Funke, Kenneth (Emeritus) to RM 8/3/18

Gier, James (Mt. Calvary – Excelsior Springs) to IN 5/1/19
 Handrick, Thomas (Emeritus) to SI 8/23/18
 Harriss, Mark (Zion – Hillsboro) to SI 12/26/19
 Hartung, Bruce (Emeritus) to SE 12/16/19
 Hass, Mark (Candidate) to MDS 7/1/18
 Hauptmeier, Tyler (Candidate) to NEB 2/11/19
 Herald, David (Trinity – Appleton City) to KS 11/19/18
 Hilsabeck, Howard (Emeritus) to TX 11/22/21
 Holder, Scott (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) to KS 6/5/21
 Holt, Benjamin (St. Matthew – Concordia) to RM 5/9/22
 Jauss, Marcus (Candidate) to CI 7/13/20
 Kapels, Calvin (St. Stephen – Liberty) to PSW 1/27/20
 Keller, Roger (Emeritus) to FG 4/17/19
 Kirschenmann, James (St. Paul's and Immanuel Chapel – St. Louis) to NI 10/16/19
 Knippa, Joshua (Faith – Jefferson City) to TX 3/2/20
 Kobak, Anthony (Hanover – Cape Girardeau) to TX 8/5/19
 Kollbaum, Todd (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis) to NEB 7/15/19
 Longman, Eric (St. Paul – Jackson) to MDS 7/8/19
 Maske, Daniel (Trinity – Cape Girardeau) to MI 8/17/20
 Matro, Lawrence (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to MI 2/25/19
 McBurney, David (Abiding Savior – St. Louis) to CI 7/13/20
 Mehl, John (Saint Paul Lutheran High School – Concordia) to NEB 3/4/19
 Meissner, Duane (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to TX 8/1/19
 Meyer, Joel (Zion – Rockville) to IN 11/29/21
 Monterastelli, Michael (Candidate) to SI 11/26/18
 Mueller, David (St. Paul – Fulton) to NE 10/1/18
 Mueller, Herbert (Emeritus) to SI 10/24/19
 Muench, David (Emeritus) to NEB 7/25/18
 Neuendorf, James (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to MI 12/10/18
 Patschke, Scott (Messiah – Independence) to NW 8/20/18
 Paavola, Christopher (New Beginnings – Pacific) to MI 5/2/22
 Philp, Paul (LCMS – St. Louis) to MI 12/12/20
 Preus, Daniel (Emeritus) to MNN 3/11/22
 Raabe, Paul (Emeritus) to PSW 7/15/18
 Reed, Marty (Zion – Poplar Bluff) to KS 9/1/19
 Reitz, Jason (Zion – St. Charles) to NE 8/29/20
 Rockrohr, Paul (Board for International Mission – St. Louis) to SW 5/6/19
 Rodriguez, Manny (Candidate) to TX 8/27/18
 Schanbacher, Jeffrey (Immanuel – Jefferson City) to IE 7/31/18

Schempf, Michael (Board for International Mission – St. Louis) to SW 9/24/18
 Scheer, Jeffrey (Candidate) to PSW 12/16/19
 Schlund, Andrew (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to SO 4/9/21
 Schnelle, Aaron (St. Peter – St. Joseph) to KS 4/19/20
 Seidler, Scott (Concordia – Kirkwood) to PSW 8/1/19
 Shaw, Jonathan (LCMS Board for Mission Services – St. Louis) to EN 10/12/20
 Short, Paul (Emeritus) to TX 8/3/18
 Smith, Brent (LCMS – St. Louis) to NEB 8/28/18
 Springer, Martin (Emeritus) to NOW 6/3/21
 Steensma, Richard (Timothy – Blue Springs) to MNS 7/31/18
 Steiner, Mark (Emeritus) to SE 8/17/21
 Thomson, Kevin (St. Paul’s – Des Peres) to IN 9/1/21
 Walston, Robert (Christ Memorial – St. Louis) to RM 1/31/22
 Weedon, William (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis) to SI 9/11/19
 Weiler, John (Emeritus) to FG 8/5/19
 Weise, Robert (Emeritus) to SI 8/4/21
 Wilshek, David (Emeritus) to SI 6/10/18
 Wilshek, David (Emeritus) to SI 4/5/21
 Wing, Daniel (Immanuel – Sweet Springs) to NEB 7/27/18
 Wolf, Philip (St. John – Purdy) to KS 11/16/20
 Woolery, Nathan (Prince of Peace – Cameron) to CI 5/20/19
 Wrede, William (Candidate) to AT 8/23/21
 Yang, Chris (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to SE 9/5/18
 Zill, Marcus (LCMS – St. Louis) to EN 1/1/21

Changes within District

Albers, Steven (Emeritus) to Trinity – St. Louis 1/20/19 by J. Hatcher
 Andrus, David (St. Paul – St. Louis) to Abiding Savior – St. Louis 12/2/18 by D. McBurney
 Arnold, Tyler (Christ – Platte Woods) to Village – Ladue 5/15/22 by L. Hagan
 Benkendorf, Rodney (Lutheran Heritage Foundation) to Hanover – Cape Girardeau 2/7/21 by L. Hagan
 Bolling, Gerard (Bethlehem – St. Louis) additional call to Concordia University Texas – Austin 8/30/21 by S. Fick
 Bomberger, Kenneth (Candidate) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 4/7/19 by J. Wagner
 Buchmueller, Barrett (Candidate) to LCMS Board for National Mission – St. Louis 7/25/21 by D. Moore
 Egger, Thomas (faculty Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) to president Concordia Seminary – St. Louis 8/27/21 by L. Hagan

Femmel, Mark (Zion – Maryland Heights) also campus pastor Lutheran High School North – St. Louis 9/19/19 by R. Karg
 Foss, Richard (St. Paul – Farmington) to Immanuel – Jefferson City 7/26/18 by K. Morris
 Furgeson, Jon (Associate Pastor, Peace – St. Louis) to Senior Pastor, Peace – St. Louis 8/23/20
 Glenn, Micah (Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine Neighbors) to Lutheran Hour Ministries – St. Louis 3/28/19 by A. Cook
 Glenn, Micah (Lutheran Hour Ministries – St. Louis) to Concordia Seminary 8/28/20 by D. Preus
 Golden, Kevin (Village – Ladue) to Concordia Seminary 8/27/21 by T. Egger
 Goucher, Mark (Bethlehem – New Haven) to Prince of Peace – Cameron 11/23/19 by D. Oddi
 Haeger, Martin (Emeritus) to Ebenezer – Leslie 10/6/18 by J. Ehrhard
 Hagan, R. Lee (Missouri District President) to Missouri District President 7/26/18 by M. Harrison
 Hagerman, Nicholas (Associate Pastor Trinity – Springfield) to Senior Pastor Trinity – Springfield 11/8/20 by L. Hagan
 Hasz, Martin (Eisleben – Scott City) to Missouri District – St. Louis 1/9/20 by L. Hagan
 Haun, Monte (Lutheran Senior Services – St. Louis, Affordable Housing Communities) to Lutheran Senior Services – St. Louis, Lead Chaplain of Laclede Groves 7/25/20 by K. Golden
 Henrickson, Charles (St. Matthew – Bonne Terre) added Grace – DeSoto 6/6/21 by B. Thieme
 Hoehner, Matthew (Messiah – St. Louis) to Christ Community School – Kirkwood 8/14/19 by J. Christiansen
 Hubbard, L. Alan (Emeritus) to St. John – Chillicothe 3/3/19 by K. Scharff
 Krikava, James (LCMS Office of International Mission Associate Executive Director – St. Louis) to LCMS OIM Regional Operations for Eurasia and Asia 9/14/18 by M. Harrison
 Krueger, Kenneth (Concordia – Kirkwood) to Concordia Plans – St. Louis 5/12/22 by L. Hagan
 Lindemann, Rodney (Emeritus) to Timothy, Blue Springs 6/27/19
 Marks, Matthew (Associate Pastor, Immanuel – Perryville) to Senior Pastor, Immanuel – Perryville 9/29/18 by L. Hagan
 Martin, Mark (St. Andrew – Cape Girardeau) to Concordia – Sikeston 11/24/19 by M.
 Martin, Mark (Concordia – Sikeston) to St. Paul – Independence 8/8/21 by L. Hagan
 McGinley, David (Associate Pastor, Webster Gardens – Webster Groves) to Senior Pastor, Webster Gardens – Webster Groves 5/15/22 by J. Christiansen

McMiller, Daniel (LCMS Office of International Mission Executive Director of Recruitment and Regional Operations – St. Louis) to LCMS Office of International Mission Executive Director – St. Louis 7/27/18

Meyer, Michael (LCMS Office of National Mission – St. Louis) to LCMS Director Disaster Training – St. Louis 12/13/19 by M. Harrison

Mueller, Bart (Saint Paul Lutheran High School – Concordia) to Messiah – Independence 3/31/19 by S. Lemmermann

Mueller, Bart (Messiah – Independence) to Holy Trinity – Grandview 5/22/22 by W. Marler

Nava, Jaime (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) to Concordia – Maplewood 6/9/19 by K. Golden

Pfanstiel, Barry (Emeritus) to Trinity – Egypt Mills 7/1/18 by D. Breite

Powell, Samuel (Associate Pastor, Trinity – Jefferson City) to Senior Pastor, Trinity – Jefferson City 1/27/19 by L. Hagan

Preus, Daniel to Concordia Seminary – St. Louis 8/28/20 by T. Peperkorn

Quick, Terry (Candidate) to Lutheran Senior Services – St. Louis 4/26/19 by J. Reitz

Rabe, Mark (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to LCMS Director of Missionary Recruitment – St. Louis 1/5/22 by M. Harrison

Roma, Ron (Lutheran High School South – St. Louis) to Lutheran Church Extension Fund – St. Louis 12/2/19 by B. Day

Rutt, Douglas (Lutheran Hour Ministries – St. Louis) to Concordia Seminary – St. Louis 8/24/18 by D. Meyer

Schave, Steven (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis) to Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots 8/29/21 by M. Clark

Schlie, Charles (Senior Pastor, Messiah – Weldon Spring) to Associate Pastor, Messiah – Weldon Spring 4/1/19

Schoech, Thomas (Resurrection – St. Louis) to St. Paul – New Melle 6/10/18 by G. Ellul

Schumacher, Benjamin (Emeritus) to Faith – St. Robert 1/5/20 by J. Perling

Sippy, Jeffrey (Redeemer – Springfield) to Lutheran Senior Services – St. Louis 7/22/20 by L. Hagan

Snyder, Walter (Emeritus) to Peace and St. Paul – Slater 11/4/18 by B. Thieme

Sponaule, Justin (Faith – Dexter) also at Zion – Poplar Bluff 11/7/21 by M. Boettcher

Springer, Martin (Emeritus) to St. John – Beaufort 3/9/19 by K. Golden

Staffeld, Timothy (Calvary – Kansas City) to Epiphany – St. Louis 8/30/20 by L. Hagan

Swyres, Eric (Immanuel – Carrollton) to Immanuel – Rolla 8/12/18 by L. Hagan

Thomas, Glen (Associate Pastor, St. Paul – Des Peres) to Senior Pastor, St. Paul – Des Peres 8/18/19 by L. Hagan

Thomson, Kevin (Assistant Pastor, St. Paul – Des Peres) to Associate Pastor, St. Paul – Des Peres 8/18/19

Vieker, Jon (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis) to Concordia Seminary 8/27/21 by T. Egger

Weiler, John (Emeritus) to Zion – Valley Park 11/21/21 by W. Marler

Whittle, Brian (Candidate) to St. John – Lohman 8/19/18 by B. Thieme

Wood, Matthew (Concordia – Maplewood) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 7/29/18 by W. Wilson

Zeigler, Michael (Epiphany – St. Louis) to Lutheran Hour Ministries – St. Louis 10/25/18 by L. Hagan

Candidate Status

Benito Morejon, John (Jesus El Buen Pastor – Kansas City) 5/4/20

Chisamore, Brian (Peace – Shell Knob) 3/22/21

Clow, Keith (Trinity – Wellsville) 10/5/20

Collver, Albert (LCMS – St. Louis) 3/12/19

DeBeir, Jerome (Lutheran Hour Ministries – St. Louis) 12/1/20

Broten, Derek (LCMS – St. Louis) 12/3/21

Dobler, Michael (Immanuel – Olivette) 6/1/19

Espinosa, Alfonso (Messiah – St. Louis) 7/23/18

Hass, Mark (Holy Cross for the Deaf – Fenton) 7/1/18

Jauss, Marcus (Immanuel – Higginsville) 8/6/17

LaBore, Richard (Resurrection – St. Louis) 5/6/19

Lail, Robert (Concordia Publishing House – St. Louis) 1/12/19

Moser, Stephen (Candidate) to Redeemer – Springfield 2/10/19 by W. Marler

Richard-Wokoma, PA (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) 6/24/21

Scheer, Jeffery (Lutheran Senior Services – St. Louis) 12/7/19

Schuetze, Nathaniel (Campus – Columbia) 2/9/19

Wrede, William (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 6/9/21

Zerkel, Bradley (Our Redeemer - Kansas City) 4/1/21

Retired

Alter, Anthony (Faith – Jefferson City) 10/29/18

Anderson, Darryl (Lutheran Senior Services – St. Louis) 3/16/19

Bartelt, Andrew (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 2/1/20

Benson, David (Open Arms – Ozark) 6/30/19

Biesenthal, Bruce (Lutheran Church Extension Fund – St. Louis) 11/1/18

Bowder, Russell (Trinity – Jefferson City) 8/24/18
 Bush, John (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 1/1/20
 Dahlke, James (St. Matthew – Concordia) 10/29/18
 Devantier, Paul (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 1/1/15
 Drewitz, Glen (St. John – Brunswick) 7/1/19
 Flo, Steven (Grace – DeSoto) 6/6/21
 Frye, Frank (Holy Cross – Kansas City) 2/15/21
 Gallagher, Frank (Christ – Gordonville) 1/2/19
 Gibbs, Jeffrey (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 7/2/20
 Griffin, Gary (Immanuel – Lockwood) 8/1/20
 Haeger, Martin (Ebenezer – Leslie) 5/1/20
 Hawkinson, Mark (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis) 7/16/20
 Hempel, Joel (Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod – St. Louis) 3/2/19
 Hoehner, Robert (Chapel of the Cross – St. Peters) 3/31/20
 Hoppe, Hector (Concordia Publishing House – St. Louis) 3/31/19
 Hower, Stephen (Pathfinder – Ellisville, Lutheran Hour Ministries, St. Louis) 5/17/21
 Kastens, Dennis (Peace – St. Louis) 8/1/20
 Lindemann, Rodney (Timothy – Blue Springs) 6/2/19
 Loum, John (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) 7/1/20
 Loum, John (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 9/1/20
 Marler, William (Trinity – Springfield) 9/1/20
 Meseke, Morris (Faith – Warsaw) 7/1/19
 Meyer, Dale (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 7/1/20
 Moody, Richard (Holy Cross for the Deaf – Fenton) 1/1/21
 Mueller, Herbert (Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod – St. Louis) 9/1/19
 Muench, David (LCMS Concordia Plans – St. Louis) 7/1/18
 Nelson, Jeffrey (Candidate) 8/16/18
 Ostermeyer, Timothy (Hope – St. Ann) 6/14/21
 Peckman, Richard (Zion – Diggins) 7/1/21
 Preus, Daniel (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 7/1/21
 Rall, Ronald (Timothy – St. Louis) 7/2/19
 Rawlings, David (Shepherd of the Hills – Hermann) 8/26/19
 Riggert, Jerry (Lutheran Senior Services – St. Louis) 1/1/20
 Riordan, Steve (St. Paul – Wildwood) 3/4/21
 Schade, Allen (Immanuel – St. Charles) 4/1/21
 Schoech, Thomas (St. Pauls – New Melle) 8/3/20
 Schoenfeld, King (Trinity – Saint Louis) 1/2/22
 Schult, Paul (King of Kings – Kansas City) 10/1/18
 Schwab, Dennis (Zion – Harvester) 4/1/20
 Shaw, Paul (Immanuel/Light of Christ – Olivette) 8/1/18
 Simmons, William (Christ Memorial – St. Louis) 7/1/18
 Smith, David (St. Paul – Des Peres) 10/1/18

Smith, Mark (Prince of Peace – Crestwood) 1/6/20
 Springer, Martin (St. John's – Beaufort) 4/13/21
 Steiner, Mark (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) 11/1/18
 Tormoehlen, Alger (LCMS Board for Mission Service – St. Louis) 7/1/21
 Wachter, Keith (Holy Cross – O'Fallon) 1/1/19
 Wilkins, Timothy (Holy Cross – St. Louis) 8/19/19
 Wilson, William (Timothy – St. Louis) 8/16/21
 Wollenburg, Alan (Concordia – Sikeston) 9/9/19
 Wyssmann, Gene (Missouri District – St. Louis) 1/1/20
 Zastrow, William (Ebenezer – Leslie) 10/1/18

Deceased

Almstedt, Quentin (Emeritus) 11/15/20
 Bahlow, Norman (Emeritus) 9/7/18
 Bradt, Lawrence (Immanuel – New Wells) 12/22/20
 Brassie, Stuart (Emeritus) 8/22/21
 Burgdorf, Lawrence (Emeritus) 2/12/21
 Desens, Merwin (Emeritus) 10/22/21
 Dubberke, Edwin (Emeritus) 3/4/20
 Eggers, Robert (Emeritus) 4/10/19
 Frerking, Kenneth (Emeritus) 1/12/19
 Gillam, Jack (Emeritus) 12/25/20
 Griffin, Dale (Emeritus) 3/28/20
 Groenke, Lloyd (Emeritus) 11/2/19
 Hackbarth, Lloyd (Emeritus) 9/11/20
 Helland, Lloyd (Emeritus) 8/18/18
 Hilmer, Ronald (Emeritus) 3/3/19
 Hoferkamp, Donald (Emeritus) 3/28/19
 Hoerle, Darrel (Emeritus) 11/22/19
 Jenkins, Donald (Emeritus) 7/19/19
 Kennedy, Lowell (Emeritus) 10/5/21
 Lange, James (Emeritus) 6/30/21
 Lemmermann, Walter (Emeritus) 12/28/19
 Lloyd, Jeffrey (Emeritus) 10/1/21
 Marth, David (Emeritus) 2/19/21
 McCain, Paul (Concordia Publishing House – St. Louis) 11/25/20
 Meyer, Norman (Emeritus) 12/7/20
 Meyer, William (Emeritus) 2/1/19
 Mueller, Adam (Emeritus) 10/29/20
 Nagel, Norman (Emeritus) 10/8/19
 Odom, Frazier (Emeritus) 4/20/21
 Poppe, Leonard (Zion and Immanuel – Lincoln) 8/15/21
 Rassbach, James (Emeritus) 7/30/20
 Reeder, Thomas (Emeritus) 2/10/22
 Rodewald, Alfred (Emeritus) 9/24/20
 Rogers, James (Emeritus) 2/16/19
 Rosin, Wilbert (Emeritus) 10/29/18
 Rottmann, Ellis (Emeritus) 8/21/19
 Scharff, Kim (Trinity – Norborne) 5/27/20
 Schmelder, William (Emeritus) 6/18/18
 Schmidtke, John (Bethlehem – St. Louis) 5/12/22

Schnelle, Paul (Emeritus) 8/25/20
Schwab, Dennis (Emeritus) 3/30/22
Seying, Laokouxang (Kou) (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 11/23/19
Trimberger, Dale (Emeritus) 10/20/21
Voelker, William (Emeritus) 9/8/21
Warneck, Richard (Emeritus) 6/8/21
Winker, Eldon (Emeritus) 2/14/21
Wittmaier, Gerald (Emeritus) 8/30/20
Ziekert, Wilfred (Emeritus) 7/24/21

Resigned/Removed from Roster

Johns, David (Emeritus) 7/2/18
Nelson, Ronald (Emeritus) 6/10/19
Oetting, Timothy (Candidate) 1/27/21
Paseur, Ronald (Candidate) 8/18/20
Pepper, Everett (Peace – Camdenton) 7/6/18
Pike, Joel (Immanuel – Rosebud) 10/18/18
Prothro, James (Trinity – Park Hills) 5/31/18
Riordan, Steven (Emeritus) 2/25/22
Tovar, Feliz (Candidate) 8/18/20
Weiss, Matthew (Humanitri – St. Louis) 7/8/20
Workeneh, Theodros (Christian Friends of New Americans – St. Louis) 6/17/20

Formation of Dual Parish

Faith, Dexter and Zion, Poplar Bluff 8/1/21

Congregations Dissolved

Holy Cross, Cassville 2/10/20

Congregations Added to Synod

None

New Rostered Emeriti

Luley, William by Colloquy Committee 1/10/19,
Emeritus Status 1/10/19

Official Roster of Pastors

(As of June 1, 2022)

Sole Pastor

Abernathy, Roger
 Agne, Paul (Chris)
 Arnold, Tyler
 Backs, Ronnie
 Barto, Gregory
 Bell, Randall
 Benkendorf, Rodney
 Berry, Matthew
 Bibb, Tysen
 Bilgreen, David
 Boettcher, Mark
 Boisclair, David
 Brandon, Kurt
 Brann, Johannes
 Braun, Allen
 Bretscher, David
 Burgdorf, Noah
 Butcher, John
 Clark, Matthew
 Cody, Richard
 Constien, Stephen
 Crockett, Dell
 Denholm, George
 Dickinson, Dwight
 Diener, Michael
 Dittmar, David
 Dock, Jeffrey
 Dressler, Martin
 Dressler, Steven
 Eatherton, Lawrence
 Ellerbrock, Keith
 Elliott, Bruce
 Ellul, Gary
 Ensor, Lewis
 Etzler, Andrew
 Femmel, Mark
 Ferguson, Eamonn
 Fields, Anthony
 Fiene, Hans
 Foss, Richard
 Freeman, Jeremy
 Friedrichs, Galen
 Futrell, Richard
 Gehrke, Wesley
 Gibbs, Karl
 Gorline, Jeremy
 Goucher, Mark
 Gutz, Glen
 Hageman, James
 Hanke, Karl
 Hayter, Matthew

Heaton, William
 Henrickson, Charles
 Hercamp, Jacob
 Herman, Luther
 Hetzel, Brian
 Hoemann, James
 Hubbard, L. Alan
 Huebner, Wayne
 Iannelli, Michael
 Jonas, Scott
 Junkin, Mark
 Kelm, Virgil
 Kennell, Andrew
 Ketelsen, Joshua
 Klaustermeier, Jeremy
 Knapp, Robert
 Kohn, Elden
 Kranz, Mark
 Kueker, Jesse
 Kuhlman, Nathan
 Kurka, Gerald
 Lampe, Gary
 Landgraf, Paul
 Lange, Peter A.
 Lawrence, Wayne
 Lemmermann, Scott
 Liebmann, Robert
 Loesch, Jeremy
 Lucas, Frank
 Malone, C. Robert
 Martin, Mark (Intentional Interim)
 Mattsfield, Wade
 May, Jacob
 May, Jeremy
 McCracken, Garry
 Mech, Gregory
 Mehl, Silas
 Meissner, Craig
 Miille, Timothy
 Mueller, Alan
 Mueller, Jacob T.
 Nava, Jaime
 Newman, Drew
 Oberdieck, David
 Oddi, David
 Paetow, Derek
 Parviz, Kevin
 Pederson, Joe Ed
 Pelsue, David
 Pettey, Rick

Pfanstiel, Barry
 (Intentional Interim)
 Poppen, Tyler
 Preus, Andrew
 Raedeke, Frederick
 Reiser, Gregg
 Reiter, Craig
 Resner, Matthew
 Rhodes, Thomas
 Roach, John
 Roberts, Bryan
 Roeglin, Matthew
 Ross, Bernard
 Roth, David Jr.
 Rottmann, Erik
 Salo, Scott
 Scheperle, Gerald
 Schreiber, Iromar
 Schultz, Charles
 Schweigert, Jon-Michael
 Schwiesow, Wayne
 Sell, Mark
 Slater, Troy
 Sletten, Jacob
 Smith, William
 Snyder, Walter
 Sonntag, Donaldo
 Sponaugle, Justin
 Staffeld, Timothy
 Steinbrueck, Roger
 Swyres, Eric
 Tanney, Michael
 Theiss, Benjamin
 Thomas, James
 Thorson, Brian
 Voelker, William J.
 Wagner, Jason
 Weiler, John
 Weisenborn, Paul
 Weiser, Tim
 Wendorff, Carl
 Whittle, Brian
 Wildauer, Weston
 Wilkey, Mickey
 Williams, Guillaume
 Wilshusen, James
 Winningham, Paul
 Woerth, Warren
 Wolters, Luke

Senior or Administrative Pastor

Asbury, Randy
 Auringer, Jason
 Bangert, Mark

Below, Mark
 Bereuter, Bryce
 Block, Larry
 Bongard, Stephen
 Breite, Douglas
 Brunette, John
 Castens, Kyle
 Chinberg, Douglas
 Cloeter, Jeffrey
 Dehne, John
 Dinger, Andrew
 Eberhart, Frank
 Furgeson, Jon
 Garrett, Dion
 Gimbel, Andrew
 Gledhill, Eric
 Greene, Frank
 Gruenwald, David
 Hagerman, Nicholas
 Hatcher, Joshua
 Hoehner, Mark
 Hunsaker, Mark
 Karg, Rory
 Kettner, David
 Kopper, Evandro
 Krueger, Joel
 Kurz, Joel
 Lehenbauer, Ronald
 Lewis, David A.
 Lukefahr, David
 Marks, Matthew
 McGinley, David
 Miller, Stephen
 Moore, David
 Morris, Timothy
 Mueller, Bart
 Mueller, James L.
 Okine, Michael
 Otto, Craig
 Parvey, Adam
 Perling, John
 Pierce, Kent
 Pottschmidt, Michael
 Powell, Samuel
 Rodriguez, Joe
 Rolf, David
 Rouland, Mark
 Ruback, Nathan
 Schmieding, Scott
 Schultz, Jeremy
 Shaw, Jason
 Sullivan, Joseph
 Tessone, Andrew
 Thieme, Brian
 Thomas, Glen
 Torreson, Theodore

Truwe, Gregory

Associate Pastor

Albers, Steven
 Andrews, Steven
 Bartholomew, Andrew
 Becker, Andrew
 Bernhardt, Robert
 Bolling, Gerard
 Brown, Robert
 Cundiff, Joel
 Dickerson, Paul
 Fieberkorn, Michael
 Fisher, Maxx
 Fittje, Kyle
 Hochgrebe, Ryan
 Karsten, Darwin
 Koenig, Jarod
 Lehenbauer, Andrew
 Lim, Edmund
 Mauss, Douglas
 McCalley, Joseph
 Meggers, David
 Meyer, Jonathan
 Morris, Kristopher
 Moser, Stephen
 Otte, John
 Palmer, Jonathan
 Pitsch, A. Scott
 Priem, Matthew
 Reimnitz, David
 Roma, Thomas
 Schlie, Charles
 Schlie, Jesse
 Schlie, Joseph
 Schmidt, Joshua
 Schrader, Alexander
 Schram, Nicholas
 Schultz, Jacob
 Sommer, Christopher
 Stacy, Eric
 Taylor, Ryan
 Uglum, James
 Vaughn, David

Assistant Pastor

Andrus, David
 Christiansen, Joel
 Clemens, Daniel
 Froiland, Brandon
 Gensch, Jeremiah
 Kieschnick, Charles
 Kuhn, Dale
 Prince, James

Ratcliffe, Keith
 Sanchez-Zapata, Vicente
 Schumacher, Benjamin
 Selbana, Abdi
 Vo, Minh Chau
 Wade, Tanner
 Wehmeyer, Craig

Emeritus Pastor

Allwardt, William
 Altenberger, Roger
 Alter, Anthony
 Anderegg, Richard
 Anderson, Darryl
 Appold, Mark
 Arle, Edward
 Asmus, Gerhard
 Atsinger, Victor
 Bachert, Alan
 Bacon, Arthur
 Baker, Thomas
 Becker, Wallace
 Benedum, Thomas
 Benson, David
 Bertels, Ricky
 Biesenthal, Bruce (Max)
 Bischoff, Clifford
 Block, Harold
 Boedecker, David
 Boettcher, Loren
 Boheim, Keith
 Bond, Dale
 Bowder, Russell
 Brandt, Gary
 Brandt, Warren
 Brauer, James
 Brockopp, Elroy
 Bruss, Eldor
 Buckman, Allan
 Burge, David
 Bush, John
 Bush, Julius
 Cameron, Bruce
 Campbell, Phillip
 Carter, Stephen
 Clancy, Bryant
 Constien, Victor
 Cook, Richard
 Dautenhahn, John
 Diekelman, William
 Dissen, David
 Dittmer, Terry
 Doubek, William
 Drewitz, Glen
 Droegemueller, Carl

Dubisar, Douglas
 Eickmann, Jerrold
 Engler, Albert
 Flo, Steven
 Folle, Ronald
 Francisco, Thurman (Tim)
 Frye, Frank
 Gadeken, Robert
 Gallagher, F. Mike
 Geil, Allen
 Gibbs, Jeffrey
 Gilbert, Dan
 Goddard, Paul
 Graudin, Arthur
 Griffin, Gary
 Guetersloh, Ralph
 Haeger, Martin
 Hawkinson, Mark
 Hemmingson, Gerald
 Henrichs, Robert
 Hertwig, Frederick
 Hirsch, Bradley
 Hobratschk, John
 Hoehne, Ronald
 Hoehner, Robert
 Hoffstetter, Gary
 Hoppe, Hector
 Hower, Stephen
 Hummel, Edward
 Jansen, Ronald
 Joersz, Jerald
 Johnson, David P.
 Kamprath, Stephen
 Kastens, Dennis
 Kirchner, Duane
 Kirk, James
 Knolhoff, Wayne
 Koeller, Martin
 Koenig, Clifford
 Kolb, Barry
 Kolb, Robert
 Kriefall, Daniel
 Kriete, Robert
 Krohe, Wayne
 Kuhn, Robert
 Lampe, Kendall
 Lampe, Kenneth
 Langhoff, Donald
 Larson, Mark S.
 Leeman, Karl
 Lieb, Francis
 Liebmann, Martin
 Liebnau, David
 Likens, James
 Loesch, Keith
 Loum, John

Loza, David
 Luckritz, Harold
 Luley, William
 Maas, Duane
 Mahsman, David
 Manteufel, Thomas
 Markel, Jerry
 Marler, William
 Mattson, Daniel
 Matzat, Donald
 Matzat, William
 Melchior, Edward
 Meseke, Morris
 Metzger, William
 Meyer, Dale
 Miesner, Donald
 Mitkos, Leslie
 Moeller, Randall
 Moody, Richard
 Muehler, Gary
 Nafzger, Samuel
 Nelson, Jeffrey
 Nicolaus, Jon
 Ninke, John
 Ostermeyer, Timothy
 Peckman, Paul
 Peckman, Richard
 Peckman, Walter
 Prange, Paul
 Rattelmuller, George
 Rau, Harold
 Rawlings, David
 Rhiver, James
 Riggert, Jerry
 Rossow, Francis
 Rossow, Lowell
 Rowold, Henry
 Rux, Jarold
 Samuel, Victor
 Schack, Gary
 Schade, Allen
 Schaefer, Henry
 Schamber, Kenneth
 Schaser, Rudolf
 Scheidt, Paul
 Schempff, Michael
 Schenk, Allen
 Schiefer, Elmer
 Schmeisser, Kirk
 Schmidt, Alvin
 Schmidt, David
 Schmidt, Dennis
 Schmidt, Warren
 Schnackenberg, James
 Schoech, Thomas
 Schoedel, John

Schoedel, Walter
 Schoenfeld, King
 Schroeder, William
 Schuette, Ronald
 Schuetze, Nathaniel
 Schult, Paul E.
 Shaw, Paul
 Short, Paul
 Shreckhise, Robert
 Sievers, Kenneth
 Simmons, Arthur
 Simmons, Ronald
 Simmons, William
 Smith, David
 Smith, Gregory
 Smith, Mark
 Sprick, Donovan
 Stohs, Milton
 Stolle, Gary
 Streufert, Stephen
 Stueve, Eugene
 Sveom, Dale
 Temple, John
 Teuscher, Daniel
 Theiss, Terry
 Thur, Richard
 Tormoehlen, Alger
 Troyke, James
 Urban, Otto
 Wachter, Keith
 Wanner, Michael
 Watson, Edward
 Weinhold, Terry
 Wenger, Mark
 Wilkins, Timothy
 Wilson, William
 Winters, Walter
 Wittenberger, Denis
 Wittmayer, Garland
 Wolf, Blake
 Wollenburg, Alan
 Wuerffel, Theodore
 Wyssmann, Gene
 Young, Kenneth
 Zastrow, William

Candidate Status

Bijjiga, Jaya
 Bluege, Joseph
 Bolstad, Arthur
 Broten, Derek
 Burgell, Nathan
 Chisamore, Brian
 Clow, Keith
 Copus, Perry

DeBeir, Jay (SMP)
 Dubberke, William
 Grund, Terry
 Hemler, Jonathan
 Kurz, Erich
 LaBore, Richard
 Lail, Robert
 LeClair, Edward
 Luhman, Eric
 Meyer, Richard
 Miller, James
 Persich, Wayne
 Rhoads, John
 Richard-Wokoma, P.A.
 Schnakenberg, Kevin
 Schultz, Nathan
 Scott, Tobin
 Tomesch, Jordan
 Wilson, Lynn
 Zerkel, Bradley

Synodical Administrator

Harrison, Matthew
 Sias, John

Synodical Executive or Staff

Askins, Roy
 Baneck, James
 Borchert, Mark
 Daenzer, Sean
 Day, J. Bart
 Fale, John
 Frith, Mark
 Gray, Roosevelt
 Griebenaw, Douglas
 Hall, Gary
 Harmelink, Daniel
 Hernandez, Carlos
 Hokana, Steven
 Johnson, Ross
 Jurchen, Peter
 Kiessling, Mark
 Kinnaman, Scot
 Kobs, Matthew
 Krueger, Kenneth
 Krupski, Philip
 Lange, Peter K.
 Lehenbauer, Joel
 McMiller, Daniel
 Meyer, Michael
 Mitchell, Christopher
 Muehler, Craig
 Palmer, Wayne

Rabe, Mark
 Riebau, Robert
 Robson, Kevin
 Seltz, Gregory
 Serina, Richard
 Wenthe, Dean
 Wood, Mark
 Wurst, Robert
 Zagore, Robert
 Zittlow, Todd

District Administrator

Hagan, R. Lee

District Executive or Staff

Geis, William
 Hasz, Martin

Synod Missionary

Clausing, Jonathan
 Jaseph, Philip
 Jastram, Daniel
 Jensen, Nathaniel
 Krikava, James
 McMiller, Tyler
 Mizel, Christopher
 Rall, Ronald
 Rudowske, Richard, Jr.
 Schulte, Gary
 Stinnett, Eric
 Trinklein, John
 Wildauer, Micah
 Wood, Matthew

District Missionary

Bartok, James
Other Missionary
 Grulke, Carl
 Rickenberg, Kermit

Campus Missionary

None

Seminary Faculty or Staff

Adams, David
 Arand, Charles
 Bahkou, Abjar
 Biermann, Joel
 Bode, Gerhard

Borcherding, Alan
 Bureson, Kent
 Dost, Timothy
 Egger, Thomas
 Glenn, Micah
 Golden, Kevin
 Haupt, Benjamin
 Herrmann, Erik
 Lewis, David I.
 Marriott, James
 Marrs, Richard
 Maxwell, David
 Mudge, Ronald
 Nafzger, Peter
 Nielsen, Glenn
 Okamoto, Joel
 Oswald, Jeffrey
 Penhallegon, Phillip
 Peter, David
 Prieto, Ely
 Raj, Victor
 Robinson, Paul
 Rockenbach, Mark
 Rosin, Robert
 Rutt, Douglas
 Saleska, Timothy
 Sanchez, Leopoldo
 Schlund, Tom
 Schrieber, Paul
 Schuchard, Bruce
 Schumacher, William
 Seifrid, Mark
 Thompson, W. Mart
 Thormodson, Jeffrey
 Vieker, Jon
 Voelz, James

Lutheran High Faculty or Staff

Conkling, Martin
 Cox, Joseph
 Deterding, Paul
 Femmel, Mark
 Knippa, Michael
 Lange, Thomas

Principal Only Elementary/High School

Hohner, Matthew
 Mehl, Paul

Institutional Chaplain

Briggs, Robert



Buchmueller, Barrett	Greer, Johnny
Haun, Monte	King, Brian
Heller, Brian	Lewis, Johnathan
Mueller, James P.	Lindemann, Rodney
Nilges, Chris	Loum, Cyril
Quick, Terry	Mastic, Andrew
Roma, Ron	Roedemeier, Dennis
Sippy, Jeffrey	Schmitt, David
Stratmann, David	Stallings, Cory
	Ward, Dale
	Yount, Andrew

Other Specialized

Ministry

None

Military Chaplain

Ancira, Mario
Bomberger, Kenneth
Engle, Tristan
Genthner, Glenndon
Hamer, Brian
Muehler, Carl
Niemtschk, Bobby
Ochner, Douglas

Auxiliary Ministry

Broge, Jason
Cook, Anthony
Figur, Nilo
Kirby, Peter
Lakies, Chad
Zeigler, Michael

Recognized Service

Organization

Erdman, Alan
NaThalang, Pornprom
(Ted)
Schave, Steven
Schulz, Wallace
Stanley, Vincent
Zimmerman, Darrell

Teacher Elementary

Greene, John

Specific Ministry Pastor

(SMP)

Blankenship, William
DeBeir, Jay
Gillmore, Steven

Membership Changes in the Missouri District

(As of June 1, 2022)

Commissioned Ministers

Graduates Installed

Bender, Emily (RF '16) to Lutheran High School South – St. Louis 3/10/21 by L. Hagan
Bierman, Rachel (Colloquy M '21) to Immanuel – Perryville 8/15/21 by M. Marks
Browne, Aubrey (S '19) to St. Paul – St. Joseph 6/23/19 by D. Moore
Browne, Benjamin (S '18) to St. Paul – St. Joseph 8/12/18 by D. Moore
Chandler, Kathryn (Colloquy RF '18) to Abiding Savior – St. Louis 2/21/21 by R. Rall
Cole, Amanda (Colloquy SP '16) to Springfield – Springfield 8/26/18 by A. Bartholomew
Coomer, Samantha (S '18) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/12/18 by T. Roma
Cortright, Kendall (Colloquy IR '20) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 07/27/20 by K. Robson
Curtis, Tracy (Colloquy SP '18) to Springfield – Springfield 1/27/19 by A. Bartholomew
Davis, Deborah (Colloquy RF '20) to Lutheran High School South – St. Louis 3/10/21 by L. Hagan
Delleart, Sarah (Colloquy RF '18) to Immanuel – Washington 10/21/18 by M. Bangert
Dibler, Tiffany (Colloquy RF '18) to Child of God – St. Peters 8/26/18 by M. Conkling
Donner, Jennifer (Colloquy RF '20) to Zion – St. Charles 8/15/21 by M. Rouland
Eckels, Jonah (M '19) to Child of God – St. Peters 8/25/19 by J. Gorline
Enderle, Amber (Colloquy RF '20) to Trinity – Cape Girardeau 9/13/20 by D. Breite
Epperson, David (S '19) to Immanuel - Perryville 8/4/19 by M. Marks
Evans, David (M '14) to Bethlehem – Raymore 2/3/19 by D. Reimnitz
Fenske, Emily (M '20) to Child of God – St. Peters 8/23/20 by J. Gorline
Fleck, Kendra (Colloquy S '20) to St. Paul – St. Joseph 4/11/21 by D. Moore
Forbes, Emmi (AA '20) to Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine Neighbors 5/16/21 by N. Ruback
Formella, Amy (M '15) to Lutheran Bible Translators – Concordia 1/12/20 by R. Schroeder
Fritsche, Clarion (Concordia Seminary FW '21) to

LCMS Board for International Mission – St. Louis by T. Krey 9/12/21
Gerhardt, Matthew (M '12) to St. Paul's – Des Peres 2/3/19 by G. Thomas
Grove, Doug (IR '19) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 9/27/20 by C. Mizel
Grubbs, Christine (Colloquy S '19) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/11/19 by T. Roma
Hahn, Rachel (Colloquy RF '21) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/15/21 by S. Schmieding
Hallemeier, Paige (Colloquy RF '18) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/11/19 by S. Schmieding
Harrell, Katie (B '19) to Immanuel – St. Charles 1/10/21 by S. Schmieding
Hellwig, Clara (IR '19) to Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – Saint Peters 8/11/19 by C. Schlie
Hentges, Aaron (S '18) to Lutheran High School of Kansas City – Kansas City 8/19/18 by J. Otte
Hoag, Rachel (IR '21) to Chapel of the Cross – St. Peters 8/8/21 by J. Uglum
Holtz, Katie (Colloquy RF '19) to St. Paul – Farmington 8/11/19 by S. Constien
Hooper, Linnea (S '21) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/22/21 by J. Auringer
Horton, Linda (IR '20) to St. Paul – St. Joseph 9/27/20 by D. Moore
Hughes, Kristina (Colloquy S '20) to Trinity – Jefferson City 5/19/21 by S. Powell
Hunt, Barbara (Colloquy RF '18) to Child of God – St. Peters 8/26/18 by M. Conkling
James, Rachel (M '19) to Calvary Lutheran High School – Jefferson City 8/15/19 by M. Diener
Jostes, Laura (SL '18) to Village – Ladue 5/5/19 by K. Golden
Kasey, Zara (RF '18) to St. John – Ellisville 8/11/18 by D. Garrett
Knehans, Hannah (AA '20) to Trinity – Springfield 1/10/21 by N. Hagerman
Kollmeyer, Tasha (Colloquy S '02) to Trinity – Jefferson City 5/23/21 by S. Powell
Krauss, Susan (Colloquy RF '18) to Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – St. Peters 8/12/18 by T. Roma
Larson, Rachel (M '20) to Zion – St. Charles 4/21/21 by M. Rouland
Leeper, Emily (S '18) to Zion – St. Charles 8/12/18 by M. Rouland
Lind, Anna (M '15) to Lutheran Association for Special Education – St. Louis 8/12/18 by T. Roma
Link, Haley (RF '18) to St. John – Arnold 7/14/18 by J. Schultz
Linneman, Michelle (Colloquy RF '18) to Zion - Harvester 8/10/19 by M. Rouland

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Maita, Ruth (Colloquy P '15) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 10/14/18 by C. St. Onge
 Maser, Kari (S '18) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/12/18 by T. Roma
 McClanahan, Andrea (S '19) to Calvary Lutheran High School – Jefferson City 8/15/19 by M. Diener
 Mehl, Hope (S '17) to Our Savior – Fenton 8/16/20 by M. Sell
 Mellen, Brandie (Colloquy S '20) to Trinity – Cole Camp 10/4/20 by G. Truwe
 Mikkelson, Jacob (S '20) to St. Paul's – Sedalia 8/9/20 by J. Freeman
 Moore, Lindsey (Colloquy S '19) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/11/19 by T. Roma
 Moore, Samuel (S '20) to St. Paul – Concordia 8/16/20 by M. Pottschmidt
 Munoz, Faustino (RF '18) to Faith – Oakville 7/22/18 by J. Brunette
 Naumann, Alissa (Colloquy RF '19) to Immanuel – Wentzville 9/1/19 by T. Roma
 Nelson, Paul (S '18) to King of Kings – Chesterfield 7/29/18 by D. Chinberg
 Overbeck, Lindsey (S '20) to Immanuel – Washington 8/9/20 by M. Bangert
 Panagos, Sara (Colloquy RF '17) to St. Johns – Arnold 8/12/18 by J. Schultz
 Renken, Gayle (Colloquy RF '20) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 05/23/21 by J. Scheiwe
 Rizzo, Jennifer (Colloquy IR '19) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 12/1/19 by C. Mizel
 Ross, Lydia (S '19) to Campus – Columbia 7/7/19 by K. Pierce
 Roth, Melanie (Colloquy RF '20) to Saxony Lutheran High School – Jackson 8/15/21 by J. May
 Rucker, Karlee (Colloquy S '21) to The King's Academy – Lake Ozark 8/22/21 by K. Morris
 Scamehorn, Sarah (S '18) to Our Savior – Fenton 8/12/18 by M. Sell
 Schaff, Andrew (S '04) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 7/28/19 by C. Asbury
 Schmidt, Miranda (RF '15) to Faith – Oakville 8/25/19 by J. Palmer
 Schultz, Hannah (RF '20) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/16/20 by S. Schmieding
 Seidel, Haley (Colloquy S '21) to The King's Academy – Lake Ozark 8/22/21 by K. Morris
 Shull, Hannah (M '18) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 8/19/18 by T. Wenig

Sipes, Marie (RF '19) to Our Savior – Fenton 8/11/19 by M. Sell
 Smith, Anna (M '19) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/16/20 by J. Auringer
 Steele, Alicia (Colloquy M '20) to Immanuel – Perryville 8/15/21 by M. Marks
 Theilmann, Kimberly (Colloquy S '19) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/11/19 by T. Roma
 Thompson, Amelia (RF '18) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/15/21 by S. Schmieding
 Thormodson, Brittany (M '18) to Christ Community – Kirkwood 8/15/18 by J. Christiansen
 Timmerman, Sonya (S '05) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/15/21 by S. Schmieding
 Tull, Rhonda (Colloquy S '18) to St. Paul's – Sedalia 11/4/18 by J. Freeman
 Warner, Margaret (RF '21) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/22/21 by R. Taylor
 Worral, Hannah (S '19) to Child of God – St. Peters 8/25/19 by J. Gorline
 Ziegelbein, Samuel (S '18) to Calvary Lutheran High School – Jefferson City 3/20/19 by M. Diener

Transferred from Other Districts

Auger, Chris (IE) to Calvary – Kansas City 8/16/20 by B. Bereuter
 Auger, Emma (IE) to Candidate 7/1/20
 Baker, Molly (SE) to St. Johns – Arnold 8/23/20 by A. Becker
 Bangert, Amanda (NEB) to St. Johns – Arnold 8/12/18 by J. Schultz
 Bartok, Kimberly (MI) to Candidate 5/10/19
 Bergdolt, Kurt (NOW) to Lutheran North Middle and High School – St. Louis 8/13/20 by M. Roeglin
 Bernau, Stephen (SW) to Christ Community – Kirkwood 8/18/21 by S. Bongard
 Boehnme, Hannah (TX) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/22/21 by J. Auringer
 Bolt, Robert (NI) to Emeritus 6/2/20
 Bradley, Timothy (RM) to St. Paul – Concordia 8/25/19 by M. Pottschmidt
 Brandon, Catherine (TX) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 7/8/18 by C. Singer
 Brandon, Michael (TX) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 7/8/18 by C. Singer
 Burkee, Jeffrey (SE) to Salem – Florissant 2/28/21 by M. Dressler
 Carnehl, Lisa (Candidate) to MNS 2/6/19
 Case, Kimberly (MI) to Candidate 12/16/19
 Christian, David (IN) to Emeritus 8/1/19
 Christian, Judith (IN) to Emeritus 8/1/19



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Christian, Megan (SE) to Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – St. Peters 8/8/21 by M. Iannelli
Dean, Brenda (FG) to Green Park – St. Louis 12/8/21 by J. Schultz
Dehning, Melanie (KS) to Candidate 6/13/18
Dehning, Mervin (KS) to St. Marks – Eureka 8/5/18 by R. Liebmann
Denney, Rebecca (KS) to Martin Luther Academy – Kansas City 8/21/19 by F. Greene
Dinger, Caitlin (NJ) to Candidate 5/1/19
Douglas, Joshua (ND) to Lutheran School Association – Cole Camp 8/11/18 by G. Truwe
Elowsky, Julianna (IN) to Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine Neighbors 8/22/21 by N. Ruback
Erickson, Chelsea (RM) to Child of God – St. Peters 8/25/19 by J. Gorline
Fisher, Vicki (NEB) to Emeritus 2/11/21
Flanick, Meghan (SE) to Holy Cross – O’Fallon 8/12/18 by A. Gimbel
Frazier, Catherine (PSW) to Christ Community – Kirkwood 8/15/18 by J. Christiansen
Fuhler, Claire (FG) to Chapel of the Cross – St. Peters 7/26/20 by J. Uglum
Geyer, Marissa (TX) to Candidate 12/17/19
Gillam, Linda (NEB) to Candidate 8/22/19
Goltl, Amy (TX) to St. John’s – Arnold 8/15/21 by J. Schultz
Gorline, Gretchen (TX) to Candidate 7/22/21
Hayden, Hannah (NW) to Redeemer – Springfield 6/2/19 by J. Sippy
Hinz, Rachel (MI) to Candidate 11/1/18
Holt, Stacey (NEB) to Webster Gardens – Webster Groves 3/10/19 by J. Christiansen
Jurchen, Deborah (NEB) to Candidate 4/14/21
Kahre, Lillian (TX) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 9/19/19 by C. Ferry
Kasten, Ronald (EN) to Emeritus 1/6/22
Kavugha, Rehema (NEB) to Lutheran Church Extension Fund – St. Louis 9/13/19 by L. Hagan
Kirby, Emilie (CI) to St. Paul’s Early Childhood Center – Des Peres 8/15/21 by G. Thomas
Kopp, Amy (IN) to Candidate 6/30/18
Kopp, Tyler (IN) to Immanuel – Jefferson City 8/5/18 by R. Foss
Ladendorf, Gene (SW) to Emeritus 9/8/20
Ladendorf, Janice (SW) to Emeritus 9/8/20
Lang, Hannah (IN) to Messiah – Weldon Spring 2/6/22 by J. Mueller
Leonard, Christine (SELC) to Candidate 12/2/19
Longmire, Sarah (MI) to Lord of Life – Chesterfield 8/11/19 by M. Below
Lukas, Rebekah (NW) to Candidate 5/7/21
Magness, Phillip (OK) to Candidate 2/26/19
Manor, Tiffany (NE) to Lutheran Church-Missouri

Synod – Saint Louis 06/12/20 by M. Harrison
Mattlin, Tyler (PSW) to Immanuel – Higginsville 8/8/21 by K. Brandon
McCain, Jean (MI) to Emeritus 3/2/22
McDonnell, Ruth (CI) to LCMS Concordia University System – St. Louis 8/17/21 by L. Hagan
Mehl, Louisa (CNH) to St. Paul – Concordia 8/16/20 by M. Pottschmidt
Meissner, Rebekah (NI) to Candidate 4/25/22
Merrell, Linda (RM) to Emeritus 1/11/22
Meyer, Kara (RM) to Trinity – Cape Girardeau 10/21/18 by D. Breite
Palisch, Daniel (TX) to Emeritus 1/21/22
Pauling, Melissa (IE) to St. Paul’s Early Childhood Center 8/15/21 by G. Thomas
Pawlitz, Ronald (FG) to Emeritus 7/15/20
Pfothhauer, Rachel (IW) to Christ Community – Kirkwood 8/15/18 by J. Christiansen
Pomerence, Micah (SI) to Lutheran High School North – St. Louis 8/9/19 by R. Karg
Poppe, Molly (RM) to Candidate 8/23/18
Poppe, Nathanael (RM) to St. Paul – Concordia 8/12/18 by M. Pottschmidt
Reimann, Mary Jo (OH) to Emeritus 11/29/21
Rempfer, Rachel (TX) to The Kings Academy – Lake Ozark 8/18/19 by K. Morris
Rodriguez, Rachel (SW) to Lutheran High School of Kansas City – Kansas City 8/18/19 by J. Schultz
Salo, Andrea (EN) to Candidate 10/22/20
Schatz, Emily (RM) to Webster Gardens – Webster Groves 8/1/21 by B. King
Scheller, Brian (CNH) to Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – St. Peters 8/14/20 by A. Schade
Scheller, Sara (CNH) to Candidate 8/1/20
Schempf, Andrew (NI) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/12/18 by S. Schmieding
Schnack, Deborah (MI) to Emeritus 6/30/20
Schnack, John (MI) to Emeritus 6/30/20
Schultz, Rebecca (SI) to Concordia – Kirkwood 9/20/20 by J. Schultz
Schwartzkopf, Melissa (CNH) to LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis 12/13/18 by C. Mizel
Septeowski, Dale (NI) to Emeritus 7/17/18
Septeowski, Dawn (NI) to Emeritus 7/17/18
Smith, Charity (KS) to Holy Cross – O’Fallon 8/15/21 by A. Gimbel
Sprengel, Charise (KS) to Candidate 7/10/18
Sprengel, Jonathan (IN) to Trinity – Jefferson City 8/15/21 by S. Powell
Stahlecker, Brianne (NEB) to St. Pauls – Des Peres 8/16/20 by G. Thomas
Steffen, Lindsay (SW) to Candidate 5/8/19
Steuernagel, Paula (MI) to St. Paul – Jackson 10/31/21



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by J. Shaw
Strecker, Ashley (NI) to Candidate 6/11/18
Streuter, Catherine (SI) to Zion – St. Charles 8/15/21
by M. Rouland
Strong, Martha (NW) to LCMS Office of International
Mission, Ministry to Armed Forces – St. Louis
3/17/19 by J. Perling
Stuenkel, Katelyn (TX) to Saint Paul Lutheran High –
Concordia 8/18/19 by P. Mehl
Stuenkel, Ruth (MNN) to Emeritus 12/15/21
Tanney, Nicole (SW) to Village – Ladue 8/30/20 by
K. Golden
Thews, Melinda (CNH) to LCMS Office of
International Mission – St. Louis 7/21/19 by K.
Schilling
Thiem, Sarah (NEB) to Candidate 8/31/18
Thompson, Jessica (SELC) to Word of Life – St.
Louis 8/30/20 by M. Larson
Timmerman, David (SELC) to Lutheran Hour
Ministries – St. Louis 5/19/22 by A. Cook
Tonjes, Bernard (NEB) to Lutheran High School of St.
Charles County – St. Peters 8/12/18 by T. Roma
Vito, Samantha (NI) to Kings Academy – Lake Ozark
8/23/20 by K. Morris
Wallace, Lydia (IE) to United in Christ – Frohna
8/11/19 by S. Dressler
Warnier, Christina (MNS) to Martin Luther Academy
– Kansas City 8/21/19 by F. Greene
Wehling, Alicia (PSW) to Candidate 3/1/20
Weinhold, Rachel (RM) to Immanuel – Lockwood
8/5/18 by K. Fittje
Weinhold, Rachel (KS) to Candidate 2/1/22
Wenger, Patricia (KS) to Emeritus 12/19/18
Wiederkehr, Daniel (NI) to Candidate 10/25/21
Wiencke, Dorothy (FG) to United in Christ – Frohna
8/15/21 by J. Hoemann
Wischmeyer, Donald (RM) to Emeritus 1/12/19
Wittig, Rebecca (PSW) to Candidate 12/12/21
Wolfe, Morgan (MI) to Immanuel – Wentzville
8/11/19 by T. Roma
Wolfram, Mark (TX) to Lutheran Church-Missouri
Synod – St. Louis 8/30/19 by K. Robson
Zickfield, James (KS) to Candidate 7/30/18
Zorena, Kevin (NI) to Calvary Lutheran High School
– Jefferson City 8/18/21 by M. Diener

Reinstated

Andreasen, Alison (Reinstated by COP 11/20) to
Candidate
Johnson, Mireya (Reinstated by COP 9/18) to
Candidate
McKeage, Karla (Reinstated by COP 2/19) to
Candidate

Ogden, Kathryn (Reinstated by COP 9/18) to
Candidate
Phelps, Molly (Reinstated by COP 2/22) to Candidate
Pister, Ronnie (Reinstated by COP 9/20) to Candidate
Slavens, Elizabeth (Reinstated by COP 9/19) to
Candidate
Von Ahsen, Kenneth (Reinstated by COP 11/19) to
Candidate
Wagner, Lee Ann (Reinstated by COP 9/20) to
Emeritus
Walker, Audrey (Reinstated by COP 9/18) to
Candidate
Wolf, Melissa (Reinstated by COP 11/20) to
Candidate

Changes within District

Adams, Melissa (Trinity – Cape Girardeau) to Saxony
Lutheran High School – Jackson 8/20/20 by P.
Short
Akerson, B. Scott (Christ Community – Kirkwood) to
Lutheran High School South – St. Louis 8/9/19 by
R. Karg
Begley, Janet (St. Paul – Farmington) to Calvary –
Kansas City 8/19/18 by B. Bereuter
Bergholt, Matthew (LCMS Office of National Mission
– St. Louis) to Lutheran Church Extension Fund –
St. Louis 12/9/21 by L. Hagan
Bergholt, Melissa (teacher Word of Life – St. Louis)
to principal Word of Life – St. Louis 8/12/18 by
M. Clark
Besel, Travis (Candidate) to Christ Memorial – St.
Louis 7/28/19 by R. Walston
Besel, Travis (Christ Memorial – St. Louis) to
Lutheran High School South – St. Louis 8/29/21
by M. Knippa
Blackard, Nancy (Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine
Neighbors) to United in Christ – Frohna 8/11/19
by S. Dressler
Boehlke, Christian (LCMS Office of International
Mission – St. Louis) Director of Missionary
Services to Associate Executive Director, St.
Louis Operations 10/24/18 by M. Harrison
Bohn, Stephanie (Candidate) to Messiah – St. Charles
8/22/21 by J. Mueller
Braddy, Micah (Zion – St. Charles) to Lutheran High
School of St. Charles County – St. Peters) 8/8/21
by M. Iannelli
Burgdorf, Susan (Immanuel – Rolla) to Our Savior –
Fenton 8/11/19 by M. Sell
Burkee, Jeffrey (interim principal Salem – Florissant)
to principal Salem – Florissant 8/15/21 by M.
Dressler
Butterfield, Jonathan (Christ Community – Kirkwood)

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- to Lutheran High School South – St. Louis
8/14/18 by J. Christiansen
- Case, Kimberly (Candidate) to Christ Community –
Kirkwood 8/18/20 by M. Hoehner
- Chapin, Kathryn (Teacher, Trinity – St. Charles) to
Principal/Teacher, Trinity – St. Charles 8/25/19
by J. Thomas
- Cole, Amanda (Teacher, Springfield – Springfield) to
Principal, Springfield – Springfield 6/2/19 by J.
Sippy
- Dehn, Linda (St. Mark’s – Eureka) to Our Savior –
Fenton 8/15/21 by M. Sell
- Dehn, Linda (teacher, Our Savior - Fenton) to
principal, Our Savior – Fenton 3/6/22 by M. Sell
- Dixon, Joshua (St. Mark’s – Eureka) to Green Park –
St. Louis 10/24/18 by J. Cloeter
- Dubberke, Robert (St. John – Ellisville) to Immanuel –
St. Charles 8/15/21 by S. Schmieding
- Esselman, Adele (Candidate) to St. Paul – Jackson
8/23/20 by J. Shaw
- Fiala, David (LCMS Office of International Mission –
St. Louis) to LCMS Mission Advancement – St.
Louis 3/9/20 by K. Robson
- Foss, Kayla (Candidate) to Salem – Florissant 8/15/21
by M. Dressler
- Frazier, Catherine (Christ Community – Kirkwood) to
St. Mark’s – Eureka 8/16/20 by S. Brassie
- Freeman, Alan (Missouri District – St. Louis) to
LCMS Office of National Mission – St. Louis
2/10/22 by M. Harrison
- Frerking, Caitlin (Messiah – Independence) to St. Paul
– Concordia 8/12/18 by M. Pottschmidt
- Geyer, Marissa (Candidate) to Trinity – Freistatt
2/23/20 by W. Marler
- Glenn, Dorothy (Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine
Neighbors) to Immanuel – Olivette 10/27/19 by
R. Karg
- Graefe, Joseph (St. Paul – Jackson) to Lutheran
School Association – Cole Camp 8/11/18 by G.
Truwe
- Gray, Constance (Candidate) to Immanuel – Wentzville
8/12/18 by T. Roma
- Gremminger, Anna (Candidate) to Immanuel –
Wentzville 8/11/19 by T. Roma
- Grizzle, Sarah (Child of God – St. Peters) to Immanuel
– St. Charles 8/16/20 by S. Schmieding
- Hanson, G. Daneen (St. John – Ellisville) to Grace
Chapel – Bellefontaine Neighbors 8/18/19 by N.
Ruback
- Harms, Sarah (GEO Missionary – LCMS Office of
International Mission – St. Louis) to Career
Missionary – LCMS Office of International
Mission – St. Louis 12/30/18 by M. Hoehner
- Hoehner, Erin (Zion – St. Charles) to Chapel of the
Cross – St. Peters 8/11/19 by M.
Holshouser, Jennifer (St. John – Ellisville) to Our
Savior – Fenton 8/15/21 by M. Sell
- Hunt, Barbara (Child of God – St. Peters) to King of
Kings – Chesterfield 5/31/20 by D. Chinberg
- Huster, Scott (Assistant Principal,. Immanuel – St.
Charles) to Principal, Immanuel – St. Charles
8/15/21 by S. Schmieding
- Klatt, Emmalynn (Candidate) to St. Johns – Arnold
8/12/18 by J. Schultz
- Krato, Kimberly (Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine
Neighbors) to Child of God – St. Peters 8/22/21
by T. Schoech
- Kutz, Amy (Candidate) to Martin Luther Academy –
Kansas City 8/2/20 by F. Greene
- Larson, Rachel (Zion – St. Charles) to Immanuel –
Olivette 8/22/21 by R. Karg
- Leible, Deanna (St. Paul – Jackson) to Christ
Community – Kirkwood 8/14/19 by J.
Christiansen
- Loeffler, Esther (Principal/Teacher, Trinity – St.
Charles) to Teacher, Trinity – St. Charles 8/25/19
by J. Thomas
- Lukas, Rebekah (Candidate) to Concordia Seminary –
St. Louis 8/27/21 by T. Egger
- Magness, Phillip (Candidate) to LCMS Office of
International Mission – St. Louis 8/18/19 by K.
Golden
- Magness, Phillip (LCMS Office of International
Mission – St. Louis) additional call to Village –
Ladue 1/24/21 by K. Golden
- Marotske, Judy (Immanuel – Lockwood) to Zion –
Bunceton 8/18/19 by P. Weisenborn
- Martens, Lisa (Candidate) to Martin Luther Academy
– Kansas City 10/24/18 by C. Kapels
- Maser, Kari (Candidate) to Immanuel – Wentzville
8/16/20
- McClanahan, Andrea (Calvary Lutheran High –
Jefferson City) to St. Paul Lutheran High –
Farmington 8/15/21 by S. Constien
- Mizel, Danielle (Candidate) to LCMS Office of
International Mission – St. Louis 12/1/19 by C.
Mizel
- Mundt, Angela (Timothy – Blue Springs) to Calvary –
Kansas City 8/16/20 by B. Bereuter
- Munoz, Zara (St. John – Ellisville) to Faith – Oakville
7/26/20 by C. Sommer
- Ogden, Kathryn (Candidate) to Our Savior – Fenton
12/14/18 by M. Sell
- Ogden, Ogden (Candidate) to Christ Community –
Kirkwood 8/18/21 by J. Christiansen
- Otte, Jill (Messiah – Independence) to Timothy – Blue
Springs 8/18/19 by J. Otte
- Paul, Kristina (Salem – Affton) to Concordia –

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Kirkwood 3/27/22 by S. Bongard
 Pawlitz, Ronald (St. Marks – Eureka) to Christ Community – Kirkwood 8/15/18 by J. Christiansen
 Pensel, Amanda (Trinity – Cape Girardeau) to Immanuel – Perryville 8/15/21 by M. Marks
 Petree, Andrea (Zion – Bunceton) to St. Paul – Sedalia 8/19/18 by J. Freeman
 Pister, Ronnie (Candidate) to St. Paul – St. Joseph 11/8/20 by D. Moore
 Rathke, Beckie (Candidate) to Timothy – Blue Springs 8/22/21 by J. Otte
 Rice, Denise (St. Paul – Des Peres) to Lutheran Education Association – River Forest 9/16/20 by J. Leininger
 Ryherd, Brian (Lutheran High School South – St. Louis) to Abiding Savior – St. Louis 7/8/18 by D. McBurney
 Schaefer, Gary (Candidate) to Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine Neighbors 8/19/18 by N. Ruback
 Scheller, Sara (Candidate) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/15/21 by S. Schmieding
 Schmidt, Rebecca (Associate Director of School Ministry, LCMS Office of National Mission – St. Louis) to Director of School Ministry, LCMS Office of National Mission – St. Louis 1/28/19 by H. Mueller
 Schoedel, David (Immanuel – St. Charles) to Lutheran North & Middle School – St. Louis 9/3/21 by M. Femmel
 Schranz, Emma (Child of God – St. Peters) to St. Pauls Early Childhood Center – Des Peres 8/16/20 by G. Thomas
 Schultz, Colleen (Candidate) to Immanuel – Festus 9/13/20 by K. Castens
 Schumacher, Steven (Immanuel – Jefferson City) to The King’s Academy – Lake Ozark 8/19/18 by R. Lehenbauer
 Schumacher, Steven (Emeritus) to Trinity – Alma 8/11/19 by B. Ross
 Schumacher, Steven (Trinity – Alma) to Immanuel – Higginsville 8/9/20 by K. Brandon
 Self, Mary Beth (St. Paul’s – Concordia) to Timothy – Blue Springs 8/19/18 by J. Otte
 Sharp, Emily (St. Paul – St. Joseph) to Christ Prekindergarten – Platte Woods 8/16/20 by T. Arnold
 Smith, Anna (Immanuel – Wentzville) to Messiah – St. Charles 8/22/21 by J. Mueller
 Spieler, Andrew (St. Paul – Jackson) to Immanuel – Perryville 7/26/20 by M. Marks
 Sprengel, Charise (Candidate) to St. Paul – Jackson 8/23/20 by J. Shaw
 Sprengel, Charise (St. Paul – Jackson) to Immanuel –

Perryville 8/15/21 by M. Marks
 Strecker, Ashley (Candidate) to St. Paul’s – Concordia 8/22/21 by M. Pottschmidt
 Szofran, Barbara (Concordia Publishing House – St. Louis) to Christ Community - Kirkwood
 Thorson, Jennifer (Candidate) to Grace – Lexington 7/1/18 by B. Thorson
 Umphenour, Terry (LCMS Board for International Mission – St. Louis) to Salem, Affton 9/26/21 by W. Huebner
 Verner, Elizabeth (Our Savior – St. Charles) to Immanuel – Wentzville 8/11/19 by T. Roma
 Wehling, Alicia (Candidate) to Immanuel – St. Charles 8/16/20 by S. Schmieding
 Willmann, Joseph (Concordia Publishing House – St. Louis) to Lutheran Church Extension Fund – St. Louis 10/12/21 by A. Buss

Candidate Status

Andrews, Bethany (Zion – St. Charles) 9/9/19
 Andrews, Marie (Immanuel – Wentzville) 7/1/21
 Brown, Tamara (St. Paul’s Early Childhood Center – Des Peres) 6/15/19
 Burns, Kent (Timothy – Blue Springs) 9/11/19
 Egger, Kayla (Immanuel – St. Charles) 7/17/20
 Eggerman, Laura (Immanuel – Olivette) 6/4/20
 Eitzmann, Taylor (Immanuel – Wentzville) 7/1/19
 Epperson, David (Immanuel – Perryville) 5/19/20
 Erickson, Chelsea (Child of God – St. Peters) 6/2/20
 Esselman, Adele (St. Paul – Jackson) 8/1/18
 Flanick, Meghan (Holy Cross – O’Fallon) 7/23/20
 Foss, Kayla (Salem – Florissant) 1/1/22
 Geyer, Marissa (Trinity – Freistatt) 7/1/20
 Goehmann, Heidi (Grace Place – St. Louis) 10/1/20
 Gomez, Elin (Lord of Life – Chesterfield) 8/1/19
 Goodson, Laura (United in Christ – Frohna) 8/1/19
 Gremminger, Anna (Immanuel – Wentzville) 6/2/20
 Hesse, Bonnie (St. Paul’s – Des Peres) 6/1/19
 Hull, Misti (Christ Community – Kirkwood) 6/5/21
 Jackson, Linda (Immanuel – Olivette) 8/3/18
 Jahnke, Danielle (Lutheran High School South – St. Louis) 7/2/20
 James, Rachel (Calvary Lutheran High School – Jefferson City) 5/31/20
 Jostes, Jordan (St. Paul – Concordia) 7/1/18
 Klatt, Emmalynn (St. John’s – Arnold) 7/1/19
 Krekel, Ronda (Timothy – Blue Springs) 8/2/21
 Kutz, Amy (Martin Luther Academy – Kansas City) 7/1/19
 Liebnau, Heather (St. John – Ellisville) 5/30/20
 Maser, Kari (Immanuel – Wentzville) 7/1/19
 Maser, Kari (Immanuel – Wentzville) 7/1/21
 Metcalf, Brandon (Christ the King – Lake Ozark)



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Mikkelsen, Jacob (St. Paul's – Sedalia) 3/27/21
Miller, Troy (Immanuel – Wentzville) 2/6/20
Nelson, Andrew (Chapel of the Cross – St. Peters) 9/1/20
Nielsen, Pamela (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis) 10/19/21
Ogden, Kathryn (Our Savior – Fenton) 7/1/19
Onnen, Kathrine (Immanuel – Higginsville) 1/8/19
Pierson, Hannah (Lutheran High School Association – St. Louis) 5/27/21
Rao, Grace (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod – St. Louis) 8/16/20
Rathke, Beckie (Messiah – Independence) 6/1/18
Resner, Steven (Trinity – Jefferson City) 8/1/20
Ridley, Stephanie (Child of God – St. Peters) 7/1/20
Rodriguez, Rachel (Lutheran High School of Greater Kansas City – Kansas City) 5/18/20
Roundey, William (Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – St. Peters) 7/1/18
Sazonov, Christina (Immanuel – Wentzville) 2/9/19
Schultz, Jonah (Lutheran High School of Kansas City – Kansas City) 8/1/20
Schwartz, Debra (Immanuel – Washington) 5/26/20
Sias, Heidi (Mill Neck Foundation for Deaf Ministry – Mill Neck, NY) 7/6/19
Sipes, Marie (Our Savior – Fenton) 7/2/21
Small, Laura (Saxony Lutheran High School – Jackson) 8/1/18
Stichler, Taylor (Our Redeemer – Kansas City) 7/16/19
Stuenkel, Katelyn (Saint Paul Lutheran High School – Concordia) 8/1/21
Temme, Ruth (Calvary Lutheran High School – Jefferson City) 6/1/21
Thormodson, Brittany (Christ Community – Kirkwood) 7/1/21
Utecht, Justina (Trinity – Cape Girardeau) 8/1/18
Weinhold, Natalie (Child of God – St. Peters) to Christ Community – Kirkwood 8/14/19 by J. Christiansen
Wing, Sara (St. Paul – Concordia) 7/1/18
Wolfe, Morgan (Immanuel – Wentzville) 6/6/20
Wondrasch, Brittany (Zion – St. Charles) 6/2/19
Worral, Hannah (Child of God – St. Peters) 6/2/20
Wunderlich, Tyson (Saxony Lutheran High School – Jackson) 8/1/21
- Retired**
- Armstrong, Sandra (St. Mark's – Eureka) 8/15/20
Babchak, Elizabeth (Trinity – Cape Girardeau) 8/1/18
Baker, Paul (Springfield – Springfield) 7/1/19
Bargen, Christine (Candidate) 2/7/19
Beaty, Karen (Zion – St. Charles) 6/4/21
Beerman, John (Saint Paul Lutheran High – Concordia) 7/1/20
Belsha, Diane (Christ Community – Kirkwood) 7/1/18
Bender, Mark (St. Paul's – Des Peres) 8/1/21
Bobzin, John (Saint Paul Lutheran High – Concordia) 7/1/19
Boyer, Deborah (Immanuel – St. Charles) 7/1/20
Brandt, Pamela (St. Paul's – Sedalia) 6/2/21
Braun, Suzanne (Christ Community – Kirkwood) 7/1/21
Brockmeier, Ann (Messiah – Weldon Springs) 8/1/19
Dehning, Melanie (Candidate) 2/11/22
Dehning, Mervin (St. Mark's – Eureka) 2/14/22
Doering, Brenda (Abiding Savior – St. Louis) 1/1/20
Domsch, Christopher (Lutheran High School of Kansas City – Kansas City) 8/2/17
Ebers, Jimmy (St. Paul's – Concordia) 6/1/19
Engelking, Cynthia (Candidate) 1/26/19
Fish, Cynthia (Candidate) 1/26/21
Florine, David (St. John – Arnold) 12/1/21
Florine, Sharon (St. John – Arnold) 8/1/18
Fortmeyer, Bernard (St. Paul – St. Joseph) 7/1/19
Fouch, Janie (Faith – Kirksville) 8/16/20
Frank, David (Immanuel – Higginsville) 8/1/19
Gastler, Gregory (Lutheran High School South – St. Louis) 7/1/20
Gifford, Teresa (Immanuel – Higginsville) 5/30/19
Gillam, Linda (Candidate) 12/15/20
Golchert, Kent (Immanuel – Lockwood) 6/30/18
Gonzales, Stephan (Trinity – Jefferson City) 8/1/21
Haak, Armand (Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – St. Peters) 7/1/20
Hansen, Sheryl (Candidate) 1/6/19
Hinck, Sandra (St. Paul's – Concordia) 6/1/19
Hodgson, Carol (Candidate) 1/21/19
Jostes, Richard (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 7/1/19
Kersten, John (Lutheran High School North – St. Louis) 7/1/19
Kluesner, Sheryl (Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – St. Peters) 12/20/18
Krekel, Ronda (Candidate) 1/21/22
Lail, Cheryl (Zion – St. Charles) 6/6/20
Langefeld, Richard (Lutheran High School North – St. Louis) 7/1/19
Leech, Debra (Immanuel – Jefferson City) 6/1/19
Loesel, Allen (Immanuel – St. Charles) 8/1/18
Maas, John (Martin Luther Academy – Kansas City) 5/2/21
Maas, Nancy (Martin Luther Academy – Kansas City) 5/29/21
Magnus, Mary (Springfield – Springfield) 8/1/20
Martens, Melanie (Trinity – Cape Girardeau) 8/1/21



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Martin, Wanda (Trinity – Jefferson City) 6/5/21
Meers, Diana (Immanuel – St. Charles) 7/1/21
Meinzen, Fern (Candidate) 8/19/18
Nebel, Ingrid (Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine Neighbors) 6/9/18
Niewald, Pamela (Immanuel – Olivette) 7/1/20
Nummela, Pamela (Concordia Publishing House – St. Louis) 10/27/18
Olson, Judith (Martin Luther Academy – Kansas City) 6/1/19
Onnen, Timothy (Faith – Branson) 10/1/20
Perkowski, Karla (Christ Prekindergarten – Platte Woods) 6/1/20
Perschbacher, Gerald (Lutheran Hour Ministries – St. Louis) 10/25/18
Peters, Donna (Immanuel – Wentzville) 7/1/20
Prange, Debra (Green Park – St. Louis) 7/1/19
Ravanelli, Renee (St Paul – Concordia) 7/1/18
Rehkop, Thomas (Lutheran Hour Ministries – St. Louis) 8/17/21
Roundey, William (Candidate) 12/14/20
Schaefer, Gary (Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine Neighbors) 7/1/19
Schmidt, Terry (LCMS – St. Louis) 7/3/18
Schultz, Ronald (Candidate) 11/24/19
Schulz, Cynthia (Salem – Florissant) 8/1/21
Schumacher, Steven (The King's Academy – Lake Ozark) 5/23/19
Schumacher, Steven (Immanuel – Higginsville) 8/1/21
Schwerin, Daniel (Salem – Florissant) 2/1/21

Snider, Charles (St. Paul's – Concordia) 7/1/18
Staude, Edmund (Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – St. Peters) 7/1/21
Storm, Christine (Lutheran High School North – St. Louis) 7/1/21
Tonjes, Bernard (Lutheran High School of St. Charles County – St. Peters) 7/1/20
Tull, Rhonda (St. Paul – Sedalia) 7/1/20
Von Ahsen, Kenneth (Candidate) 7/1/20
Wacker, David (Candidate) 1/7/19
Wagner, Douglas (Immanuel – St. Charles) 7/1/20

Deceased

Adler, Richard (Emeritus) 1/24/22
Andersen, Larry (Emeritus) 3/10/22
Brandt, Nadine (Emeritus) 11/19/21
Bude, Catherine (Emeritus) 7/28/19
DeCuir, Luther (Emeritus) 12/22/19
Engelbrecht, Allen (Emeritus) 7/22/18
Fabry, Timothy (Emeritus) 1/17/20
Gade, Donald (Emeritus) 11/14/20
Garrison, James (Emeritus) 10/3/20

Greimann, Steven (Emeritus) 1/31/21
Hingst, Duane (Emeritus) 2/13/21
Hoehne, Emil (Emeritus) 5/21/20
Holzerland, Arnold (Emeritus) 9/9/18
Janssen, Leland (Emeritus) 9/29/21
Jostes, Richard (Emeritus) 3/26/21
Kroeger, Janice (Emeritus) 8/5/19
Lehr, Robert (Holy Cross – St. Louis) 3/3/20
Maurer, Diane (Emeritus) 12/19/21
Meyr, Delvin (Emeritus) 3/20/19
Nebel, Ingrid (Emeritus) 8/26/21
Oetting, Donna (Emeritus) 5/4/19
Rabe, Neal (Emeritus) 11/4/19
Roth, Edgar (Emeritus) 1/7/22
Schwab, Jerome (Emeritus) 9/14/19
Shoemaker, Kay (Candidate) 5/31/22
Stewart, Dennis (Emeritus) 2/10/20
Telschow, Anne (Emeritus) 10/23/18
Tiemann, Larry (Emeritus) 3/7/20
Unzicker, William (Emeritus) 7/24/19
Vanderbles, Audrey (Lutheran Ministries Association – St. Louis) 7/14/20
Wallis, Aileen (Emeritus) 2/18/19
Webern, Marilyn (Emeritus) 11/29/21

Resigned-Removed from Roster

Baker, Paul (Emeritus) 12/6/19
Brown, Irene (Candidate) 12/10/18
Carstens, Kelly (Immanuel – Perryville) 8/22/19
Cheatham, Natasha (St. John – Ellisville) 6/27/18
Currington, Nicole (Good Shepherd – Cape Girardeau) 10/15/21
Epperson, David (Candidate) 12/19/20
Falls, Brian (Candidate) 2/20/19
Fenske, Terri (Candidate) 11/19/21
Funke, Eric (Candidate) 1/24/21
Goodson, Laura (Candidate) 2/11/21
Hansen, Aaron (Zion – St. Charles) 6/9/20
Hemman, Whitney (United in Christ – Frohna) 9/17/19
Irwin, Sarah (Candidate) 1/18/22
Justus, Paula (Candidate) 4/1/19
Klump, Kayla (Candidate) 9/30/21
Marriott, James (Concordia Seminary – St. Louis) 8/28/20 - installed as ordained minister
Mattsfeld, Michelle (Candidate) 4/1/19
Miller, Troy (Candidate) 12/30/21
Reinitz, Joyce (Our Redeemer – Overland) 10/18/18
Ross, Lydia (Campus – Columbia) 7/7/21
Sazonov, Christina (Candidate) 9/30/21
Steckler, Deborah (Candidate) 8/15/21
Stewart, Timothy (Candidate) 4/1/19



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Templeton, Sue (Candidate) 4/1/19
Theilmann, Kimberly (Immanuel – Wentzville)
10/10/21
Tyler, Rachel (Zion – St. Charles) 11/1/20
Wengel, Breanna (Grace Chapel – Bellefontaine
Neighbors) 6/22/18
Wesselschmidt, Mary (Candidate) 4/1/19
Wing, Sara (Candidate) 8/16/21

Transferred to Other Districts

Ahrens, Linda (Candidate) to NEB 6/1/19
Andreasen, Alison (Candidate) to SD 12/15/20
Andrews, Bethany (Candidate) to IN 9/10/19
Baker, Molly (St. John's – Arnold) to KS 6/15/21
Bangert, Amanda (St. John's – Arnold) to OK 8/1/20
Barber, Sarah (Timothy – Blue Springs) to MDS
7/1/21
Bayless, Ashley (Lutheran Hour Ministries – Saint
Louis) to NOW 8/23/21
Battle, Joe (Emeritus) to FG 1/17/19
Bergdolt, Karl (Candidate) to NEB 4/9/19
Bierbaum, Edward (Emeritus) to PSW 12/16/20
Brandon, Catherine (LCMS Office of International
Mission – St. Louis) to TX 7/9/18
Brandon, Michael (LCMS Office of International
Mission – St. Louis) to TX 7/9/18
Brauer, Jennifer (Lutheran High School of St. Charles
County – St. Peters) to MI 7/1/19
Brown, Tamara (Candidate) to MNN 7/9/20
Browne, Aubrey (St. Paul – St. Joseph) to MNS 7/6/20
Browne, Benjamin (St. Paul – St. Joseph) to MNS
7/6/20
Chrimer, Emma (Candidate) to KS 2/4/21
Colclasure, Steven (Candidate) to MT 7/30/18
Cole, Jane (Calvary – Kansas City) to EN 6/14/21
Cromley, Joshua (Immanuel – Boonville) to FG 1/1/19
Croucher, Heather (Calvary – Kansas City) to KS
7/1/20
Dougherty, JoAn (Emeritus) to OK 1/21/22
Dunlop, Esther (Immanuel – Olivette) to SELC 7/1/21
Egger, Caleb (Immanuel – St. Charles) to NEB
7/30/20
Egger, Kayla (Candidate) to NEB 8/24/20
Eitzmann, Taylor (Candidate) to NEB 1/27/20
Erkkinen, Linda (Emeritus) to IN 9/28/20
Fischer, Michelle (Calvary – Kansas City) to MDS
7/1/20
Fishburn, Samuel (Christ Community – Kirkwood) to
MDS 7/1/18
Florine, David (Emeritus) to IN 12/13/21
Florine, Sharon (Emeritus) to IN 12/13/21
Generally, Amber (Candidate) to MNS 5/31/22
Gerth, Caledonia (Trinity – Jefferson City) to NEB

7/1/20
Goehmann, Heidi (Candidate) to NEB 3/8/21
Gonzales, Rachel (Candidate) to SW 8/12/19
Graff-Ermeling, Genevieve (LCMS Office of
International Mission – St. Louis) to RM 7/16/19
Grass, Joshua (St. Paul's – Sedalia) to KS 7/1/18
Gremminger, Anna (Candidate) to OH 12/14/21
Gulley, Katie (Candidate) to SI 3/18/21
Hammons, Cynthia (Candidate) to KS 12/18/18
Herald, Elizabeth (Candidate) to KS 2/6/19
Hohnstadt, Steven (Calvary – Kansas City) to IN
10/19/20
James, Rachel (Candidate) to IN 12/21/21
Jauss, Lanett (Emeritus) to CI 7/29/20
Jostes, Jordan (Candidate) to PSW 2/25/21
Jostes, Steven (Saint Paul Lutheran High – Concordia)
to PSW 7/1/18
Kahre, Lillian (LCMS Office of International Mission
– St. Louis) to TX 9/20/19
Kassebaum, Tina (Candidate) to MDS 7/6/21
Kinsey, Melissa (Candidate) to SW 2/6/19
Klatt, Emmalynn (Candidate) to SW 1/27/20
Klug, Zachary (Abiding Savior – St. Louis) to CI
7/1/18
Kusel, Jill (St. Paul's – Concordia) to PSW 7/1/19
Kusel, Mark (Trinity – Alma) to PSW 7/1/19
Leech, Debra (Emeritus) to FG 10/20/21
Leech, William (Emeritus) to FG 10/20/21
Link, Haley (St. John's – Arnold) to NI 9/1/19
Lubben, William (Emeritus) to TX 8/22/18
Maser, Kari (Candidate) to NEB 12/9/21
McDonnell, Ruth (Candidate) to CI 8/15/20
McNatt, Kendra (LCMS Office of International
Mission – St. Louis) to CNH 7/31/18
Meyer, Rachel (LCMS Office of International Mission
– St. Louis) to IE 7/31/21
Mikkelson, Jacob (Candidate) to MNS 8/26/21
Miller, Jason (Candidate) to NI 7/1/18
Mirly, Timothy (St. Paul – Jackson) to FG 5/30/20
Morlock, Amie (Candidate) to KS 2/6/19
Mueller, Jonathan (Lutheran North Middle and High
School – St. Louis) to TX 7/26/21
Nelson, Paul (King of Kings – Chesterfield) to MNS
11/8/21
Nichols, Jayme (Concordia – Kirkwood) to TX
11/8/18
Onnen, Kathrine (Candidate) to FG 7/19/19
Onnen, Timothy (Emeritus) to RM 1/3/22
Osborn, Scott (St. John's – Ellisville) to SE 6/16/21
Pawlitz, Ronald (Christ Community – Kirkwood) to
FG 8/1/19
Pierson, Hannah (Candidate) to IW 8/2/21
Porath, Jennifer (Lutheran High School South – St.
Louis) to IN 8/1/19



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Raddatz, Lauren (Candidate) to CI 3/5/19
Rao, Grace (Candidate) to RM 8/1/21
Reed, Laurie (Candidate) to KS 7/30/19
Renken, Gayle (Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to CNH 6/17/21
Rindt, David (Lutheran High School of Kansas City – Kansas City) to KS 6/30/18
Rommel, Gregory (LCMS – St. Louis) to TX 12/1/20
Salo, Andrea (Candidate) to EN 8/14/19
Schkade, Kristi (Immanuel – Jefferson City) to NEB 7/1/21
Schlesselman, Denise (Candidate) to NI 7/22/20
Schwartz, Debra (Candidate) to RM 12/21/21
Shull, Hannah (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to IN 8/22/18
Slavens, Elizabeth (Candidate) to SD 9/26/19
Small, Laura (Candidate) to NJ 11/6/19
Steffen, Lindsay (Candidate) to SW 6/24/21
Stichler, Taylor (Candidate) to NOW 1/28/20
Thews, Melinda (LCMS Office of International Mission – St. Louis) to CNH 7/21/19
Thomson, Jordan (Candidate) to IN 9/1/21
Thormodson, Brittany (Candidate) to SE 1/5/22
Utecht, Justina (Candidate) to NEB 1/28/19
Wachter, David (Emeritus) to RM 2/11/19
Walker, Audrey (Candidate) to TX 9/21/18
Wallace, Lydia (United in Christ – Frohna) to IW 7/1/21
Weinhold, Rachel (Immanuel – Lockwood) to KS 6/1/20
Weiss, Andrea (Chapel of the Cross – St. Peters) to MI 6/1/20
Willmann, Joseph (Lutheran Church Extension Fund – St. Louis) to NI 3/16/22
Wolf, Melissa (Candidate) to KS 3/10/21
Wolfe, Morgan (Immanuel – Wentzville) to MI 8/1/18
Wolfe, Morgan (Candidate) to SW 12/13/21
Zander, Tyler (Calvary Lutheran High School – Jefferson City) to CI 5/31/19

Official Roster of Commissioned Ministers

(As of June 1, 2022)

Teacher/Principal in Elementary School or Early Childhood Center

Abbuhl, Nancy
Adler, Clinton
Albers, Bethany
Albrecht, Dorothy
Armbruster, Deborah
Auer, Anna
Auer, Donna
Auger, Christopher
Auger, Noah
Bady, Melissa
Bair, Cori
Bartels, Kevin
Bausch, Rachel
Beaver, Elissa
Becker, Nicola
Begley, Janet
Bergholt, Melissa
Bernau, Stephen
Berner, Jessica
Bernhardt, Amy
Bickel, Connie
Bickel, Eric
Bierman, Rachel
Biesendorfer, Lynette
Blackard, Nancy
Bleidistel, Paige
Blevins, Janel
Blouch, Kathleen
Boehme, Hannah
Bohn, Elita
Bohn, Stephanie
Bolling, Lorenda
Bolstad, Solveig
Bonnett, LeAnne
Bostic, Sandra
Boyd, Yvonne
Boyle, Kimberly
Brackman, Jana
Bradley, Timothy
Brand, Alison
Brand, Michelle
Breite, Christine
Brenningmeyer, Tammy
Brevard, Jennifer
Brewster, Charles, Jr.
Brofford, Eric
Brouner, Katherine

Brown, Karen
Brown, Martha
Brunkhorst, Kimberly
Brunner, Leslie
Burford, Susan
Burgdorf, Susan
Burkee, Jeffrey
Caldwell, Marsha
Cantrell-Hantell, Nicole
Carter, Beth
Case, Kimberly
Chandler, Kathryn
Chapin, Kathryn
Cibulka, Janine
Clayton, Anna
Cleveland, Tonja
Cole, Amanda
Coomer, Samantha
Cornejo, Kara
Crenshaw, Carrie
Cunningham, Karen
Curtis, Tracy
Dawson-Pappert,
Lavonne
Dean, Brenda
Debrick, Marc
Dehn, Linda
Dehne, Jill
Delleart, Sarah
Demel, Debra
Denney, Rebecca
Dibler, Tiffany
Diener, Bethany
Dixon, Joshua
Dixon, Scott
Doelling, Michelle
Dolak, Allison
Donner, Jennifer
Douglas, Chelsea
Douglas, Joshua
Dubberke, Robert
(T/DCE)
Dubberke, Ryan
Dunlop, Barbara
Dunnette, Laurie
Dwyer, Timothy
Eckels, Jonah
Eckman, Robbi
Eckman, Samuel
Eggold, Stephen

Elowsky, Julianna
Enderle, Amber
Endorf, Katherine
Engelhard, Marissa
Ensrude, Corey
Erdmann, Clayton
Esselman, Adele
Eyster, Katherine
Fackler, Lisa
Fenske, Emily
Ferber, Denise
Fiala, Jonathan
Fink, Nancy
Fleck, Kendra
Folken, Laurie
Forbes, Emmi
Ferguson, Abby
Frank, Laura
Frazier, Catherine
Frerking, Caitlin
Gieseke, Ruthann
Glackin, Brittnie
Glaskey, Lyla
Going, Jennifer
Goldammer, Ashley
Goltl, Amy
Graefe, Joseph
Grass, Rebekah
Gray, Constance
Gray, Shelly
Greatens, Bethany
Grizzle, Sarah
Gross, Sherry
Grubbs, Christine
Gruenwald, Beverly
Haase, Lorily
Hahn, Rachel
Hallemeier, Paige
Hallien, Aaron
Hanke, Melinda
Hanson, Daniel
Hanson, G. Daneen
Harbers, Elizabeth
Harrell, Katie
Hart, Jamie
Hart, Sarah
Hartmann, Deidre
Hartmann, Dennis
Hartmann, Royce
Helmkamp, Amanda
Hemler, Heather
Hente, Brenda
Hess, Janna
Hieber, Joel
Hirsch, Dr. Linda
Hoehner, Erin

Hoger, Allyson
Hohenstein, Rebecca
Holland, Jill
Holshouser, Jennifer
Holtz, Katie
Homan, Megan
Honoree, Cheryl
Hopfensperger, Nick
Hopper, Linnea
Hughes, Kristina
Hunt, Barbara
Hunt, G. Warren
Huster, Brenda
Huster, Scott
Jacklin, Robert
Jamison, Beverly
Johnson, Lynda
Johnson, Sarah
Jones, Laurie
Jordan, Amy
Kaber, Jennifer
Kaemmerer, Angela
Kellar, Robert
Kelly, Sarah
Kesel, Dawn
Keseman, Rachel
Kirby, Emilie
Klatt, Corrie
Kletke, D. Bruce, Jr.
Koeberl, Nelda
Koenig, Carol
Koenig, Robyn
Kollmeyer, Tasha
Kopp, Tyler
Krato, Kimberly
Krause, Rebekah
Krieser, Elizabeth
Kruse, Ashley
Kunkel, Ruth
Kusmierczak, Elizabeth
Kutz, Amy
Ladd, Marcia
Landgraf, Janet
Larsen, Sara
Larsen, Strahan
Larson, Lisa
Larson, Rachel
Leeper, Emily
Leet, Janet
Lehenbauer, Louisa
Leible, Deanna
Lichtenegger, Deborah
Lingenfelter, Betty
Linneman, Michelle
Little, Rebecca
Lobosky, Pamela

Lochmann, David, Jr.	Riemenschneider, Susan	Thompson, Jessica	Christman, John
Loeffler, Esther	Rivers, Lisa	Timmerman, Sonya	Colwell, Clint (DCE)
Luehmann, Heath	Robinett, Candace	Torbeck, Stephanie	Davis, Deborah
Lutz, Jennifer	Robinson, Claire	Tosie, Pamela	Ernstmeyer, Craig
Maddick, David	Robinson, Shannan	Trower, Linda	Etzold, Brenda
Malady, Kelley	Roepe, Judith	Utrecht, Donald	Fehrs, Troy
Marolf, Brandon	Rouland, Megan	Umphenour, Terry	Fisk, Harold Trey III
Marotske, Judy	Rucker, Karlee	Van Volkenburgh, Candace	Flandermeier, Michael
Martens, Gina	Rudsinski, Amy	VandeVerde, Maggie	Fruend, Elizabeth
Martens, Rachel	Rudzinski, Kevin	Verhague, Debi	Fuchs, Judith
Mattlin, Tyler	Ruhmann, Amanda	Verner, Elizabeth	Gilbert, Joel
Maxfield, Melissa	Rusert, David	Vito, Samantha	Glessner, Eric
McDonald, Mandy	Ryherd, Brian	Vogt, Laura	Gramenz, Eric
McSwain, Grant	Sanft, Nicole	Wade, Whitney	Hellwig, Clara
Mecker, Karen	Schaller, Karen	Walker, Sara	Hendricks, Stevan, Jr.
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