



WORK ANNIVERSARIES

CELEBRATING OUR CALLED WORKERS

2025



Missouri District

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH — MISSOURI SYNOD

Dear partners in the Gospel,

In 1839, a group of immigrants from Saxony arrived in Missouri, beginning their new lives in St. Louis and in Perry County. They established congregations and a log cabin schoolhouse for children ages 5–14. From those early days, before the Synod was even formed, a long legacy began: a legacy of faithful servants of the pure Gospel of Jesus Christ. That's 185 years of pastors, teachers, and servants laboring for the sake of Christ's kingdom. We are truly blessed by God with a great heritage of church workers within The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS).

While there remains a pressing need for the next generation of servants in our churches and schools, it is also good for us to take time and give thanks to God for all who have served Christ faithfully over the years and reached important milestones in their service. On behalf of the congregations and schools of the Missouri District, I thank you for your service and pray that God will continue to bless all of the ways you serve God and grow as His beloved child.

You are indeed part of the great cloud of witnesses within our Synod, servants of the Savior, called to labor in His harvest fields! We are encouraged and blessed by your example! To God be the glory!

In His Service,



President Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan



The following are names of full-time professional church workers in Missouri District congregations and schools. The anniversaries recognize the total years of service in LCMS entities as reported to the Missouri District office, between Sept. 1, 2024, and Aug. 31, 2025. We are deeply grateful to our churches and schools for their ongoing dedication and faithful service.

Thank you for all the work you do in Christ's name!

5 Years

Emily Bender

Lutheran High School South, St. Louis

Diana Berry

Immanuel Lutheran School, Rosebud

Rev. Daniel Broaddus

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Mound City

Paige Buchholz

Martin Luther Academy, Kansas City

Tim Cash

St. Paul's Lutheran School, Des Peres

Alexis Curry

Lutheran High School South, St. Louis

Jessi Dippold

Zion Lutheran School, St. Charles

Carol Gibbons

St. Paul's Lutheran School, Des Peres

Yvonne Gibson

Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center, Columbia

Anna Gilson

Lutheran North Middle and High School, St. Louis

Abbey Glaeser

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Des Peres

Kathy Greffet

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Des Peres

Hannah Hayden

Springfield Lutheran School, Springfield

Linda Horton

St. Paul Lutheran Church, St. Joseph

Barbara Hunt

King of Kings Lutheran Preschool, Chesterfield

Denise Hunter

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Des Peres

Teri Hurt

Lutheran High School of St. Charles County, St. Peters

Stefani Ketelsen

Immanuel Lutheran Preschool, Boonville

Anna Knaak

Messiah Lutheran School, Weldon Spring

Peggy Knock

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Des Peres

Verna Koenig

Immanuel Lutheran School, Perryville

Rev. Mark Kranz

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, Excelsior Springs

Rebekah Krause

Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington

Bethany Lakies

Lutheran High School of St. Charles County, St. Peters

Rachel Larson

Immanuel Lutheran School, Olivette

Josh Linn

Lutheran High School of St. Charles County, St. Peters

Lisa Lockwood

St. Mark's Lutheran School, Eureka

Hannah Meckes

Zion Lutheran School, St. Charles

Samuel Moore

St. Paul's Lutheran School, Concordia

Rev. Will Murphy

Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens, Webster Groves

Lori Nolen

Immanuel Lutheran School, Rosebud

Donna Riendeau

St. Mark's Lutheran School, Eureka

Rev. Nick Schram

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Sunset Hills

Emma Schranz

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Des Peres

Rev. Eric Stacy

Grace Chapel Lutheran Church, Bellefontaine Neighbors

Donna Thornhill

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Des Peres

Shelinda Upchurch

Salem Lutheran School, Florissant

Rev. Tanner Wade

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Des Peres

Rev. Craig Wehmeyer

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Washington

Amanda Whitaker

Bright Beginnings Early Childhood Center, Marshall

Cheryl Zingrich

Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington



Kristin Arand

Salem Lutheran School, Affton

Rachel Bierman

Immanuel Lutheran School, Perryville

Timothy Bradley

St. Paul's Lutheran School, Concordia

Marie Branneky

Lutheran High School of St. Charles County, St. Peters

Katie Chandler

Abiding Savior Lutheran School, St. Louis

Amanda Cole

Springfield Lutheran School, Springfield

Tonya Cuneo

St. Mark's Lutheran School, Eureka

Samantha Dahle

Christ Community Lutheran School, Kirkwood

Tiffany Dibler

Child of God Lutheran School, St. Peters

Kayla Ehlers

Immanuel Lutheran School, Perryville

Cheri Fitzgerald

Immanuel Lutheran School, Olivette

Caitlin Frerking

St. Paul's Lutheran School, Concordia

Samantha Henley

St. Paul Lutheran School, Stover

Jonelle Hizer

Lutheran High School of Kansas City, Kansas City

Emily Hopfensperger

Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington

Jennifer Kaber

Christ Community Lutheran School, Kirkwood

Tasha Kollmeyer

Trinity Lutheran School, Jefferson City

Ksenia Mirly

Immanuel Lutheran School, Olivette

Rose Mary Perez-Brook

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Des Peres

Melissa Remer-Phifer

Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center, Columbia

Rev. Matthew Resner

Zion Lutheran Church, Moberly

Rev. David Rolf

Peace Lutheran Church, Kansas City

Rev. Joshua Rusnak

St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Eureka

Rev. Jon-Michael Schweigert

Faith Lutheran Church, Knob Noster

Alicia Steele

Immanuel Lutheran School, Perryville

Nathan Steele

Immanuel Lutheran School, Perryville

Chelsea Stelmachowicz

Lutheran High School of Kansas City, Kansas City

Tim Stewart

St. Paul Lutheran School, Jackson

Jacob Toensing

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia

Sam Weinhold

Zion Lutheran School, St. Charles

Rev. James Wilshusen

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, New Haven

Sam Ziegelbein

Calvary Lutheran High School, Jefferson City



Gayle Abbott

Our Savior Christian Academy, Platte City

Lori Albright

Our Savior Christian Academy, Platte City

Sarah Benkendorf

Saxony Lutheran High School, Jackson

Paige Bleidstel

Trinity Lutheran School, Jefferson City

Stacy Braden

Our Savior Christian Academy, Platte City

Sarah Delleart

Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington

Rev. Michael Diener

Grace Lutheran Church, Holts Summit

Jennifer Dixon

Green Park Lutheran School, St. Louis

Katie Endorf

Christ Community Lutheran School, Kirkwood

Abby Ferguson

Immanuel Lutheran School, Wentzville

Brittnie Glackin

Christ Community Lutheran School, Kirkwood

Deb Hall

Our Savior Christian Academy, Platte City

Amanda Hankemeier

Green Park Lutheran School, St. Louis

Rev. Matthew Hayter

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Union

Aimee Kieffer

Abiding Savior Lutheran School, St. Louis

Annette Kiehne

Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center, Columbia



Elizabeth Kusmierczak

Immanuel Lutheran School, Wentzville

Kelley Malady

LASE Specialized Education, St. Louis

Diane Meyr

St. Paul Lutheran School, Jackson

Deac. Kristina Paul

Concordia Lutheran Church, Kirkwood

Rev. Samuel Powell

Trinity Lutheran Church, Jefferson City

Dr. Melissa Sandfort

Child of God Lutheran School, St. Peters

Shannon Schmidt

Springfield Lutheran School, Springfield

Emily Sharp

Christ Lutheran Pre-Kindergarten, Platte Woods

Zech Teasdale

Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens, Webster Groves

Rev. James Uglum

Chapel of the Cross Lutheran Church, St. Peters





Kirsten Adler

Christ Community Lutheran School, Kirkwood

Rev. Rod Benkendorf

Hanover Lutheran Church, Cape Girardeau

Amy Birk

Saxony Lutheran High School, Jackson

Alison Brand

Springfield Lutheran School, Springfield

Paul Brunette

Abiding Savior Lutheran Church, St. Louis

Sheri Clark

St. Matthew Lutheran Preschool, Lees Summit

Rev. Jeff Cloeter

Christ Memorial Lutheran Church, St. Louis

Samuel Eckman

Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington

Katie Eyster

St. Paul's Lutheran School, Des Peres

Heather Herr

Grace Chapel Lutheran School, Bellefontaine Neighbors

Erin Hoehner

Chapel of the Cross Lutheran Preschool, St. Peters

Jennifer Holshouser

Our Savior Lutheran School, Fenton

Deac. Mireya Johnson

Lutheran High School South, St. Louis

Rev. Mark Junkin

Zion Lutheran Church, Corder / Immanuel, Waverly

Krista Kimmich

Salem Lutheran School, Affton

Ashley Kruse

St. Paul Lutheran School, St. Joseph

Linda McQueen

Abiding Savior Lutheran School, St. Louis

Peter Olson

Lutheran High School of Kansas City, Kansas City

Sara Poppitz

Word of Life Lutheran School, St. Louis

Rev. Michael Pottschmidt

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Concordia

Rev. Mark Rouland

Zion Lutheran Church, St. Charles

Brian Scheller

Lutheran High School of St. Charles County, St. Peters

Luther Schmidt

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia

Julie Wissmann

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center, Des Peres

Rachel Bausch

St. John Lutheran School, Ellisville

Yvonne Boyd

River Roads Lutheran School, St. Louis

Rev. Allen Braun

Mt. Hulda Lutheran Church, Cole Camp

Rev. Kyle Castens

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Festus

Liz Cipriano

Lutheran High School of St. Charles County, St. Peters

Rev. Joseph Cox

Lutheran High School South, St. Louis

Linda Dehn

Our Savior Lutheran School, Fenton

Glenda Gerhardt

Immanuel Lutheran Preschool, Boonville

Deac. Kelly Hardt

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Washington

Rev. Dr. John Hellwege

Salem Lutheran Church, Farrar / Zion, Crosstown

Nick Hopfensperger

Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington

Rev. Nathan Kuhlman

Redeemer Lutheran Church, Rolla

Heather Liebnau

Christ Community Lutheran School, Kirkwood

Cheri Mansfield

Lutheran North Middle and High School, St. Louis

Rev. Matthew Marks

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Perryville

Angela Mundt

Small Saints Lutheran Preschool, Liberty



Krista Oliver

Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center, Columbia

Rev. John Otte

Lutheran High School of Kansas City, Kansas City

Andrea Petree

Trinity Lutheran School, Jefferson City

Rev. Matthew Roeglin

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church, Florissant

Amy Rudsinski

St. Paul's Lutheran School, Des Peres

Sharon Shearman

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Des Peres

Christina Stackle

Peace Lutheran Church, St. Louis

Dawn Swartz

Child of God Lutheran School, St. Peters

Stephanie Torbeck

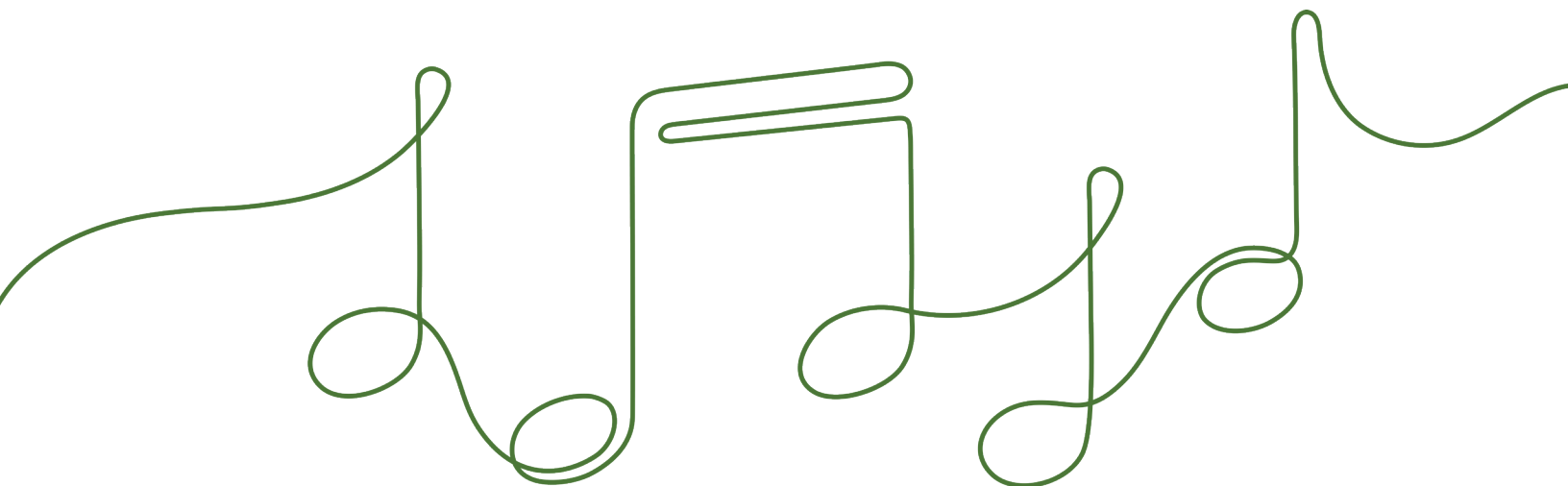
Green Park Lutheran School, St. Louis

Josh Wanner

Springfield Lutheran School, Springfield

Kari Wanner

Springfield Lutheran School, Springfield



Rev. Jason Auringer

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Wentzville

Rev. Gary Brandt

Peace Lutheran Church, Camdenton

Rev. Andrew Etzler

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Fayette

Carolyn Feldkamp

St. Peter's Early Childhood Learning Center, LaGrange

Dennis Hartmann

Trinity Lutheran School, Cape Girardeau

Joel Hieber

Christ Community Lutheran School, Kirkwood

Rev. Peter Kirby

Missouri District, St. Louis

Rev. Joel Krueger

Faith Lutheran Church, Branson

Rev. Thomas Lange

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia



Michelle Mueller

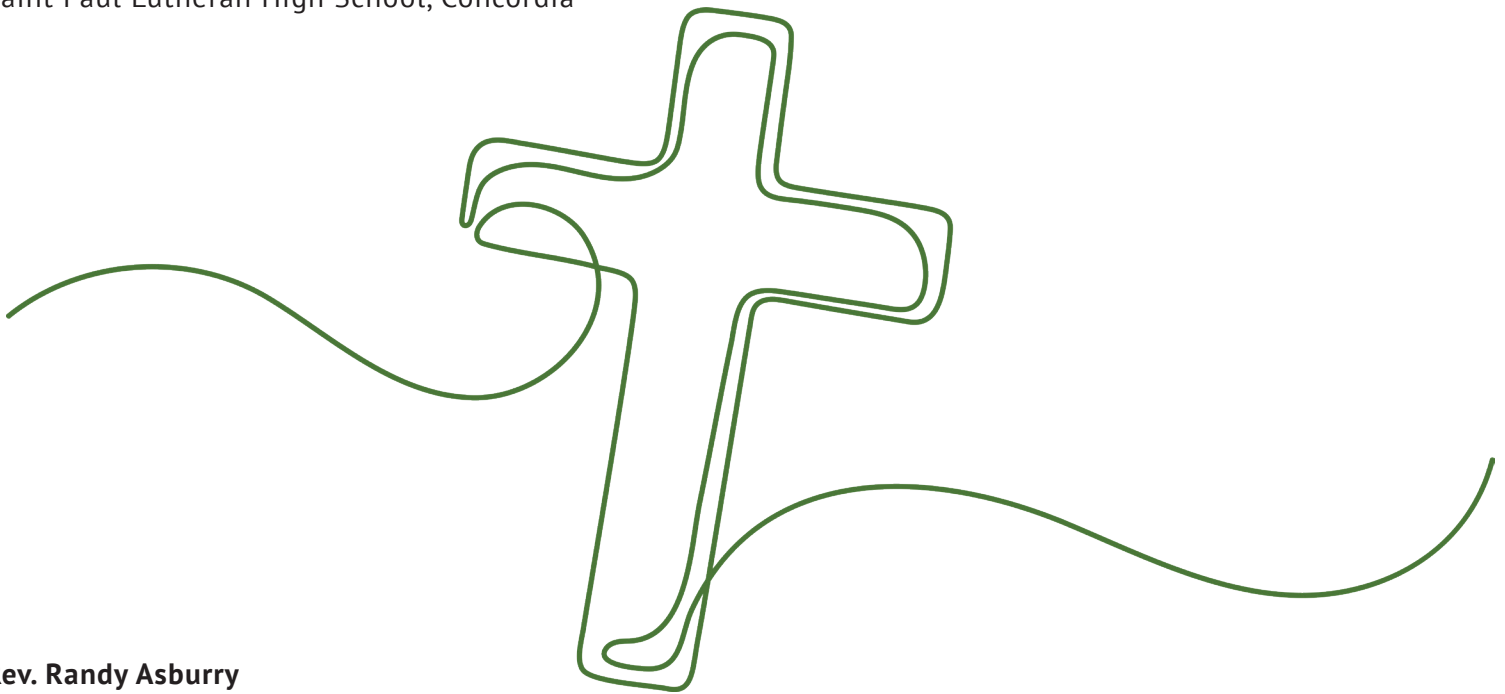
Immanuel Lutheran School, Perryville

Monte Pitsch

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia

Rev. Guillaume Williams

Hope Lutheran Chapel, Osage Beach



Rev. Randy Asburry

Hope Lutheran Church, St. Louis

Rev. Bill Geis

Missouri District, St. Louis

Sue Krauss

Lutheran High School of St. Charles County, St. Peters

Marcia Ladd

Christ Community Lutheran School, Kirkwood

Rev. Mark Nebel

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia

Charise Sprengel

Immanuel Lutheran School, Perryville

Rev. Richard Steensma

Faith Lutheran Church, Jefferson City



40 Years

Rev. Mark Boettcher

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Jackson

Rev. James Kirk

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Ste. Genevieve

Judy Marotzke

Zion Lutheran School, Lone Elm

Rev. Drew Newman

Trinity Lutheran Church, Kearney

Dave Rusert

Green Park Lutheran School, St. Louis

Mark Senechal

Christ Memorial Lutheran Church, St. Louis

Rev. Donaldo Sonntag

St. Johns Lutheran Church, Mexico

45 Years

Rev. Robert Malone

Trinity Lutheran Church, Creighton

Amazing Grace, Pleasant Hill

60 Years

Rev. Dr. Dennis Kastens

Peace Lutheran Church, St. Louis

Will Meyer

Faith Lutheran Church, Springfield



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