



Pastoral Calls and Calling Congregations in the Missouri District for July 2026

Calls Pending				
Name	Status	Called to Position	From	To
Andrews, Steve	Pending	Sole Pastor	St. Matthew - Lee's Summit, MO	Peace - Sandusky, MI
Benkendorf, Rodney	Pending	Religion Teacher	Hanover - Cape Girardeau, MO	Saxony Lutheran High School - Jackson, MO
Jenson, Jens	Pending	Sole Pastor	Redeemer - Armour, SD	Trinity - Bridgeton, MO
Sansom, James (Chris)	Pending	Sole Pastor	St. John's - Green Valley, IL	Zion - Hillsboro, MO
Sansom, James (Chris)	Pending	Sole Pastor	St. John's - Green Valley, IL	St. John - Mexico, MO
Schlund, Thomas	Pending	Senior Pastor	Synod Relations & Mktg. Luth. Fed. Credit Union - St. Louis, MO	St. Paul - Des Peres, MO
Tessone, Andrew	Pending	Associate Pastor	Our Savior - Sedalia, MO	Zion - Seymour, IN
Williams, Guillaume	Pending	Sole Pastor	Hope Chapel - Osage Beach, MO	Village - Lacombe, LA

Call Decisions				
Name	Status	Called to Position	From	To
Bartelt, Philip	Declined	Sole Pastor	Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd - New Fairfield, CT	Hope - Republic, MO
Berry, Matthew	Declined	Sole Pastor	Concordia - Sikeston, MO	Immanuel - Honey Creek (Jefferson City), MO
Emshoff, Keith	Declined	Sole Pastor - Dual Parish	Holy Trinity - Grandview, MO	St. Paul - Bertha, MN & Immanuel - Bartlett, MN
Goodwin, Alexander	Declined	Sole Pastor	Immanuel - Fairmont, MN	St. John - Mexico, MO
Hauptmeier, Tyler	Declined	Sole Pastor - Dual Parish	St. Paul - Doniphan, NE	Peace and St. Paul's - Slater, MO
Johnson, Ross	Accepted	Sole Pastor	LCMS Office of Natl. Mission	Redeemer - Fairhope, AL
Johnson, Ross	Declined	Sole Pastor	LCMS Office of Natl. Mission	Our Redeemer - Honolulu, HI
Johnson, Ross	Declined	Sole Pastor	LCMS Office of Natl. Mission	Holy Trinity - Covington, LA
Kopper, Evandro Sr.	Declined	Sole Pastor	St. Paul - California, MO	Holy Cross - North Miami, FL
Kopper, Evandro Sr.	Accepted	Sole Pastor	St. Paul - California, MO	Lutheran Church of the Redeemer - Vero Beach, FL
Kopper, Evandro Sr.	Declined	Sole Pastor	St. Paul - California, MO	Trinity Our Savior - Corpus Christi, TX
Morris, Kris	Accepted	Sole Pastor	Director of Church Engagement, Concordia Univ. Nebraska	Immanuel - Honey Creek (Jefferson City), MO
Morris, Kris	Declined	Sole Pastor	Director of Church Engagement, Concordia Univ. Nebraska	Immanuel - Rosebud, MO
Nack, Jonathan	Declined	Sole Pastor	Trinity - Auburn, IN	St. Andrew - Stockton, MO
Pottschmidt, Michael	Declined	Senior Pastor	St. Paul - Concordia, MO	St. Paul - Des Peres, MO
Rutherford, Stephen	Accepted	Principal	Immanuel & Zion - Lincoln, MO	Holy Trinity Lutheran High School - Effingham, IL
Truwe, Gregory	Declined	Sole Pastor	Trinity - Cole Camp, MO	Mt. Calvary - Huron, SD
Wing, Daniel	Accepted	Sole Pastor	Trinity - Lincoln, NE	Immanuel - Higginsville, MO

Change of Status			
Name	Status	From	Date
Ellerbrock, Keith	Emeritus	St. Charles, MO	July 9, 2026
Ensor, Lewis	Candidate	St. Louis, MO	July 9, 2026
Futrell, Richard	Emeritus	Kimberling City, MO	July 9, 2026
Kasten, Ronald	Called to Glory	Washington, MO	March 13, 2026
Resner, Steven A.	Emeritus	Jefferson City, MO	July 9, 2026
Schoedel, John	Emeritus	Villa Ridge, MO	July 16, 2026
Wittmayer, Garland	Called to Glory	St. Louis, MO	July 18, 2026

Calling Congregations		
Location	Name	Position
Aftton	Reformation	Sole Pastor
Bridgeton	Trinity	Sole Pastor
Bourbon/Cuba	Concordia/St. Paul's	Sole Pastor, Dual Parish
Cape Girardeau	Trinity	Sole Pastor
Camdenton	Peace	Sole Pastor
Cedar Hill	Cedar Hill	Sole Pastor
Chesterfield	King of Kings	Senior Pastor
Columbia	Trinity	Associate Pastor
Des Peres (St. Louis)	St. Paul's	Senior Pastor
Farmington	St. Paul	Sole Pastor
Hillsboro	Zion	Sole Pastor
Independence	Messiah	Sole Pastor
Jackson	St. Paul	Associate Pastor
Kansas City	Ascension	Sole Pastor
Kansas City	Calvary	Senior Pastor
Kearney	Trinity	Sole Pastor
Kimberling City	Shepherd of the Hills	Sole Pastor
Kirkwood	Concordia	Senior Pastor
La Grange	St. Peter's	Sole Pastor
Lake Ozark	Christ the King	Associate Pastor
Mexico	St. John	Sole Pastor
Olivette	Immanuel/Light of Christ Mission	Associate Pastor
Raymore	Bethlehem	Associate Pastor
Republic	Hope	Sole Pastor
Rolla	Redeemer	Sole Pastor
Rosebud	Immanuel	Sole Pastor
St. Louis (Spanish Lake)	Bethlehem (St. Peter)	Associate Pastor
St. Louis	Christ Memorial-Reliant	Associate Pastor
St. Louis (Lemay)	Gethsemane	Sole Pastor
Slater	St. Paul's/Peace	Sole Pastor, Dual Parish
Stockton	St. Andrew	Sole Pastor
Trenton	Immanuel	Sole Pastor, Bi-Vocational
Troy	Trinity	Sole Pastor