



# MINISTER TO MINISTER

The Texas District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

February 3, 2023

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## Prayers for Peace and Assurance

**Rev. Hubert F. Beck (Em., Austin)**, was received into the arms of our Lord on January 27, 2023.

A memorial service will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 11, 2023, at Bethany Lutheran Church, 3701 West Slaughter Lane, Austin, TX 78749. A reception with the family will follow in the church hall.

Pastors are invited to vest and process and are asked to arrive 15 minutes before the service.

We remember his wife Judy, and their four children, Kathleen Ann (Egbert), Cynthia Sue (Ferrara), Mary Lee Beck and Mark Beck (Debbi-and grandson, Daniel) in prayer as we celebrate the promise of the resurrection and victory we have in Jesus.

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## District Announcements

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### IIM Discernment Online Workshop

"What is Intentional Interim Ministry, really?"

"Is this a ministry for me?"

"How do I get started?"

These questions and more will be addressed in a livestreamed online workshop, held **February 21, 2023, 1-3pm**. See if Intentional Interim Ministry is a good fit for you.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information and registration.



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### Lutherans for Life National Essay Contest

It is again time for our Lutherans For Life National Essay Contest sponsored by the LFL

Federation Presidents. Students in grades 6-12 have the opportunity to speak, write, and strengthen their convictions about the sanctity of life. Deadline for submissions is **April 1, 2023**. For more information about the Essay Contest, please [CLICK HERE](#) or [email Barb Geistfeld](#), Lutherans for Life Assistant Director of Volunteer Relations.

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## Central Texas Men's Retreat

Redeemer Lutheran Church and St. Paul Lutheran from Austin are hosting a **Men's Retreat at Camp Lone Star in La Grange, March 3-5**.

All men from the Central Texas Area are invited to a time of rest, fellowship, study of God's word, and worship together. The special guest speaker is Pastor Will Weedon from St. Paul Lutheran Church in Hamel, IL who will lead in reflections upon I & II Thessalonians. The event includes a chili cookoff Friday night, Worship and Breakfast on Saturday morning, and a steak dinner Saturday night. A brief church service will be held before dismissal on Sunday morning. Please join us!

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## Mission Support Center Construction Progress

Want to keep up with the construction progress of the Texas District Mission Support Center? Just bookmark [THIS SITE](#). The photo shown is updated every hour.

## District Prayers

### For Gospel Ministers & Ministries

*Father, send Your Holy Spirit to prepare the hearts of those yet to know Jesus, and bring His love and good news through these ministries & mission workers.*

- Emmanuel Ethiopian Church, - Rev. Mekru Bekele
- Oromo Evangelical Church, Dallas - Mitiku Dumesso
- Eritrean Apartment Outreach, Dallas - Yirgalem Ketema
- New Immigrants Church, Fort Worth - Wellington Morris
- East African at Bethel & Holy Cross, Dallas - Jonas Ntagawa
- Evangelist Mitiku Dumesso - Oromo Evangelical Church, Dallas
- Evangelist Jaime Durkin - Comunidad Cristiana Expansion, Dallas

*For expanded weekly prayer lists click [Mission Prayer Partner!](#)*

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### For Healing, Strength, and Encouragement

*Dear healing Jesus, hear our prayers for...*

- Mrs. Betty Baden, wife of Rev. Tom Baden (Bethel, Ballinger)
- Rev. Don Black (Trinity-Downtown, Houston)
- Rev. Mark Brunette (Joy, Houston)
- Naomi Brunette, daughter of Rev. Mark & Michelle Brunette (Joy, Houston)
- Rev. Mario Casillas (Trinity, Port Arthur)
- Rev. Dan Chambers (Evangelists, Kingsbury)

- Rev. Walter Dube (Living Word, The Woodlands)
- Rev. Art Farrow (Trinity, Commerce)
- Mrs. Marleny Franco, mother of Rev. Mauricio Franco (St. Paul, Harlingen)
- Mr. David Goeke (Concordia, San Antonio)
- Rev. Tom Hadley (Em., Campbell)
- Mrs. Cynthia Hadley, wife of Rev. Tom Hadley (Em., Campbell)
- Rev. Chris Johnson (Em., Hewitt)
- Mr. Tim Kerkman, son of DCE Randall & Sandra Kerkman (Em., Austin)
- Mrs. Mary Kent, mother-in-law of Rev. Byron Williams (St. Paul, Dallas)
- Mrs. Nancy Loomis, widow of Rev. Richard Loomis (Memorial, Katy)
- Mrs. Evie Mann, wife of Rev. James Mann (Em., Cedar Park)
- Mrs. Betty Michalk, wife of Rev. Wilbern Michalk (Em., Georgetown)
- Rev. Gary Miller (Abiding Savior, Zapata)
- Rev. Rick Pfaff (Em., Boerne)
- Mr. Bruce Rudi (Em., Concordia, San Antonio)
- Mrs. Margaret Schultz, wife of Rev. David Schultz (St. John, Cypress)
- Rev. Jon Scicluna (Beautiful Savior, Arlington)
- Mr. Danny Simms (Redeemer, Baytown)
- Mrs. Laurine Watson, wife of Chaplain Joe Watson (Buckley AFB, CO)
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## Call Central

*Gracious God, we give You thanks and praise for our church workers, and their opportunities to serve. Give them Your Spirit's gifts of wisdom, discernment, and faith to trust you in their decision making.*

### Commissioned

#### Undecided

Dcss. Taylor Brown-Fickenscher, Dcss., Cristo El Salvador, Del Rio to Dcss., St. Paul, Columbus, IN

### Ordained

#### Undecided

Rev. Ted Benson, Assoc. Resurrection, Spring to Senior, Resurrection, Spring  
 Rev. Phillip Allman, Sole, First, Orange Grove to Sole, St. John, Pecatonica, IL  
 Rev. David Dahlke, Sole, Lakeside, Venice, FL to Sole, Holy Cross, Arlington  
 Rev. Daniel Fickenscher, Sole, Cristo El Salvador, Del Rio to Sole, to Sole., St. Paul, Columbus, IN  
 Rev. Matthew Peeples, Candidate to Director of Kairos Network, LINC Ministries Intl.

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## Upcoming Installations

*Lord, thank you for providing under shepherds for your flock. Please work through these men in their new callings, to love and lead with the heart and Spirit of Christ.*

Rev. David Edge - Grace, Denison - 2/19/2023 - 4:00 p.m.  
 Rev. Charles Ridley - Fishers of Men, Sugar Land - 2/19/2023 - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
 Rev. Nathan Abel - St. Paul, Ft. Worth - 2/12/2023 - 8:00 a.m.

## Upcoming Ordination & Installation

SMP Pastor-elect Joel Hall - Faith, Mexia - 3/5/2023 - 4:00 p.m.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2023

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February 6-8

## TEXAS DISTRICT DCEs SPIRITUAL RENEWAL RETREAT

The Pines Campus of Camp Lone Star  
22610 Tuwa Rd, Tomball, TX 77375

February 21, 1-3pm

## IIM ONLINE WORKSHOP

Intentional Interim Ministry discernment workshop

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March 3-5

## CENTRAL TEXAS MEN'S RETREAT

Camp Lone Star, La Grange  
Hosted by Redeemer & St. Paul, Austin

March 9-11

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS CONFERENCE

Embassy Suites, San Marcos  
Registration Deadline: February 13

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May 8 - 10

## TEXAS DISTRICT THEOLOGICAL CONVOCATION

*The Unique Treasure of the Gospel*  
St. Paul Lutheran Church, Waco (Bellmead)  
Registration information coming soon!

June 7

## MRR LEADERS DAY (Marketing Recruitment & Retention)

Salem Lutheran School, Tomball

July 17-19

## TEXAS DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS CONFERENCE

Drury Plaza Hotel, San Antonio

July 29-August 3

## LCMS CONVENTION

"We Preach Christ Crucified" I Cor. 1:18-25  
Milwaukee – Wisconsin Center  
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