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The Texas District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

April 7, 2023

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District Announcements

UPCOMING SYNODICAL CONVENTION DEADLINES

ATTENTION ALL CONGREGATIONS:

Please note the upcoming important deadlines and associated links with further details:

- April 14: [Delegate Registration Form](#) due
- April 28: Extended deadline to submit congregational statistics to the LCMS Office of Rosters & Statistics

[More Important Convention Dates](#)

Epiphany, Bastrop Chartering Service



SUNDAY
MAY
7

THE CHARTERING

Service

EPIPHANY

LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMS

Special Guest
Texas District President

Rev. **MIKE NEWMAN**

CATERED MEAL - 12:30PM*

DIVINE SERVICE - 2:00PM

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

BASTROP STATE PARK REFECTORY, 100 PARK ROAD 1

***PLEASE RSVP TO SECRETARY@EPIPHANYBASTROP.ORG**

Epiphany Lutheran Church in Bastrop is excited to announce our chartering Sunday on May 7 at 2:00 p.m., and you're invited!

For Church Musicians: Bach Workshop

Hearts · Hands · Voices

Local workshops for church musicians

sponsored by the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians

Come to Zion Lutheran in Dallas, Texas on June 3-4 for a weekend of Bach focused on BWV 137 Lobe den Herrn. Participants will have an opportunity to work with Allen Hightower, Director of Choral Studies at the University of North Texas, learn from Mark Peters, Professor of Music at Trinity Christian College, and enjoy the playing of James Kibbie, Professor of Organ at the University of Michigan. Participants will enjoy an organ recital, helping to lead evening prayer, and participating in a Festival Eucharist for the Festival of the Holy Trinity. Church musicians are encouraged to invite choir members to join this event for a reduced registration rate.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information.
[CLICK HERE](#) for flyer.

Intentional Transitional Pastor (ITP) Training

Preparing for the next season of your career as an Intentional Transitional Pastor (formerly Intentional Interim Minister)? Online training sessions begin April 20, and registration is almost closed. Please visit <http://www.lutma.org/> for more information.

2nd Annual Church Music Beautification Conference

Theme: Cultivating Musicianship

Date: Saturday, April 22, 2023

Location: Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church & Preschool, 800 N Franklin St., La Grange, TX 78945

Featuring: Benjamin Kolodziej, organist and keynote speaker.

Additional presentations by Rev. Bernie Schey, Mrs. Ruth Meyer, & Rev. Jason M. Kaspar. Conference opens and closes with worship. A light lunch will be provided. This is a free conference.

Please RSVP by April 10th to secretary@mtcalvary-lcms.org or call 979.968.3938

Holy Cross, Warda Celebrates 150 Years

Date: Sunday, April 23, 2023

Location: Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Warda, TX

God has shown faithfulness and steadfast love to the saints at Holy Cross Lutheran Church for 150 years. You are invited to join their celebration, giving thanks for the past, rejoicing in the present, and eagerly anticipating the future work of Christ in Warda and around the world. The day's events will include worship, refreshments, meal, and guest preacher Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, *Lutheran Hour* speaker. [CLICK HERE](#) for more details, including schedule and RSVP information.

2023 Texas District Theological Convocation

Texas District 2023 Theological Convocation: "The Unique Treasure of the Gospel" May 8-10 at St. Paul, Waco (1301 Hogan Ln, Waco, TX 76705). Spanish translation of speakers will be available.

[INFORMATION & REGISTRATION](#)

Missional Youth Retreat (MYR)

The Missional Youth Retreat (MYR) is back at Concordia University Texas! June 4-8, 2023 students will engage in meaningful experiences and meet fellow high school students with demonstrated leadership potential, a calling for ministry, and a passion for sharing the Gospel, during an unforgettable week!

INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

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.

- Comunidad De Fe, Grand Prairie - Rev. Juan & Dcss. Alma Zamora
- LINC San Antonio, San Antonio - Rev. Carlos Boerger
- Comunidad Cristiana Elevate, Garland - Jaime Durkin
- Evangelists Joel & Rachel Hardy - Edge Church of Azle, Azle
- Concordia Lutheran High School, Tomball - Julie Kangas
- Salem Lutheran School, Tomball - Dr. Amy Boatman

For more details on the list above, click here: [Mission Prayer Partner!](#)

For Peace and Assurance

Father, we thank you for the life of service of Mrs. Mariela Guerra, mother of Rev. Lincon Guerra, who passed away April 6. To her friends and family, grant peace and assurance in the victory of Your Son's resurrection.

Arrangements

- Mrs. Mariela Guerra, mother of Rev. Lincon Guerra - Funeral arrangements pending

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. -Romans 8:38-39

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. Mario Casillas (Trinity, Port Arthur)
- Rev. Walter Dube (Living Word, The Woodlands)
- Mrs. Marleny Franco, mother of Rev. Mauricio Franco (St. Paul, Harlingen)
- Rev. Fred Gersch (Em., Dallas)
- Mr. David Goeke (Concordia, San Antonio)
- 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)
- Mrs. Eunice Otte, mother of Rev. Jim Otte (St. Paul, Fort Worth)
- Mr. Bruce Rudi (Em., Concordia, San Antonio)
- Mrs. Laurine Watson, wife of Chaplain Joe Watson (Buckley AFB, CO)

Call Central

New Calls

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

Accepted

Dcss. Rachel Frugé, Vice President of Church Engagement, Academy 4, Fort Worth to Regional Mission Leader, St. Paul, Fort Worth

Ordained

Declined

Rev. Chris Hull, Sole, Zion, Tomball to Sr., Heavenly Host, Cookeville, TN

Undecided

Rev. Aaron Richert, Campus Pastor, Lutheran South Academy, Houston to Sole, Grace, Albuquerque, NM

Rev. Mark Taylor, Assoc., Faith, Plano to Sr., Clarksville, TN

Upcoming Installations

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

SMP William Ross Davis

4/23/23, 4:00 p.m. - St. Paul, Austin

Dcss. Rachel Frugé

4/16/23, 8:00 a.m. - St. Paul, Fort Worth

Ordination Anniversaries

April

40 years

Rev. Steve Larson (April 10, 1983) - Emeritus, Lake Jackson

Upcoming District Events

2023

May 8-10

TEXAS DISTRICT THEOLOGICAL CONVOCATION 2023

"The Unique Treasure of the Gospel"

St. Paul Lutheran Church

1301 Hogan Ln, Waco, TX 76705

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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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