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The Texas District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

April 28, 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:

- **TODAY, April 28:** Extended deadline to submit congregational statistics to the LCMS Office of Rosters & Statistics

[More Important Convention Dates](#)

Trinity, Riesel's 140th Anniversary Celebration



Trinity Lutheran Church
364 County Road 143 ~ Riesel, Texas

140 Years of God's Grace



You are invited to join Trinity, Riesel (364 CR 143, Riesel, TX 76682) for their 140th anniversary on June 4 at 4:00 p.m., followed by a dinner at 5:00 p.m. Readings in German. Sermon by District President Mike Newman. RSVP to TLC140y@gmail.com or (254) 315-0779.

Rays of Hope Music Festival



CITY LIGHTS

church planting
& mission network



Annual Fundraiser: Father to Son Mentoring & Music Matters Programs

LIVE MUSIC

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Concert



Purchase Tickets.

CITY LIGHTS PRESENTS

APR 29 2023

RAYS OF HOPE
MUSIC FESTIVAL

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
CARROLLTON, TX

5:00PM
4000 Midway Rd.

WITH PERFORMANCES BY:
// THE BIG BRASS BAND // TEDDY THARP //
// UNITED IN VICTORY // REWIND BAND //
// FINGERPRINTS //

FREE FOOD

Provided by
The Holy Smokers

Raffle Tickets
**Win Special
Prizes**

Retail Products
**T-Shirts,
Hoodies & More**



Make a donation.

A great day of music and ministry support of the City Lights Network, and you are welcome! [CLICK HERE](#) for tickets. [CLICK HERE](#) to donate to the event.

Epiphany, Bastrop Chartering Service

Epiphany Lutheran Church in Bastrop is excited to announce our chartering Sunday on May 7 at 2:00 p.m., preceded by a catered meal at 12:30p, and you're invited! The event will be held at Bastrop State Park Refectory (100 Park Road 1, Bastrop). Please RSVP to secretary@epiphanybastrop.org.

For Church Musicians: Bach Workshop

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.

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.

- Jesus Lutheran Church of the Deaf, Austin - Rev. Robert LeBlanc
- Disciples of the Way, Dallas - Rev. Karim Baidaoui
- St. Paul Lutheran Church, McAllen - Rev. Gregory Lorenz
- Upbring, Austin - Michael Loo
- Evangelist Matt Ivicic - The Edge Church of Azle, Azle
- Evangelist Sara Jacob - Faith Lutheran Church, Grand Prairie
- Bethany Preschool, Austin - Rev. Martin Danner
- Let It Shine Enrichment Academy, Austin - Teresa Danner

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

For Peace and Assurance

Father, we thank you for the lives of service of Rev. Ernesto Garcia and Sam Engman. To their friends and family, grant peace and assurance in the victory of Your Son's resurrection.

Arrangements

Rev. Ernesto Garcia (Emeritus, McAllen) was called to glory on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

Pastor Garcia served congregations and ministries in Central and South Texas. We give thanks for his faith and faithful service as we remember his family in our prayers. Visitation will be held Friday, April 28, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Kreidler Funeral Home (314 N 10th St, McAllen, TX 78501). The funeral will be held Saturday, April 29, 10:00 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church (300 Pecan Blvd, McAllen, TX 78501). Pastors are invited to process and vest in red.

Sam Engman, son of Nathan Engman (DCE, Memorial, Katy) and Sarah Engman, passed away Tuesday, April 25, 2023. Visitation will be held Monday, May 1, 7:00-8:00 p.m. at Memorial, Katy (5810 Third Street, Katy 77493). Funeral will be held Tuesday, May 2, 10:00 a.m. at Memorial, Katy.

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)
- Rev. Wayne Graumann (Salem, Tomball)
- 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)
- 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.

Ordained

Undecided

Rev. Luke Madsen, Assoc., Immanuel, Temple to Sole, Holy Cross, Arlington

Rev. Craig Schinnerer, Vacancy, St. Paul, Plano to ITP, St. Paul, Plano

Rev. Mark Taylor, Assoc., Faith, Plano to Sole, Heavenly Host, Cookeville, TN

Rev. Jon Thomas, Sr., St. John, Mansfield to Sr., St. Michael, Ft. Myers, FL

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.

Rev. David Mumm
Rev. Eric Stinnette

4/30/23, 3:00 p.m. - Christ, Lincon/Loebau
6/11/23, 5:00 p.m. - St. Paul, Wichita Falls

Ordination Anniversaries

May

40 years

Rev. Rick Pfaff (May 28, 1983) - Emeritus, Boerne

35 years

Rev. Lynn Stroud (May 1, 1988) - Emeritus, Bryan

15 years

Rev. Evelio Cruz (May 18, 2008) - Candidate, Leander

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

[INFORMATION & REGISTRATION](#)

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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