



The Texas District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

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Dear Texas Mission Prayer Partners,

Thank you for your dedicated and fervent prayer for these ministries and ministers of the Gospel expanding God's kingdom. May the Holy Spirit rest on you as you join Christ in fellowship.

You also must help us by prayer, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many.
2 Cor. 1:11

Ministries & Congregations

University Lutheran Church

Rev. John Karle | College Station



Pictured: Rev. James Cleland (St. Mark Houston) visits with ULC students on April 23rd, talking about church vocations and our calling as followers of Jesus.

University Lutheran Chapel -- College Station serves students at Texas A&M University and Blinn College Bryan. Known locally as The Chapel, it's been staffed by a called campus pastor since the early 1960s. Today, we want all students to learn how beloved they are by the Father and how they are sent all over the world in the name of Jesus and the power of the Spirit.

Some 70,000 students attend Texas A&M in College Station, over 5,000 of which are international students. Since the 1980s The Chapel has paid special attention to international students and scholars. This important work continues today. DCE Dorinda Werner is catalyst for International Student Ministry and Rev. John Karle is campus pastor and lead missionary.

- Praise for the recently-completed spring semester and our ten students graduating.
- Praise for the newly trained nine leadership team members equipped for outreach opportunities this summer and the coming school year.
- Pray for the completion of our new student center and worship space this July, when we'll be returning to the place we've been since 1965. Over 10,000 students live within a ten-minute walk of the Chapel. The mission field is at our doorstep!
- Pray for the safety of construction workers, students traveling stateside and overseas, staff attending conferences, new students and parents attending orientation, and for students interning stateside and overseas.
- Pray that the Lord of the Harvest call students wherever they go as graduates, bearing his witness and for additional student leaders who will invite, welcome, equip, and share the message of hope in Christ entrusted to us.
- Pray for our partnerships with the seminaries for the preparation of pastors and deaconesses.



God is at work at U.T. Austin!

Pastored by Richard Mittwede, University Lutheran Church (ULC), the campus ministry at the University of Texas, Austin, offers worship, Bible study and fellowship for our American students. It's truly a sanctuary for them from the stressful world of academics! Although a small group, we enjoy the support and fellowship of each other.

The international student outreach of ULC, directed by Marcia Mittwede, serves students and their families from 20 countries with English conversation and idiom classes, and Bible studies in easy-English. Most classes are a hybrid of in-person and zoom, involving students and former students who have moved from Austin. Some even in their home country! This ministry is more than just English learning for them. It's a community of friends.

- Pray for more U.T. students to be referred to ULC, especially incoming freshmen. This is a major situation for many campus ministries.
- Pray that ULC continues to be a vital sanctuary for the spiritual health of our students.
- Pray that our international students come to faith in Jesus through our easy-English Bible studies for them.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Rev. Joe Andrajack | Hereford



This project is part of the District's Hispanic Ministry initiative to support congregations in areas with a high Hispanic population to unite efforts to reach out to those communities with the Gospel.

Immanuel, Hereford is our first mission project. A group of Hispanic leaders from Area B, together with an Anglo pastor and a member of the congregation, worked on the first stage of the remodeling project. We began with the Sunday School building adjacent to the church building, which was completely re-sided and re-painted. The next stages of the project will include the interior of both buildings, with a major repair needed on the roofing. We have already received a quote from a roofing company and are currently working on finding the funds to proceed.

We have also scheduled other groups of Hispanic leaders from areas D and C to come during the spring and summer to continue the work. The most exciting part of this project is the opportunity to connect with the community and the potential for a new Church Plant.

This mission work presents a valuable opportunity for congregations that would like to send youth or adult groups on domestic mission trips. If anyone is interested in participating in or supporting this mission project, please [contact Rev. Lincon Guerra](#).

Narrative Church

Rev. Ted Doering | Round Rock

- Pray for continued connection in the communities around where we meet for worship.
 - Praise for a great group of people joining in the mission at Narrative.
 - Pray for God to guide our next steps.
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Featured Evangelists

Lutheran Schools

Messiah's Kids Mother's Day Out

Gina Huskey | Boerne



Messiah's Kids is closing out an exceptional year. We are singing the praises of the Lord as we have watched our families learn and grow during these very important early years. We are celebrating that 90% of our teachers will be returning to continue to share our ministry with our amazing families. As we close out the year, we ask for prayers of safety and well-being for our preschool family.

St. Paul Early Childhood Center

Shandi Flores | Bishop

*We pray for the ministries and servants of the Gospel in the Texas District to...
STRENGTHEN CONGREGATIONS to reach the lost,
disciple the saved,
and care for people - locally and globally.*

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