



# MINISTER *to* MINISTER

April 19, 2024

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## PRESIDENT'S PAUSE // BE ENCOURAGED



Theological Convocation was a great time to gather, learn, discuss, and fellowship. In this video, President Newman shares some followup remarks about the event.

<https://youtu.be/z3w5xDdaAxY>

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## WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

*Pray for those in need of guidance, affirmation, healing, relief, and assurance.*

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## Prayer Requests

- **Rev. Jonathan Bontke** (Beautiful Savior, Austin) - recovery after successful cancer treatment
  - **Dr. Sandra Doering** (Em., New Braunfels) - recovering from a procedure to correct a brain aneurysm
  - **Rev. Chris Johnson** (Em., Hewitt) - cancer returned
  - **Rev. Don Kasper** (Em., Salado) - in ICU
  - **Mrs. Judy Kurth, wife of Rev. Richard Kurth** (Em., Dallas) - home recovering from cancer treatment
  - **Dr. Margaret Peterson** (St. Paul, Monahans) - health issues
  - **Rev. Rick Pfaff** (Em., Boerne) - praise for approval for a kidney transplant and surgery scheduled April 30
  - **Son & daughter-in-law of Rev. Wendall Stavig** (Em., The Woodlands) - baby just born
  - **Rev. Robert Shockley** (Em., Jacksonville) - operation for neuralgic pain
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## Funeral Announcement

**Rev. James Haupt** (Em., San Antonio) was Called to Glory on Wednesday, April 10, 2024. He served congregations in Cypress; San Antonio; and Rockford, IL before retiring in 1997.

Pastor Haupt's funeral will be held Thursday, April 25, 11:00 a.m. at Mt. Calvary, San Antonio (308 Mount Calvary), followed by a private, family graveside service at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. Clergy are invited to wear white stoles.

We remember the Haupt family in prayer as we celebrate the promise of the resurrection and victory we have in Jesus.

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## New Calls

### Commissioned

#### Undecided

**Andrew Montgomery**, Principal, Tinley Park, IL to Principal, St. Paul, Arlington  
**Will Ochs**, Intern, King of Kings, Round Rock to DCE, King of Kings, Round Rock

### Ordained

#### Accepted

**Rev. Tim Fraker**, Sole, Trinity, Weatherford to Assoc., Pilgrim, Green Bay, WI  
**Rev. Kbrab Isak**, Missionary-at-large, LINC Intl., Houston to Assoc., Good Shepherd, Downey, CA

#### Declined

**Rev. Neil Wheeler**, Sole, Peace, Waverly, NE to Sr., Trinity, Amarillo

#### Undecided

**Rev. Ed Harkey**, Sole, Trinity, Keene, NH to Sole, Redeemer, Beaumont  
**Rev. Tim Radkey, Sr.**, Our Savior, McKinney to ITP Sr., Emmanuel, Hermitage, TN  
**Rev. Sherman Stenson**, Candidate, Austin to Zion, Downs, KS  
**Rev. Neil Vanderbush, Em.**, Eads, TN to Sole, Messiah, Corpus Christi  
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## Ordination Anniversaries // April

40 years

Rev. Kurt Rutz (4/1) - Grace, Mart

10 years

Rev. Paul Korabandi (4/24) -  
Resurrection, Spring

15 years

Rev. Kevin Hintze (4/26) - Zion,  
Walburg

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## DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

**Your New Events Calendar:** Calling all congregational leaders: Please submit your congregational statistics at <https://lc.lcms.org/>! This helps us know how to best serve you and to understand our district's needs. Reports are due April 30, 2024. [Learn more](#)

**Your New Events Calendar:** Does your congregation have an event you'd like published, or would you like to see what's happening in congregations around the District? Events like this, which used to be posted in M2M, are now published on our Community Events page. Check it out! [Learn more](#)

**Texas LWML Convention:** The 43rd Biennial Convention of the LWML Texas District will be held at the Omni Corpus Christi Hotel, 900 North Shoreline Boulevard, Corpus Christi, June 13-15, 2024. [Learn more & register](#)

**MYR 2024:** In the spirit of our synod's "Set Apart to Serve" efforts to recruit new church workers, the Texas District invites young people to consider registering for "MYR 2024." June 2-6, at Concordia University Texas, rostered LCMS church workers will present ministry options and mission opportunities to young people. [Learn more & register](#)

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## RESOURCE TOOLBOX // BE EQUIPPED

**Staying Secure Online** // Part of a series of articles with cybersecurity advice meant to help you and your congregation stay secure online. This article deals with passwords and authentication. [Read more](#)

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APRIL 23, 7 p.m. // CTSFW Vicarage & Deaconess Assignment Service // [Learn More](#)

APRIL 24, 7 p.m. // CTSFW Candidate Call Service // [Learn More](#)

JUNE 2-6, 2024 // Missional Youth Retreat // [Learn More & Register](#)

JUNE 13-15, 2024 // LWML Texas District Convention // [Learn More & Register](#)

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