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April 26, 2024

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PRESIDENT'S PAUSE // BE ENCOURAGED



Take a walk with President Newman through the journey of mission outreach in the Texas District, and how you are invited to be part of it. <https://youtu.be/Ky0nXiydQyk?si=bPwYb4ASlKrOgBcH>

WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

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

Prayer Requests

- **Dr. Sandra Doering** (Em., New Braunfels) - recovering from a procedure to correct a brain aneurysm
 - **Mrs. Marlys Erickson**, former District Treasurer (Faith, Georgetown - comfort at the passing of her husband, Bob
 - **Rev. Don Kasper** (Em., Salado) - in ICU
 - **Mrs. Judy Kurth**, wife of **Rev. Richard Kurth** (Em., Dallas) - home recovering from cancer treatment
 - **Mrs. JoAnne Meyer** (Em., Walburg) - in hospice
 - **Dr. Margaret Peterson** (St. Paul, Monahans) - praise that thyroid problem diagnosed as benign
 - **Rev. Rick Pfaff** (Em., Boerne) - praise for approval for a kidney transplant and surgery scheduled April 30
 - **Rev. Jared Raebel** (Christ the King, Waxahachie) - completed Ph.D. studies and will be hooded May 17
 - **Rev. Robert Shockley** (Em., Jacksonville) - operation for neuralgic pain
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New Calls

Commissioned

Accepted

Andrew Montgomery, Principal, Tinley Park, IL to Principal, St. Paul, Fort Worth

Declined

Will Ochs, Intern, King of Kings, Round Rock to DCE, King of Kings, Round Rock

Will Ochs, Intern, King of Kings, Round Rock to DCE, Redeemer, Spokane Valley, WA

Ordained

Accepted

Rev. Lee Hopf, Assoc., Trinity-Klein, Spring to Sr., Trinity-Klein, Spring

Rev. Sherman Stenson, Candidate, Austin to Zion, Downs, KS

Declined

Rev. Tim Radkey, Sr., Our Savior, McKinney to ITP Sr., Emmanuel, Hermitage, TN

Rev. Neil Vanderbush, Em., Eads, TN to Sole, Messiah, Corpus Christi

Rev. Neil Vanderbush, Em., Eads, TN to Sole, Peace, Groves

Undecided

Rev. Ed Harkey, Sole, Trinity, Keene, NH to Sole, Redeemer, Beaumont

Upcoming Installations

Rev. Lee Hopf // June 2, 3:00 p.m. // Sr., Trinity-Klein, Spring

Ordination Anniversaries // May

40 years

Rev. Dr. Stanley Seat (5/26) - Em.,
Mansfield

15 years

Rev. Dr. Philip Schielke (5/31) - Victory
in Christ, Newark

20 years

Rev. Dongsu Son (5/15) - Grace Korean,
Colleyville

DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

We Need Your Stats: 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](#)

New Workers: We welcome to Texas new calls and placements from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis and Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne! [Learn more](#)

Exciting News: We are bidding farewell to our monthly e-newsletter, Catalyst, but we're thrilled to enhance Mission Prayer, our weekly connection packed with updates on the vibrant mission outreach across the Texas District. If you do not already receive the Mission Prayer or Catalyst newsletter, join us as we embark on this new chapter of connection and inspiration! [Sign up](#)

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

Strategic Planning, pt. 2 // This is the second of six articles walking through the Strategic Planning process, written by Rev. Dr. David Bahn. This month, we learn about the first meeting. [Read more](#)

EVENTS & LINKS // BE CONNECTED

Upcoming Events

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

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

JULY 15-17, 2024 // Texas District Administrators Conference // [Learn More & Register](#)

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