



# MINISTER *to* MINISTER

May 10, 2024

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## PRESIDENT'S PAUSE // BE ENCOURAGED



May is AAPI Heritage Month, and we praise God for the dynamic cultural impacts these many and diverse cultures have made not only around the world but even right here in Texas. Listen as President Newman explores what God has done, is doing, and will do through our AAPI brothers and sisters: <https://youtu.be/R62VNB4tDbo>.

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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

- Mrs. Marlys Erickson, former District Treasurer (Faith, Georgetown) - comfort at the passing of her husband, Bob
  - Rev. David Grassley (Em., Fort Worth) - low blood pressure limiting mobility
  - Rev. Don Kasper (Em., Salado) - out of ICU and into rehab
  - Mrs. JoAnne Meyer (Em., Walburg) - in hospice
  - Rev. Rick Pfaff (Em., Boerne) - praise for successful kidney surgery
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## Memorial Announcement

Mrs. Kathy Hirsch, wife of Rev. Dr. John Hirsch (Em., Columbia, MO) went to be with her heavenly Father on Saturday, December 30, 2023. Her memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, May 25, 2024 at Good Shepherd, Cedar Park (700 W Whitestone Blvd).

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

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## New Calls

### Ordained

#### Declined

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

#### Undecided

Rev. Ryan Neuhaus, Campus Pastor, Concordia High School, Tomball to CEO, Camp Lone Star, La Grange

Rev. Mark Taylor, Assoc., Faith, Plano to Missionary, LCMS, Dominican Republic

Rev. Dr. Neil Vanderbush, Em., Eads, TN to Sole, Messiah, Boerne

Rev. Peter Williamson, Sole, St. John, Beaumont to Assoc., Trinity, Wausau, WI

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## Upcoming Installations

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

Rev. Tim Rosenthal // June 2, *time TBD* // Sole, Grace, Menard

Rev. Stephen DeMik // June 9, *time TBD* // Assoc., Hope, Lubbock

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## 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

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## DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

**We (Still) 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. **Deadline has been extended to May 31, 2024.** [Learn more](#)

**Interim Ministry:** Demand for interim ministry is growing by leaps and bounds. LuTMA can help you discern if it's something to which God is calling you! The next online education event is June 10. [Learn more & register](#)

**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](#)

**Summer Adventure:** Camp Lone Star is ready for a summer full of adventurous Christ-centered experiences as they explore this year's theme *Invited*, based on Psalm 66:16. They offer everything from day camp, 5-night and 2-night overnight camp, and family camp weekend adventures! Your congregation can come as a group or register individually! [Learn more & register](#)

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## RESOURCE TOOLBOX // BE EQUIPPED

**Are You Prone to Overwork?** // How can a Christian practice can help subdue this compulsion? Rev. Jeff Cloeter explores the topic. [Read more](#)

If you need someone to walk with you to help you begin or become more consistent in this practice, reach out to a member of the [Texas District Care and Coaching Team!](#)

## 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](#)

OCTOBER 14-15, 2024 // Professional Church Workers Conference // [Learn More](#)

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