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May 2, 2025

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PRESIDENT'S PAUSE // BE ENCOURAGED



Generational Prayer // Watch as Pastors Ben and Lonnie Gonzales discuss the power of prayer, sharing a personal story of how their grandmother's prayers influenced their father's and their own ministries. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dVPEcF9jwZg>

WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

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

Prayer Requests

- Rev. Joe Ardy (Em., Midlothian) - low blood cell count, further medical testing
 - Rev. Norman Stoppenhagen (Em., Austin) - at the passing of his wife, Cathy
 - Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller (St. Paul, Austin) - at the passing of his father, Chuck
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New Calls

Commissioned

Undecided

Dr. Levi Bringold, Teacher, St. John, Fraser, MI to Head of School, Our Redeemer, Dallas

Ordained

Undecided

Rev. Troy Schmidt, Sr., Gethsemane, Tempe, AZ to Sr., Water's Edge, Frisco

Candidates

Calls

Daniel Brummet, Assoc., Resurrection, Spring
Daniel Bueckman, Asst., University Lutheran, College Station
Timothy Douglas, SMP, Living Savior, Montgomery
Derek Easterling, SMP, Mt. Olive, San Antonio
Chase Greenhagen, Assoc., Crown of Life, San Antonio
Preus Hasselbrook, Assoc., Memorial, Houston
Noah Menke, Sole, Holy Cross, Dallas
Walker Nery, Assoc., Bethel, Dallas
Jonas Ntagawa, Assoc., Bethel, Dallas
Craig Rehdahl, Sole, St. Paul, Vernon

Vicarages

Alexander Allsing, St. Mark, Houston
Adane Erjabo, Lamb of God, Humble
Owen Dawson, St. Paul, Austin

Deaconess Intership

Paige Rebber, Lord of Life, Plano

Calls & Placements from Texas

Andrew Borseth, Vicar, Ascension, Charlotte, NC
Karl Camp, Vicar, St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth, MI
Alyssa Choate, Dcs., Bethany, Overland Park, KS
Robert Choate, Assoc., Bethany, Overland Park, KS
Tyler Decker, Vicar, Catalina, Tucson, AZ
Paul Engelhardt, Vicar, Our Savior, Lansing, MI
Daniel Heitshusen, Sole, Grace, Aurora, MO
Dan Hollister, Vicar, Christ the King, Billings MT
UmaShankar Kangasabai, Sole, Messiah, Ewa Beach, Oahu
Nathan Kieser, Vicar, Grace, Naples, FL
Michael Saxton, Vicar, Grace, Knoxville, TN
Benjamin Smith, Vicar, Vestavia Hills, Birmingham, AL
Matthew Vathauer, Assoc., St. Paul, Clay Center, KS

Installation

Rev. Duane Bamsch // May 4, 4:00 p.m. //Sole, Our Redeemer, Wichita Falls

Ordination Anniversaries // May

55 years

Rev. Richard Kurth (5/17) - *Em., Dallas*

45 years

Rev. Bob Cheney (5/25) - *Em., Tomball*

40 years

Rev. Ricky Adams (5/26) - *Em., Richmond*

30 years

Rev. Scott Herbert (5/28) - *Zion, Tomball*

20 years

Rev. Karim Baidaoui (5/15) - *Cand., Dallas*

Rev. George Masih (5/15) - *Grace Community, Rowlett*

15 years

Rev. Kurt Ulmer (5/22) - *Faith, Wylie*

10 years

Rev. Barrett Grebing (5/31) - *St. Paul, Ft. Worth*

Rev. Mark Pulliam (5/17) - *Lazarus, Spring*

DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

Legacy Deo Executive Search: Rev. Dr. Gerald Kieschnick is retiring as CEO of Legacy Deo, and we thank and praise God for his leadership and efficacy for God's kingdom. Legacy Deo is looking for the next CEO to lead the organization into the future. If you or someone you know may be a fit, applications are being received. [Learn more](#)

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2025 Convention Info Center

Convention Credentialing: Voting congregations, ensure your delegates are properly credentialed, using the [2025 Voting Delegate Credential Form](#). The deadline for Advance Submission (strongly encouraged for a smoother check-in) is May 5. Credentialing *does not* replace convention registration. Both must be completed. [Learn more](#)

Convention Workbook Available to View: The Convention Workbook is now available to view. [Learn more](#)

2025 Texas District Convention Registration: Register NOW for the 2025 Texas District Convention. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MAY 23.** [Learn more](#)

RESOURCE TOOLBOX // BE EQUIPPED

Site Savvy // Texas Partners in Mission: "In partnership with God's people in LCMS congregations across the state, the Texas District has started 158 new faith communities since 2004! Together, we have facilitated the start of one new congregation every six weeks for the past 18 years..." [Learn more](#)

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Upcoming Events

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JUNE 5-7, 2025 // Texas District Convention // [Learn more](#)

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