



MINISTER *to* MINISTER

September 26, 2025

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Texas District Pastors Conference

Proclaiming the Word: 2025 and Beyond

The Big Idea and Questions: Contemporary society hears the Word in the context of the cultural milieu. How can pastors best proclaim the unchanging truth of God's Word in a constantly changing contemporary context? What techniques, technologies, and approaches most readily connect with hearers today?

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Commissioned Minister Advisory Delegate Nominations

Are you a rostered commissioned minister on active, candidate, or emeritus status? Are you willing and able to attend the Synodical Convention in Phoenix, AZ on July 18-23, 2026? Please submit your Commissioned Advisory Delegate nomination, using the link below, by September 26, 2025.

[SUBMIT NOMINATIONS](#)

WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

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

Prayer Requests

- Family of Rev. Joe Ardy (Em., Midlothian) - Joe's passing
- Family of Rev. Ed Boineau (St. Luke, Sweeny) - Ed's passing
- Rev. Jeff Doria (St. Paul, Thorndale) - recovering after shoulder surgery
- Family of Mrs. Marlys Erickson, former Treasurer of the Texas District

(Georgetown, TX) - Marlys' passing

- Family of Rev. Steve Larsen (Em., Lake Jackson) - passing of son, Strahan
 - Mr. Lanny Moore (former TPIM Director of Development) - passing of his mother, Margie
 - Family of DCE Randy Moerbe (Em., College Station) - passing of daughter, Marie O'Neill
 - Family of Rev. Curt Schneider (Em., Brownwood) - passing of mother, Juanita
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New Calls

Ordained

Undecided

Rev. John De Young, Sole, Cross of Christ, DeSoto to Sole, Ebenezer, Manheim

Rev. Dr. Nathan Kuhlmann, Sole, Redeemer, Rolla, MO to Sole, Trinity Our Savior, Corpus Christi

Rev. Robert Lutjens, Sole, St. John's, Wharton to Sole, Faith, East Wenatchee, WA

Ordinations & Installations

Rev. Daniel Bueckman // October 5, 4:00 p.m. // Campus Pastor, ULC, College Station
Walker Nery // Ordination & Installation: September 28, 3:00 p.m. // Assoc., Bethel, Dallas

Jonas Ntagawa // Ordination & Installation: September 28, 3:00 p.m. // Assoc., Bethel, Dallas

Funerals

Mrs. Marlys Erickson, former Treasurer of the Texas District (Georgetown, TX), was called to be with Jesus on August 20, 2025. Her funeral is tentatively scheduled for November 24 at Faith, Georgetown. More details to follow. Please keep her daughter, Nancy, and all Marlys' friends and family in your prayers.

Rev. Edward L. Schneider (Em., San Antonio) was called to glory on September 9, 2025 at the age of 101. Memorial service will be held at Concordia, San Antonio (16801 Huebner Rd) on November 10, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. We praise and thank the Lord for his life and ministry, and we pray for comfort and assurance for his family and friends.

Ordination Anniversaries // October

55 years

Rev. Marion Parker (10/1) - Em., Conroe

15 years

Rev. Mario Casillas (10/10) - Cand., Baytown

LWML Texas District Grant Proposals: LWML Texas District is now accepting mission grant proposals for the 2026-2028 biennium. **Proposals are due November 1.** [Learn more](#)

Catalyst Innovation Lab 2026: The Texas District Catalyst Innovation Lab is back! We are encouraging mission innovation from ministries in the Texas District, and project leaders may apply for up to \$50,000 toward their efforts. If your ministry has an idea to help catalyze a mission movement in your context, we want to help make it reality. But be quick! **Applications are due November 15!** [Learn more](#)

Concordia Plan Services CEO Search: Concordia Plan Services (CPS) has begun the search for its next Chief Executive Officer, following the planned retirement of Jim Sanft after 17 years of faithful service as President and CEO. For more details on the role, qualifications, how to apply and how to nominate someone, please visit the following link. [Learn more](#)

Teacher Colloquy Webinar: Do you know an educator who might be interested in teacher colloquy? A free Teacher Colloquy Webinar will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 15, from 7-8 p.m. (CDT) to go over the process, requirements and benefits of becoming rostered as an LCMS Minister of Religion—Commissioned. [Learn more](#)

District President Trivia Game: How well do you know your history of the Texas District presidents? Try your luck at this online trivia game created by the Texas District archivist. [Learn more](#)

RESOURCE TOOLBOX // BE EQUIPPED

Mission Insight // We Are Not the Christ: "A sign that says 'Austin - 50 miles' is not Austin itself. It doesn't provide the food, culture, or people of the city. But the sign faithfully points travelers in the right direction. That's our role. We're not the destination—Jesus is. Our calling is to be signposts, pointing others to Him through our words, our compassion, our prayers, and our way of life." [Read more](#)

EVENTS & LINKS // BE CONNECTED

Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER 26-28, 2025 // Pastors' Wives Retreat // [Learn more](#)

SEPTEMBER 27 // Treasurer's Workshop // [Learn more](#)

OCTOBER 13-14, 2025 // Texas District Pastors Conference // [Learn more](#)

OCTOBER 18, 2025 // Deadline for synodical nominations // [Learn more](#)

NOVEMBER 1, 2025 // LWML Texas District Mission grant proposal deadline // [Learn more](#)

JULY 18-23, 2026 // LCMS National Convention // [Learn more](#)

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