



MINISTER *to* MINISTER

December 19, 2025

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WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

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

Prayer Requests

- **Rev. Randy Ledbetter (Em., McKinney)** // recovering after a fall
 - **Rev. Greg Lorenz (St. Paul, McAllen)** // diagnosed with prostate cancer
 - **Family of Rev. Claudio Perez (Immanuel, Houston)** // Claudio's passing
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New Calls

Commissioned

Accepted

Dr. Dallas Lusk // Executive Director, St. Mark, Houston to Superintendent, St. Luke's, Oviedo, FL

Ordained

Accepted

Rev. Robert LeBlanc // Sole (TIM), First, Orange Grove to TIM, Salem, Whitehall

Declined

Rev. Curtis Dwyer // Sr., Martin Luther Chapel, East Lansing, MI to Sole, St. Paul, Denton

Undecided

Rev. John Berg // Assoc., Trinity, Sheboygan, WI to Sole, St. Paul's, Jasper / Faith, Woodville

Rev. Grant Bode // Sole, St. Stephen's, Braham, MN/St. John's, Rush City, MN to Sole, Grace, Paris

Rev. Ryan Cramer // Sole, St. Paul, Foley, AL to Sole, Hope, Winnie

Rev. Wynn Derong // SMP, St. Andrew, Houston to Assoc., Shepherd of the Valley, West Des Moines, IA

Rev. James Ebersole // Assoc., Zion, Dallas to Sr., Zion, Dallas

Rev. Mark Hunsaker // Assoc., Christ the King, Kingwood to Sole, Hope, Austin

Rev. Craig Schinnerer // Em., Fort Worth to Sole, Faith, Grand Prairie

Installations

Rev. Daniel Koyn // January 25, 4:00 p.m. // Sr., Trinity, Amarillo

Rev. Robert LeBlanc // January 25, 4:00 p.m. // Sole (TIM), Salem, Whitehall

Ordination Anniversaries // December

45 years

Rev. Dr. Mike Coppersmith (12/14) - *Em., Georgetown*

40 years

Rev. Dr. Russ Hildebrandt (12/8) - *Em., Grand Prairie*

Rev. David Grassley (12/27) - *Em., Benbrook*

35 years

Rev. Clyde Kieschnick (12/9) - *Zion, Abilene*

25 years

Rev. Ian Pacey (12/31) - *Immanuel, Houston*

15 years

Rev. Gerry Harrow (12/5) - *Gathering, Robinson*

DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

2026 DCE Retreat: The 2026 DCE spiritual retreat will be held February 2-4, 2026 at Camp Lone Star. Leave your to-do list at the office. Pack your hammock, favorite game, or hobby. Come ready to let God re-create you through the lost art of recreation. [Learn more and register](#)

RESOURCE TOOLBOX // BE EQUIPPED



A Savior Has Been Born to You

Christmas Message 2025 // As we celebrate the gift of Jesus this Christmas, we invite you to watch a special video message from our district president, sharing words of hope. A beautiful musical performance by Kemper Crabb & Mysterium at NewChurch in Katy follows the message, and we are deeply grateful to them for this special gift of music. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ht2zWxg_ARQ

EVENTS & LINKS // BE CONNECTED

Upcoming Events

JANUARY 21, 2026 // Catalyst Innovation Lab // [Learn more](#)

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

APRIL 20-21, 2026 // Theological Convocation @ Faith, Georgetown // **More info to come**

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