



MINISTER *to* MINISTER

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DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

ATTENTION CONGREGATIONAL PRESIDENTS

Congregational Statistics Due May 1 (FINAL deadline): Calling all congregational leaders! It's time to update your congregation's statistics online. [Learn more](#)

2026 Theological Convocation: Register now for the 2026 Theological Convocation at Faith, Georgetown! This year's theme is "Face to Face". In a world of hidden wounds, fragile identity, and growing isolation, the Gospel speaks face-to-face—calling us into honest conversation with God and one another. Rev. Dr. Robert Kolb is currently hospitalized in Germany, so Rev. Dr. Rich Rudowske will be filling in with Dr. Chad Lakies for a cognitive and sociological exploration of the self, the soul, and the God who meets us in suffering. [Learn more](#)

Concordia Seminary St. Louis Call Day 2026: Call Day this year is April 28, 2026. Assignments and calls will be announced and celebrated during two worship services in the Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus: Assignment of Vicarages and Deaconess Internships at 3 p.m. (CDT) and Assignment of Calls at 7 p.m. (CDT). You can join us in-person, via [livestream](#) or on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#). [Learn more](#)

Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne Call Day 2026: Call Day 2026 will celebrate students' placement into their respective fields of service: Tuesday, April 28, at 7:00 p.m. ET. Second-year students receive their vicarage and deaconess internship assignments, marking a significant step in their formation: Wednesday, April 29, at 7:00 p.m. ET. Both services will be livestreamed on CTSFW's [Chapel page](#), on [YouTube](#), and on [Facebook](#). [Learn more](#)

Missional Youth Retreat 2026: 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 Missional Youth Retreat (MYR) 2026. May 31-June 4, at Concordia University Texas, rostered LCMS church workers will present ministry options and mission opportunities to young people. [Learn more](#)

2026 Pastors' Wives Retreat: The Texas District Pastors' Wives Retreat will be held September 25-27, 2026 at Camp Lone Star in La Grange. Women will hear helpful

speakers, address the issues pastors' wives face, rejuvenate, connect, and worship with others who serve in this unique role. [Learn more](#)

WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

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

Prayer Requests

- **Rev. Larry Knobloch (Trinity, Riesel //** diagnosed with atrial fibrillation
 - **Rev. Don Loudenback (Em., Odessa) //** in ICU after a fall
 - **Family of Rev. David & Elizabeth Woelmer (Grace, Smithville) //** passing of Baby Josiah
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New Calls

Commissioned

Undecided

Miguel Ruiz // Director of Parish Music, Messiah, Keller to Director of Parish Music, Our Redeemer, Dallas

Ordained

Undecided

Rev. Noah Burgdorf // Sole, Salem, Salisbury, MO to Sole, Redeemer, Fredericksburg

Rev. Ryan Cramer // Sole, St. Paul, Foley, AL to Sole, Trinity Our Savior, Corpus Christi

Rev. Carl Roth // Sole, Grace, Elgin to Sole, Zion, Tomball

Rev. George Ruwisch // Sr., Grace, Nashua, NH to Sr., Our Savior, Rockwall

Rev. Clint Stark // Sole, St. John, Frisco to Sole, St. John's, Okarche, OK

Funerals

Mrs. Elisabeth K. Bennett (Em., Dallas) was called to glory on December 24, 2025. A memorial service will be held at Zion, Dallas (6121 E. Lovers Ln) on Saturday, April 11, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., followed by a reception. Please keep Lis' husband, Paul, and the rest of her family and friends in your prayers.

Mrs. Sherri L. McKnight, wife of Rev. David McKnight (Em., San Antonio) was called to glory on April 4, 2026. Her memorial service will be 11:00 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2026 at Concordia, San Antonio (16801 Huebner Rd). Please keep Sherri's husband, David, and the rest of her family and friends in your prayers.

Mrs. Doris Rotermund, wife of Dr. Donald Rotermund (Em., Richardson) was called to glory on April 9, 2026. Her funeral service will be Saturday, April 18, 2026 (time TBD) at Zion, Dallas (6121 E Lovers Ln). Please keep Donald and the rest of her family and friends in your prayers.

Ordination Anniversary // April

40 years

Rev. Ron Gebauer (3/21) - Em., Duncanville

RESOURCE TOOLBOX // BE EQUIPPED

April Messenger // Diligent in Doing Good Works: "...The bad news, of which our forebearers were well aware, is that the wages of sin is death. The Good News, of which our forebearers were also well aware, is that eternal life is guaranteed to all who trust in the death of God's Son Jesus for their sins. Heaven is free! No one must earn it or deserve it! It costs us nothing because it cost Jesus everything! Those are most important convictions. And those convictions couldn't help but move them and can't help but move us to reach out with the Gospel to those who do not yet know of Jesus and His love for them. Eternity depends on it!" [Read more](#)

EVENTS & LINKS // BE CONNECTED

Upcoming Events

APRIL 20-21, 2026 // Theological Convocation: "Face to Face" // [Learn more](#)

APRIL 28, 2026 // CSL Call Day Services // [Learn more](#)

APRIL 28-29, 2026 // CTSFW Call Day Services // [Learn more](#)

JUNE 11-13, 2026 // Texas LWML Convention // [Learn more](#)

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

SEPTEMBER 25-27, 2026 // Pastors' Wives Retreat // [Learn more](#)

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