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DISTRICT NEWS // BE INFORMED

Fall Pastors Conference: Register now to secure Super Early Bird pricing! Ministry can take everything out of you. Often pastors pour out for everyone else while running on empty themselves. This October, join pastors from across the Texas District for two days built around one simple truth: a healthy congregation starts with a healthy pastor. [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](#)

Camp Lone Star BBQ & Auction Fundraiser: Friends of Camp Lone Star, you are invited to our annual BBQ and Auction Fundraiser to support Camp and all that this ministry does to transform lives and grow God's kingdom! [Learn more](#)

National Hispanic Convention LCMS 2026: The National Hispanic Convention will be held July 28-31, 2026 in Irvine, California. Fully bilingual, the convention is not just for voting delegates. It is for families and everyone active or interested in Hispanic Ministry in the LCMS. [Learn more](#)

La Convención Nacional Hispana LCMS 2026: La Convención Nacional Hispana se celebrará del 28 al 31 de julio de 2026 en Irvine, California. La convención, que se desarrollará íntegramente en dos idiomas, no está dirigida únicamente a los delegados con derecho a voto, sino también a las familias y a todas las personas que participan o se interesan por el ministerio hispano en la LCMS. [Más información](#)

WORKER UPDATES // BE IN PRAYER

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

Prayer Requests

- **Mrs. Frieda Bahr, widow of Rev. Don Bahr (Em., Clifton) //** recovering from broken leg
 - **Rev. Dr. Bill Dasch (Em., Mansfield) //** recovering from heart attack
 - **Rev. Harold Fleischhauer (Em., Houston //** in ICU due to smoke inhalation from house fire
 - **Rev. Bob & Sigrid Kobler (Em., Waco) //** Bob undergoing extensive heart surgery
 - **Rev. Aaron & Sara Lytle (Oikos, Houston) //** passing of Aaron's father, Leray
 - **Mrs. Kathie Schneider, wife of Rev. Curt Schneider (Em., Brownwood) //** suffered stroke, recovering
 - **Staff and families of Messiah Preschool, Boerne //** sudden death of Gage Dufresne, son of assistant preschool director Cyndi Dufresne
 - **Central Texas congregations //** under threat from flooding
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New Calls

(Note: Revisions to this list may be delayed so that calling congregations may announce updates to their members prior to districtwide publication.)

Commissioned

Accepted

DCE Ron DuPree // DCE, St. Paul, Denton to DCE, Zion, Dallas

Undecided

Mr. Zachary Zieschang // Kantor, Emmanuel, Dearborn, MI to Dir. of Parish Music, Messiah, Keller

Mr. Zachary Zieschang // Kantor, Emmanuel, Dearborn, MI to Dir. of Parish Music, Immanuel, Giddings

Ordained

Undecided

Rev. Patrick Baldwin // Sole, Christ, Rawlins, WY to Sole, First, Lufkin

Rev. Leif Hasskarl // Sole, Immanuel/Immanuel, Butte/Atkinson, NE to Sole, Faith/St. Paul, Woodville/Jasper

Rev. Eric Hiner // Sr., Hope, Lubbock to Sole, Trinity, Auburn, NE

Rev. Steve Wiechman // Sole, Trinity, Rosenberg to Staff, Southeastern District, LCMS

Installation

Rev. Mark Harris // July 18, 3:00 p.m. // Sole, Trinity, Weatherford

Rev. Bobby Roever // July 18, 3:00 p.m. // SMP, Immanuel, Odessa (serving Immanuel/Alive in Christ, Odessa/Big Spring)

Rev. George Ruwisch // August 2, 4:00 p.m. // Sole, Our Savior, Rockwall

Ordination Anniversaries // July

65 years

Rev. Dr. Roger Grummer (7/9) - Em., Colleyville

60 years

Rev. Daniel Canion (7/25) - Em., New Braunfels

55 years

Rev. Gary Pohl (7/25) - *Em., Round Rock*

50 years

Rev. Todd Dittloff (7/11) - *Em., Kerrville*

45 years

Rev. David Leeland (7/5) - *Epiphany, Houston*

Rev. Steve Henze (7/13) - *Em., Spring*

Rev. Michael Gruhn (7/15) - *Em., Lubbock*

Rev. Chris Johnson (7/21) - *Em., Hewitt*

Rev. Ralph Sackschewsky (7/26) - *Em., Tomball*

40 years

Rev. Dr. Daniel Molyneux (7/6) - *Em., Cypress*

Rev. John Moore (7/6) - *Our Shepherd, Huffman*

Rev. Randy Ledbetter (7/15) - *Em., McKinney*

Rev. Patrick Erickson (7/27) - *Em., Garland*

35 years

Rev. Maynard Schulz (7/1) - *Em., Magnolia*

Rev. Dr. Yohannes Mengsteab (7/7) - *Em., Fort Worth*

Rev. Delton Weiser (7/7) - *Point of Grace, Pflugerville*

30 years

Rev. Byron Williams (7/7) - *St. Paul, Dallas*

Rev. Richard Lamb (7/21) - *Zion, Anderson*

Rev. David Truenow (7/21) - *Evangelists, Kingsbury*

25 years

Rev. Dr. Brian Hesse (7/1) - *St. Paul, Waco*

20 years

Rev. Rance Settle (7/9) - *Lamb of God, Flower Mound*

Rev. Randall Smith (7/9) - *Bethlehem, North Zulch*

Rev. David Schatte (7/16) - *Our Savior, Granbury*

Rev. Dennis Keyes (7/23) - *Em., Bowie*

15 years

Rev. Grayson Albers (7/17) - *Immanuel, Temple*

Rev. Ryan Ogradowicz (7/30) - *Grace, Brenham*

5 years

Rev. Jeff Tucker (7/5) - *Concordia, San Antonio*

Rev. Andrew Johnson (7/11) - *Shepherd of the Hills, San Antonio*

Rev. Luis Martinez (7/11) - *Trinity, Spring*

Rev. Andrew Perry (7/18) - *Em., Burnet*

RESOURCE TOOLBOX // BE EQUIPPED

2026 Ministry Snapshot // What have your prayers and support produced in the Texas District over the last 12 months? [Learn more](#)

EVENTS & LINKS // BE CONNECTED

Upcoming Events

JULY 20-22, 2026 // School Administrators Conference // [Learn more](#)

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

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

OCTOBER 3, 2026 // Treasurers Workshop // [Learn more](#)

OCTOBER 12-13, 2026 // Fall Pastors Conference // [Learn more](#)

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