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MN NORTH DISTRICT— LCMS

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Our congregations exist in a time of unprecedented opportunity to share the Gospel to the world. Despite all the wickedness around us, there is a hunger for something more in life, a hunger which can only be satisfied in the person and work of Jesus Christ, who paid for the sins of the entire world.

We need to get this message of the Gospel out to the people who need it the most. Here are three things you and your congregation can do to get this message out:

1. Visit, phone, text or email members of your congregation, especially those who have been gone for a while. Find any excuse to contact them, just let them know that you care and are interested in their well-being. But don't start by saying "Where have you been?" If they have been absent from church, they know it already. We don't have to remind them. Instead, try: "Hey, how are you doing?" or "Is there anything I can pray for you?" Let them know you care.
2. Connect with the community. Pastors and Church Workers— get out of your church office and into the community. Go where the people are: to the coffee

shop, the high school football game, a community event. Go where you can meet people. Strike up a conversation. Sit with members of your church at an event and let them introduce you to their friends and family. Congregations— have events outside of the church building, give back to your community, get involved with your schools, etc. Connect!

3. Pray for the unchurched every single Sunday. Jesus said in Matthew 7, "Ask and it will be given unto you, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened unto you." At every single service in church, pray for those who either don't know Jesus as Savior or who have disconnected themselves from the faith. Let's see how God will work as we pray!

God bless your work in His Kingdom!

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rev. Monte Meyer".

Rev. Monte Meyer
Parish Life Facilitator

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you." ~ Matthew 7:7

DISTRICT NEWS

The MN North District New Worker Orientation

was held August 10-11, 2022. The retreat served as an opportunity for the workers installed in our District over the last year to join in worship and prayer, meet the District Staff, share resources, get to know each other, and well... mini-golf. Pictured at the far right is the whole group enjoying fellowship at Pirate's Cove mini-golf in Brainerd. A special THANK YOU to Pastor Kirk & Tammy Douglas and Keith Hepola from Trinity Lutheran Church in New York Mills for preparing a delicious pork tenderloin dinner for the group.



The MN North District Retired Workers Luncheon

was held on August 11th in conjunction with our New Worker Orientation. The group, representing over 2,000 years of combined service to the church, enjoyed a gourmet lunch at Madden's Pavilion and

entertainment provided by Albert Boldt, Thomas Johnson, Grace Ruopp and several members of the Brainerd High School Jazz Band.



ANNIVERSARIES

Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Duluth, MN will celebrate their 100th Anniversary on Sunday, September 25, 2022.

Several members of the MN North District are celebrating special Anniversaries of Ordination this summer. — 25 years: Rev. Mark Peske, Rev. Doug Thompson, and Rev. Tim Renstrom. — 50 years: Rev. Charles Kolk and Rev. Harvey Kietzman. — 60 years: Rev. Robert Friedrich. — and 65 years!: Rev. Paul Biegner. We praise God for their many years of dedicated service to the church.

Trinity, Ortonville LWML Connection Opens Door For New Lutheran Braille Workers Ministry Center

In February of 2019, Lutheran Braille Workers staff received a phone call from one of our LWML friends. Marlyce had been at our servant event at the National LWML Convention. The experience touched her heart, and she knew this was something she wanted at her church in Ortonville, MN. Through COVID interruptions and many conversations we were finally able to schedule a servant event at Trinity, Ortonville in November of 2021. This event was filled with hands-on participation from congregation members, including the youth of Trinity. We were able to share the wonderful ministry of LBW and answer all of

their questions as they prayerfully considered opening a Ministry Center.

In January 2022 we received the wonderful news that Trinity was committed to partnering with LBW and would become our newest Ministry Center. In April, our Director of Marketing and Outreach was able to spend the weekend in Ortonville sharing the ministry. Saturday, the Appleton Zone of the LWML experienced a servant event and learned about the new Ministry Center. The LWML ladies were very excited about the new volunteer opportunity and hope to eventually bring their local LWML

chapters to volunteer in Ortonville. Saturday afternoon, the Trinity volunteers were trained and Sunday morning the dedication of Ministry Center 326 was held during the church service.

We are blessed by the relationship we have with LWML and what it has brought to LBW. This first connection with Marlyce through the National LWML Convention has blossomed into a new partnership that will be fruitful in bringing the Word of God to those in need for many years to come.

Reprinted from the LBW Illuminations, Summer 2022



Rev. Justin Whitmore was Installed at St. John's Corliss Lutheran Church in Perham on Sunday, August 24th. Pictured below, front row: Rev. Tom Batchelder, Rev. Andrew Ratcliffe, Rev. Justin Whitmore, Rev. Del Stohs; and back row: Rev. Mark Buchhop, Rev. Brady Finnern, Rev. Ed Borchardt.



Immanuel Lutheran Church in Radium, MN celebrated their 125th Anniversary in July with a Worship service and picnic in the park. District President Brady Finnern, serving Pastor Chris Rosebrough and former Pastor Rev. Dr. Mark Buchhop were all in attendance. Sons of the congregation Pastor Ryan Loeslie and Pastor Travis Loeslie also attended. A beautiful letter of acknowledgement from former Pastor Allan Wierschke was also read. Old kids and young kids swam, and a joyous day was had by all at Old Mill State Park!

Rev. Caleb Worrall was Installed at Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church In Garrison on Sunday, July 10th. Pictured above, front row: Rev. Paul Biegner, Rev. Dr. Karl Weber, Rev. Caleb Worrall, Rev. Tom Petersen; and back row: Rev. John Thomson, Rev. Frank Milo, Rev. Gregg Coop, Rev. David Becker, Rev. Travis Lauterbach and Rev. Ron Carnicom.



The 79th Minnesota North District LLL Annual Conference and OGT meeting will be held at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Moorhead, MN on Saturday, September 24, 2022.

Our guest speaker will be Minnesota North District LCMS President Rev. Brady Finnern. All are welcome! Registration with coffee is from 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Please RSVP to Deborah Anderson at debiatdouglas@hotmail.com or 320-283-5737 to help us plan for the noon meal.

Rev. James Cerdenola, Seminary Professor in the Philippines, visited Minnesota this summer to further his studies. He is pictured here (on the far right) with classmates in a Continuing Ed course at Concordia, St. Paul. To learn more about Pastor Cerdenola's work with seminary students in the Philippines, email him at revjhacer@yahoo.com.





A MESSAGE FROM THE MN NORTH DISTRICT LIFE COORDINATOR

Rev. Jason Wolter, Benson, MN

At a recent meeting with Rep. Tim Miller (my State Representative), he informed me about some recent developments in Minnesota that I thought I would share with you. In the last newsletter, I commented on the laws that exist in our state, regarding abortion. If you didn't get a chance to read the last newsletter, here are those laws:

Currently, the laws regarding abortion are: 1) They are illegal after the age of viability (when the child could, reasonably, survive outside the womb), which is currently considered to be 23 weeks; 2) Anyone seeking an abortion must first give informed consent (by visiting with a "counselor", who will tell the mother all kinds of information about the procedure, as well as the status of her child), and then wait 24 hours; and, 3) if any minor is seeking an abortion, her parents must be made aware of it (before the procedure).

That was last month. Since then, a MN judge has struck down most of those restrictions as "unconstitutional" according to our state's constitution. I think we all know that there are times when judges substitute their personal feelings / opinions for the work that legislative branch does: by imposing their own will, rather than actually interpreting what the law says. I'm not a legal expert, but I feel confident saying that this is an example of that practice.

The reason for sharing this with you is to make you aware: that things in Minnesota are worse than we thought... and they're going to get even worse. Pro-abortion leaders in MN have made it known that "we" intend to be a sanctuary state for those seeking to get abortions. Since the states around MN are sane (i.e. they have restrictions on abortion), there are women in those states who will not be able to get abortions. Good! Committing evil cannot be the solution to evil. But rather than seeking a positive, healthy and godly

solution, many of these women will continue to seek ways to kill their unborn children. And MN leaders are telling them, "Come to MN! We'll kill your child for you!"

That means that Planned Parenthood is going to start targeting border towns (like Moorhead) for new clinics. It also means that they're going to try to make mobile abortion vans a thing. There won't be anyone with medical degrees in those roving death-mobiles, though. Just people who have been trained to kill children, one way or another. In fact, Rep. Miller shared with me that these pro-abortion groups are planning on importing abortionists from Mexico, so that there will be enough people to operate these vans. Remember that the next time that someone tries to tell you that this is about "women's health care". These pro-abortion monsters couldn't care less about the well-being of women. They want money... and to provide sexual "freedom". Doing what's best for women (or society in general) is not on their list of priorities.

eternal life that is to come (for those who belong to God by His grace, through faith).

Another reason that all is not lost, is that there are other things that we can do to help limit abortions in our state. Rather than trying to list all those things now (and here), I want to simply encourage you to join together with like-minded Christians to find ways to affirm Life in your local congregations and communities. Start a Life Team in your church. Support organizations, like Lutherans for Life, MN Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL) or, the newest one, PLAM Action (an outreach of Pro-Life Action Ministries).

When it comes to the communities outside of the Metro area, we are overwhelmingly Pro-Life. That means that we have real power to effect change at the local levels. But it takes time and effort. That's what it took to end slavery; and that's what it will take now. But our efforts are not in vain! Let us continue to pray, since all things are in God's hands. And then let us begin (or

SO, AS WE CONTINUE TO LOVE OTHERS AND LIFT EVERY HUMAN LIFE UP AS THE PRECIOUS GIFT THAT IT IS, WE STRIVE TO CHANGE HEARTS, NOT LAWS.

But all is not lost. First (and foremost), God is still King. Although He may allow evil, He can also choose to end it at any time of His choosing. For now, He is choosing to use us as His hands and voice, speaking up for those in tragic situations and offering them the merciful help that they need. So, as we continue to love others and lift every human life up as the precious gift that it is, we strive to change hearts, not laws. More than stopping murder, we want to affirm life: not just the life of each person in this world, but also (and more importantly) pointing people towards the glorious and

continue) the loving work of protecting and affirming the lives of our neighbors!

Minnesota is about to become a battle-field in the war against life. As Christian soldiers for Christ, let us continue to fight the good fights (that need to be fought) and put our hope, trust and faith in God to bless our efforts. And let us remember: that this is a spiritual battle, not a political one. Certainly, there are politicians (and parties) that may be aligned with our pro-life views; and we welcome their help. But our hope is not in the power of men, but in Christ. To Him be all the glory!

LERT TRAINING—for Disaster Response

This fall two Basic LERT (Lutheran Early Response Team) training days are scheduled in our MN North District:

- ✦ September 10 - Lutheran Island Camp - \$40 registration
- ✦ October 29 - Hope Lutheran Church-Munger (rural Cloquet) - \$30 registration

Both are on a Saturday, 8:30-3:00pm.

The day is divided into three main sections:

- An introduction to the LCMS Disaster Response program
- Congregation preparedness
- Lutheran Early Response Teams

Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend the training session. However, only LCMS members who are 14 years or older will receive certification as LCMS LERT volunteers. You will receive your certificate of participation, volunteer ID card, vest, and T-shirt from LCMS Disaster Response after the training is complete. Your LERT trainers will distribute all the LERT materials during and after the class.

Pre-registration is important and online. Please register **as soon as possible** at: www.lcms-lert.org Click on the “Districts” tab, then click on “Minnesota North District” and select which event you want to attend.

Payment: Cost is \$40 per person at LIC event and \$30 at Hope-Munger (includes all materials, refreshments and lunch). Pay at the event. Make checks payable: “Minnesota North District – LERT training”

Any questions, contact: Rev. John Beck who is one of our District Disaster Response Coordinators and LERT Trainers, by email john6beck@gmail.com or phone (320) 249-4012.

Ambassadors for Christ

The July issue of Reaching Rural America for Christ, the newsletter from LCMS Rural & Small Town Mission, encourages us to be ambassadors for Christ every day.

Every day we, as a new creation in Christ, have the opportunity to share the Good News with neighbors, friends, coworkers, former members and complete strangers alike. We do this not because we desire to “grow” our congregation’s membership but because it is what we as Christians are called to do.

[READ THE NEWSLETTER>>](#)

Webinars

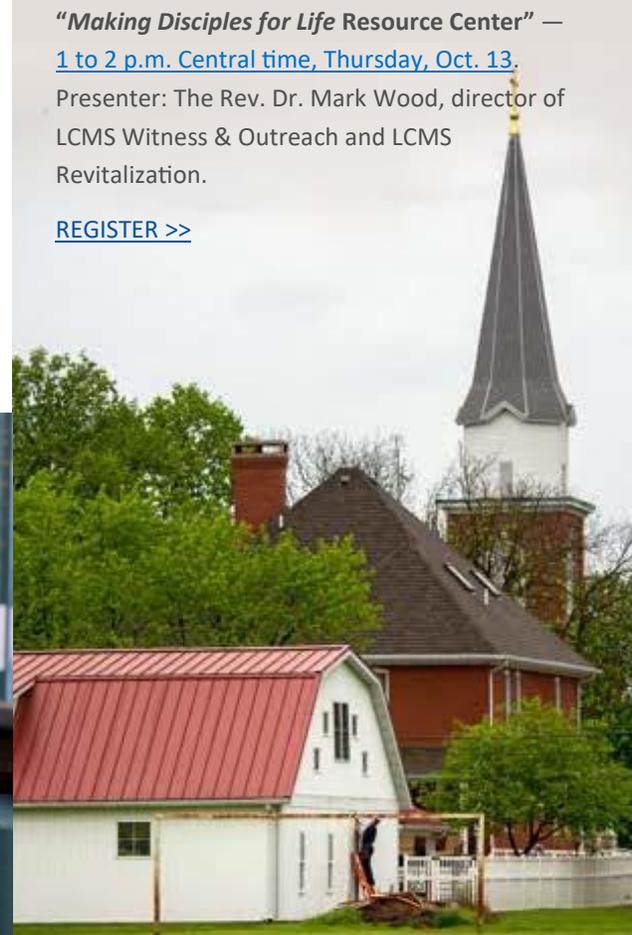
“Making Disciples for Life Resource Center” — [1 to 2 p.m. Central time, Thursday, Oct. 13.](#)

Presenter: The Rev. Dr. Mark Wood, director of LCMS Witness & Outreach and LCMS Revitalization.

[REGISTER >>](#)



Are you interested in church work or know someone who may be? Attend the upcoming visitation event, Contemplate. This free event, set for Sept. 20-21 on the Concordia Seminary campus, is for college-age and post-college men and women.



EMPLOYEE RETENTION TAX CREDIT

What is it?

The Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERTC) is a refundable tax credit. Employers can take advantage of the ERTC against federal employment taxes via qualified wages paid to their employees from March 13, 2020 to December 31, 2021. Employers may want to contact a tax expert.

Who's eligible?

Private businesses or tax-exempt organizations of all sizes that conduct a trade or business and meet one or both of the following criteria:

1. Your business was forced to partially or fully suspend or limit operations by a governmental order

2. Your business experienced a 50% decline in gross receipts during any quarter in 2020 versus the same quarter in 2019, and/or a 20% decline in gross receipts during any quarter in 2021 versus the same quarter in 2019

Learn more here: [Employee Retention Tax Credit |](#)



The Tournament of Roses theme for the 2023 Rose Parade is: **TURNING THE CORNER** and Lutheran Hour Ministries float entry is: **A NEW DAY WITH JESUS.**

This year finds us with our 12th Annual Coloring Contest. Print this coloring page: <https://petalpushers.org/cy/coloring2023.pdf> *Color the float picture page by using colored pencils r crayons. We suggest not using markers, they tend to bleed through the page. *Complete all the information at the bottom of the coloring page.

*Submit your entry to: The Lutheran Hour Ministries Float Committee, P.O. Box 7556, La Quinta, CA 92248

Entries must be postmarked by NOV 1, 2022. Be sure all information lines on the bottom of the page is filled in. Entries become the property of Petal Pushers and cannot be returned. 1st place winners as well as their teachers, will receive a \$50 gift certificate to use at the Petal Pushers® online store, a 2023 Petal Pushers T-shirt & Float magnet. The 2nd & 3rd place winners will receive a 2023 Petal Pushers T-shirt & Float magnet.

Click here to register to decorate 2023 Rose Parade floats: <https://www.petalpushers.org/volunteer> .



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Nominations are now being accepted for the **69 officer, board, and commission positions** to be elected by the 2023 Synod Convention. The convention will be held in Milwaukee, WI from July 29 - August 3, 2023.

The Committee for Convention Nominations (CCN) urgently needs names of the most highly qualified and churchly lay members of member congregations, ordained ministers and commissioned ministers to fill the important offices that govern the Synod and its agencies on behalf of the member congregations. Each congregation is urged to search itself diligently for those with the requisite gifts.

The nomination form is available for download at lcms.org/convention/2023-nomination-form. It can be downloaded and filled out electronically, then emailed to the Office of the Secretary at ccn@lcms.org. Electronic submission, according to the accompanying instructions, will expedite processing. Nominations for regional offices can come from anywhere in the Synod, but the nominee must reside in the designated region. **Nominations must be received by October 29, 2022.**

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MISSIONARY MINUTES

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH AND SCHOOL, COTTON TREE LIBERIA The MN North District continues to partner with Good Shepherd in sharing the Gospel with the people of Liberia. Rising food costs, teacher salaries and the ongoing solar energy project are continued needs. Work on the sanctuary continues with dedicated gifts. Pastor Kollie is pursuing a Doctorate Degree at CTS, Ft Wayne, IN, with hopes of teaching pastors in Liberia. Jamesetta Kollie, a CSP grad is working towards a Master's Degree. Gifty Kollie (deaconess student at CUC) and Diane (nursing student at CUW) are also studying in the US with plans to return to Liberia. Be sure to specifically designate your donations for the church, school, or Pastor Kollie's education on the memo line of your check.



REV. DR. BERNIE LUTZ serves as a representative of Lutheran Heritage Foundation. LHF translates, publishes, distributes and introduces books that are Bible-based, Christ-centered and Reformation-driven. Learn more [HERE](#).



DR. JIM AND SUSAN KAISER are excited to extend the partnership between Lutheran Bible Translators and the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus (EECMY). Jim consults with six different translation projects and Susan provides care to other missionaries. Online resources allow the translation of 1 & 2 Corinthians continues, even while the Kaiser's are in the US due to conflict in Ethiopia. Learn more [HERE](#).



Support for any of these missionaries can be sent to:
MN North District—LCMS, PO Box 604, Brainerd, MN 56401



PUERTO RICO FORO The team in Puerto Rico continues to share the Gospel with the people of Mayaguez and Ponce. Pastor Neuendorf shares: *A few weeks ago, as a congregation, we painted and made a banner of Matthew 28:20 "I am with you always." Many of the members who went recently went to sleep in the Lord, but due to COVID and other challenges they were not able to visit him. This gave us all an opportunity to*

remind him of the love and fellowship he had and now has in Christ, his Savior! Learn how you can serve with us [HERE](#). Reach out to Missionary Ashley at Ashley.lehr@lcms.org to start the process today! Contribute to the [FORO](#). Read Pastor James & Christel Neuendorf's latest newsletter [HERE](#). Read Pastor Gustavo and Ruth Maita's latest newsletter [HERE](#). Follow the teams on Facebook [HERE](#) and [HERE](#) or visit their websites: [Prince of Peace](#) and [Fountain of Life](#).

REV. DR. DAN & DR. JOAN JASTRAM live in Tokyo where he serves as the Asia Lutheran Resource Coordinator. They share: "YOUR SUPPORT is vital for our continued mission work in Japan: regular services at our worship sites, translation of theological resources, and nurturing relations with Japanese Lutheran pastors facing individual challenges to the faith. We are humbly grateful for your continued prayers and support." Learn more about their work [HERE](#). Become a partner [HERE](#).



PROJECT 24 & CHRIST'S CARE FOR CHILDREN - KENYA Project 24 Kenya started between the LCMS Office of International Mission and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya. It provides boarding facilities so vulnerable children have the opportunity to successfully complete primary or secondary school. Students at the Lenkishon site are pictured here with Project 24 Director, John Kissinger. The Minnesota North District committed a portion of its

Convention offering to sponsoring 2 children for one year. You can help us continue this sponsorship by sending your contributions (marked in the memo line) to the District Office. Child sponsorship is a \$90/month commitment, and as a sponsor you receive an initial packet of information on the child, as well as updates throughout the year on his or her welfare and spiritual engagement. Total Number of Students at the P24 sites: 200 children; with another 163 Beyond 24 students. Find P-24 on Facebook [HERE](#). Sponsor a child [HERE](#).



CALL UPDATE

MINNESOTA NORTH DISTRICT—LCMS

CALLS ACCEPTED

CAMPBELL/HERMAN, St. Paul/Bethlehem - Rev. Craig Palach accepted the Call.
SUPERIOR, Christ - Rev. Kirk Schield accepted the Call. Installation January 2023.
TWIN VALLEY, Trinity - Candidate Josef Muench accepted the Call. Installation 8/28/2022.

CALLING CONGREGATIONS

AKELEY, St. John
BLACKDUCK/CASS LAKE, Holy Trinity/Immanuel (Rev. Philip Houser, vacancy pastor)
BRAHAM/RUSH CITY, St. Stephens/St. John - Called Rev. Noah Burgdorf, St. Charles, MO.
CAMBRIDGE, Joy (Rev. David Edge, vacancy pastor)
ESKO, St. Matthews (Rev. John Pasche, vacancy pastor) - Called Rev. Matthew Albright, Moundsview, MN. He declined the Call.
LITTLE FALLS, Zion
MONTICELLO, Alive! (Rev. Peter Gueldner, interim pastor)
ORTONVILLE, Trinity (Rev. Larry Johnson, vacancy pastor) - Called Rev. Shaun Linnell, Blair, NE. He declined the Call.
PARK RAPIDS, St. John's (Associate)
PEQUOT LAKES, Gloria Dei (Vacancy Pastor—Rev. Mark Johnson & Rev. Monte Meyer)
RICE, Shepherd of the Pines (Rev. David Strohschein, vacancy pastor)
SARTELL, Messiah (Rev. Jeff Manthe, vacancy pastor)

OTHER CALLS AND CHANGES

Rev. Matthew Canion received a Call to St. Paul, Whitmore Lake, MI. He accepted the Call.
Rev. Eli Voigt received a Call to St. John's, Schaumburg, IL. He declined the Call.

COMMISSIONED MINISTER CHANGES

SEBEKA/NORTH GERMANY/NIMROD, Grace/Zion/Nimrod called Deaconess Candidate Chelsie Schmeisser. She accepted the Call. Installation 7/21/2022.



Main Street Living continues to reach out with televised worship services in the Twin Cities, Fargo and Sioux Falls markets. Visit mainstreetliving.com to learn more. To get involved contact Jay Schaefer: jay@mainstreetliving.com



MSL Northland is reaching out to a large audience in the Duluth Market every week. Visit mslnorthland.com to learn more. To get involved contact Rev. John Bonk: loghome42@yahoo.com



Regular updates from Rev. Fred Hinz, the Public Policy Advocate for the MN North and MN South Districts can be found at mnsdistrict.org/public-policy

DISTRICT CALENDAR

August 16, 2022	MNN District Teachers Conference	October 10, 2022	MNN District BOD Meeting, District Office
August 29, 2022	Circuit Visitors Conference, District Office	October 11, 2022	LWML District BOD Mtg, District Office
September 5, 2022	District Office Closed—LABOR DAY	Nov 24-25, 2022	District Office Closed—Thanksgiving
Sept. 25-27, 2022	Fall Pastors Conference, Superior, WI	December 5, 2022	MNN District BOD Meeting, District Office
Sept. 29-Oct. 1	Church Worker Wives Retreat, LIC	Dec 24-Jan 1, 2023	District Office Closed—Merry Christmas!

IN OUR PRAYERS

The family of Jenny Schoessow, wife of Rev. David Schoessow (em. Superior), who passed away on July 19, 2022.

Rev. Loren Vogler (em. Sandstone), recovering after a heart attack.

Rev. Randy Stroming (em. Park Rapids), recovering after eye surgery.

Mrs. Pam Collins, wife of Rev. Robin Collins (Trinity, Staples), recovering after surgery.

Rev. Fred Kutter (em. Albany), recovering after surgery.

Mrs. Gerry Brill, recovering after a stroke.

Rev. Michael Breach (Wheaton), dealing with medical issues.

Zechariah Aleman, foster child of Rev. Rob (Mt. Olive, Duluth) and Gayle Franck, recovering after a difficult surgery.

Mrs. Mertice Brueske (em. Alexandria), dealing with health issues.

Mrs. Gwen Koopman, wife of Rev. Henry Koopman (em. Waite Park), dealing with COPD.

Rev. Paul Koehler (St. John, Motley), recovering after COVID.

Rev. Dan Wagner (em. St. Cloud), dealing with health issues.

Rev. Carl Berner (em. Vesta, MN), diagnosed with cancer.

Rev. David Franzmeier (em. Cambridge), dealing with health issues.

Rev. Larry Harvala (em. Osage), dealing with health issues.

Rev. Roger Krebs (em. Alexandria), dealing with health issues.

Rev. Martin Langemo (em. Princeton), recovering after a fall.

George Miller, dealing with severe back pain.

Jamesetta Kollie, daughter of Rev. James Kollie (Good Shepherd, Cotton Tree, Liberia), dealing with health issues.

Katie Hannasch, daughter of Rev. Steve Meltzer (St. John, Wadena), undergoing cancer treatment.

Rev. Robin Collins (Trinity, Staples), recovering after a stroke.

Rev. Larry Cain (em. Cromwell) dealing with health issues.

Mrs. Mary Weber, wife of Rev. Dr. Karl Weber (St. John, Ottertail & St. Paul, Richville), undergoing cancer treatment.

Rev. Dean Stolz (Zion, Crosby & Immanuel, Iron Hub) dealing with health issues.

Rev. Jim and Mrs. Bev Meyer (Thief River Falls), dealing with health issues.

Rev. David Milz (St. John, Kimball), dealing with heart issues.

Rev. Victor Dorn, (em., St. Cloud), dealing with health issues.

Rev. Paul Dare's (Zion, Alexandria) father, diagnosed with cancer.

Mary Langemo Hughes, daughter of Rev. Martin Langemo (em. Princeton), who is suffering from hyperacusis.

Mrs. Melissa Martini-Tischer, wife of Rev. Steven Tischer (Zion, Princeton), diagnosed with sarcoidosis.

MN North District Seminary Students:

Kyle Bliss, Thief River Falls, studying at CTSFW

Jordan DeBoer, Crookston, beginning his vicarage in Green Bay, WI

Mark Langton, Garrison, studying at CTSFW

Erik Saunders, Grand Marais, studying at CTSFW

Rev. Carl Seim, Elk River, continuing his studies at CSL

Those serving in the military & chaplaincy and part of our District family:

LT Geoffrey Gronewold, Active Duty Chaplain, US Army, Fort Leonard Wood, MO

Captain Vincent Bain, Active Duty Chaplain, US Army, Massachusetts

Lt. Aaron Bell, son-in-law of Pastor Tom and Mary Brinkley, Active Duty Chaplain, US Navy Camp Pendleton

Rev. Steve Breitbarth (em., Hibbing), LCMS endorsed Emergency Response Chaplain and Disaster Response Chaplain

Joshua Bonk, son of Rev. John Bonk and Linda Bonk, US Army

MSG Jonathan Fondow, son of Pres. Em. Don & Connie Fondow, US Army

Lt. Michaela Biegner-Wentz, granddaughter of Rev. Paul and Joan Biegner, Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, WA

Dennis Gerold, husband of DCO Abby Dawkins Gerold, US Air Force

1st Lt. Micah Uhrinak, son of Rev. Les & Susan Uhrinak, Crosslake, US Air Force

Staff Sgt Nathaniel Vrudny, son of Rev. Matthew & Bonnie Vrudny, Walker, Army Reserve Engineering unit at Ft. Snelling, MN

Tanner Wagner, son of Rev. Don & Jolene Wagner, National Guard

Private Chris Peske & Private Matt Peske, sons of Rev. Mark and Sharon Peske, US Army, Ft. Benning, GA

Pre-seminary student Jacob Franck and Abigail Franck, children of Rev. Rob & Gayle Franck, U.S. Army Reserves

SEPTEMBER PRAYER CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Redeemer, St. Cloud - Rev. Bruce Timm	2 Zion, St. Francis (Crown) - Rev. Tim Lamkin	3
4	5 DISTRICT OFFICE CLOSED	6 Trinity, Staples - Rev. Robin Collins	7 Christ, Superior - Rev. Kirk Schield & Rev. Gerry Bernecker	8 St. Peter, Swanville - Rev. Kevin Zellers, Jr.	9 St. John, Thief River Falls - Rev. Thomas Puffe	10
11	12 Trinity, Twin Valley - Rev. Josef Muench	13 Shepherd of the Lake, Two Harbors - Rev. John Bonk	14 St. John, Vergas - Rev. Jacob Wagner	15 St. Paul, Vergas (Loon Lake) - Vacant	16 Immanuel, Verndale - Rev. Robin Fish, Sr.	17
18	19 St. John, Villard - Rev. Ryan Pumphrey	20 Trinity, Grove Lake - Rev. Ryan Pumphrey	21 Trinity, Virginia - Rev. Brad Felix	22 Gloria Dei, Virginia - Rev. Don Stauty	23 St. John, Wadena - Rev. Steve Meltzer	24
25	26 Immanuel, Walker - Rev. Matthew Vrudny	27 Immanuel, Warren (Radium) - Rev. Chris Rosebrough, VP	28 Zion, Warren - Rev. Thomas Puffe	29 Bethlehem, Warroad - Rev. William Moeller, Jr.	30 Immanuel, Wheaton (Monson) - Rev. Daniel Gifford	

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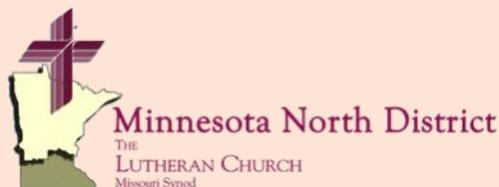
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