

Northwestern Minnesota Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Bishop's Report Part II
May 2016-May 2017

Ordinations

June 26, 2016	Benjamin Jacobson, Hope Lutheran Church, Fargo, ND by Bishop Lawrence Wohlrabe
July 16, 2016	Carleton Smee, Trondhjem Lutheran Church, Lonsdale by Bishop Lawrence Wohlrabe
Aug. 28, 2016	Janna Bader, First Lutheran Church, Kensington by Bishop Lawrence Wohlrabe
Oct. 9, 2016	Young Chung, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Clarissa by Bishop Lawrence Wohlrabe
Oct. 23, 2016	Taylor Wilson, Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Maple Grove by Bishop Lawrence Wohlrabe
Jan. 21, 2017	Kent Krumwiede, Trinity Lutheran Church, Truman, by Bishop Lawrence Wohlrabe
Feb. 5, 2017	Anne Meredith, Zion Lutheran Church, Blackduck, by Bishop Lawrence Wohlrabe

Installations

Apr. 28, 2016	Pr. David Strom, chaplain, PioneerCare, Fergus Falls
May 8, 2016	Mr. Daniel Stauffer, diaconal minister, Scandia Lutheran Church, Averill
June 1, 2016	Pr. Susan Peterson-Koesterman, executive director, Churches United for the Homeless, Moorhead
June 19, 2016	Pr. Benjamin Hilding, associate, Calvary Lutheran Church, Alexandria
June 19, 2016	Pr. Alicia Hilding, associate, Calvary Lutheran Church, Alexandria
July 16-17, 2016	Pr. Benjamin Jacobson, associate, First Lutheran Church, Alexandria
July 23, 2016	Pr. Stephen Peterson, executive director, Pathways Lutheran Outdoor Ministries
Aug. 14, 2016	Pr. Eric Clapp, pastor, Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Sebeka
Aug. 28, 2016	Pr. Janna Bader, pastor, First & Nora Lutheran Churches, Kensington
Sept. 11, 2016	Pr. Randall Whitehead, pastor, New Life Lutheran Church, Rothsay & Little Bethany Lutheran Church, Barnesville
Sept. 25, 2016	Pr. Carleton Smee, pastor, Bethany Lutheran Church, Nevis & First Lutheran Church, Akeley
Oct. 9, 2016	Pr. Megan Koepnick Clapp, associate, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Wadena
Oct. 9, 2016	Pr. Young Chung, pastor, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Clarissa & Faith Lutheran Church, Eagle Bend
Nov. 6, 2016	Ruth Blom, associate in ministry, Shalom Lutheran Church, Alexandria
Dec. 4, 2016	Pr. Rachel Simonson, associate, First Lutheran Church, Detroit Lakes
Jan. 22, 2017	Pr. Kent Krumwiede, pastor, Peace & Grue Lutheran Churches, Ashby
Jan. 29, 2017	Pr. Kristin Ostercamp, pastor, Ekelund & Faith Lutheran Churches, Goodridge; Bethany Lutheran Church, Thief River Falls
Jan. 29, 2017	Pr. Sheila Michaels, campus pastor, White Earth Tribal and Community College, White Earth
Feb. 5, 2017	Pr. Anne Meredith, pastor, Zion Lutheran Church Blackduck & Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Kelliher
Feb. 26, 2017	Pr. Bradley Skogen, pastor, First Lutheran Church, Battle Lake
Mar. 19, 2017	Pr. Jacob Anderson, associate, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Fergus Falls
Mar. 26, 2017	Julie Wilson, deacon, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Moorhead
Mar. 26, 2017	Pr. Taylor Wilson, associate, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Moorhead
Mar. 26, 2017	Pr. Kenneth Bowman, pastor, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wheaton
Apr. 2, 2017	Pr. Kristina Waters, associate, Trinity Lutheran Church, Moorhead
Apr. 23, 2017	Pr. Tessa Hansen, pastor, Grove Lake Lutheran Church, Pelican Rapids
May 21, 2017	Pr. Aaron Suomala Folkerds, senior pastor, Lutheran Church of Christ the King, Moorhead

Anniversaries & Dedications Attended by Synod Staff

June 25, 2016	125 th Anniversary, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Warren
Sept. 11, 2016	Calvary Lutheran Church, Park Rapids, building dedication

Sept. 25, 2016	40 th Anniversary, Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fergus Falls
Oct. 30, 2016	50 th Anniversary, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wheaton
Dec. 11, 2016	5 th Anniversary, Living Grace Lutheran Church, Hawley
Apr. 30, 2017	Dedication of sacristy, Bethel Lutheran Church, Herman
June 18, 2017	145 th Anniversary, Richwood Lutheran Church, Detroit Lakes
June 25, 2017	125 th Anniversary, Melo Lutheran Church, Warren
June 25, 2017	125 th Anniversary, Halstad Lutheran Church, Halstad

Retirements

Apr. 22, 2015	Pr. Kathy Valan	Jan. 1, 2017	Pr. Karol Hendricks-McCracken
Mar. 1, 2017	Pr. Allyne Holz	Apr. 1, 2017	Pr. Mark Asleson
July 1, 2017	Pr. Margaret Jacobus	July 1, 2017	Pr. Nathan Thompson
Aug. 1, 2017	Pr. Gary Mikkelson	Nov. 1, 2017	Pr. David Smith

Deaths

May 20, 2016	Pr. Kenneth Moenck	May 22, 2016	Pr. Arthur Wickstrom
June 1, 2016	Pr. Donald Peterson	June 13, 2016	Pr. Paul E. Knutson
July 15, 2016	Pr. Arthur Meether	Nov. 26, 2016	Pr. Arvild Jacobson
May 18, 2017	Pr. Rodney Nygren	May 30, 2017	Pr. Arne Carlson

Transfers Received from other Synods

June 1, 2016	Pr. Alicia Hilding, Northwest Synod of Wisconsin
June 1, 2016	Pr. Benjamin Hilding, Northwest Synod of Wisconsin
June 16, 2016	Pr. Megan Koepnick Clapp, Southeastern Iowa Synod
July 11, 2016	Julie Wilson, associate in ministry, Minneapolis Area Synod
July 15, 2016	Pr. Eric Clapp, Southeastern Iowa Synod
Aug. 15, 2016	Ruth Blom, associate in ministry, Southeastern Iowa Synod
Nov. 1, 2016	Pr. Erick Thompson, Minneapolis Area Synod
Dec. 5, 2016	Pr. Paul Trenne, Eastern North Dakota Synod
Jan. 1, 2017	Pr. Kristina Waters, Eastern North Dakota Synod
Jan. 26, 2017	Pr. Luther Anderson, retired, Grand Canyon Synod
Feb. 16, 2017	Pr. Kirsten Frantsvog, Western North Dakota Synod
Apr. 11, 2017	Pr. Irving Arnquist, retired, Northeastern Minnesota Synod
May 1, 2017	Pr. Gary Lundberg, Eastern North Dakota Synod
May 1, 2017	Pr. Paul Balaban, Eastern North Dakota Synod

Transfers to other Synods

Apr. 30, 2016	Pr. Gwenn Bazajou, Eastern North Dakota Synod
May 25, 2016	Pr. James Holthus, Nebraska Synod
July 21, 2016	Pr. Marvin Abrahamson, retired, Sierra Pacific Synod
Aug. 1, 2016	Pr. Michael Rueckert, Minneapolis Area Synod
Aug. 1, 2016	Pr. Melissa Ehrhardt, Arkansas-Oklahoma Synod
Aug. 21, 2016	Pr. Jeanette Bidne, Southeastern Minnesota Synod
Sept. 1, 2016	Pr. Stephen Bovendam, Southwestern Minnesota Synod
Sept. 11, 2016	Pr. Matthew Valan, Eastern North Dakota Synod
Dec. 29, 2016	Pr. Craig Bowyer, retired, Southeastern Iowa Synod
Apr. 7, 2017	Pr. Steven McCaughan, retired, Northeastern Minnesota Synod
June 1, 2017	Pr. Benjamin Carlsen, Western North Dakota Synod

Rostered Leaders Resigned or Removed from ELCA Roster

May 1, 2017	Pr. Katie Koch, removed, on leave from call (family leave) roster status ended
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First Call Candidates Assigned to Northwestern Minnesota Synod

Kent Krumwiede

Anne Meredith

Elise Pokel

**Candidates for Rostered Ministries from the
Northwestern Minnesota Synod**

Laurie Albertson

Devlyn Brooks

Megan Casper

Martin Charest

Janelle Hennager

Michele Jenson

Amber Kalina

Chantell Lankford

Emily Papke-Larson

Daphne Urban