

To the glory of God and for the good of his Church!

Dear sisters and brothers in our ascended Lord Jesus!

Welcome to Commencement at Martin Luther College. As at other colleges, you will see graduates and gowns, faculties and flowers, diplomas and dignitaries. But look more closely at these graduates, and you will see the glory of God on display!

As we worship today, each graduate confesses, *I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made*. Each believes, *We have different gifts, according to the grace given us*. Each recognizes that a diploma brings the Lord glory, *for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose*.



Each has been touched by the Spirit with a desire to serve. Whether they receive an assignment today, continue their training at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, teach overseas, enter a different vocation or college, or prayerfully wait on the Lord, they see their lives as opportunities to share the good news they've been given, as Christ says: *You are my witnesses*. These graduates are gifts of our ascended Lord Jesus to his people, and he will certainly use them and the training they have received for the good of his Church.

Thank you for the prayers and encouragement you have offered to our graduates. May our dear Savior Jesus walk with them as they carry the Word to the world. May he walk with all of us as we live in the light of his grace, to his glory, and for the good of his Church!

In our ascended Lord Christ,

Mark G. Zarling
President Mark G. Zarling

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Mission of Martin Luther College

The mission of Martin Luther College is to train a corps of Christian witnesses who are qualified to meet the ministry needs of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) and who are competent to proclaim the Word of God faithfully and in accord with the Lutheran Confessions in the Book of Concord.

To meet the current ministry needs of the WELS, Martin Luther College

- Prepares men for pastoral training at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary;
- Prepares men and women for service as teachers and staff ministers in the synod's churches, schools, and other institutions;
- Prepares men and women for other church ministries, both full and part-time, responding to the needs of the WELS;
- Prepares international students for ministry in partnership with WELS mission fields; and
- Provides programs of continuing education that meet the ministerial needs of the WELS.

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Explanation of attire

Welcome to the 2018 Commencement Service at Martin Luther College. You will see graduates with a Bachelor of Science in Education degree, others with a Bachelor of Arts degree, and still others with a Master of Science in Education degree. This year 30 persons have completed the master's program, of which 27 are able to be present today. Since its inception in 2005, the master's program has granted 145 degrees (including today).

Academic apparel worn by faculty and graduates in any college setting has its origins in the Middle Ages. Because most universities grew out of church schools, both faculty and students wore clothing that was based upon monastic dress and that reflected the need for warmth in the unheated stone colleges.

Wearing of such apparel is an adiaphoron, something neither commanded nor forbidden by our Lord in his Word. In Christian freedom we can choose to follow such academic traditions or not. In this Commencement, the MLC faculties will visibly demonstrate that freedom: Our graduate faculty has chosen to wear academic apparel, and our undergraduate faculty has chosen not to.

By a miracle of the Holy Spirit, professors in both faculties have humbly submitted their lives and their educational achievements to Christ for the advancement of his kingdom. Although they no doubt could garner more reputation and remuneration in public settings, they have given their time and talents to train students at MLC for gospel service, to the glory of God and for the good of his Church. They have servant hearts.

Though 98 percent of them have advanced degrees, the undergraduate faculty wears normal attire to emphasize that we train students not just for academic achievement but for ministry. The graduate faculty wears apparel that emphasizes lifelong learning, done to God's glory and in submission to the gospel we proclaim.

For our baccalaureate graduates, the color of the tassel indicates the field of study: light blue indicates a Bachelor of Science in Education; red and black indicates a Bachelor of Arts degree. The hood is worn by our master's graduates. The colors indicate the area of study and the colors of MLC. The graduate faculty wears apparel with colors that indicate not only area of study but also the degree-granting institution.

Two percent of our student body is from foreign countries, fellow Christians in our fellowship seeking to prepare for the ministry. What a privilege for MLC to serve these Christians. This year five graduates are from a foreign country and will wear stoles with the colors and insignia of their respective homelands. May the stoles be a vivid reminder that Jesus said "all nations" in the Great Commission entrusted to his Church.

God has given these gifts to us, to his glory, and for the good of the church. *SDG*

MLC Faculty

Undergraduate

Baganz, Peter A.
Balge, Daniel N.
Bases, Paul A.
Bauer, David T.
Boeder, John C.
Carlovsky, James D.
Clemons, Benjamin P.
Cox, Rebecca L.
Czer, Lawrence J.
Danell, James C.
Diersen, Gregory T.
Dose, Brian L.
Feld, Rachel M.
Fenske, Daniel J.
Fredrich, Joel D.
Fredrich, Rachel R.
Gawrisch, Daniel P.
Grubbs, Paul J.
Grundmeier, Timothy D.
Hanneman, Daryl B.
Hartzell, Jonathan L.
Hennig, Brian K.
Hennig, Grace A.
Hirschmann, Craig R.
Holzhueter, Greg A.
Hunter, Thomas N.
Klindworth, Robert F.
Koelpin, Paul E.
Krause, Jennifer L.
Laabs, Jonathan A.
Lange, Douglas F.
Loomis, Cheryl A.
Lotito, Lawrence W.
Mehlberg, Jennifer A.
Meyer, John E.
Muenta, Kari A.
Nass, Thomas P.
Ohm, Ronald C.
Olson, Lawrence O.
Otterstatter, Michael J.
Paustian, Mark A.
Pearson, Matthew S.
Pekrul, William A.

Pope, James F.
Roux, Jonathan A.
Schaefer, Jonathan M.
Scharf, David G.
Schmidt, John H.
Schmudlach, Scott D.
Schone, Jeffrey L.
Schwartz, Tingting Z.
Smith, Adrian R.
Starr, Richard D.
Stein, Mark A.
Stelljes, Ross A.
Tacke, Mark W.
Tess, Paul A.
Thiesfeldt, Steven R.
Unke, James M.
Unke, Lori L.
Wessel, Keith C.
Whaley, Cynthia E.
Wiechman, Jeffery P.
Wurster, Miles B.
Zarling, Mark G.
Zarnstorff, Tyson J.

Admissions Counselors

Biedenbender, David K.
Holzhueter, Galen C.

Tutors

Spaude, Paul L.
Wordell, Nathan A.

Adjunct

Balge, Bethel A.
Biedenbender, David K.
Boeder, Bethel J.
Czer, Ramona M.
Fredrich, Janet L.
Gosdeck, David M.
Grunwald, James R.
Gunderson, John C.
Haugen, Jennifer E.
Hopp, Brian P.
Laabs, Erin R.

Lienig, Alanna M.
Martens, Judith L.
Meissner, Erin J.
Murphy, Mark W.
Ohm, Carlotta L.
Pfeifer, Carrie F.
Schubkegel, Joyce C.
Shilling, Ronald L.
Thiesfeldt, Jeneane M.
Vogel, Marianne E.
Wagner, Wayne L.
Wiechman, Elizabeth J.
Wurster, Kathryn M.

Graduate

Bakken, Richard E.
Boehlke, Paul R.
DeLorme, Carolyn M.
Ehlers, Rachel M.
Enser, Tracey L.
Grunwald, James R.
Gulczynski, Dennis F.
Hanneman, Daryl B.
Holtz, Lowell E.
Johnson, Daniel W.
Klindworth, Robert F.
Kolander, John D.
Kremer, Kenneth J.
Lemke, Jeffrey C.
Lienig, Alanna M.
Lowrey, Jason H.
Meyer, John E.
Olson, Lawrence O.
Pfeifer, Carrie F.
Pfeifer, Gene R.
Potratz, Gail M.
Rogers, Leslie L.
Rouech, Kristina E.
Sallquist, Julie A.
Schmidt, Jason E.
Tess, Paul A.
Whaley, Cynthia E.
Wiechman, Jeffery P.

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Commencement Service

*Pictures may be taken during the processional, the distribution of diplomas, and the recessional.
Please remain seated for the processional.*

Hymn—How Firm a Foundation

CWS 768

Text: *A Selection of Hymns*, London, 1787, alt.

Tune, Setting: Traditional American melody, Caldwell's *Union Harmony*, 1837

**How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?**

**“Fear not, I am with you. Oh, be not dismayed;
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.**

**“The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes.
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!**

**“When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace all sufficient shall be your supply.
The flames will not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.**

**“Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove
My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love,
And then, when gray hair shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they shall still on my shoulders be borne.”**

Stand

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

DIALOGUE FOR THANKSGIVING

from Psalms 103 and 145

M: Praise the Lord, O my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits.

- C: I will exalt you, my God the King;
I will praise your name forever and ever.
Every day I will praise you
and extol your name forever and ever.**
- M:** He forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases;
he redeems your life from the pit
and crowns you with love and compassion.
- C: The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.
The Lord is good to all;
he has compassion on all he has made.**
- M:** He does not treat us as our sins deserve
or repay us according to our iniquities.
as far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.
- C: The Lord is faithful to all his promises
and loving toward all he has made.
The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up all who are bowed down.**
- M:** As a father has compassion on his children,
so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.
From everlasting to everlasting
the Lord's love is with those who fear him.
- C: The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food at the proper time.
You open your hand
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.**
- M:** Praise the Lord, all his works
everywhere in his dominion.
Praise the Lord, O my soul.
- C: My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord.
Let every creature praise his holy name
forever and ever.**

Be seated

Lesson — Romans 8:37-39

Choral Response

“Fear Not”

Text: Isaiah 43:1-4

Music: Carl J. Nygard Jr.

Fear not, for I am with you.
Fear not, for I have redeemed you and loved you,
blessed you and called you by name.
You are mine. Fear not.

Fear not the threat of the fire.
Fear not the threat of the water.
Fear not when troubles surround you and trials confound you.
Be not afraid. I am your God.

Fear not, for I am the Lord God.
My love will always surround you and hold you;
for you are precious to me.
I have called you by name. Most precious child, you are mine.

I am the Lord God.
I am yours. You are mine.

Stand

The Gospel — Matthew 6:25-33

Be seated

Hymn—Day by Day

CWS 765

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832-1903; tr. Robert Leaf, b. 1936
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**Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, Bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me Draw me nearer to my heav’nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, Brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, Where at last I’ll find eternal rest.**

**Day by day, I know you will provide me Strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me O’er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow; I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life’s pain and sorrow; Till in glory I behold your face.**

**Oh, what joy to know that you are near me When my burdens grow too great to bear;
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me When I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me, You will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.**

Sermon — Deuteronomy 31:8

The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.

Never Alone!

Choral Response

“O God, We Kneel before Your Throne”

Text: Ephesians 3:14-21

Music: Roy Hopp



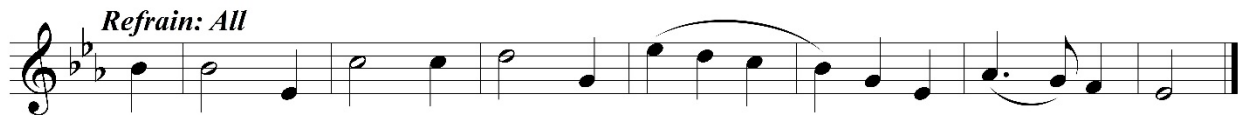
Choir: 1. O _____ God, we kneel be - fore your throne to _____
Choir: 2. O _____ Christ, we bow in faith to pray: come _____
Choir: 3. O _____ Spir - it, grace us with your pow'r so _____
All: 4. Now _____ to the One who can do more than _____



hon - or you whose name is known to _____ all your fam - 'ly
live with - in our hearts to - day and _____ fill us till we
that our weak - ened faith may flow'r; come _____ breathe your sa - cred
we could dream of ask - ing for, e - ter - nal glo - ry



by your love _____ on _____ earth be - low and heav'n a - bove:
o - ver - flow _____ with _____ love sur - pass - ing all we know.
har - mo - ny _____ that _____ we with all your saints may see
to our King _____ as _____ gen - er - a - tions rise to sing:



How wide, how long, how high, how deep _____ is the love _____ of Christ!

Conferring of Degrees *Please reserve applause for the Presentation of the Class.*

Hymn—Praise to You and Adoration

CW 470

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703; tr. composite
Tune: *Trente quatre Pseaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551

**Praise to you and adoration, Blessed Jesus, Son of God,
Who, to serve your own creation, Came to share our flesh and blood.
Guide me that I never may From your fold or pastures stray,
But with zeal and joy exceeding Follow where your steps are leading.**

**Hold me ever in your keeping; Comfort me in pain and strife.
In my laughter and my weeping Be with me throughout my life.
Give me greater love for you, And my faith and hope renew
In your birth, your life, and passion, In your death and resurrection.**

Stand

Prayer

M: Heavenly Father, we praise and thank you for giving your Church men and women who are qualified to serve in the public ministry.

All: **Bless every servant of your Word who proclaims Christ crucified for sinners as the wisdom and power of God.**

M: We pray especially for our graduates, who have successfully completed their course of study at this college of ministry

Graduates: Lord, from your hand we are willing to accept the joys and the sorrows of life. Keep us from sin, comfort us with your Word, and bless our service to you.

All others: **You have promised to be with them. Watch over their lives, both now and forevermore. Keep them faithful to your Word, that they may continue to grow in wisdom, righteousness, and holiness.**

M: Gracious Lord, continue to bless Martin Luther College with instructors who recognize Jesus Christ as wisdom's highest and noblest treasure, and with students who are committed to preparing themselves for the public ministry of your Church.

Faculty & Students: Help us use our talents and energies in joyful service to you.

M: Lord God, watch over the lives of all your people. Dispel our fears, strengthen us in our weakness, and finally bring us all to everlasting glory through the merits of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

All: **In his name we pray. Amen.**

Blessing

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **Amen. (spoken)**

Choral Response

“Peace I Leave with You”

Text: John 14:27

Music: Walter L. Pelz

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth give I unto you.

Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth give I unto you.

My peace I give to you.

Be seated

Presentation of the Graduates of May 2018

Recessional

Following the recessional, please usher yourselves out of the sanctuary.

Service Participants

Presiding Minister

Prof. Paul Koelpin
Professor of History/Theology, MLC

Preacher

Rev. Mark Zarling
President, MLC

Presenting degrees

Dr. Jeff Wiechman
Vice-president for Academics, MLC

Organist

Prof. Craig Hirschmann
Professor of Music, MLC

Martin Luther College Choir Conductor

Prof. Adrian Smith
Professor of Music, MLC

Martin Luther College Wind Symphony Conductor

Prof. Miles Wurster
Professor of Music, MLC

Graduation Marshal

Michelle Gartner
Event Coordinator, MLC

Instrumentalists

Raquel Freese, *piano*
Hannah Paustian, Matthew Scharp, *trumpet*
Joseph Loescher, Karissa Nolte, *trombone*
Zachary Johnson, *tuba*
Zachary Scharlemann, *timpani*

International Service

The following graduates have elected international service in various parts of the world:

Education

Eric K. Dorn* - Antigua and Barbuda
Madeline E. Helwig - Southeast Asia
Sarah E. Kell - Southeast Asia
Caroline G. Madson - Dominican Republic
Josiah S. Nommensen* - Grenada
Erich A. Osterman - Southeast Asia
Elise M. Rosenbaum* - Antigua and Barbuda
Mikala R. Schmitz - Dominican Republic
Morgan R. Schnose - Southeast Asia
Michael E. Schoenfeld - Southeast Asia
Sarah M. Schoenfeld - Southeast Asia
Laura A. Schoenherr - Southeast Asia
Kylah M. Schroeder - Southeast Asia
Jason A. Zweifel - Ecuador

Preseminary

Joshua A. Busch - Southeast Asia
Grant T. Hagen - Peru
Samuel P. Helwig - Southeast Asia
Caleb G. King - Chile
Zachary C. Satorius - Peru
Jacob L. Schlomer - Ecuador
Ethan J. Schultz - Southeast Asia
Justin D. Steinke - Southeast Asia
David E. Young - Ecuador

*These graduates opted for international service and because they will teach at a WELS school in an international setting, they will be assigned.

The listing of those who were assigned calls will be handed out after the call service.

Bachelor of Arts



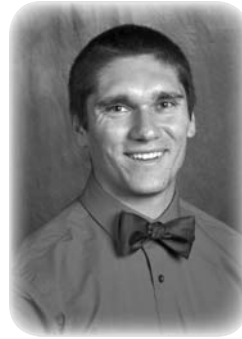
Evan R. Arrowsmith
Bay City, MI



Carl J. Boeder
New Ulm, MN



Joshua A. Busch
Rapid City, SD



William T. Chojnacki
Riverside, CA



Barton J. Cox
Oconomowoc, WI



Simeon A. Crass
Ortonville, MI



Stanley C. Draper
New Ulm, MN



Jonathan D. Fleischmann
Kaukauna, WI



Joseph F. Grzonka
Monee, IL



Grant T. Hagen
Appleton, WI



Samuel P. Helwig
Richfield, WI



Jacob M. Heyn
Crete, IL



Joseph S. Kasper
Thomasville, GA



Caleb G. King
Lomira, WI



Alex M. Lindemann
Lewiston, MN



Samuel H. Lor
Kansas City, KS



Anthony L. Pflughoeft
Germantown, WI



Joel T. Prange
Burlington, WI



Zachary C. Satorius
Annandale, VA



Nathaniel D. Savage
Phoenix, AZ



Nathan T. Schleef
Jackson, WI



Jacob L. Schlomer
Helenville, WI



Micah T. Schoeneck
Green Bay, WI



Ethan J. Schultz
Waukesha, WI



Daniel J. Sprain
Surprise, AZ



Justin D. Steinke
San Antonio, TX



Matthew C. Thiel
Chesaning, MI



David A. Ticks
Kimberly, WI



Philip J. Waldschmidt
Greenfield, WI



Thomas W. Welch
Appleton, WI



Collin D. Wenzel
Appleton, WI



Justin L. Wilkens
Haymarket, VA



Nathan D. Wong
New Ulm, MN



David E. Young
Oconomowoc, WI



Eric J. Zabell
Green Bay, WI

Seminary Certification



Joel D. Krieger
Las Vegas, NV

Bachelor of Science in Education

Major: Early Childhood Education



Taylor E. Eastin
Westland, MI



Megan E. Fury
Houston, TX



Brittany J. Krause
Hortonville, WI



Sara C. Marquardt
Guntur, India



Heidi S. Nielsen
Golden Valley, MN



Molly L. Schalinske
Racine, WI
in absentia



Jessie L. Stibb
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Bachelor of Science in Education

Major: Elementary Education



Christa M. Backhaus
Tomah, WI



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Manitowoc, WI



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Corinthe Estate, Gros Islet St. Lucia



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Crete, IL



Luke B. Dorn
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Stephanie W. Draper
Menomonee Falls, WI



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Saint Paul, MN



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Wisconsin Rapids, WI



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West Allis, WI



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Oshkosh, WI



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Fond du Lac, WI



Jeni L. Heiden
Mequon, WI



Nathan J. Hensler
Freeland, MI



Katie L. Henzi
Brillion, WI



Lillian M. Herber
Linwood, MI



Sarah E. Kell
Zumbrota, MN



Megan N. Lemke
Jefferson, WI



Victoria K. Lober
Juneau, WI



Caroline G. Madson
Acworth, GA



Benjamin M. Melott
Delano, MN



Heidi K. Moldenhauer
Manitowoc, WI



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Watertown, WI



Christina E. Nelson
Phoenix, AZ



SiKyung Oh
Seoul, South Korea



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Milwaukee, WI



Emma M. Plocher
Garden Grove, CA



Erin R. Plocher
Phoenix, AZ



Monica E. Rehberger
Appleton, WI



Rachel L. Riediger
West Salem, WI



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Jenera, OH



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Schertz, TX



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Merrill, MI



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Lake Mills, WI



Sarah M. Schoenfeld
Fort Atkinson, WI



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New Ulm, MN



Kylah M. Schroeder
Modesto, CA



Ashley A. Urbanek
Bangor, WI



Joshua M. VonDeylen
Friendswood, TX



Lydia C. Wassermann
La Crosse, WI



Vincent G. West-Hallwas
Beach Park, IL



Michael E. Wilde
Stratford, WI



Miriam D. Willitz
Frankenmuth, MI

Bachelor of Science in Education

Major: Secondary Education



Sarah R. Couture
Ottawa, Ontario Canada
Chemistry/Life Science



Kira N. Grev
Oakdale, MN
Mathematics



Madeline E. Helwig
Mequon, WI
Life Science



Joohyun Kim
Seoul, South Korea
Social Studies



Karl B. Kuschel
Mukwonago, WI
Mathematics



Nathan C. Meitner
Appleton, WI
Social Studies



Sarah A. Melcher
Johnson Creek, WI
Communication Arts &
Literature/Mathematics



Ruth D. Nitz
Olympia, WA
Communication Arts &
Literature/Spanish (K-12)



Rebecca A. Olson
Dousman, WI
Communication Arts &
Literature



Mikala R. Schmitz
Fort Atkinson, WI
Mathematics/
Spanish (K-12)



Emily G. Unke
Las Vegas, NV
Mathematics

Bachelor of Science in Education

Majors:

K-12 Physical Education

K-12 Spanish



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Greenville, WI
Spanish



John M. Henning
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Physical Education



Ryan M. Plath
Courtland, MN
Physical Education



Mackenzie J. Rothfuss
Bay City, MI
Physical Education



Bryan J. Walkley
Onalaska, WI
Physical Education



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Boulder, CO
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Majors:

Early Childhood Education

Special Education (K-12)



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Picture Butte, Alberta,
Canada



Kimberly M. Rehbaum
Watertown, WI

Bachelor of Science in Education

**Majors:
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Early Childhood Education**



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Prior Lake, MN



Chandra J. Lange
West Allis, WI



Kelsie M. Tupper
Minocqua, WI



Marissa A. Zachow
Milwaukee, WI

Bachelor of Science in Education

Majors: Elementary Education Secondary Education



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Cedar Rapids, IA
Communication Arts & Literature



Alec J. Bergmann
Slinger, WI
Social Studies



Kendra M. Bergmann
Slinger, WI
Social Studies



Kelli M. Doell
Appleton, WI
Physical Education



Tessa K. Heiling
Redwood Falls, MN
Social Studies



Melissa N. Koenig
De Pere, WI
Instrumental Music



Rebecca J. Kroll
Allen, TX
Special Education



Heidi R. Kruger
Mauston, WI
Vocal Music



Jacob M. Lash
Racine, WI
Mathematics



Cortney M. Manning
Parkville, MO
Communication Arts & Literature



Elizabeth A. Mantz
West Bend, WI
Social Studies



Josiah S. Nommensen
Cudahy, WI
Social Studies



Zachary A. Peterson
Watertown, SD
Physical Education



Robert J. Schmidt
Janesville, WI
Physical Education



Emma E. Schultz
Elkhorn, WI
Communication Arts & Literature



Matthew F. Stob
Star Prairie, WI
Social Studies



Katherine L. Van Alstine
Howards Grove, WI
Mathematics



Jason A. Zweifel
Lake Mills, WI
Spanish

Bachelor of Science

Major: Staff Ministry



Andrew R. Carter
Round Rock, TX



Alexander M. Enter
Stillwater, MN



Joshua T. Numrich
Eagle River, WI

Bachelor of Science

Major: Educational Studies



Cody J. Anderson
Bloomer, WI



Joshua M. Bohlmann
Crete, IL



Justine D. Hanan
Adrian, MI



Maria N. Hardenburger
Waucousta, WI



Carolyn K. Hunt
Cary, NC



Kailynn D. Lovett
Caro, MI



Isaac W. Pappenfuss
New Ulm, MN
in absentia



Rachel A. Ragan
Austin, TX
in absentia



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Platteville, WI



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Dearborn, MI



Seth M. Tews
New London, WI



Brenna C. Thoma
Sturgeon Bay, WI

Bachelor of Science

Major: Theological Studies



Micah A. Ray
El Paso, TX

Completing Certificate Program

Evangelism

Matthew E. Johnson
Tieton, WA

Mentoring and Coaching

Amanda L. Endorf
Sparta, WI

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West Bend, WI

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Weslaco, TX

Master of Science in Education

The Master of Science in Education program has the goal of contributing to the professional growth of teachers and encouraging them to be reflective, competent, and dedicated educators of children in a Christian setting.

The Master of Science in Education degree from Martin Luther College is designed for persons who have an undergraduate degree in education from an accredited college or university. The master's program offers students a choice of four emphases: instruction, leadership, special education, and educational technology.



Karen M. Broring
Rochester, MN
Special Education Emphasis



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St. James, MN
Leadership Emphasis



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St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda
Instruction Emphasis



Eric J. Fillner
Caledonia, WI
Instruction Emphasis

Current service:

Resurrection Lutheran School
Rochester, MN
Teacher Gr 1/ Yearbook
Advisor/ Technology
Committee
2007-

Previous service:

St John Lutheran School
Lewiston, MN
Teacher Gr 1-2/ Junior Choir/
School Play
1987-1991

Other degree:

BSEd, Dr. Martin Luther
College
1987

Current service:

St Paul Lutheran School
Saint James, MN
Principal/ Teacher Gr 5-8
2017-

Previous service:

Resurrection Lutheran School
Rochester, MN
Principal
2001-2017

St Paul Lutheran School
Beverly Hills, FL
Teacher Gr 3-5
1999-2000

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2001

Current service:

St John Lutheran School
St John's, Antigua and Barbuda
Master Teacher
2015-

Previous service:

St John Lutheran School
St John's, Antigua and Barbuda
Teacher Gr 5
2006-2012

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2015

Current service:

Zion Lutheran School
South Milwaukee, WI
Teacher Gr 6/ Athletic
Director
2015-

Previous service:

Apostles Lutheran School
San Jose, CA
Teacher Gr 8/ Athletic
Director
2006-2015

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2006



Kari L. Fuerstenberg
Carleton, MI
Special Education Emphasis



Adam M. Glodowski
Kiel, WI
Leadership Emphasis



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Fox Lake, WI
Leadership Emphasis



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Tacoma, WA
Educational Technology
Emphasis

Current service:

Abiding Word Lutheran School
Houston, TX

Teacher/ Kindergarten/ Music/
Coach/ Church accompanist/
Yearbook Editor/ Music
Director

2012-

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2012

Current service:

Trinity Lutheran School
Kiel, WI

Principal/ Teacher Gr 7-8
2013-

Previous service:

Zion Lutheran School
Egg Harbor, WI

Principal/ Teacher Gr 5-8
2006-2013

*Nebraska Evangelical
Lutheran High School*
Waco, NE

Tutor/ English
2005-2006

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2005

Current service:

St John's Lutheran School
Newburg, WI

Teacher Gr 5-6/ Music
2015-

Previous service:

St Mark's Lutheran School
Watertown, WI

Teacher Gr K-2/ Music
2009-2015

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2009

Current service:

*Evergreen Lutheran High
School*

Tacoma, WA
Principal/ Teacher
2015-

Previous service:

*Lakeside Lutheran High
School*

Lake Mills, WI
Teacher/ Technology Director
2004-2015

Our Savior Lutheran School
San Antonio, TX

Principal/ Teacher
1999-2004

Luther Preparatory School
Watertown, WI

Tutor/ Teacher
1997-1999

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
1997



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Campbellsport, WI
Special Education Emphasis
in absentia



Joyce A. Lendt
Nicollet, MN
Instruction Emphasis



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Hillpoint, WI
Instruction Emphasis



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Kewaskum, WI
Special Education Emphasis

Current service:

Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School
Jackson, WI
Teacher/ English/ Learning Center Assistant
2017-

Previous service:

Christ-St. Peter Lutheran School
Milwaukee, WI
Educational Aid
2015-2016

Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School
Jackson, WI
International Educator
2014-2015

Guang Qi Academy
Shanghai, China
Teacher/ Preschool
2013-2014

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2013

Current service:

Trinity Lutheran School
Nicollet, MN
Teacher/ Organist/ Choir Director
1979-

Previous service:

Epiphany Lutheran School
Racine, WI
Teacher/ Organist
1976-1979

Other degree:

BSEd, Dr. Martin Luther College
1976

Current service:

Weston Elementary School
Cazenovia, WI
Teacher/ Kindergarten
2016-

Previous service:

Faith Elementary School
Faith, SD
Teacher/ Kindergarten
2012-2014

St Paul Little Learners
Slinger, WI
Teacher/ Kindergarten
2008-2010

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2008

Current service:

Atonement Lutheran School
Milwaukee, WI
Teacher Gr 4
2017-

Previous service:

Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School
Jackson, WI
Teacher/ Science/ Learning Center
2016-2017

St Peter's Lutheran School
Sturgeon Bay, WI
Teacher Gr 3-4
2012-2016

Northland Lutheran High School
Mosinee, WI
Teacher/ Social Studies
2011-2012

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2010



James C. Livingston
Kewaskum, WI
Educational Technology
Emphasis



Adam R. Mateske
Kaukauna, WI
Educational Technology
Emphasis



Dane C. Mattes
Brillion, WI
Leadership Emphasis



Richard C. Muchka
Morrison, WI
Instructional Emphasis

Current service:

Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School
Jackson, WI
Teacher/ Mathematics
2016-

Previous service:

St Peter's Lutheran School
Sturgeon Bay, WI
Teacher Gr 7-8/ Athletic
Director/ Technology
2009-2016

St John Lutheran School
Goodhue, MN
Principal/ Teacher Gr 5-8
2008-2009

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2007

Current service:

Mount Olive Lutheran School
Appleton, WI
Staff Minister/ Technology
Director
2008-

Previous service:

Gloria Dei Lutheran School
Belmont, CA
Principal/ Teacher
2001-2008

Zion Lutheran School
Valentine, NE
Principal/ Teacher
1998-2001

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
1998

Current service:

Trinity Lutheran School
Brillion, WI
Principal/ Teacher
2011-

Previous service:

Our Savior Lutheran School
Longmont, CO
Principal/ Teacher
2005-2011

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2005

Current service:

Morrison Zion Lutheran School
Greenleaf, WI
Principal/ Teacher Gr 7-8
2005-

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2005



Jonathan D. Niemi
Watertown, SD
Leadership Emphasis



Gretl Y. Quan
Tianjin, China
Instruction Emphasis



Neil A. Schliewe
Westland, MI
Leadership Emphasis



Nathan L. Schultz
Hartford, WI
Leadership Emphasis

Current service:

St Martin's Lutheran School
Watertown, SD
Music Coordinator
2014-

Previous service:

St John's Lutheran School
Jefferson, WI
Teacher Gr 3-4/ Athletic
Director
2006-2014

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2006

Current service:

Rising Eagles School
Beijing, China
Teacher Gr 5-6/
Science/Social Studies
2011-

Other degree:

BSAg, China Agricultural
University
2008

Current service:

Huron Valley Lutheran High School
Westland, MI
Teacher/ History-Religion/
Coach/ Recruitment
2016-

Previous service:

Calvary Lutheran School
Thiensville, WI
Principal/ Teacher Gr 7-8/
Coach
2008-2016

St Matthew Lutheran School
Appleton, WI
Principal/ Teacher Gr 7-8/
Coach
1996-2008

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
1996

Current service:

Peace Lutheran School
Hartford, WI
Vice-Principal/ Teacher Gr 6/
Homeroom
2015-

Previous service:

Trinity Lutheran School
Marshfield, WI
Vice-Principal/ Teacher Gr 6-
8/ Athletic Director
2005-2015

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2005



Lynn M. Sellnow
Grand Rapids, MI
Instruction Emphasis

Current service:

*Holy Trinity Lutheran
Preschool & Child Care
Wyoming, MI*
Teacher/ Director
1996-

Previous service:

*St Paul Lutheran School
Brownsville, WI*
Teacher Gr 1-3
1994-1996

Other degree:

BSEd, Dr. Martin Luther
College
1982



Mark G. Thiesfeldt
Tampa, FL
Leadership Emphasis

Current service:

*Northdale Lutheran School
Tampa, FL*
Principal/ Teacher Gr 7-8
2014-

Previous service:

*English Lutheran School
Viroqua, WI*
Principal/ Teacher Gr 1-8
2008-2014

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2008



Rachel L. Timmermann
Otsego, MI
Instruction Emphasis

Previous service:

*KinderCare Learning Center
Green Bay, WI*
Assistant Director
2008-2009

Previous service:

*Rangeline Preschool
Mequon, WI*
Teacher/ Preschool
2007-2008

Previous service:

*Garden Homes Lutheran
School
Milwaukee, WI*
Educational Assistant
2006-2007

Previous service:

*Wuhan Foreign Language
High School
Wuhan, China*
Teaching English as a Foreign
Language
2005-2006

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2005



Nolan H. Valus
Montrose, MN
Educational Technology
Emphasis
in absentia

Current service:

*Mt Olive Lutheran School
Delano, MN*
Principal/ Teacher Gr 6-8
2011-

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2011



Andrea L. Van Sice
Huntersville, NC
Instruction Emphasis



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Whiteriver, AZ
Instruction Emphasis



Amanda A. Weinrich
Neenah, WI
Instruction Emphasis
Special Education Emphasis



Joycelyn E. Williams Green
St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda
Special Education Emphasis

Current service:

Grand Oak Elementary School
Huntersville, NC
Teacher Gr 1
2017-

Previous service:

Garden Homes Lutheran School
Milwaukee, WI
Teacher Gr 2
2016-2017

Faith Lutheran Preschool
Sharpsburg, GA
Teacher/ Preschool
2015-2016

Nebraska Evangelical Lutheran High School
Waco, NE
Tutor/ Algebra/ Phy Ed/
Varsity Soccer Coach
2014-2015

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2014

Current service:

East Fork Lutheran School
Whiteriver, AZ
Teacher Gr 6/ Athletic
Director/ Coach
2012-

Previous service:

Lafayette Public Charter School
Lafayette, MN
Teacher Gr 2-3/ Phy Ed Gr
K-8
2011-2012

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2011

Previous service:

Faith Lutheran School
Antioch, IL
Teacher Gr 4-5
2013-2014

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
2013

Current service:

Antigua State College
St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda
Department of Teacher Education/
Senior Lecturer of Educational Psychology and Special Needs
Other degree:
BA Psychology, University of Central Florida
2001
Education Certificate, Antigua State College
1993



David G. Wilson
Manitowoc, WI
Leadership Emphasis

Current service:

Immanuel Lutheran School
Manitowoc, WI
Principal/ Teacher
2016-

Previous service:

Peace Lutheran School
Livonia, MI
Principal/ Teacher
2006-2016

Lord and Savior Lutheran School
Crystal Lake, IL
Principal/ Teacher
1996-2006

Other degree:

BSEd, Martin Luther College
1996

Master of Science in Educational Administration

The Master of Science in Educational Administration program provides a thorough background in school leadership and administration with a special focus on the spiritual and academic leadership needed to lead Christian schools.

The Master of Science in Educational Administration degree from Martin Luther College is designed for current or prospective school leaders with an undergraduate degree in education from an accredited college or university. Graduate students in this program follow either a principal or early childhood director emphasis.



Rendell A. Koepfel
Reseda, CA
Principal Emphasis
in absentia

Current service:

St Paul First Lutheran School
North Hollywood, CA
Principal
2000-

Previous service:

St Peter Lutheran School
Schofield, WI
Principal/ Teacher Gr 6-8
1991-2000

Mt Calvary Lutheran School
Redding, CA
Principal/ Teacher Gr 5-8
1981-1991

Other degree:

BSEd, Dr. Martin Luther
College
1981

Call Service

Hymn—Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

CW 177

Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, 776-856; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814-78

Tune: *Geistliche lieder auff's new gebessert*, Wittenberg, 1533

Stand to sing the final stanza of the hymn



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest, And make our
2 To you, the Coun - se - lor, we cry, To you, the
3 Your light to ev - 'ry thought im - part, And shed your
4 Drive far a - way our wi - ly foe, And your a -
5 Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son, And you, from



hearts your place of rest; Come with your grace and
gift of God most high; The fount of life, the
love in ev - 'ry heart; The weak - ness of our
bid - ing peace be - stow; If you are our pro -
both, as Three in One That we your name may



heav'n - ly aid, And fill the hearts which you have made.
fire of love, The soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.
mor - tal state With death - less might in - vig - o - rate.
tect - ing guide, No e - vil can with us a - bide.
ev - er bless And in our lives the truth con - fess.

6 Praise we the Father and the Son
And Holy Spirit, with them One,
And may the Son on us bestow
The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

Dialogue of Praise

M: O Lord, open my lips,

C: **And my mouth will declare your praise.**

Psalm 51:15

M: All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord;

C: **And they in turn would tell their children.**

Psalm 86:9

M: Future generations will be told about the Lord.

C: **They will proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn.**

Psalm 22:30-31

M: Let this be written for a future generation,
that a people not yet created may praise the Lord:

**C: “The Lord looked down from his sanctuary on high,
from heaven he viewed the earth,
to hear the groans of the prisoners
and release those condemned to death.”**

Psalm 102:18-20

M: My mouth will tell of your righteousness,
of your salvation all day long,
though I know not its measure.

**C: Even when I am old and gray,
Do not forsake me, O God,
Till I declare your power to the next generation,
Your might to all who are to come.**

Psalm 71:15,18

M: One generation will commend your works to another;
they will tell of your mighty acts.

**C: They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.**

Psalm 145:4-5

M: Lord God, source of all abiding knowledge, through Word and Sacrament you both enlighten the minds and sanctify the lives of those you draw to your service. Pour out your Spirit on the men and women who present themselves for assignment this day. Give them joy as they receive a call from you and your people, and grant them confidence to proclaim your grace with faithfulness and zeal. By their teaching and life let your kingdom come and your will be done; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C: Amen. (spoken)

Be seated

Choral Response

“Here I Am, Lord”

Text: Isaiah 6

Music: Craig Courtney

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord, is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them, whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Lesson—2 Corinthians 1:14—2:6

Hymn—Christ High-Ascended

CW 558

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, b. 1926

Tune: *Antiphoner*, Paris, 1681

Christ high-ascended, now in glory seated,
Throned and exalted, victory completed,
Death's dread dominion finally defeated -
We are his witnesses.

Christ from the Father ev'ry pow'r possessing,
Who on his chosen lifted hands in blessing,
Sends forth his servants, still in faith confessing -
We are his witnesses.

Christ, who in dying won for us salvation,
Lives now the firstborn of the new creation;
To win disciples out of ev'ry nation -
We are his witnesses.

Christ in his splendor, all dominion gaining,
Christ with his people evermore remaining,
Christ to all ages, gloriously reigning -
We are his witnesses.

As at his parting, joy shall banish grieving,
Faith in his presence strengthen our believing;
Filled with his Spirit, love and pow'r receiving,
We are his witnesses.

Sermon

1 Timothy 1:12

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service.

Be Thankful for Jesus' Appointment

Choir—Lord God, You Have Called Your Servants

Text: Closing Prayer from the Vespers Service

Lutheran Book of Worship, 1978

Music: J. Aaron McDermid

Lord God, you have called your servants
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending;
by paths as yet untrod, through perils unknown.

Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Reading of Assignments

President Mark G. Schroeder
President of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Hymn—Holy God, We Praise Your Name

CW 278

Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774
tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900

**Holy God, we praise your name;
Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim;
All in heav'n above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain,
Everlasting is your reign.**

**Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name you;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim you,
Then, adoring, bend the knee
And confess the mystery.**

Prayer

M: Almighty God, look with favor on those whom you have called to minister to your people. Fill them with faithfulness to your teaching and clothe them with holiness of life, that they may joyfully serve to the glory of your name and for the benefit of your Church; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

Blessing

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: **Amen. Amen. Amen.** (*sung*)

Hymn—God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

CW 293

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783-1872
tr. Ole G. Belsheim, 1861-1925
Tune: Friedrich O. Reuter, 1863-1924

**God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way; In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant while worlds endure, We keep its teachings pure
Throughout all generations. Amen.**

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Presiding Minister

Rev. Mark Zarling
MLC President

Preacher

Rev. John Boeder
MLC Campus Pastor

Reading of Assignments

Rev. Mark Schroeder
WELS President

Organist

Prof. Craig Hirschmann
MLC Music Division

Martin Luther College Choir Conductor

Prof. Adrian Smith
MLC Music Division

Instrumentalists

Emily Schmidt, piano
Elsie Koutia, flute