
Commencement Service
and
Reading of Assignments
May 16, 2020



MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE, New Ulm, Minnesota

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

Dear sisters and brothers in our risen Lord Jesus!

Welcome to Commencement at Martin Luther College. While we are all aware of how different things look and feel this year, in your own spaces you will still see many of the things associated with graduation, albeit in a virtual environment. 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 the Good Shepherd to his flock, 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 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.

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

Explanation of attire

Welcome to the 2020 Virtual Commencement Service at Martin Luther College. Today, you will hear of graduates receiving a Bachelor of Science degree, a Bachelor of Science in Education degree, a Bachelor of Arts degree, and still others a Master of Science degree in Education or in Educational Administration. This year, 23 persons have completed the master's program. Since its inception in 2005, the master's program has granted 191 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 97 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.

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

MLC Faculty

Tenured

Baganz, Peter A
Balge, Daniel N
Bases, Paul A
Bauer, David T
Berg, Darrell T
Boeder, John C
Carlovsky, James D
Clemons, Benjamin P
Cox, Rebecca L
Czer, Lawrence J
Danell Jr, James C
Diersen, Gregory T
Dose, Brian L
Feld, Rachel M
Fenske, Daniel J
Fredrich, Joel D
Fredrich, Rachel R
Gawrisch, Daniel P
Green, Kelli L
Grubbs, Paul J
Grundmeier, Timothy D
Hanneman, Daryl B
Hennig, Brian K
Hennig, Grace A
Hirschmann, Craig R
Holzhueter, Greg A
Hunter, Thomas N
Klindworth, Robert F
Klug, Theodore A
Koelpin, Paul E
Krause, Jennifer L
Laabs, Jonathan A
Lange, Douglas F
Loomis, Cheryl A
Mehlberg, Jennifer A
Meyer, John E
Munte, Kari A
Nass, Thomas P
Ohm, Ronald C
Olson, Breanna L
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
Schmoller, Nicolas C
Schmudlach, Scott D
Schone, Jeffrey L
Schwartz, Tingting Z
Smith, Adrian R
Stein, Mark A
Stelljes, Ross A
Tacke, Mark W
Tess, Paul A
Thiesfeldt, Steven R
Thomford, Joel W
Uher, Alan E
Unke, James M
Unke, Lori L
Wessel, Keith C
Whaley, Cynthia E
Wiechman, Jeffery P
Wurster, Miles B
Zarling, Mark G
Zarnstorff, Tyson J

Tutors

Koester, Paul M
Thomford, Hans J

Adjunct

Balge, Bethel A
Biedenbender, David K
Boeder, Bethel J
Czer, Ramona M
Haugen, Jennifer E
Hopp, Brian P
Laabs, Erin R
Martens, Judith L
Ohm, Carlotta L
Plocher, Michael D
Schubkegel, Joyce C
Spurgin, Dinah L
Vogel, Marianne E
Wiechman, Elizabeth J
Wurster, Kathryn M

Graduate

Bakken, Richard E
Boeder, John C
Boehlke, Paul R
Cherney, Kenneth A
DeLorme, Carolyn M
Ehlers, Rachel M
Grunwald, James R
Gulczynski, Dennis F
Hanneman, Daryl B
Holtz, Lowell E
Johnson, Daniel W
Klindworth, Robert F
Kolander, John D
Lemke, Jeffrey C
Lienig, Alanna M
Lowrey, Jason H
MacPherson, Ryan C
Mears, Joshua T
Meyer, John E
Munte, Kari A
Olson, Lawrence O
Paustian, Mark A
Pfeifer, Carrie F
Pfeifer, Gene R
Plath, Timothy M
Pless, Joel L
Potratz, Gail M
Rathje, Ryan J
Rogers, Leslie A
Rouech, Kristina E
Russ, Todd A
Sallquist, Julie A
Schmidt, Jason E
Schuetze, John D
Smith, Michael K
Steinberg, Paul S
Strong, Kristin L
Tackmier, Bill J
Tess, Paul A
Wendland, Paul O
Wessel, Keith C
Whaley, Cynthia E
Wiechman, Jeffery P
Youngblom, Rachel K

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Rev. Mark G. Zarling, President, Martin Luther College

Commencement Service

10:00 a.m.

Processional Hymn—How Firm a Foundation

*Text: A Selection of Hymns, London, 1787
Tune, Setting: Traditional American melody;
Caldwell's Union Harmony, 1837.*



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
2 In ev - 'ry con - di - tion, in sick - ness, in health,
3 "Fear not, I am with you. Oh, be not dis - mayed,
4 "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,
5 "Through-out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



Is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent Word!
In pov - er - ty's vale, or a - bound - ing in wealth,
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow,
My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love,



What more can he say than to you he has said
At home and a - broad, on the land, on the sea—
I'll strength-en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
For I will be with you your trou - bles to bless
And then, when gray hair shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
The Lord, the Al - might - y, your strength e'er shall be.
Up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
And sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
Like lambs they shall still on my shoul - ders be borne."

Dialogue

M: In the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

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

M: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

C: **Worship the LORD with gladness;**

M: Come before him with joyful songs.

C: **Know that the LORD is God.**

M: It is he who made us, and we are his;

C: **We are his people; the sheep of his pasture.**

M: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;

C: **Give thanks to him and praise his name.**

M: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;

C: **His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

Psalm 100

Prayer

M: Almighty God, you have committed to your Church the task of making disciples of all nations. As we conclude another year of grace at Martin Luther College, we praise you for keeping this task before us through this season of unprecedented challenges. You have enlightened with your Spirit those who taught and those who learned. Through the knowledge of your truth, you have enabled your school of ministry to prepare ministers of the gospel. We worship you on this special day, and we ask for your continued blessings so that we serve you from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns in perfect unity with the Father and the Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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

Lesson—Matthew 28:18-20

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Hymn—In You Is Gladness

*Text: Johann Lindemann, 1549-1631
tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78
Tune: Giovanni G. Gastoldi, 1556-1622
Setting: Oliver Ditson*

**In You is gladness
Amid all sadness,
Jesus, Sunshine of my heart.
By you are given
The gifts of heaven;
You the true Redeemer are.
Our souls are waking;
Our bonds are breaking.
Who trusts you surely
Has built securely
And stands forever. Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining
To see your shining,
Dying or living
To you are clinging
Now and forever. Alleluia!**

**If he is ours,
We fear no powers,
Not of earth or sin or death.
He sees and blesses
In worst distresses;
He can change them with a breath.
Wherefore the story
Tell of His glory
With hearts and voices;
All heav'n rejoices
In him forever. Alleluia!
We shout for gladness,
Win over sadness,
Love him and praise him
And still shall raise him
Glad hymns forever. Alleluia!**

God has said,
“Never will I leave you;
never will I forsake you.”
So we say with confidence,
“The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.
What can man do to me?”

Presentation of Diplomas

Prayer

M: Heavenly Father, we thank you for making this day possible. We thank and praise you for this school of ministry, for the blessings of the school year, for parents and all who support the training of ministers with prayers and gifts, for faithful students who prepare for public ministry with dedication, for dedicated teachers and staff who follow your ways, and for a church body which sees its mission to spread your Word among all peoples.

C: **Above all we thank you for our Savior whose forgiveness alone makes it possible for sinful people to serve a holy God.**

M: O Lord, bless these graduates. Bless those who will enter your ministry as teachers and staff ministers with the ability to fearlessly speak the mysteries of your Gospel.

C: **In your mercy, hear our prayer.**

M: Bless those who will continue their preparation for the pastoral ministry at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary with patience and diligence.

C: **In your mercy, hear our prayer.**

M: Bless those who will be serving you as lay members in congregations or in international fields with opportunities to use their special gifts and training.

C: **In your mercy, hear our prayer.**

M: Be with us all, gracious God, as we serve as your ambassadors that we may do and say only that which will bring glory and honor to your holy name.

C: **We bring these requests to you in the name of our Savior, Jesus. Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

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

*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.**

Presentation of the Class of 2020

Farewell to Faculty Members Completing Service

Special Farewell to President Mark Zarling

Rev. Michael Woldt
Chairman, MLC Governing Board

The God of Peace

Performed by the 2019-2020 MLC College Choir
*Text by Stephen P. Starke
Tune: ZARLING
Tune and Setting by John A. Behnke*

This choral prayer was newly commissioned in thanksgiving to God for President Zarling’s service to Martin Luther College and full time gospel ministry to the church. It will be published in the near future by Concordia Publishing House with the following dedication line, **“Dedicated to Rev. Mark G. Zarling, Martin Luther College President 2007-2020, with gratitude to God for sending MLC, New Ulm, MN such a faithful shepherd and humble servant.”**

1. The God of peace, who raised with power the Shepherd of the sheep,
Go with you from this place and hour, your path to bless and keep.
 2. May he equip you with the grace you need to do his will,
To meet each challenge you may face with faith and love and skill.
 3. The God who gave you to us here, endowing us through you,
Now guide you in each coming year in all you say and do.
 4. Lord Jesus Christ our life and light, the Savior we adore,
To you be glory, wisdom, might both now and evermore.
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Reading of Assignments into the Public Ministry of WELS

Welcome

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

Closing Remarks

Presiding Minister

Rev. James Pope
MLC Faculty Secretary

Preacher

Rev. Mark Zarling
MLC President

Assisting with the distribution of diplomas

Dr. Jeff Wiechman
MLC Vice President for Academic Affairs

Organist

Prof. Craig Hirschmann
MLC Music Division

Martin Luther College Choir Conductor

Prof. Adrian Smith
MLC Music Division

Graduation Marshal

Michelle Gartner
MLC Event Coordinator

Reading of Assignments

Rev. Mark Schroeder
WELS President

International Service

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

Education

Elizabeth Bartz - Grenada

Anastasia Bornschlegl (December 2019 graduate) - Southeast Asia

Rachel Gresock - Southeast Asia

Pre-Seminary

Caleb Christopher - Chile

Clayton Fury - Peru

Daniel Gensmer - Peru

Markus Klingenschmitt - Southeast Asia

Jacob Melso - Southeast Asia

Bachelor of Arts



Duane S. Backhaus
Tomah, WI



Keith R. Brassow
Osceola, WI



Noah J. Bruckschen
Mishicot, WI



Andrew W. Carter
Brownsville, WI



Peter W. Christie
Waukesha, WI



Caleb J. Christopher
Sharpsburg, GA



Silas P. Dose
Fairfax, MN



Isaiah D. Duff
Saint Paul, MN



Josiah Y. Eaker
Watertown, WI



Jeremy N. Fluegge
Onalaska, WI



Clayton J. Fury
Houston, TX



Daniel R. Gensmer
Cape Coral, FL



Joseph C. Graumann
Fort Atkinson, WI



Ryan R. Gurgel
Mequon, WI



Caleb P. Gustafson
West Bend, WI



Noah J. Hartmann
Germantown, WI



Nathan S. Holz
Clarksville, TN



Markus P. Klingenschmitt
Rosemount, MN



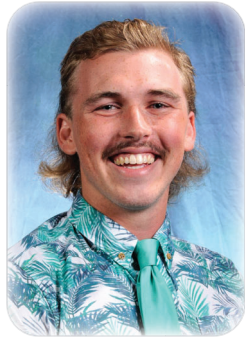
Adam M. Kock
Mequon, WI



Caleb P. Koelpin
Dallas, TX



Race N. Kohl
Redwood Falls, MN



Andrew J. Lucht
Raleigh, NC



Zachary J. Meier
Richfield, WI



Jacob M. Melso
Port Edwards, WI



Tristan J. Pankow
Bay City, MI



Joseph H. Quandt
Ridgeland, WI



Caleb J. Raasch
Stillwater, MN



Robert R. Read
Richardson, TX



Jonah R. Schlomer
Rome, WI



Jacob W. Schmidt
Ixonia, WI



Joshua M. Schroeder
Modesto, CA



Aaron K. Schultz
Elkhorn, WI



Nathaniel B. Stein
Poynette, WI



Eli E. Steinbrenner
Hartford, WI



Jonathan I. Thede
Watertown, WI



Caleb A. VonDeylen
Friendswood, TX



Daniel L. Waterstradt
Penryn, CA



Adam C. Westra
Columbia, TN



Zackary D. Zuberbier
Milwaukee, WI

Seminary Certification



Ryan E. Henning
New Ulm, MN

Bachelor of Science in Education

Major: Early Childhood Education



Brayxton T. Alexander
Virginia Beach, VA



Elizabeth J. Bartz
Eau Claire, MI



Hannah M. Black
Gibbon, MN



Noelle K. Boucher
Henderson, CO



Emily D. Byhardt
Germantown, WI



Chloe L. Doble
Ortonville, MI



Carissa M. Friebe
Green Bay, WI



Haley A. Hadler
Marathon, WI



Sarah N. Kjenstad
Aberdeen, SD



Sierra D. Mielke
Sarasota, FL



Ida G. Paulsen
Manhattan, KS



Erin L. Wenzel
Appleton, WI

Bachelor of Science in Education

Major: Elementary Education



Wesley R. Aguilar
Wildomar, CA



Christopher D. Biebert
Neillsville, WI



Micah J. Biesterfeld
New Ulm, MN



Adam J. Bilitz
Cottage Grove, WI



Allison J. Boggs
Royal Palm Beach, FL



Jacob T. Bohlmann
Crete, IL



Laura A. Cole
Saginaw, MI



Hannah M. Compton
Pearland, TX



Grace E. Cook
West Salem, WI



Melissa L. Cox
Oconomowoc, WI



Katherine H. Curtis
Palmetto, GA



Claire E. Ellingboe
Wrightstown, WI



Mary R. Falck
Germantown, WI



Sarah E. Goldschmidt
Milwaukee, WI



Elisabeth R. Hahm
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Anna S. Hemmelman
Winona, MN



Ella I. Hirsch
Manhattan, KS



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Alison J. Lindemann
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Emily E. Loberger
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Major: Secondary Education



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Communication Arts & Literature



Richard W. Eckmann
Trimont, MN
Social Studies



Abby M. Enstad
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Communication Arts & Literature



Megan A. Garvin
Wildomar, CA
Communication Arts & Literature



Rachel A. Gresock
Linden, MI
Social Studies



Evan J. Kolander
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Social Studies



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Kasandra B. Wagner
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Communication Arts & Literature

Bachelor of Science in Education

Majors:

K-12 Music

K-12 Physical Education

K-12 Spanish



Rebecca L. Doering
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Physical Education



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Spanish



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Early Childhood Education**



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Secondary Education



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Social Studies



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Communication Arts & Literature



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**Majors:
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Staff Ministry**



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Valders, WI

Bachelor of Science

**Major:
Staff Ministry**



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Bachelor of Science

Major: Educational Studies



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West Bend, WI



Aaron M. Butkovich
Hollandtown, WI



Jessica E. Friebe
Green Bay, WI



Rebecca C. Marley
Midlothian, VA



Karissa J. Nolte
Circleville, OH



Tessa A. Petersen
Watertown, SD



Megan M. Winghart
Brookings, SD

Staff Ministry Certification



Jason R. Petoskey
Wyoming, MI

Completing Additional Degree

Bachelor of Science in Education Elementary Education

Katherine L. Voss
North Mankato, MN

Completing Certificate Program

Evangelism

David E. Ernest
Fort Atkinson, WI

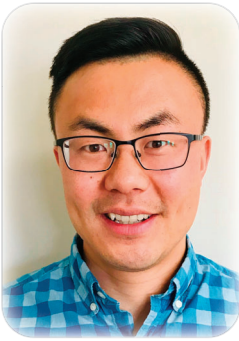
Mentoring and Coaching

Dawn M. Aswege
Dallas, 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.



Xingwei Ao
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Instruction Emphasis



Craig R. Breitzkreutz
Twin Lakes, WI
Leadership Emphasis



Timothy P. Fischer
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Educational Technology Emphasis



Nathan R. Gartner
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Instruction Emphasis

Current service:

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Teacher
2015-

Other degree:

Bachelor of Politics and
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Zhongyang Minzu University
2008

Current service:

Faith Lutheran School
Antioch, IL
Principal/ Teacher
2018-

Previous service:

St John Lutheran School
Baraboo, WI
Principal/ Teacher
2014-2018

Our Savior's Lutheran School
Peridot, AZ
Principal/ Teacher/Athletic Dir.
2005-2014

St Stephen Lutheran School
Fallbrook, CA
Teacher
2005-2005

California Lutheran High School
Wildomar, CA
Teacher
2005-2005

Other degree:
BS Education
Martin Luther College
2004

Current service:

Fox Valley Lutheran High School
Appleton, WI
Teacher
2017-

Previous service:

Holy Trinity Lutheran School
Des Moines, WA
Teacher
2009-2017

Great Plains Lutheran High School
Watertown, SD
Teacher/ Dormitory Supervisor
2007-2009

Wuhan Foreign Language School
Wuhan, China
Teacher
2006-2007

Other degree:
BS Education
Martin Luther College
2006

Current service:

Mount Olive Lutheran School
Appleton, WI
Vice Principal/ Teacher/ Athletic
Director
2014-

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2013



Kurt D. Gosdeck
Green Bay, WI
Educational Technology Emphasis



James S. Groth
Burlington, WI
Educational Technology Emphasis



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Racine, WI
Instruction Emphasis



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Milwaukee, WI
Educational Technology Emphasis

Current service:

St Mark Lutheran School
Green Bay, WI
Teacher/ Technology Director
2015-

Previous service:

St Lucas Lutheran School
Kewaskum, WI
Teacher/ Technology Director/
Coach
2001-2015

Illinois Lutheran Schools
Crete, IL
Teacher/ Athletic Director/ Coach
1993-2001

Other degree:

BS Education
Dr. Martin Luther College
1993

Current service:

Shoreland Lutheran High School
Somers, WI
Teacher/ Band
1999-

Previous service:

Michigan Lutheran High School
St. Joseph, MI
Teacher
1997-1998

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
1999

Current service:

Shoreland Lutheran High School
Somers, WI
Teacher
2014-

Previous service:

Cross of Glory Lutheran School
Peoria, AZ
Principal/ Teacher
2006-2014

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2006

Current service:

Trinity Lutheran School
Waukesha, WI
Principal/ Teacher/ Technology
Director
2015-

Previous service:

Bethany Lutheran School
Kenosha, WI
Teacher/ Athletic Director
2011-2015

HOPE Christian High School
Milwaukee, WI
Teacher
2007-2011

Peace Lutheran School
Otsego, MI
Principal/ Teacher
2001-2007

Other degree:

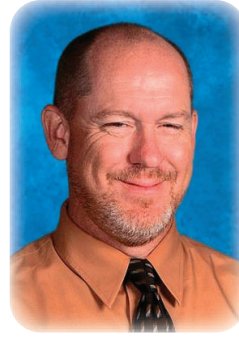
BS Education
Martin Luther College
2001



Philip A. Haefner
Bay City, MI
Leadership Emphasis



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Des Moines, WA
Educational Technology Emphasis



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Garden Grove, CA
Leadership Emphasis



Veronica B. Pratt
Merrill, MI
Educational Technology Emphasis

Current service:

Trinity Lutheran School
Bay City, MI
Principal/ Teacher
2012-

Previous service:

St Paul Lutheran School
Saint James, MN
Principal/ Teacher
2000-2012

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2000

Current service:

Holy Trinity Lutheran School
Des Moines, WA
Teacher/ Technology Director
2017-

Previous service:

Martin Luther Lutheran School
Neenah, WI
Teacher/ Technology Director
2000-2017

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2000

Current service:

King of Kings Lutheran School
Garden Grove, CA
Principal/ Teacher
2014-

Previous service:

Bay Pines Lutheran School
Seminole, FL
Teacher
2004-2014

Other degree:

Sienna Lutheran Academy
Missouri City, TX
Principal/ Teacher
2000-2004

Other degree:

King of Kings Lutheran School
Garden Grove, CA
Teacher
1995-2000

Other degree:

BS Education
Dr. Martin Luther College
1995

Current service:

Alma High School
Alma, WI
Teacher
2018-

Previous service:

Merrill Community Schools
Merrill, MI
Teacher
2011-2018

Other degree:

Hemlock Adult/ Alternative Education
Hemlock, MI
Staff
2010-2011

Other degree:

Saginaw Learn to Earn Academy
Saginaw, MI
Teacher
2007-2010

Other degree:

BA Education
Saginaw Valley State University
2007



Molly A. Ring
Lake City, MN
Educational Technology Emphasis



Jason R. Rupnow
Mankato, MN
Leadership Emphasis



Kristian K. Walta
Fond du Lac, WI
Leadership Emphasis

Current service:

St John Lutheran School
Lake City, MN
Teacher/ Technology Director
1985-

Previous service:

St Mark Lutheran School
Lincoln, NE
Teacher
1979-1985

Other degree:

BS Education
Dr. Martin Luther College
1979

Current service:

Risen Savior Lutheran School
Mankato, MN
Principal/ Teacher
2010-

Previous service:

St John Lutheran School
Peshtigo, WI
Principal/ Teacher
2004-2010

Mt Olive Lutheran School

Overland Park, KS
Principal/ Teacher
2000-2004

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2000

Current service:

Faith Lutheran School
Fond du Lac, WI
Teacher/ Athletic Director/ Coach
2015-

Previous service:

First Lutheran School
Lake Geneva, WI
Principal/ Teacher/ Athletic
Director/ Coach
2003-2015

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2003

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.

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Principal Emphasis



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Early Childhood Director Emphasis

Current service:

St Mark Lutheran School
Citrus Heights, CA
Vice Principal/ Teacher
2016-

Previous service:

Sienna Lutheran Academy
Missouri City, TX
Teacher/ Athletic Director
2012-2016

St Paul Lutheran School
Rapid City, SD
Vice Principal/ Teacher/ Athletic
Director
2008-2012

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2007

Current service:

Emanuel Lutheran School
New London, WI
Early Childhood Director/ Teacher
2013-

Previous service:

Faith Lutheran School
Fond du Lac, WI
Teacher
2001-2003

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2001

Current service:

St Mark Lutheran School
Eau Claire, WI
Vice Principal/ Teacher
2009-

Other degree:

MS Education
Martin Luther College
2016

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2009

Current service:

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran School
Westminster, CO
Early Childhood Director/ Teacher
2015-

Previous service:

Abiding Word Lutheran Preschool
Houston, TX
Early Childhood Director/ Teacher
2005-2015

Grace Lutheran Child Care
Charlotte, NC
Assistant Director/ Teacher
2002-2005

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2002



Lynn M. Jungen
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Early Childhood Director Emphasis



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Hartford, WI
Principal Emphasis



Kyle A. Seim
Wayne, MI
Principal Emphasis



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Principal Emphasis

Current service:

*St Peter's Lutheran Tiny Treasures
Preschool*
Mishicot, WI
Early Childhood Director/ Teacher
2011-

Previous service:

St John Lutheran School
Manitowoc, WI
Teacher
2004-2005

Trinity Lutheran School
Manitowoc, WI
Teacher
1995-2003

Resurrection Lutheran School
Virginia Beach, VA
Teacher
1982-1984

Other degree:

BS Education
Dr. Martin Luther College
1980

Current service:

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

Previous service:

Trinity Lutheran School
Marshfield, WI
Vice Principal/ Teacher
2005-2015

Other degree:

MS Education
Martin Luther College
2018

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2005

Current service:

St Paul Lutheran School
Lake Mills, WI
Teacher/ Athletic Director
2011-

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2011

Current service:

St Paul Lutheran School
South Haven, MI
Principal/ Teacher
2017-

Previous service:

St Paul Lutheran School
Saint James, MN
Principal/ Teacher
2012-2017

Other degree:

BS Education
Martin Luther College
2012

Almighty God, who by your Son Jesus Christ gave command to the apostles that they should go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature: grant to us whom you have called into your church a ready will to obey your Word, and fill us with a hearty desire to make your way known upon the earth, your saving health among all nations. Look with compassion upon the multitudes that are scattered as sheep having no shepherd. O heavenly Father, Lord of the harvest, have respect, we beseech you, to our prayers, and send forth laborers into your harvest. Fit and prepare them by your grace for the work of the ministry; give them the Spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind; strengthen them to endure hardness: and grant that your Holy Spirit may prosper their work, that they by their life and doctrine may show forth your glory, and set forward the salvation of all people through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
