

WHAT MATTERS November 14, 2017 . . .

News from Your Synod and Ministry Partners

South-Central Synod of Wisconsin, ELCA/ 6401 Odana Road / Suite 20 / Madison, WI 53719 / (608)270-0201 / www.scsw-elca.org

Farewell from Director for Evangelical Mission, Rev. Erik Jelinek

Earlier this fall, when Bishop Mary announced that she was going to end her term a year early, I entered into a time of discernment. Eventually this led me into the call process and earlier this week I accepted the call to be senior pastor at Central Lutheran Church in Edgerton, WI. I will be starting there in December.

I have had a wonderful time serving as the Director of Evangelical Mission in the synod. I met some great people and learned about some amazing ministries that are taking place in our synod and across the ELCA. I am thankful for the opportunity I have had to work with all of you.

And I am excited to enter into this next chapter of ministry with the good people of Central Lutheran. I am looking forward to taking all I have learned over the past four years and putting it into action in the parish.

Thank you for your partnership and the wonderful ministry you are doing.

God bless,
Pr. Erik Jelinek



You Are Invited to a Farewell and Thank You Celebration for Rev. Erik Jelinek Thursday, Nov. 30 at the Synod Office

It has been my privilege and joy to work side by side with Erik for these last four years. His infectious enthusiasm, passion for the gospel, and commitment to outreach have made him a valued colleague in ministry. We will miss him in the office and wish him well in his new call. Please join me and the synod staff for a reception celebrating his ministry. All are invited to attend Holy Communion at 12:00 noon with reception immediately following. Lunch will be served. Please join us!



Bishop Mary Froiland

Our address is 6401 Odana Road, Suite 20 (second floor), Madison.

Lutheran Campus Ministry Sunday - Still Time to Hold Your Campus Ministry Sunday!

At our 2017 Synod Assembly, we voted to pass a resolution that congregations would uplift Campus Ministry on one Sunday of the year. If you are interested in supporting this vital ministry and would like offering envelopes to use for your Campus Ministry Sunday, please contact Carolyn Butts in the synod office and she will be happy to coordinate delivery with you. Call her at 608-270-0201 or email her at carolynb@scsw-elca.org. Other resources were mailed to you a while ago including a bulletin insert and prayers. If you need copies, Carolyn can assist you with this as well.

Racial Equity Ministry Event - This Sunday, November 19

History & Stories from the Oneida Nation

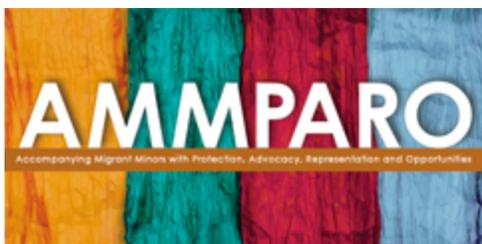
Time: 4:00 - 6:30 pm

Place: St. Matthew's New Life Church
7564 Cottage Grove Road, Madison



November's focus is on **Native American heritage**. **Donna Butler and George Swamp, members of the Racial Equity Ministry team, will share their personal history as members of the Oneida nation.** A reading of a beautifully illustrated children's book will open deeper issues for discussion.

No registration required...Just come! This event is sponsored by the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Racial Equity Ministry Team. This team was created as an outcome of the resolution that was passed at our 2017 Synod Assembly and is working diligently to help you to lift up matters of Racial Equity in your congregations. Please do put these events on your calendar and invite others to join you in becoming more educated on issues of racial justice. Together we will do God's work of loving our brothers and sisters.



RACIAL EQUITY MINISTRY EVENTS - 4:00 - 6:30 PM

Here's what's coming in the new year . . .

Sunday, December 10 - At St. Matthew's New Life Church -

Topic: Mary Campbell of the Milwaukee Synod will speak to the ELCA's **AMMPARO ministry** - "Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities."

January – March 2018 will feature educational presentations about the history of slavery, beginning with the kingdoms that existed in Africa before the slave trade began, locations of Africans who were deported during the slave trade and locations where they were re-located in the Americas as slaves. An overview of the Middle Passage and some history of slavery and African-American life in the United States for the past 400 years will complete this brief introduction and probably whet our appetite to learn more! **Keep watching What Matters for dates and locations!**

A Unique and Fun Invitation from Pastor Sue Schneider (Trinity, Madison) to Help Create a Giant Mural!



"It's a great joy to partner with you in serving our community in Madison, WI. Because we think of you as collaborators in the work of making this neighborhood and city a place where all can live in dignity, we'd like to invite you to join us in illustrating and broadcasting that commitment. Through a generous grant made to Trinity by the Eli Lilly Foundation, we have commissioned Dane Arts Mural Arts (DAMA) to design a giant mural for our exterior wall facing the parking lot. It will consist of four painted panels. We will work on the paintings in our building throughout the winter and adhered to the building sometime in spring, 2018. You are invited to help paint this mural. Our theme is "Journey to a New Beginning," an idea we feel will resonate with your organization and its goals. Painting begins this Wednesday, Nov. 15, at 1 p.m. Please drop by on your own at any of these times listed, or call ahead if a group of 10 or more would like to work together. Thank you for journeying with Trinity! Pastor Sue Schneider. **Trinity Lutheran is located at 1904 Winnebago Street, Madison.** A schedule is listed below. **Contact Pastor Sue for more information at: 608-249-8527 or to schedule a group of 10 or more, contact Karen in the church office at tlcmns@gmail.com or call 608-249-8527.**

Wednesday, Nov. 15: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 29: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 6: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10: 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 13: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 14: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 20: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Arriving in Your Mailbox: The Proposed ELCA Women and Justice Social Statement!

This week, the ELCA will mail to all congregations a draft of the proposed **Women and Justice Social Statement**. Watch for it! Look it over. Discuss it in your settings. The ELCA is seeking feedback in preparation for the development of the final statement to be voted on at the Churchwide Assembly in 2019.

ELCA social statements are teaching and policy documents that provide broad frameworks to assist us in thinking about and discussing social issues in the context of faith and life. They are meant to help communities and individuals with moral formation, discernment and thoughtful engagement with current social issues as we participate in God's work in the world. Social statements also set policy for the ELCA and guide its advocacy and work as a publicly engaged church. They result from an extensive process of participation and deliberation and are adopted by a two-thirds vote of an ELCA churchwide assembly.



HIGH SCHOOL RISE UP NIGHTS! Next Event December 3!

High School Rise Up Nights are an opportunity for **youth** to gather from across our synod. Each evening is from 6pm-8pm and includes dinner, (\$3/person donation is suggested). Contact our Synod Gathering Coordinator, Jason Xiong at jason@bethel-madison.org, for more info or to RSVP (even the day of).



Come as often as you are able. These events are open to EVERYONE in our Synod who is in high school and/or going to the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas.

Sunday, December 3, 2017 / Bethel Lutheran in Madison / Theme: "Gathering for Compassion"
For more information on the themes, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/elcagatheringgrm>



Ask Your Pastor About This Exciting Program!



Are you someone who has longed to go deeper into the bible? Do you want to be better a better teacher of Sunday school or Confirmation classes? Does being able to offer something especially interesting during bible study sound exciting to you? If you answered "YES" to any of these questions, Diakonia classes could be right for you! Many of our pastors are becoming more informed about the value of the synod's Diakonia program. Ask your pastor about it or contact Synod Coordinator, Barb Zimmerman to learn more at (608)535-0264. Forms and other course descriptions are available at: <http://www.scsw-elca.org/diakonia.aspx>



Here I am Lord!
Send me!



All the information you need such as timelines, forms, meetings, busing, and more can now be found on the synod website. Visit: http://scsw-elca.org/ELCA_Youth_Gathering.aspx
Registration is **OPEN** at www.elca.org/gathering.

Need Help? Have Questions?

If you have questions or need help with anything; please reach out to our **Synod Gathering Coordinator, Jason Xiong** by e-mail at scsw.elcayg@gmail.com or (608) 381-2861.



Reminder that Your T-Shirt Entries Are Due Nov. 30 for Gathering Synod T-Shirt Design Contest!

Lutefisk/Meatball Dinner - Christ Lutheran Church - Saturday, December 2, 2017

700 County Road B, Stoughton, WI 53589 – 608-873-9353

By Reservation Only

Menu: Lutefisk, meatballs, mashed potatoes, rutabagas, lefse, coleslaw, cranberry fruit relish, rommegrot, Norwegian cookies, coffee and milk

Cost: Adults - \$18.00 - Children - \$7.00 (ages 4 to 12) - Children under 4 - Free

Seating times are as follows:

11:00 AM		12:30 PM		2:00 PM		3:30 PM		5:00 PM
11:45 AM		1:15 PM		2:45 PM		4:15 PM		5:45 PM

Send your reservation with number of adult(s)/children and desired seating time, a self-addressed stamped envelope, & check payable to:

Christ Lutheran Lutefisk Dinner
c/o Julie Schafer
816 S. Monroe Street
Stoughton, WI 53589

Questions – Contact Gerry Ross - 608 835-8520 or stoughtonlutefisk@gmail.com
Sorry, no reservations by mail after November 24, 2017

Lefse Making at Bethel Horizons - Volunteer to Help Make Lefse And/Or Order For Yourselves! - Nov. 16 & 17

Yes, We're Making Lefse! Bethel Lutheran Church is making lefse on Nov 16 & 17 from 9am-4pm at Bethel Horizons (transportation to Bethel Horizons and meals provided to lefse-making volunteers, leaves Bethel at 8am and returns at 5pm). You can also place an order that will be ready for pick-up on Nov 19 at Bethel. Cost is \$6 for 3 rounds. Interested in volunteering or to pre-order email bethelhorizons@bethelhorizons.org. Bethel Lutheran Church is located at 312 Wisconsin Avenue, Madison.

Annual FREE Thanksgiving Dinner at Lakeview Lutheran Church.

Lakeview Lutheran Church, corner of Northport and Mandrake on Madison's northside will again host a Thanksgiving dinner. It is served at noon on Thanksgiving Day, November 23 at the church. Menu includes roasted turkey, homemade stuffing, real whipped potatoes, homemade cranberry sauce, yams, corn, cole slaw, rolls, pumpkin pie with whipped cream and beverages. The meal is served family style and there is plenty of food. There is no cost for the meal. Reservations are encouraged. Names are not taken, only numbers, which helps for food preparation and to assure that larger groups can sit together. Call the church office at 608-244-6181 to tell how many are coming. People interested in volunteering to help clean up after the meal are also welcome to call and provide names and phone numbers. Check out their website: <http://www.lakeviewlutheranchurch.org>. Lakeview is located at



Worship with Holy Communion Every Thursday at 12:00 noon at Synod Office

Each week, we gather as an invited Christian community around word and bread and wine created by God in Christ. Please join us!

The gospel is shared by a rostered minister of synod staff or by different ministers in our synod each week. Please join us in our inviting chapel for this mid-week time for worship that will leave you restored and renewed! Bring a friend, bring your child(ren) and bring your brown bag lunch as we enjoy fellowship at 12:30 and eat together. Our address: 6401 Odana Road, Suite 20, Madison





**IGNITE Your Mission and Career
ALDE IGNITE: Minneapolis 2018**

**Association of Lutheran Directors and Executives
IGNITE Event!**

Learn how to take your mission to the next level at <http://www.ignitespark.org>, **February 28-March 3**. This conference will include top-notch keynote speakers as well as rich curriculum sessions and network building opportunities for those with **congregational leadership, fundraising, communications, or marketing roles**. If you are looking to grow an already vibrant organization, need to reenergize a once-thriving program or are guiding an organization that's just in its infancy, ALDE is here for you. [View the curriculum](#).

Find out more at ignitespark.org. Register now at alde.org/register – **Early Bird Rates expire January 10**. Please note that it is less expensive to become an ALDE member, and then register as a member, than it is to attend as a nonmember. So, you might as well join and take advantage of all ALDE offers year-round. [Why ALDE? Click here and find out!](#)

Who attends this conference?

People just like you who are ready to learn, connect and experience career and mission changing curriculum. In 2017, attendees held such titles as: Pastor, Principal, Board Member, Chief Development Officer, Major Gifts Officer, CEO, Executive Director Consultant, Annual Fund Director, Special Events Coordinator, Director of Marketing, and many more — so you are certain to make a strong peer connection at this event. The conference offers content for every area of the development profession, and for congregational leaders.

Can't make it to the full event, or looking to save money? Try the day rate!

Attend just one day for a very reduced price. March 1 offers several curriculum sessions designed with **pastors and congregational leaders** in mind. Topics include: Igniting Donor ATM (Abilities, Time, and Money); Kindling the Spiritual Meaning of Philanthropy; and IGNITING Planned Giving for Churches and Schools. Other days highlight additional focus points.

Win a \$6,000 Consulting Grant

There's even more you can gain from attending IGNITE. We are offering the chance to win a **Pro Bono Consultation from Gronlund Sayther Brunkow** to someone who is new to ALDE, or has been a member for less than five years. This could be you, but you must attend IGNITE! Learn about the opportunity and sign up now to win at bit.ly/aldegrant (case sensitive).

ALDE inspires, educates and mentors the Christian fundraising community to spark generosity for mission. We are an international community of fundraising and communication professionals rooted in the Lutheran tradition of the Christian faith and dedicated to serving God's people in the church and the world.



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SENIOR MINISTRIES

Volunteers Needed - Oakwood Lutheran Ministries

Make the Holidays Merry

If you are interested in stringing lights on indoor Christmas trees on Tuesday 11/28 or 11/29 in the morning or afternoon (time can be based on your schedule) or hanging ornaments on trees on 11/30 from 9:00 am – 11:30 am, please contact Volunteer Services Coordinator Kim Viney at (608)230-4238 or kim.viney@oakwoodvillage.net for more information.

Looking for Drivers

Volunteer drivers are needed to drive Oakwood Village independent living residents to medical-related appointments in the Madison area. Drivers are needed to take residents Monday through Friday morning or afternoon. Rides can be set up in advance based on volunteers' availability. Volunteer drivers need to have their own vehicle to use and can receive mileage reimbursement as a benefit. Contact Volunteer Services Coordinator Kim Viney at (608)230-4238 or kim.viney@oakwoodvillage.net for more information.

Looking for a new home— CHILDREN and ADULT CHOIR ROBES

Most of the cassocks are black (4 are red), and the cottas are square neck white. These come from a church which closed it's doors, but had a very active music program. There are 35 child/youth cottas, and 48 adult cottas; also 26 child/youth cassocks, and 31 adult cassocks. All have been laundered. They can be picked up in the Sauk City area. For more information, please call [608-588-3198](tel:608-588-3198).

Positions in Our Synod

We are happy to help promote your positions. Please submit 100 words or less to Vicki Hanrahan, Synod Communicator, email: vickih@scsw-elca.org Please notify Vicki when the position has been filled so that we can keep this list and the synod website current. Thanks!

Organist/Pianist - St. Michael's (Hustisford)

Seeking an organist/pianist for our 9 AM Sunday morning worship service. Please contact Council Chair, Glen Falkenthal, 920-988-0313 (10/17/17)

Part-Time Youth and Family Ministry Director – New Hope Lutheran Church (Blanchardville / Hollandale)

Seeking an individual gifted in working with youth and who values cross-generational learning and social opportunities to coordinate faith formation for youth and families. We are looking for an individual who has a heart for sharing God's love with all people. The desired candidate will work with the pastor, staff, and volunteers to plan and carry out faith formation experiences for youth and their families. Experience working in a church setting or in education is helpful. This position is 15 hours/week and while hours are mostly flexible, work on Wednesday evenings and Sundays is required. A full job description is available at newhopelutheran.info (10/12/17)

The Congregational Life Associate - First Evangelical (Beaver Dam)

The Congregational Life Associate will be responsible to support, advocate for and develop a ministry with members of the church to nurture faith and a spirit of Christian community. General responsibilities include the development of a long-term vision and philosophy of cross generational ministry, promote youth ministry and communicate with families, support fellowship and service events, work as a team member with other leaders in the church and bridge activities, facilitate mission trips, and manage budgets for our youth. To apply go to their website at www.firstluthbd.org for an application or call Pastor Joy Mortensen-Wiebe 920-885-4497 for more information. (09/26/17)

Oakwood Village University Woods on the west side of Madison is looking for an on-call Status Chaplain

This person will be under the general supervision of the Campus Chaplain. Chaplain provides a campus-wide pastoral care ministry in connection with the Life Enrichment Department, and in accordance with the philosophy and objectives of Oakwood. This is an occasional status Chaplain to cover Pastoral Care needs when the Chaplains are on vacation, in continuing education or in emergencies. Requirements: Clergy Person (APC certified preferred). Experienced in geriatric chaplaincy. For a full job description: https://rn11.ultipro.com/oak1001/jobboard/JobDetails.aspx?_ID=*F47732997CE8B0E1 (09/12/17)

Part-time Organist/Pianist Wanted – Redeemer Lutheran - (Rio)

Redeemer Lutheran is looking for a part-time organist/pianist to play for worship at the 9AM service on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Please email resume to office@rioredeemerlutheran.org by September 11th. (08/22/17)

Part-time Bookkeeper/Accountant - First Lutheran Church (Beaver Dam)

First Lutheran Church in Beaver Dam is looking for a part-time bookkeeping and accounting staff member. Flexible hours. Interested candidates may contact Pastor Joy Mortensen-Wiebe at 920-885-4497. Applications will be available in the church office and by emailing: pastorjoymw@gmail.com (08/08/17)

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, Walworth, Seeks Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries.

This person is responsible for administration and management of children, youth, and family ministries with oversight of Pastor and support from the Youth Education Committee. This position includes responsibility for Christian Education Classes on Wednesday nights, Vacation Bible School (VBS), supporting programming for junior and senior high youth, and events for multi-generations. Regular attendance at staff meetings as well as Sunday morning worship and Wednesday night worship, when offered, is expected. The expectation is an average of 60 hours a month with a monthly stipend of \$1080 - \$1200 based on experience. A full job description is available by emailing Rev. Elizabeth Lee at pastor@felcwalworth.com. (08/02/17)

Part-Time Youth and Family Ministry Director – New Hope Lutheran Church (Blanchardville / Hollandale)

Seeking an individual gifted in working with youth and who values cross-generational learning and social opportunities to coordinate faith formation for youth and families. We are looking for an individual who has a heart for sharing God's love with all people. The desired candidate will work with the pastor, staff, and volunteers to plan and carry out faith formation experiences for youth and their families. Experience working in a church setting or in education is helpful. This position is 15 hours/week and while hours are mostly flexible, work on Wednesday evenings and Sundays is required. Application deadline Aug. 18. A full job description is available at newhopelutheran.info (08/01/17)

Executive Ministry Assistant, First Lutheran Church, Lodi, WI

This position serves as administrative support and ministry partner to Senior Pastor and lay administrative leadership and plays a key role in vision communication and implementation through social media and for weekly worship. The EMA assists with the congregation's stewardship ministry including key financial operations/donor base management. In consultation with Senior Pastor, the EMA utilizes and manages the church management system, Church Community Builder, to coordinate FLC's 1) mission partner process from first-time guest to mission partner, 2) discipleship in small group community, 3) gifts-based service, 4) Sunday morning mission partner/guest tracking and follow up. Hours: 16. Interested applicants should send a cover letter and resume to Pastor Mike Lee, First Lutheran Church, 206 Pleasant Street, Lodi, WI, 53555, or via email: mlee@firstlutheranlodi.org. (04/25/17)

Part-time Piano Player/Choir Director – St. Paul (Mayville)

St. Paul, Mayville is seeking a part-time piano player to accompany and direct our adult choir. This is a flexible part-time position which would require some Sunday commitment. To inquire further, please contact the church office at stpaulmayville@gmail.com. (12/1/16)

Pianist/Contemporary Worship Music Leader - Christ Lutheran - Stoughton

Christ Lutheran Church in Stoughton, WI is seeking a pianist to play weekly for our contemporary worship service through May 7, 2017. This position will also include one weekly rehearsal with the praise band. We are looking for someone to be a part of a team of musicians. Position is open immediately. Pay is based on \$25/hour, but is negotiable. Please e-mail lkunz@clcstoughton.org Contact: Linda Kunz, Christ Lutheran Church, 700 County Road B, Stoughton, WI 53589. Website: <http://clcstoughton.org> (11/22/16)

Children and Family Ministry Coordinator- Our Savior's (Sun Prairie)

Seeking a passionate, self-directed individual to serve in a newly created position charged with nurturing the faith journeys of families with young children. The position will be 10-15 hours a week. Please contact Pastor Tim Hansen for a job description and instructions for submitting an application at: jobs@oslc-elca.org (07/26/16)

Wisconsin Council of Churches Employment Opportunities

<https://www.wichurches.org/resources/employment-opportunities/>



Support the Work of Your Synod and Your Church!

The synod offers an on line donation opportunity 24/7/365 through the synod website. Our mission to care for, connect and equip the congregations of our synod to be the hearts and hands of Jesus cannot happen without you! You can donate to Synod Ministries where needed most, Synod Endowment fund, Refugee Resettlement, Fund for Leaders, ELCA World Hunger, ELCA Disaster Response, LUAD, Latino Ministries, Campus Ministry, and more.



To give online, go to:
<https://scsw-elca.org/donations/mobile/>

or click on the QR
code using a barcode reader app on your smart phone.

The "Donate" button appears at the top of the synod website. You can also use the QR code shown here. Your financial offerings are so very much appreciated!



Reconciled in Christ Synod

One of the resolutions that we passed at synod assembly re-affirms us as a Reconciling in Christ Synod. If your congregation would like to acknowledge this in your communications, you will find this to be the official logo. If you would like assistance with the process of becoming a Reconciled in Christ congregation, please contact Bishop Mary at the synod office. maryf@scsw-elca.org or call 608-270-0201.

At-A-Glance Future Synod Events:

Please see the **Congregational Events page on the Synod's EVENTS page** of the website for more events that will be hosted by congregations of our synod. Thanks! http://www.scsw-elca.org/congregational_events.aspx



November 15 - Boundaries Workshop for Rostered Ministers - Good Shepherd (Madison)

November 19 - Racial Equity Ministry Event - St. Matthew's New Life (Madison)

November 23 - 24 - Synod office closed for Thanksgiving

November 30 - Farewell Reception for Erik Jelinek at the Synod office

December 3 - Rise Up Nights High School Gathering - Bethel (Madison)

December 25 - Synod Office Closed for Christmas

Planning Ahead? Future Dates

Synod Assembly 2018 – Saturday, May 5 & Sunday, May 6 – Kalahari, Wisconsin Dells

For a listing of more synod-wide events, visit: http://www.scsw-elca.org/events_synod_wide.aspx

Updates on Congregations in the Call Process and Rostered Leader Updates

Call process and roster changes are updated on the synod website monthly. Please keep these congregations and rostered leaders in your prayers.

Link: http://www.scsw-elca.org/congregations_in_transition.aspx



PRAYERS

Conference Deans:

- Rev. Bryan Engfer, South Jefferson / Walworth Conference, Trinity English Lutheran Church in Madison
- Rev. Jack Way, South Rock Conference, Luther Valley Lutheran Church in Beloit

Pastors and Congregations in our Synod:

- Rev. Jeffrey Nicla and the members of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Waupun
- Rev. Steve Ristau Hanson and the members of First English Lutheran Church in Whitewater

Neighboring Synods:

- Bishop Claire Burkat and the congregations of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA

We give thanks at this time for the ministry of those who celebrate their anniversary of Ordination during this coming week:

- Andy Twiton, November 15, 2014, Orfordville Lutheran in Orfordville, atwiton@gmail.com
- Judy Huseth, November 13, 1983, Retired in Janesville, jlhuseth1@outlook.com

- Beth Schultz-Byrnes, November 15, 2008, Hope Lutheran in McFarland, pastorbethschultzbyrnes@gmail.com
- David Nelsestuen, November 17, 2012, Trinity Lutheran in Edgerton, pastordaven2010@aol.com
- David Froemming, November 19, 2005, Christ Lutheran in Lancaster and St. Paul's Lutheran in Potosi, pastorfroemming@yahoo.com
- Oliver Vick, November 20, 1963, Retired in Lancaster, ovick@chorus.net

We give thanks at this time for the ministry of those who celebrate their anniversary of Commissioning: None this week.

May these ministry leaders continue to be blessed for service!



Receive exciting stories of our ministry together, timely news updates and invitations to learning and ministry opportunities in the synod. The synod staff's hope is to reach everyone in the pews with **What Matters** and **Walking Together: Faith for Our Journey**. Sign up online for synod e-news today!
<http://bit.ly/SynodNews>

Like Us on Facebook and in your synod, share great your synod staff. **South-**



you'll share in awesome ministry by congregations ideas and be inspired with selected scripture from **Central Synod of Wisconsin**



Remember, when you see this symbol, this is a news item that should be put in your congregational newsletters! Thanks for your partnership.

Share your news. If you have something you would like considered for publication in What Matters, send it to Communications & Event Manager, Deacon Vicki Hanrahan, at vickih@scsw-elca.org.

Visit our website: www.scsw-elca.org



Following Jesus, who commanded his followers, 'Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another,' and believing that all persons are created in the image of God, the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin, ELCA, strives to be fully inclusive for all. This synod welcomes people of every race, background, age, political affiliation, economic and social status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, and mental and physical ability, while striving to enable all people to participate fully in the life and work of the church and its expressions.