

ORDER OF SERVICE

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary
Mequon, WI

June 13, 2026
11:00 a.m.

OPENING HYMN

Good News of God Above | 905 (1-2)

1 Good news of God a - bove is ours to tell a -
2 The love of Christ pro - claim, who left his home on
broad, the Fa - ther's ev - er - last - ing love in
high; to live our hu - man life he came, our
Christ the ris - en Lord. For neigh - bors near and
hu - man death to die. The Fa - ther's on - ly
far the seed of life is sown; then spread the
Son be - came the sin - ners' friend, our lot to
seed by word and deed to make the Sav - ior known.
share, our sin to bear, and death's do - min - ion end.

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father,

we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

We have done those things that we should not have done,

and we have not done those things that we should have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord!

Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,

according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Good News of God Above | 905 (3-4)

3 The Lord of glo - ry lives! From cross and death and
4 Hear now the Mas - ter's word to those who bear his
grave his own a - bun - dant life he gives to
name: "So send I you," till all have heard, "make
those he died to save. His right - eous - ness and
known, de - clare, pro - claim!" Go forth in all the
peace de - clare from sea to sea; his prais - es
earth; em - brace the path he trod with Christ be -
sound the world a - round for Christ has made us free.
side as friend and guide to bring good news of God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Merciful Father, your kindness caused the light of the gospel to shine among us. Use us now as instruments of your love to reach out with the message of salvation to all people. Bless those who labor in the mission fields of our nation and around the world. Grant success to their witness that many may be freed from sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Be seated

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴ The word of the Lord came to me, saying,

⁵ "Before I formed you in the womb I knew h you,
before you were born I set you apart;
I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

⁶ "Alas, Sovereign Lord," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young."

⁷ But the Lord said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am too young.’ You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. ⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you,” declares the Lord.

⁹ Then the Lord reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, “I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰ See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM

Sing to the LORD, Ye Distant Lands | 96D



1 Sing to the LORD, ye dis - tant lands, ye tribes of ev - 'ry
 2 Let heav'n pro-claim the joy - ful day; let joy on earth be
 3 Be - hold, he comes, he comes to bless the na - tions as their



tongue; his new - dis - cov - ered grace de - mands a
 seen; let cit - ies shine in bright ar - ray, and
 God, to show the world his right - eous - ness, and



new and no - bler song. Tell all the na - tions,
 fields in cheer - ful green. Let joy a - bove all
 send his truth a - broad. But when his voice shall



“Je - sus reigns, God's own al - might - y Son; his pow'r the
 joys sur - prise the is - lands of the sea; ye moun - tains
 raise the dead, and bid the world draw near, how will the



sink - ing world sus - tains, and grace sur - rounds his throne.”
 sink; ye val - leys rise; pre - pare the LORD his way.
 guilt - y na - tions dread to see their judge ap - pear.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 2:14–3:6

But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere. ¹⁵ For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. ¹⁶ To the one we are an aroma that brings death; to the other, an aroma that brings life. And who is equal to such a task? ¹⁷ Unlike so many, we do not peddle the word of God for profit. On the contrary, in Christ we speak before God with sincerity, as those sent from God.

^{3:1} Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, like some people, letters of recommendation to you or from you? ² You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everyone. ³ You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

⁴ Such confidence we have through Christ before God. ⁵ Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God. ⁶ He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant—not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Stand

RESPONSE

God's Holy Spirit Came | 479 (1,4)

1 God's Ho - ly Spir - it came with rush - ing wind and fire,
4 God's Church a - live to - day con - tin - ues to pro - claim
Christ's pres - ence here to com - fort, bless and to in - spire.
sal - va - tion by the Spir - it's pow'r in Je - sus' name.
The Spir - it thus be - gan God's ho - ly work on earth
Let all be - liev - ers now their tongues and lives em - ploy.
at Pen - te - cost, a gift that gave the Church its birth.
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, our high - est joy!

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:35-38

³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ High-Ascended

Christian Worship 747

1: All 2: Women 3: Men 4-5: All



1 Christ high - as - cend - ed, now in glo - ry seat - ed, throned
2 Christ, from the Fa - ther ev - 'ry pow'r pos - sess - ing, who
3 Christ, who in dy - ing won for us sal - va - tion, lives
4 Christ in his splen - dor, all do - min - ion gain - ing, Christ
5 As at his part - ing, joy shall ban - ish griev - ing, faith



and ex - alt - ed, vic - to - ry com - plet - ed, death's dread do -
on his cho - sen lift - ed hands in bless - ing, sends forth his
now the first - born of the new cre - a - tion; to win dis -
with his peo - ple ev - er - more re - main - ing, Christ to all
in his pres - ence strength - en our be - liev - ing; filled with his



min - ion fi - nal - ly de - feat - ed, we are his wit - ness - es.
ser - vants, still in faith con - fess - ing, we are his wit - ness - es.
ci - ples out of ev - 'ry na - tion, we are his wit - ness - es.
a - ges, glo - ri - ous - ly reign - ing, we are his wit - ness - es.
Spir - it, love and pow'r re - ceiv - ing, we are his wit - ness - es.

SERMON

2 Corinthians 2:14-3:6

Pastor Mark Gabb

"Enough IS Enough!"

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Be seated

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Eternal God and Father, we give you thanks for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and to grow in faith and knowledge, for occasions to serve and be served, for fellowship with believers in our congregation and in our synod.

Help us to rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and to use them faithfully.

Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, O Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.

Awaken us to the opportunities you give to proclaim your message of love.

Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect.

Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray for a family member, an acquaintance, a neighbor, or a friend who does not believe in you, or whose faith is weak or troubled.

Silent prayer

Bless the Church with men and women who are willing to proclaim your Word in places where we cannot go. Keep them and their loved ones in your care, and let nothing hinder their work. By the power of the gospel, restore their spirits each day, so that they do not lose heart as they serve us and others.

Move us to support them with our sincere prayers and generous offerings.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.

Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. Amen.

Be seated

OFFERING

Taste of Mission's thank offering will be evenly divided to support Home and World Missions.

RITE OF COMMISSIONING and ORDINATION*

World Missionaries

- Rev. Francisco Cossio Missionary, One Latin America Team
- Ms. Louisa Felgenhauer Peridot–Our Savior's Lutheran School, Peridot, AZ
- Rev. Stephen Gerling* Missionary, Senegal
- Rev. Dan Kroll Missionary, Senegal
- Ms. Cindy Lendt Women's Ministry Coordinator, Asia-Oceania Team
- Dr. Chris Pluger Missionary, One Africa Team

Home Missionaries

- Rev. Aaron Bush New Mission, Jarrell, TX
- Rev. Alexander Dimke Redeemer, Edna, TX
- Rev. Micah Neumann New Mission, Cedar Lake, IN
- Rev. Ronny Nguyen Mount Olive, St. Paul, MN
- Rev. Nathan Strutz Home Mission Counselor

Stand to sing



1 Dear Lord, to your true ser - vants give the grace to you a -
 2 They glad - ly go at your com - mand to spread your Word o'er
 3 When all their la - bor seems in vain, re - vive their sink - ing



lone to live. Set free from sin to serve you, Lord, they
 sea and land. Be with them, Lord, and make them strong to
 hopes a - gain; and when suc - cess crowns what they do, O



go to share your liv - ing Word, the gos - pel mes - sage
 heal sin's ills, to right the wrong. Your rule is o - ver
 keep them hum - ble, Lord, and true un - til be - fore your



to pro - claim that all may know your sav - ing name.
 wind and wave, and might - y is your arm to save.
 judg - ment seat they lay their tro - phies at your feet.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Go Forth and Preach the Gospel | 908



1 Go forth and preach the gos - pel to all who are in need.
 2 Go forth and preach the gos - pel to all who live in fear,
 3 Go forth and preach the gos - pel; go spread the news a - broad!



As wit - ness to the Sav - ior, go teach by word and deed.
 and share the joy - ful mes - sage that God is al - ways near.
 Pro - claim to ev - 'ry na - tion the great - ness of our God.



The Spir - it is up - on us, and sends us to de - clare
 The Spir - it is up - on us, and sends us forth in peace
 The Spir - it is up - on us, that all may un - der - stand



good news of God's for - give - ness to peo - ple ev - 'ry - where.
 to bring the poor glad ti - dings, that mer - cy may in - crease.
 the prom - ise of sal - va - tion re - vealed to ev - 'ry land.

Be seated

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Presiding Minister

Pastor Larry Schlomer
Administrator, WELS World Missions

Preacher

Pastor Mark Gabb
Administrator, WELS Home Missions

Assisting Ministers

Professor Earle Treptow
President, Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

Pastor Kevin Stellick
Faith, Rising City, NE

Musicians

Joseph Behm, *piano*
 Adam Dahle, *bass guitar*

John Fix, *guitar*

Ben Hillmer, *trombone*

Josiah Loersch, *violin*

Luke Staude, *percussion*

BIOGRAPHIES

Rev. Aaron Bush

Aaron Bush was born in February 1997 in Milwaukee, Wis. He graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Milwaukee, Wis., in 2015 and went on to attend Martin Luther College, where he met his wife, Hannah (née Zoller). Bush graduated from Martin Luther College in 2019 and began attending Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. He and Hannah were married after his first semester at the seminary. Bush graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in 2023 and was assigned to serve as a tutor (dormitory supervisor and instructor) at Martin Luther College, where he has served the past three years.

Aaron and Hannah have been blessed with two sons, Benedict (3) and Abel (1), and are expecting another child. Bush will serve as a home missionary in Jarrell, Texas, a rapidly growing community north of Austin where a new mission start was approved in 2025 as part of WELS Home Missions' 100 Missions in 10 Years initiative. A core group has already been gathering for worship and outreach in the community as the mission continues to grow from its current group of about 40 souls.

Rev. Francisco Cossio

Rev. Francisco Cossio accepted the call to serve as a missionary on the One Latin America Team in May 2026. He will help teach online courses through Academia Cristo and support students who are planting churches in their own communities. Prior to this role, he served as pastor at Santo Tomás Lutheran Church in Phoenix, Ariz.

He graduated as a medical doctor in 1993 and worked as a physician before being brought to faith through the work of WELS missionaries. He was confirmed at Pescadores de Hombres Lutheran Church in Cuba in 2001, where he also received a call to pastoral ministry. He completed his theological training through the Pastoral Studies Institute and graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary with a Master of Divinity. He served as a vicar and then pastor at Santo Tomás Lutheran Church.

Francisco and his wife, Martha, have been married since 1987. They have two children, Martha Minerva and Frank Jesús, as well as a son-in-law and grandson.

Rev. Alexander Dimke

Alexander Dimke was born in September 1998 to Mark and Kristi Dimke in Whittier, Calif. Shortly after, his family moved to Olean, N.Y., and following his second-grade year, they moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Dimke spent most of his grade school years at Good Shepherd in Cedar Rapids before attending Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, Wis. Following high school, Dimke was blessed to live in Alicante, Spain, before attending Martin Luther College, where he met his wife, Noelle Boucher. He and Noelle were married in 2019, following Alex's year of emergency teaching at the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) mission in Lima, Peru. Alex and Noelle are blessed with one son, Sebastian, who was born in Anchorage, Alaska, during Alex's vicar year.

Dimke looks forward to serving as an associate pastor at Redeemer in Edna, Texas, reaching both English- and Spanish-speaking communities with the gospel. Redeemer was approved as a home mission enhancement in spring 2025. Alex, Noelle, and Sebastian are excited to meet many new people and to be part of the wonderful community in Edna.

Ms. Louisa Felgenhauer

Louisa Felgenhauer will be serving as the kindergarten teacher at Peridot-Our Savior's Lutheran School on the San Carlos Apache Reservation in Arizona, where she looks forward to sharing the message of their Savior while reflecting Christ's love in all she does.

Felgenhauer sees how the Lord's guidance throughout her life has prepared her for service in a world mission field. She was born in Straubing, Germany, in June 2002. Shortly after, her family moved to Malawi, Africa, where she spent her early childhood. Her grade school years were marked by several international moves, living and attending school in Calgary, Canada; Zwickau, Germany; Watertown, Wis.; Malawi for a second time; and finally, St. George, Kan. She spent her freshman year of high school at Nebraska Lutheran High School before transferring to Luther Preparatory School, where she graduated in 2021. Her family lived in Lusaka, Zambia, during her high school years.

Felgenhauer attended Wisconsin Lutheran College and graduated in June 2026 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary and special education. She is thankful for the opportunity to become immersed in a new culture once again as she begins her ministry in Peridot.

Rev. Stephen Gerling

Missionary Stephen Gerling graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in May 2026. He was assigned to serve as a missionary to Senegal, a primarily Muslim nation, to serve the Wolof people. He will partner with Missionary Dan Kroll, initially focusing on learning the language, building relationships, and gaining an understanding of this unique culture to formulate a plan for future ministry. God willing, they will also serve as a resource for future outreach in Muslim communities around the world. They will relocate and begin their work in Senegal in September 2026, pending no unexpected delays with visas.

Gerling and his wife, Hannah (née Stellick), grew up as missionary kids in East Asia and were married in 2018. In 2020, Gerling enrolled in the Pre-Seminary Certification program at Martin Luther College (MLC) to pursue becoming a second-career pastor. During their time at MLC and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, they were blessed with three children: Sofia, Silas (now in heaven), and Elisha.

Rev. Dan Kroll

Missionary Dan Kroll has accepted a call to serve as missionary to Senegal. He and his wife, Karen, will focus on language and culture immersion as they prepare for gospel outreach among the Wolof people, a Muslim population that has had very limited exposure to Christianity. Their early work will center on learning the Wolof language, adjusting to daily life, and laying the groundwork for long-term ministry. They will relocate and begin their work in Senegal in September 2026, pending no unexpected delays with visas.

Kroll graduated from Doctor Martin Luther College in 1983 and spent three years working on an evangelism program for WELS and Reformation in San Diego, Calif., before starting at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. In 1992, Kroll was assigned to Zambia. He served in congregational oversight and general church development through teaching small groups. He later served in Lake City, Minn. (2009-2014); Kumba, Cameroon (2014–2018); and Lilongwe, Malawi (2018–2026) before accepting the call to Senegal. Until they move in September, Dan will continue to serve as the One Africa Team liaison for West African partners in Cameroon and Nigeria and support outreach efforts in Liberia and western Ethiopia.

He and his wife, Karen, were married in 1991. They have five adult children and seven grandchildren: Ezekiel, his wife Amanda, and their children Oliver and Milo (Wis.); Josiah, his wife Becca, and their children Judah, Izzy, Ezra, Joanna, and Phoebe (Texas); Elijah and wife Makilah (Alaska); Jonah and wife Jamee (Fla.); and Gideon (Alaska).

Ms. Cindy Lendt

Cindy Lendt accepted the call to serve as Women’s Ministry Coordinator for the Asia-Oceania Team starting July 2026. Women have unique challenges in many areas of Asia, and this position is focused on increasing their access to the gospel. Lendt will develop and oversee a comprehensive framework for women’s ministry across Asia-Oceania mission fields and coordinate local teams to amplify existing efforts and implement new initiatives.

Lendt grew up in Minnesota and graduated from Martin Luther College in 2009 with a double major in staff ministry and elementary education. She has taught students from kindergarten through university level in a variety of settings. Previously she served as a teacher and musician at St. John in St. Paul, Minn. (2009-2017), Good Shepherd in Burnsville, Minn. (2017-2019), with Friends Network in Southeast Asia (2019-2022), and St. Paul in Beverly Hills, Fla. (2022-2026). She will be moving to Chiang Mai, Thailand, at the end of the summer.

Rev. Micah Neumann

Micah Neumann, son of Neil and Amy Neumann, was born in January 2000 in Adrian, Mich. He grew up watching both of his parents joyfully serve as teachers at St. Stephen Lutheran School. Neumann attended Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw, Mich., for high school. He met his wife, Becca, at Martin Luther College, where they both graduated in 2022. Neumann then enrolled at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. The two were married in 2023, and they are eagerly looking forward to the birth of their first child, due in late August.

Neumann graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in May 2026 and was assigned to serve the new mission start in Cedar Lake, Ind., which was approved in 2024 as part of WELS Home Missions’ 100 Missions in 10 Years initiative. This area of northwest Indiana is growing rapidly as Chicago commuters look for affordable alternatives to living in Illinois. The Neumann family is excited to serve alongside the core group, grow in God’s Word, and have a front-row seat to God’s hand at work through his saving message.

Rev. Ronny Nguyen

Minh (Ronny) Nguyen was born and raised in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. In 2014, he came to St. Croix Lutheran Academy in West St. Paul, Minn. There, he was first exposed to the Bible through daily chapel, religion classes, and the godly encouragement of his teachers. The Holy Spirit worked through the Word to bring Ronny to faith and trust in Christ as his Savior.

After high school, Nguyen attended the University of Manitoba before transferring to Martin Luther College. He later attended Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, where he served his vicar year at Wisconsin Lutheran Chapel in Madison, Wis. In May 2026, he was assigned to serve Mount Olive in St. Paul, Minn., a mission restart congregation that was approved as a home mission enhancement in spring 2026.

Nguyen is excited to get reacquainted with the Twin Cities and to engage a dynamic, diverse population that has a great need to hear about Jesus. With Mount Olive's rich history spanning more than 100 years—enduring many ups and downs but holding steadfastly to the promise of the gospel—Nguyen is eager to join God's people in sharing Christ's love in the St. Paul community.

Dr. Chris Pluger

Missionary Chris Pluger is a new member of the One Africa Team who will primarily work to develop ministry training programs with partner churches across the continent.

Pluger and his wife, Janine, come to the One Africa Team after ten years with Lutheran Bible Translators. During that time, he served as a translation consultant, working alongside mother-tongue speakers to help translate the Bible clearly and accurately into their language for the first time. Chris and Janine spent five years in Petauke, Zambia, with the Nsenga Bible Translation project and later served alongside multiple language projects in Ethiopia, where they lived for five years.

In addition to his Bible translation experience, Pluger has more than fifteen years of teaching experience in the United States and abroad. He served at Wisconsin Lutheran High School and Great Plains Lutheran High School, where he taught Spanish, religion, and Latin, led student mission and study trips, and coached the chess team.

Pluger holds a PhD from South African Theological Seminary, an MA in Applied Linguistics from Dallas International University, and a BA from Martin Luther College (pastor track).

He and his wife Janine live in Chipata, Zambia. Their adult son, Sean, lives and works in Watertown, S.D.

Rev. Nathan Strutz

Rev. Nathan Strutz began serving as a mission counselor for WELS Home Missions in April 2026. He is supporting the South Atlantic, Southeastern Wisconsin, Northern Wisconsin, Nebraska, and Colorado mission districts as they work to plant new mission churches and support and encourage existing home mission congregations.

Strutz graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in 1997 and has served in home missions throughout his entire ministry. His first call was to a dual parish in Holmen and Galesville, Wis. (1997-2010), where the congregation in Galesville established one of the first multi-site ministries in WELS by opening a new location in Arcadia, Wis. Strutz also served at Resurrection in Verona, Wis. (2010-2022),

and Tree of Life in Cary, N.C. (2022-2026). New mission efforts were started at both congregations during his time of service. He has served as chairman of the Western Wisconsin District Mission Board and as a member of the Board for Home Missions Executive Committee.

Strutz and his wife, Elizabeth, have been blessed with two sons, Caleb and Elijah, and four grandchildren. Elizabeth teaches piano and music classes. Caleb is an Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) pastor serving in Winter Haven, Fla., and Elijah is an accountant in Milwaukee, Wis.



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