



The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod/Erik M. Lunsford



PARTNERSHIP IN THE *Gospel*

The Work of the Lord in the Central Illinois District
 The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod



The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) was established in April 1847 by Saxon and other German immigrants seeking the freedom to practice their faith and follow confessional Lutheranism. The word “synod” means walking together. It means that our congregations profess the same faith, go together and work together to accomplish the tasks God has given us to do. There are over 5,700 congregations in the Synod, with baptized membership numbering over one and two-thirds million people.

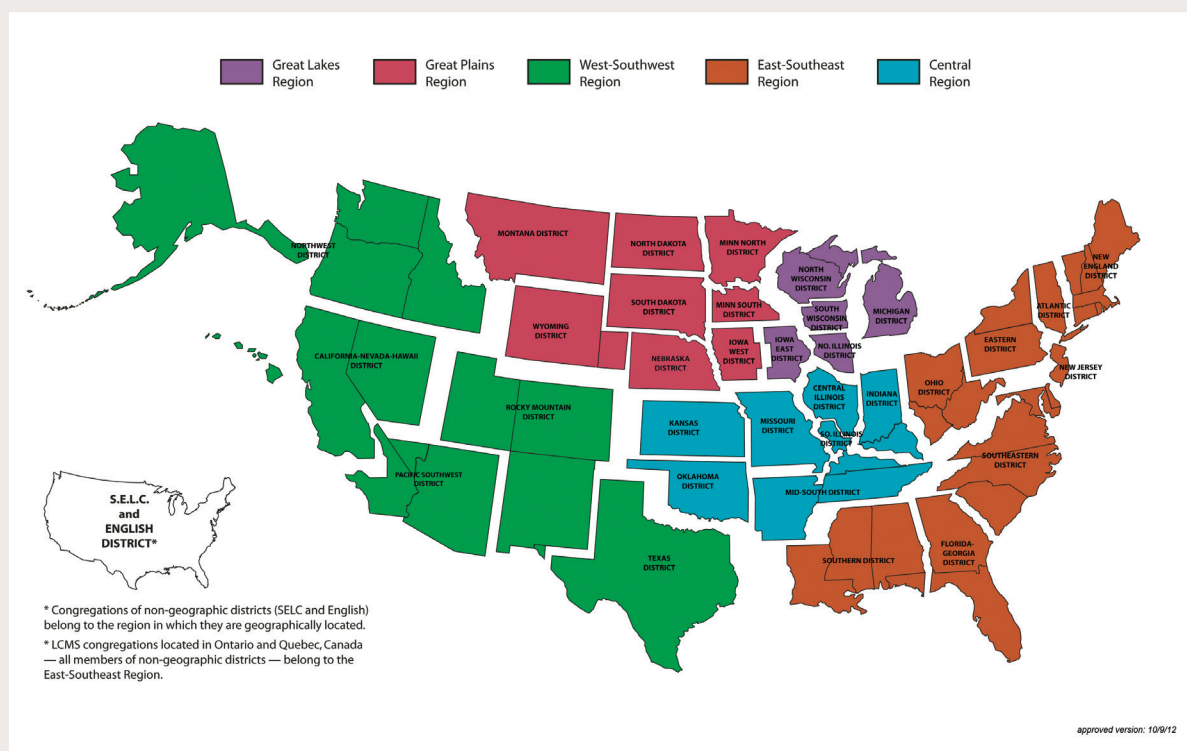


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At first, the Synod was not separated into districts, but as more congregations joined, such a division became necessary. The LCMS Central Illinois District (CID) is one of the 35 districts of the Synod today (two of these are non-geographical). The number and strength of congregations in the area usually determine the size of a district.

DISTRICTS OF THE SYNOD

The LCMS is divided into five geographical regions (Great Lakes, Great Plains, West-Southwest, East-Southeast, Central) and 35 districts (two of these are non-geographical districts —S.E.L.C. and English).





Rev. Michael Mohr, CID President

The LCMS Central Illinois District

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the LCMS Central Illinois District . . . is to . . . make disciples of all nations (Matt. 28). The congregations of the District . . . elect and call . . . District personnel . . . to advise and assist the congregations . . . in the use of their God-given resources to fulfill this mission and ministry both within their locality and throughout the world.

To accomplish this purpose such personnel of the LCMS Central Illinois District serve the members of the congregations of the District in their ministry of worship, witness, nurture, stewardship and fellowship and assist them in establishing and maintaining missions and ministries beyond the structure of their congregations.

CIRCUITS OF THE CID

The CID is divided into 17 circuits with 148 congregations and covers over 50 counties in Central Illinois.

Circuit	Congregations	Circuit Visitor (2022-2025 Triennium)
1) Altamont	9	Rev. Ryan Meyer – <i>St. Peter, St. Peter</i>
2) Bloomington North	9	Rev. Jonathan Boehne – <i>St. Paul, Chenoa/Trinity, El Paso</i>
3) Bloomington South	8	Rev. Andrew Smith – <i>Our Redeemer, Bloomington</i>
4) Champaign	9	Rev. Michael Stoerger – <i>Peace, Thomasboro</i>
5) Decatur	7	Rev. David Bueltmann – <i>Concordia, Decatur</i>
6) Effingham	9	Rev. Steven Becker – <i>Emeritus</i>
7) Iroquois	10	Rev. H. Douglas Minton – <i>Our Savior, Milford</i>
8) Jacksonville	12	Rev. Brian Lesemann – <i>St. John, Bath/Salem, Chandlerville</i>
9) Lincoln	12	Rev. David Dunlop – <i>Zion, Chestnut/Christ, Clinton</i>
10) Mattoon	7	Rev. Dan Ulrich – <i>St. Paul, Mattoon (Dorans)</i>
11) Peoria	6	Rev. Karl Eckhoff – <i>Christ, Peoria</i>
12) Quincy	9	Rev. Matt Riley – <i>St. James, Quincy</i>
13) Rock Island	12	Rev. Tim Nerud – <i>St. John, Geneseo</i>
14) Shelby	8	Rev. Nathan Woolery – <i>Holy Cross, Shelbyville</i>
15) Springfield East	9	Rev. Matthew Schneider – <i>Good Shepherd, Sherman</i>
16) Springfield West	8	Rev. Martin Kaufmann – <i>Trinity, Auburn</i>
17) Tazewell	6	Rev. Jeffrey Anderson – <i>Bethel, Morton</i>
Total	148	



⁵ **May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had,** ⁶ **so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Romans 15: 5-6

CID BY THE NUMBERS

17
Circuits

148
Churches

10
Mission Locations

23
Elementary Schools

5
High Schools

23
Preschools & Daycares

53,858
Baptized Members

41,988
Communicant Members

6
Commissions

Mission Commission
Evangelism Commission
Education Commission
Congregational Life Commission
Stewardship Commission
Finance & Management Commission

5
Committees

Congregation & Handbook Committee
Ministerial Health Committee
Human Care Committee
Communication Committee
Youth Committee

SERVING OUR CHURCHES

CONGREGATION / DISTRICT RESOURCES AND SERVICES

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

CID President
Communications Assistant
Bookkeeper

The Rev. Michael Mohr
Mrs. Amy Holmes
Mr. Hugh Shown

- Overall Executive Responsibility for the District
 - Ecclesiastical Supervisor
 - Maintain Roster
 - Office Staff
 - Co-Business Manager
- Liaison between Synod and District
 - Member of Council of Presidents
 - Board of Assignments
 - Synod Convention Floor Committees as assigned
- Guidance / Encouragement / Prayer Partner for Ordained Members of Synod
 - Ordinations / Installations
 - Anniversaries / Funerals
 - For Commissioned Ministers through Education Executive
- Guidance and Assistance to Calling Congregations
 - Pre-Call Meetings
 - Develop Call Lists of Pastoral Candidates
- Congregation Encouragement
- Crisis Intervention
- Resources for Problem Solving
 - Informal / Formal Reconciliation
- Congregational / Circuit Visitation
 - Circuit Visitors Assisting
- Preaching and Bible Class
 - Assistant Pastor Holy Cross, Vandalia
 - Pulpit Supply
 - Special Occasions
- Pastors Conference Committee Advisor
- References for Ordained / Commissioned Members
- District Archives Board Member
- Endowment Fund ex-officio CID Representative / CID Scholarship Fund Board
- Assistance to the CID Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML), the CID Lutheran Laymen's League (LLL), and the Central IL Camp Association

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⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now,"

Philippians 1:3-5

Christian Education & Congregational Life

Mr. Lewis (Trip) Rodgers

- Oversees CID schools, preschools, daycare and CID teachers
- Demographic Studies / Interpretation
- School Feasibility Studies and School Accreditation
- Teacher Colloquy Program Coordinator
- Continuing Educational Opportunities for Professional Church Workers



CID Board of Directors (2022-2025 Triennium)

Front Row (seated)

Rev. Mark Eddy

1st VP (Western Region) – Zion, Taylor Ridge

Rev. Michael Mohr, District President

Rev. Michael Burdick

2nd VP (Eastern Region) – St. John, Effingham

Middle Row

Mr. John Jacob

Teacher – Bethel, Morton

Rev. Kevin Wendorf

Pastor – St. John, Chatham

Mr. James Frazee

Financial Secretary – St. John, Beardstown

Rev. Marcus Manley

Assistant Secretary – Bethlehem/Zion, Altamont

Rev. Jeffrey Caithamer

Pastor – St. John, Champaign

Mr. Roger Garlisch

Layman – St. Luke, San Jose

Back Row

Mr. Joel Oswald

Treasurer – Good Shepherd, Sherman

Rev. Kent Umbarger

Secretary – St. John, East Moline

Mr. Tom Blessman

Layman – St. Paul, Havana

Mr. Robert Dalton

Layman – St. John, New Berlin

Mr. Larry Wachtel

Layman – St. Paul, Altamont

Rev. Peter Glock

Pastor – Zion/St. Paul, Wenona/Varna

Rev. Bruce Scarbear

Pastor – Trinity, Roanoke

Mr. Brian Carr

Teacher – Concordia, Springfield

- Editor of *The GatePost* and *News You Can Use*; website
- Youth Ministry – National Youth Gathering, Junior High Lock-In
- Sunday School and VBS, Confirmation Training (Jr. High & Adult)
- Family Devotions and Bible Studies
- Resource to the District President with the D.C.E.s, Deaconesses, and Parish Nurses in the District

Missions, Evangelism, Stewardship & Human Care

Rev. Dr. Ken Schurb

- Oversee and help existing missions and encourage and support congregations and Circuits in church planting
- Assist congregations with mission education and support for district missions
- Conduct and facilitate training and consultations in witness, outreach, and stewardship
- Coordinate with Circuit Witness and Outreach Workers (C-WOWs) to share ideas, resources, and encouragement for effective outreach in congregations.
- Develop salary guidelines for our District church workers and share financial reports
- Cultivating concern for human care to remove and alleviate human suffering (*Hunger, Pornography, Abuse, Refugees, Substance Abuse, Natural disasters, LERT, Pro-Life Support, etc.*)
- Coordinate Small Church Summit (with Southern Illinois District)

Gift Planning

Rev. Charles Olander (part-time)

- Workshops and Assistance in Planned Giving, Legacy Gifts, Endowment Funds

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

CEF Executive Director

Assistant to the Executive Director

Mrs. Christine Anderson

Mrs. Susan Short

- Loan Services to congregations and home loans for rostered church workers
- Investor Services

**Making
Disciples
for Life** 

MISSIONS

Your congregation's regular support of Synod and District helps fund all these ministries:

SPANISH OUTREACH

- Cristo Rey (Christ the King) Lutheran Church, East Moline
- at St. John Lutheran Church, Beardstown

NEW CHURCH START

- Immanuel Lutheran Chapel, Springfield

CAMPUS MINISTRY

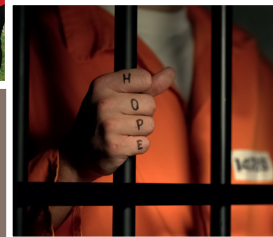
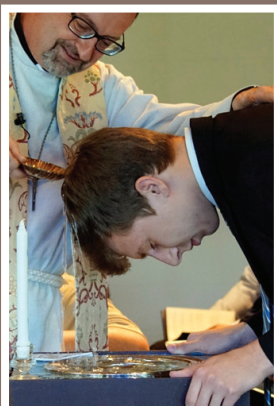
- University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and Parkland College, Champaign
- Illinois State University, Normal and Heartland Community College and Lincoln College, Normal
- Western Illinois University, Macomb
- Eastern Illinois University, Charleston

SPECIAL MISSIONS

- District-Wide Deaf Ministry Parish
- East Moline Correctional Center (in Spanish)
- Logan Correctional Center, Lincoln

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EDUCATION

The CID education office assists, equips, and uplifts educators, administrators, and congregational leaders so that through them children may be equipped as disciples of Jesus Christ.

CID SCHOOLS (PS-High School)

Total Enrollment: :	4,096 pupils
Average Elementary School Enrollment:	145 pupils
Enrollment LCMS vs Community Member:	32% LCMS vs 68% COMMUNITY
Attending Pupils with “No church home”:	801 pupils or 21%
Number of Baptisms:	49



CID PRESCHOOL & SCHOOL LOCATIONS

Boldface = Accredited under the National Lutheran School Accreditation program (NLSA)

Location	School	Grades
Altamont	Altamont Lutheran Interparish School	K-8
Arenzville	Trinity Lutheran School	PK-8
Auburn	Trinity Lutheran Preschool	PS
Bloomington	Trinity Lutheran School	PK-8
Buckley	Christ Lutheran High School	HS
Buckley	St. John's Lutheran School	PK-8
Champaign	St. John Lutheran School	PK-8
Charleston	Immanuel Lutheran Early Childhood	PS
Chatham	St. John Preschool	PS
Clinton	Christ Lutheran Preschool	PS
Danville	Immanuel Preschool	PS
Danville	Trinity Lutheran School	PS-8
Decatur	Lutheran School Association (LSA)	K-12
Decatur	Mt. Calvary Preschool	PS
Decatur	St. Paul Preschool & Day Care	PS
Effingham	St. John's Eagles Nest Preschool	PS
El Paso	Trinity Preschool	PS
Galesburg	Mt. Calvary Preschool	PS
Geneseo	Concordia Lutheran School	PS-2
Jacksonville	Salem Lutheran School	PK-8
Lexington	St. Paul Preschool	PS
Lincoln	Zion Lutheran School	PK-8
Mason City	Little Lambs of Christ Preschool	PS
Mattoon	St. John's Lutheran School	PK-HS

Location	School	Grades
Milford	St. Paul's Lutheran School of Woodworth	PK-8
Morton	Bethel Lutheran School	PS-HS
Mt. Pulaski	Zion Lutheran School	PK-8
Paris	Grace Child Development Center	PS
Pekin	Good Shepherd Lutheran School	PK-8
Peoria	Christ Lutheran School	PK-8
Peoria	Concordia Lutheran School	K-8
Peoria	Redeemer Preschool and Child Care	PS
Quincy	St. James Lutheran School	PK-8
Roanoke	RB Preschool at Trinity	PS
Sadorus	Noah's Ark Preschool	PS
Salem	Little Lamb Preschool	PS
Sherman	Good Shepherd Preschool	PS
Springfield	Concordia Lutheran School and Preschool	PK-8
Springfield	Lutheran High School	HS
Springfield	Our Savior's Lutheran School	PK-8
Springfield	Trinity Lutheran School	PK-8
St. Peter	St. Peter's Lutheran School	PK-8
Stewardson	Trinity Lutheran School	PK-8
Taylorville	Trinity Lutheran Preschool	PS
Taylorville	Trinity Child Care Plus	Child Care
Urbana	Wee Disciples Preschool	PS
Washington	Our Savior Preschool	PS
Watseka	Calvary Preschool	PS



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CID Listing of Congregations by County

Adams (5)

Clayton, Good Shepherd
Golden, Holy Cross
Quincy, Our Redeemer
Quincy, St. James
Quincy, St. John

Brown (1)

Mt. Sterling, First

Bureau (0)

Cass (3)

Arenzville, Trinity
Beardstown, St. John
Chandlerville, Salem

Champaign (7)

Broadlands, Immanuel
Champaign, Friendship
Champaign, St. John
Champaign, University
Sadorus, St. Paul
Thomasboro, Peace
Urbana, Trinity

Christian (3)

Edinburg, Trinity
Pana, St. Paul
Taylorville, Trinity

Clark (1)

Casey, Trinity

Clay (0)

Coles (3)

Charleston, Immanuel
Mattoon, St. John
Mattoon, St. Paul

Crawford (1)

Robinson, Our Redeemer

Cumberland (0)

De Witt (1)

Clinton, Christ

Douglas (1)

Tuscola, Immanuel

Edgar (1)

Paris, Grace

Effingham (10)

Altamont, Bethlehem
Altamont, Immanuel
Altamont, St. Paul
Altamont, Zion
Dieterich, Grace
Dieterich, St. John
Effingham, St. John's
Louisville, St. John
Shumway, Faith
Wheeler, St. Paul

Fayette (4)

Shobonier, Immanuel
Shobonier, St. Paul
St. Peter, St. Peter
Vandalia, Holy Cross

Ford (0)

Fulton (0)

Hancock (2)

Bowen, (Quincy) St. Paul
Warsaw, Concordia

Henderson (0)

Henry (4)

Geneseo, Concordia
Geneseo, St. John
Kewanee, Faith
Kewanee, St. Paul

Iroquois (9)

Buckley, St. John
Cissna Park, Immanuel
Cissna Park, Trinity
Loda, Immanuel
Milford, Our Savior
Onarga, St. John
Thawville, St. Peter
Watseka, Calvary
Woodworth (Milford), St. Paul's

Jasper (1)

Newton, Good Shepherd

Knox (1)

Galesburg, Mt. Calvary

LaSalle (0)

Lawrence (1)

Lawrenceville, Our Savior

Livingston (0)

Logan (5)

Chestnut, Zion
Lincoln, Faith
Lincoln, Zion
Mt. Pulaski, Zion
New Holland, Zion

Macon (6)

Decatur, Concordia
Decatur, Mt. Calvary
Decatur, St. John
Decatur, St. Paul
Decatur, Trinity
Mt. Zion, Mt. Zion

Marion (1)

Salem, Salem

Marshall (2)

Varna, St. Paul
Wenona, Zion

Mason (6)

Bath, St. John
Havana, St. Paul
Manito, St. Paul
Manito, Trinity
Mason City, Christ
San Jose, St. Luke

Mc Donough (1)

Macomb, Immanuel

Mc Lean (8)

Bloomington, Good Shepherd
Bloomington, Our Redeemer
Bloomington, Trinity
Chenoa, St. Paul
Danvers, Zion
Lexington, St. Paul
Normal, Christ
Osman, (Fisher) Immanuel

Menard (2)

Athens, Immanuel
Petersburg, Bethlehem

Mercer (0)

Morgan (5)

Chapin, St. Paul
Jacksonville, Christ
Jacksonville, Our Redeemer
Jacksonville, Salem
Waverly, Christ

Moultrie (1)

Sullivan, Faith

Peoria (5)

Brimfield, St. Paul
Peoria, Christ
Peoria, Mt. Calvary
Peoria, Redeemer
Peoria, Trinity

Piatt (1)

Monticello, Faith

Pike (1)

Pittsfield, St. Paul

Putnam (0)

Richland (0)

Rock Island (8)

Coal Valley, Trinity
East Moline, Cristo Rey
East Moline, St. John
East Moline, Zion
Milan, St. Matthew
Moline, Holy Cross
Rock Island, Immanuel
Taylor Ridge, Zion

Sangamon (13)

Auburn, Trinity
Buffalo, Risen Savior
Chatham, St. John
New Berlin, St. John
Pleasant Plains, Zion
Riverton, Immanuel
Rochester, Good Shepherd
Sherman, Good Shepherd
Springfield, Concordia
Springfield, Holy Trinity
Springfield, Immanuel
Springfield, Our Savior
Springfield, Trinity

Schuyler (1)

Rushville, St. John

Scott (2)

Bluffs, Trinity
Winchester, Christ

Shelby (5)

Shelbyville, Holy Cross
Sigel, St. Paul
Stewardson, Trinity
Strasburg, Grace
Strasburg, St. Paul

Stark (0)

Tazewell (8)

Delavan, Christ
East Peoria, St. Peter
Green Valley, St. John
Minier, Good Shepherd
Morton, Bethel
Pekin, St. John
Pekin, Trinity
Washington, Our Savior

Vermilion (3)

Danville, Immanuel
Danville, Trinity
Hoopeston, Good Shepherd

Warren (0)

Woodford (5)

El Paso, Trinity
Eureka, Our Redeemer
Roanoke, Trinity
Secor, St. John
Washburn, St. John