

June 6, 2003

Dear Pastors, Board Members, and Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to bring you up-to-date on a few synod news items as well as some of the upcoming events during Synod week.

CALLS:

Rev. Micah Ernst to Columbia, MO (accepted)
Rev. Ronald Pederson to Portage/Newport Parish, WI (holding)
Rev. Daniel Larson to Ulen/Hawley Parish, MN (holding)

VACANCIES:

St. Paul's, Portage & Newport, Wisconsin Dells, WI
Our Savior's, Hawley & Calvary, Ulen, MN
Emmaus & St. Mark's, Chicago, IL
Christ, Windsor, CA
Our Savior, Bishop, CA

OTHER NEWS:

- Rev. Micah Ernst was installed as pastor of Grace, Columbia, MO, (WELS) on Saturday, May 31, 2003.
- Rev. Karl Anderson will be installed as pastor of Heritage Lutheran Church, Apple Valley, MN, on June 29, 2003.
- Our Savior Lutheran Church, Belview, MN, will be celebrating its 75th anniversary on June 22, 2003.
- Ascension Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI, will celebrate its 50th anniversary on September 21, 2003, at a 2 p.m. service. Former pastor, the Rev. James Krueger, will be the preacher.

A NOTE FROM THE REV. NORMAN MADSON, CURRENTLY DOING MISSION WORK IN NAJU CITY, SOUTH KOREA:

We are making progress. As of Easter Sunday we have been conducting Lutheran English-language services in their nice church building on Sunday afternoons. We also have a Bible class following the service. We are presently studying the Gospel of Mark. There are

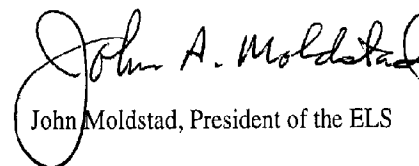
25-30 who regularly attend the services and about a dozen who stay for the Bible class. There is quite a large Philippino population in Naju, who know English. And some of them have been attending our services. Pastor and Mrs. Jung and Yeong-Kang congregation have been extremely kind to us.

NEW ADDRESS: Rev. Michael Krentz, 6306 Summer Circle, Pensacola, FL 32504. Phone (850) 484-4738.

UPCOMING SYNOD EVENTS:

- Synod Sunday Service - 2:30 p.m., in Trinity Chapel
- Dedication of Ottesen Museum follows service
- Picnic Supper – 4:30 p.m.
- Seminary Graduation – 7 p.m., in Trinity Chapel
- Reception for the graduates follows service
- Monday 2-4 p.m. – Mankato Bethany Women's Auxiliary hosts a tea reception at the home of President & Kathy Bruss (129 Glencrest Drive)
- Monday evening at 7 p.m. – Cross Stitch Presentation, Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center Theater
- Tuesday 5-7 p.m. – Spaghetti Supper, Mt. Olive Lutheran Church.
- Tuesday 7:30 p.m. – Anniversary Program (Trinity Chapel)
- President's Reception follows the Program at 8:30 in the Great Room
- Wednesday 5:30-6:30 p.m.– Sloppy Joe Supper at Peace Lutheran Church, 2090 Commerce Drive, North Mankato.
- Communion Service – 7:30 in Trinity Chapel

In Christ's Saving Grace,


John Moldstad, President of the ELS