

SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT CALL STATUS
AS OF 7/15/2025

PENDING – ORDAINED

Name	Present Congregation	Calling Congregation	Date Received
McCarthy, Christopher	Emmanuel – Creighton, SD First Lutheran – Wall, SD	St. Paul's Lutheran Jerome, Idaho	7/7/2025
Richert, Jeremy	Holy Cross Dakota Dunes, SD	Mount Olive Lutheran Church Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada	7/06/2025
Sutcliffe, Tanner	Candidate, Concordia, St. Louis, MO	Risen Savior, Tea, SD – Sole	4/30/2025
Wessel, Zachary	Candidate, Concordia, Ft. Wayne, IN	Trinity, Hartford, SD – Sole	4/29/2025

ACCEPTED - ORDAINED

Name	Present Congregation	Calling Congregation	Date Accepted
Mueller, Thomas	Emanuel – Sisseton, SD Zion – Waubay, SD	Zion Chamberlain, SD	7/10/2025
Schleusener, Tim	Candidate, Concordia, Ft. Wayne, IN	St. John-Zion, Montrose-Canistota, SD – Sole	6/27/2025

DECLINED - ORDAINED

Name	Present Congregation	Calling Congregation	Date Declined
Richert, Jeremy	Holy Cross Dakota Dunes, SD	Lutheran Hour-St. Paul Fort Frances, Ontario, Canada- International Falls, MN	7/13/2025
Strable, David	Trinity, Holy Cross, Immanuel Blunt, Onida, Harrold	First Lutheran Phillipsburg, KS	6/27/2025
Winckler, Paul	SD District, Asst. To District President Sioux Falls, SD	St Paul Freeman, SD - Sole	7/3/2025

VACANCY STATUS

City	Church	Position	Status/Man Called	Date	Vacancy Pastor
Black Hawk	Divine Shepherd	Senior Admin.	Evaluating Needs	5/4/2025	Dennis Mercer
Canistota-Montrose	Zion-St. John	Sole Pastor	Tim Schleusener Candidate, Ft. Wayne	4/29/2025	Tom Christopher
Chamberlain	Zion	Sole Pastor	Accepted-Thomas Mueller Creighton and Wall, SD	5/23/2025	Wade Harr
Cresbard-Wecota	Concordia- Immanuel	Sole Pastor	Evaluating Needs	10/28/2024	David Otten Tom Penrod
Freeman	St. Paul	Sole Pastor	Declined – Robert Zellmer Lawton, IA	3/5/2025	Brian Mosemann
Hartford	Trinity	Sole Pastor	Zachary Wessel Candidate, Ft. Wayne	4/29/2025	Chris Ascher
Huron	Mt. Calvary	Sole Pastor	Evaluating Needs	6/23/2025	Evaluating
Plankinton- White Lake	St. Paul-Trinity	Sole Pastor	Evaluating Needs	8/1/2021	Don McKillop
Sioux Falls	Memorial	Senior Admin	Evaluating Needs	4/27/2025	Doug Slavens
Tea	Risen Savior	Sole Pastor	Tanner Sutcliffe, Candidate, St. Louis	4/30/2025	Lyle Fritsch
Wagner-Fairfax	St. John-Trinity	Sole Pastor	In Call Process	12/23/2024	Ken Johnson Clark Gies
Wentworth	St. Peter	Sole Pastor	In Call Process	9/15/2024	Wayne Bernau