

Oklahoma Lutherans Update: July 15, 2021



Rev. Fred Muenchow and wife **Marlene** celebrated 60 years in the ministry with their family at Messiah Lutheran Church in Oklahoma City. More here.



Rev. Mark Erler and wife Erica were honored with a celebration of 30 years of ministry on June 27th, 2021 at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Edmond, Oklahoma.



Members of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Enid honored **Pastor Dwayne Schroeder'**s 30 years in ministry on June 27th.



Rev. Justin Bangert was ordained and installed at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Edmond by President Henke on June 27, 2021. More **here.**



Rev. Joseph Highley was ordained and installed at First Lutheran Church in Ponca City by President Henke on June 26, 2021. More **here.**





Persis, our third LCC Comfort Dog in Oklahoma, was commissioned during the church service at King of Kings in Glenpool on June 27th. Pictured are some the team in Glenpool with Persis, eager to start spreading God's love.



Stitching Hearts and Lives Back Together through Love: Quilts for Homeless Teens

When a homeless teenager enters Pivot Youth Services, based in Oklahoma City, he or she is given a handmade quilt made by a small group of members of the Lutheran Church of Our Savior, Bethany, OK. Learn more about this loving ministry **here.**





God's Gift of Marriage

Couples at Messiah Lutheran Church in Oklahoma City recently reflected on God's gift of marriage when they renewed vows and received a blessing. See all the happy couples **here!**



Suzanne Watt, is the DCE at Christ the Redeemer in Tulsa and also serves as the Youth Executive for the Oklahoma District. She has also served as the District Coordinator for the 2016 and 2019 National Youth Gatherings and will again for 2022. Suzanne would like to connect with everyone who may be serving as primary adult leaders for church groups at the 2022 LCMS Youth Gathering. Please contact her as a resource anytime via okdistrictyouthlcms@gmail.com. Please let Suzanne know if you're going to be the PAL for your congregation in 2022 or if someone else will be so they can be added to the emails! Has your group started planning for Houston and do you have a rough idea how many youth and adults you might be bringing? It would help greatly for planning our District Event so please send that number along to Suzanne.

Also, District T-shirt ideas are being solicited! Please forward any artwork from your group on to okdistrictyouthlcms@gmail.com! We are looking for both a front and back design that features "Oklahoma District LCMS" in it as well as "2022 LCMS Youth Gathering." These can be as creative as you want, the more fun and different, the better!

You can always find updated information on our Oklahoma District Youth Website at https://www.oklahomalutherans.org/youth then click on Youth Events and click on NYG 2022 or if you are on Facebook, join our private group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/okdistrictnyg. Information will periodically be updated on both platforms.

Save the Date October 1-3, 2021

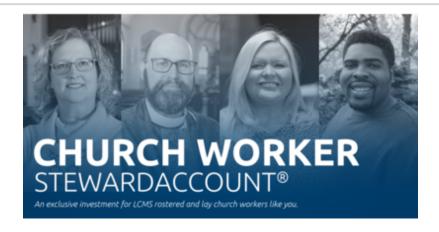


Joy- Jr High District Youth Gathering for 6th-8th grade students at Camp Lutherhoma





Lutheran Schools are encouraged to start making plans to attend the incredible LEA Convocation in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in October 6-8, 2022. Learn more **here**.



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