



O GOD, SEND HERALDS



O GOD, SEND HERALDS WHO WILL NEVER FALTER,
WHO DARE TO WALK WHERE CHRIST HAS SET HIS FEET,
WHO KNOW THE CHURCH AS BEACON AND AS ALTAR
WHERE HUMAN NEED AND YOUR ABUNDANCE MEET.

NOT TO BE SERVED, BUT ONLY TO BE SERVING,
TO FEED THE HUNGER IN THE HUMAN HEART,
TO KNOW THAT LOVE WHICH COMES WITHOUT DESERVING,
THAT LOVE WHICH ONLY JESUS CAN IMPART.

HERALDS CALLED TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT

KENNETH BOUDREAU to TRINITY – MERIDIAN, MS

Ken is from Westminster, MA. He and his wife, Shuchen (Janice) have two children: Noah (9) and Isabelle “Belle” (4). They are expecting a third child the end of May. Ken is a graduate of Concordia – St. Louis. He has worked as a volunteer missionary/ coordinator for LCMS World Missions in Taiwan and as a coordinator to the Chinese Ministries for Lutheran Hour Ministries.

PAUL ERNEWEIN to VILLAGE CHURCH-LUTHERAN – LACOMBE, LA

Paul is from Slidell, LA. He and his wife, Peggy, have three grown children: Thad, Holli and Seth. Paul’s parents live in nearby Pearl River, LA. Peggy’s parents live in Slidell. Lacombe is located in a rapidly growing area of the New Orleans north shore and is adjacent to both Pearl River and Slidell. Paul is a graduate of Concordia – St. Louis.

RICHARD RUDNIK to GRACE – HOUMA, LA

Richard is from Roselle, IL, and single. He received his BA degree in Communications from Columbia College in Chicago and worked as an airfreight forwarding agent at Chicago O’Hare Airport before entering our Concordia – St. Louis Seminary. He enjoys biking and hiking and will now have opportunity to explore bayou country in Houma.

CHRIS SUTTON to ST. MATTHEW – GULFPORT, MS

Chris and his wife, Christine, are Texans; he is from Buchanan Dam and she is from Crockett. They have one child, Katelyn, who is one. They are both graduates of Concordia University – Austin. Chris’ BA degree is in Psychology/Sociology. Christine is currently earning her MA degree in Counseling.

STAN CLARK to ZION – CLINTON, LA

Stan has served Zion – Clinton this past year as a deferred vicar. He can now plan his ordination and installation as Pastor of Zion. You might remember that he was recently married at the Pastors’ Conference on board the cruise ship. He previously served in our district as a Commissioned Minister at Trinity – Baton Rouge, LA

VICARS ASSIGNED TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT

James Athey of Concordia Seminary – St. Louis has been assigned to **Holy Cross – Mobile, AL**. He is very busy preparing for his vicarage year and his May 26TH wedding to fiancée Amanda Gembel. His home district is North Wisconsin.

William Brath of CSL has been assigned to the **New Orleans area** as a member of **LIFT** (Lutheran Interns For Transformation). William is from Miami and a member of St. Paul – Weston, FL. *LIFT is a program where the Southern District utilizes the Concordia system to supply the Katrina-affected churches and their people with youth and energy, and give interns an opportunity to serve and learn in an environment like no other.*

Jonathan R. Burkee of CSL has been assigned to **Trinity – Baton Rouge, LA**. He is married to Karla. They are both mid-Westerners. Jonathan is from Missouri; Karla is from Michigan. Jonathan's father is a Lutheran principal.

Kenneth Buth of CSL has been assigned to **Trinity – Sulphur, LA**. He and his wife, Linda, are Northerners from Minnesota and New York respectively. They have one daughter, Samantha. Ken has previously served as a commissioned minister.

Mark Duer of Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne has been assigned to **Immanuel – Pensacola, FL**. He is single and from Nebraska.

Rodney Schmeltz of CTSL has been assigned to **Grace – Many, LA**. He will be serving with his wife, Rene'. They have two grown sons: Brett and Jake.

Adam Sorenson of CTSL has been assigned to **St. Mark's – Elberta, AL**. His hometown is Carmel, IN. He and his wife, Melanie, have one child, a son Isaiah Charles.

Wendell Stavig of Concordia Seminary – St. Louis has been assigned to **Immanuel – Bossier City, LA**. His family – Monica, his wife, and children Marci (12) and Christian (8) are Kansans. Wendell's background is in electrical engineering.

SEND HERALDS, THEN, IN
SEND THOSE WHO HEAR
WITH EAGER HEARTS
EACH MAKING ANSWER,



WHOM YOUR HEART REJOICES;
THE CALL THAT SETS US FREE,
AND JUBILATING VOICES
"HERE AM I! SEND ME."

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