

Congregations in Leadership Transition – Texas Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod

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Transitions in Mission or Redevelopment Sites

The mission or redevelopment, in partnership with the synod and churchwide, is working to identify a mission leader.

- Saint James Santiago Apostol (pulpit supply)
- Redeemer-Houston; Pastor Steve Stutz, interim (parallel new start)
- Grace-New Orleans, LA; Pastor Kim Rodrigue, PCUSA, interim
- Kindred-Houston (opens June 6)

Self Study to Begin

The leadership position will soon be or is vacant. The bishop is scheduling a visit or has visited.

- Faith (Senior Pastor)-Bellaire, TX; Pastor Karen Buck, interim
- First Taiwanese-Houston, TX*; Pastor Jeremy Shih, part-time interim
- St Paul-La Grange, TX; Pastor Bill Sappenfield, interim
- Peace-College Station, TX; Pastor John Van Haneghan, interim
- Covenant-Houston; Pastor Bill Schwertlich, interim

*potential for redevelopment

Self Study in Progress

The congregation is working to complete its Ministry Site Profile

- St John-Waller; Pastor Scott Cigich, interim
- Shared Lutheran Ministry of Fayette County (pulpit supply beginning June 19)
- Christ the King (Senior Pastor)-Houston, TX; Pastor Amandus Derr, interim

Self Study Completed

The congregation has completed the Ministry Site Profile and is awaiting candidate nominations

- Zion-Zionsville; Pastor Glenn Hohlt, bridge pastor

Interviewing

The call committee is interviewing candidates

- Trinity-Frelsburg & St John-New Ulm, TX; Pastor Jill Vivroux, interim—*primary candidate*
- St Paul-Baton Rouge, LA; Pastor Nancy Andrews, interim

Calls Extended

- Sergio Rodriguez, Pastor of Community Ministries; Christ the King-Houston (Called: Aug 15, 2021; Ordination: Sept 19, 2021)
- Pastor Jay Shailer, by Synod Council (Sept 25, 2021), for Joyful Life-Magnolia, TX (Installation: Feb 20, 2022)
- Pastor David Bauser, Senior Pastor; Lord of Life-The Woodlands, TX (Called: Oct 17, 2021; Installation: Nov 14, 2021)
- Cynthia Robles, Pastor; Greenvine Emmanuel-Burton, TX (Called: Nov 21, 2021; Ordination: Jan 15, 2022; Installation: Jan 23, 2022)
- Pastor Jay Grave; St John-Bellville (Called: April 10, 2022; Installation: TBD)
- Clayton Faulkner, Pastor; New Life-Pearland (Called: May 1, 2022; Ordination and Installation: June 11, 2022)

After Synod Assembly 2022

- Pastor Ele Clay by Synod Council (May 19, 2022) as Redeveloper for Augustana-Houston, TX (Installation: TBD)
- Pastor Candis O'Meara by Synod Council (May 19, 2022) as Redeveloper for Hosanna-Mandeville/Covington, LA (Installation: TBD)