

the GatePost

"I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved" John 10:9

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In the next two *GatePost* issues, we will present perspectives on dealing with COVID and the stresses that come with that in a congregation. This issue we will hear from a pastor and a parish nurse.

My Ministry During COVID:

Pastor's View

By Rev. Martin Kaufmann, Pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, IL

COVID has affected us and challenged us in ways we have never seen in our lifetimes. We all know full well about the cancellations, shuts downs, social distancing, employment challenges and supply shortages related to the virus. Then there are the health concerns with the possibility of getting COVID or dealing with COVID once we have it. COVID has brought more than disruption and inconvenience. It has brought an overabundance of fear and anxiety to people's lives.

The Church, too, has faced many challenges during COVID. The first challenge was when we were forced to shut our doors. How do we continue to bring the Word of God into people's lives? How will we weather this financially? When we could reopen, how do we balance protecting people's health with providing worship and spiritual growth and fellowship opportunities?

One can look at all of the challenges COVID has brought into our lives and wonder "Where is God in all of this?" The answer is so simple that we may overlook

it. Instead of thinking that a trial is an absence of God's presence or blessings, we need to see God's presence in the trial. God is right where He has always been, in His Word and Sacraments. The Gospel, that "one thing necessary" (Luke 10:42), is especially important when fears increase and uncertainly abounds.

**Thanks be to God that
nothing... NOTHING...
can separate us from
Our Father and His love.**

James, in writing to Jewish Christians undergoing difficulties, writes: "Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing." (1:2-4) Even when we lack the safety and security of normal, daily, mundane life, and life is thrown into turmoil with trials, we lack nothing spiritually as we cling to Christ and the Gospel. Salvation was, is, and always is ours through faith in Christ.

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From the President's Desk

"Evangelical Frustrations"

My lunch time reading during the last few years has been the three-volume biography of Martin Luther by Martin Brecht. It is very detailed, and following Luther's reformation career, it leads to some extraordinary conclusions by the elder Luther that just confirmed tendencies he had observed in his younger years. At times he took shots at the government (nobles) who seemed to use their office and power to improve their own circumstances and that of few others. At other times the shopkeepers were the target for their greed and failure to think of society's needs over and against their own. The peasants could be criticized for their ungodly lifestyles and desertion of the church. Not much ever changed in his view of the Romanists and the Sacramentarians and their desertion of the clear Word of God and the comfort it rendered.

Frustrations will come, but the Lord Jesus has routed our enemies so that they have not and cannot overcome.

In 1545, Luther concluded, "What are we preaching? It would be better if we would quit... It seems that everything is lost" [Brecht, Vol. 3, p. 262]. At this point, Luther thought of leaving Wittenberg just a little over a half year before his death. It was depressing for the old Luther that after thirty years of evangelical preaching conditions were worse than before [Brecht, Vol. 3, p. 261].

Luther had been optimistic that the widespread dissemination of the pure Gospel would affect mankind, at least his fellow Wittenbergers, more powerfully for the good. He never lost sight of the fact that this world is sinful and is, in many ways, ruled from hell.

Yet, in proclaiming Christ he thought that the freedom of forgiveness earned by Jesus' blood would have a more salutary effect on Christian living among his contemporaries. Was this a moment when Luther was succumbing to a theology of glory?

No, I think that after a lengthy time in the pulpit most preachers would like to think that they are listened to, and that God's Word would have freer reign in the lives of listeners. Luther sought to make it clear that people had to listen to him and the other pastors not because of their personal authority but because they were Christ's servants who were responsible for their souls [Brecht, Vol. 3, p. 257]. Besides, Jesus himself admonished that "The one who hears you hears Me, and the one who rejects you rejects Me, and the one who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me" [St. Luke 10:16]. The preacher expects that Christians would mind a word of life rather than that of death. But we are still dealing with sin and sinners in a fallen world and a devil who is still very active.

Frustrations will come, but the task still lies before us, namely, to take up the mantle of the prophet under any and all circumstances, "in season and out," and to faithfully encourage, evangelize, exhort, rebuke, admonish, preach and proclaim His Word and most especially "the acceptable year of the Lord" that the sinner might yet "turn from his evil ways, and live."

Frustrations will come, as obstacles of all sorts are thrown in front of our parishioners, both temptations and fiery darts, and the faith of many waxes and wanes depending on what's happening now. Nevertheless, the Lord's spokesmen are called to a faithful heralding of the Good News under the shadow of the cross and God's chosen will respond that they will be saved, both the preacher and the preached to.

Frustrations will come, but the Lord Jesus has routed our enemies so that they have not and cannot overcome. Though they may win little



Rev. Mark A. Miller, CID President

battles, the greater war's end has already been settled. One little word can fell them. By the blood of Jesus our sins are forgiven, both of the preacher and of those preached to, in fact, of the whole world! The same Gospel victory is proclaimed to the hearts of preacher and preached to alike, and we are revived. Jesus stands vindicated as the sacrificed Lamb who stands as the resurrected Conqueror of sin, death, the devil and the grave. Amidst all frustrations, we hear the calming and comforting voice of our heavenly Father inviting us into His kingdom, not on account of victories we have won, but through the power of the Word that announces that we have been claimed as the children of our heavenly Father, our corruption has been exchanged for a cloak of regal righteousness, and everlasting life belongs to those who trust in Jesus and His blood-bought redemption as their only hope.

Governmental mandates, legislative restraints, persecution, physical and spiritual hostility, lies, and the continual trek of the many on the road that leads to destruction cause the Christian to experience sorrow and frustration even as it seems that given more of the same, we will get sucked in as well. But the Word will never fail the Lord's purpose. It will stand forever! It cannot be broken! It will always be the foundation upon which frustrations are canceled and our comfort is confirmed as we are pointed to our brother and Prince, Jesus, our righteousness, and victory!

— **Rev. Mark A. Miller, CID President**
1 Corinthians 2:2

THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL!



Prayerfully Consider

On Pentecost Sunday, May 23, some 65 people at a Circuit Convocation in Effingham heard about men prayerfully considering becoming a pastor.

Some of the convocation speakers summed up a bit of what they said for our camera. The result is a six-minute video entitled, "Prayerfully Consider."

This video is available on the CID website as a Video Resource, under the general heading "Resources." You can view it by visiting <https://youtu.be/taz9WhH5kU>.

Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send workers into His harvest fields. Encourage men who might be good pastors. Show them this video!

Congregational Life During COVID

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With earthly trial comes the temptation to doubt God or his goodness. But know this: as we live with faith and keep our eyes centered on the cross of Christ and the salvation God earned for us there, we truly lack nothing.

My Ministry During COVID:

Parish Nurse's View

By Kim Meyer, Parish Nurse at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Springfield, IL

The COVID outbreak and eventual shut down resulted in a great many ministry changes and challenges. At a time when the need for ministry was heightened, physical access to those in need was impossible. I couldn't go to the bedside of our hospitalized members or even sit and "wait for news" with their families. I couldn't visit our homebound members facing physical, social, and emotional isolation. Those without technology access for our on-line worship services and Bible studies experienced some spiritual isolation, as well. How do you mix COVID and ministry?

We expanded our card ministry to include 15 more volunteers who offered to send a card every month to the members on their specific list. This "COVID Card Ministry" became hugely successful. Friendships formed between members who previously didn't even know each other! Recipients

looked forward to receiving those cards, a contact from and a connection to, someone in their church family. Some members phoned other members who were known to live alone, just to say 'hi' and check in. Other members went grocery shopping for our at-risk population, leaving the requested items on the doorstep every week. One member called her shopper her 'grocery angel.' We are blessed to be a blessing!

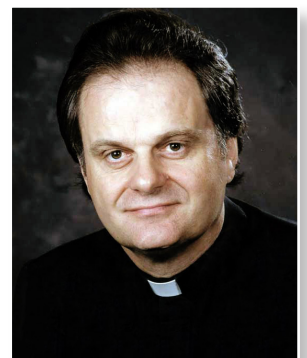
While I helped coordinate these outreach ministries, my personal link to our members came in the form of cards, texts, e-mails, and phone call....lots and lots of phone calls. The longer the pandemic wore on, the longer the phone calls became. People were becoming increasingly more lonely, bored, depressed, anxious, and fearful as the months wore on. Some lost loved ones and needed help grieving in absentia, without benefit of a funeral service. Some needed urging to seek medical/mental health care, fearful of catching COVID if they went out. Others just needed to talk, to be listened to. Some needed information. Others needed comfort and reassurance. All needed prayer. As I write this, the COVID variant is on the rise and COVID may again force us to separate from one another. Thanks be to God that nothing...NOTHING...can separate us from our Father and His love.

REV. DR. WALLACE SCHULZ TO PREACH IN CID

Rev. Dr. Wallace Schulz, a former associate speaker of the Lutheran Hour, will be the guest preacher at a special service on **Reformation Sunday, October 31, 2021, at 3:30pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 80 Chestnut St., Varna, IL.**

Pastor Schulz, a native of South Dakota, has served in various capacities within the LCMS, including as a vice-president of the Synod, a missionary to Russia and other places, and a leader of the Lutheran Heritage Foundation. He is best known for his service to the Lutheran Hour Ministries, where he served as associate speaker from 1977-2002. Today he is the editor of the *Good News* journal, a regular publication which instructs laypeople in the basics of the Lutheran faith.

Everyone is invited! Come and join us as we give thanks to God for His many gifts to us.





RE:VITALITY

BECAUSE WE'RE THE CHURCH

Congregational Revitalization

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod makes available a series of revitalization tools. They are all included under the umbrella term *re:Vitality*.

Congregational Assessment of Development/ Decline Status (CAD/DS)

This 100-question electronic survey identifies a local church's strengths and weaknesses. The survey is available to LCMS congregations at no cost. Before taking the survey, churches need not commit to any of the *re:Vitality* modules. However, after seeing their survey results, churches may grow interested in one or more of these modules. Contact CID Evangelism Executive Ken Schurb about CAD/DS.

Connect to Disciple

This module helps a congregation lead people from their initial connection with the church's members to discipleship, being gathered around the Lord's Word and Sacraments with the rest of the congregation. For short, the name is *Connect to Disciple*.

Like other *re:Vitality* modules, Connect to Disciple is available at no cost as a self-directed study. CID also has generous funding from Central Illinois LWML to provide facilitators who can conduct a Friday night–Saturday morning workshop at your church at minimal cost to the congregation. Contact Evangelism Executive Ken Schurb about Connect to Disciple.

RE:VITALITY

Revitalization is doing what we
do because we are the Church.
re:Vitality helps us do it better.

Shepherding our Strays

This no-cost *re:Vitality* module concerns a congregation's inactive members. It offers tools for outreach to them. Contact Ken Schurb for more information.

Serving in God's Mission

This no-cost *re:Vitality* module introduces a strategic planning process. Contact CID Congregational Life Executive Trip Rodgers if you are interested.

*"Commit your work to the Lord, and your
plans will be established"* (Proverbs 16:3)



Church Planting

Church planting does not have to begin with a lot of expense. Does this surprise you?

Our Synod defines a church plant as an *intentionally organized gathering* that meets on a *regular basis* for *worship and/or Bible study* and *is intended to grow* into an LCMS congregation. It could be located in a public library conference room, a side room at a restaurant or fast-food establishment, or even in someone's home.

What can you and your congregation do for the cause of church planting? Contact Mission Executive Ken Schurb at (217) 793-1802 or e-mail kschurb@cidlcms.org



Zoom Training for National Youth Gathering

All adult leaders, especially volunteer and first time leaders, are encouraged to join in on a training via Zoom! We'll cover topics about registration, adult leaders, pre-event Bible studies, fundraising, etc.! There are times morning, afternoon, and evening. Join one or join multiple to hear questions and comments from different leaders. If you have any questions, contact Jonathan Guse at jonathan@bethelmorton.org for the link to our Zoom Leader Training for LCMS National Youth Gathering.

Monday, October 11, 2021 at 2:00 pm

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 8:00 pm

Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 9:00 am

Monday, October 18, 2021 at 2:00 pm

Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 8:00 pm

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 9:00 am

Meeting ID: 733 4888 5924

Passcode: CIDNYG

Preparing for Retirement

Workshop for Church Workers – Part 2

On Saturday, November 6, CID's Human Care Committee will host another "preparing for retirement" event for church workers, this one focusing on spiritual aspects. For we Christians do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus (Col. 3:17). This includes what we do in retirement . . . and more than what we do. It's a matter of who we are, in Christ: saints of God.

In February of last year, we held "Part 1" with Mr. Paul Snyder of Concordia Plans on various "nuts and bolts" of retirement planning. "Part 2," on spiritual aspects of retirement, had been set for the Saturday after Easter in 2020. But that was 2020, and you know what happened. So now we are re-scheduling.

In the morning of November 6, Rev. David Fleming of DOXOLOGY will make a presentation entitled, "*Still Bearing Fruit: Retirement as Joyful Receiving and Giving.*" After lunch, CID Gift Planning Counselor Rev. Charles Olander and Mr. Scott Radden of the LCMS Foundation will talk about charitable giving in retirement and beyond.

This workshop will be held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Sherman, starting at 10:30 a.m. and ending about 2:00 p.m. (Doors open at 10:00am.) Even if you did not attend Part 1, you can still attend Part 2 — really, it is the more important part. Please register before November 1. Simply email kschurb@cidlcms.org, and indicate how many people will be coming with you. Thanks to Central Illinois Church Extension Fund for a generous grant to fund this event! It is available to you at no cost.

Retirement is uncharted territory, including for church workers. As we have probably all told people: although we do not know the future, we do know the Good Shepherd who holds the future, and us, in the palm of His hand.

November 6, 2021

Good Shepherd, Sherman

10:30am – 2:00pm

Doors open at 10:00am

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ON NOVEMBER 6!

in all things

JULY 9-13, 2022

LCMS YOUTH GATHERING

For more information about the Gathering and regarding COVID-19 precautions, go to www.lcmsgathering.com/faq

If you need any assistance, please contact the CID District Coordinator, Jonathan Guse at cidcoordinator@gmail.com or (309)-263-2417

lcmsgathering.com



2021 CID JR. HIGH LOCK-IN IS A GO!!

Great fellowship
and fun

CIDy Band
will rock the
house!

Get your
group
together!

SEE YOU AT
FIVE POINTS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Beginning at 9:00 pm
Five Points in Washington, Illinois

This year's speaker will be Joel Springer, Our Savior, Springfield
Proclaiming the love of Jesus!

Stay connected to current CID youth lock-in information at
<https://cidyouth.weebly.com>

CID Youth Committee

cidlockin@gmail.com

Teacher Carmen Yagow • DCE Jonathan Guse • DCE Malinda Standerfer
Pastor Shawn Boylan • District Executive Trip Rodgers

Please note that Five Points, Washington, will be following the guidelines announced by the Governor of Illinois along with guidance from the CDC and the IDPH. At this time, Five Points COVID protocol is that fully vaccinated individuals are not required to wear a mask inside the facility. Five Points will not ask or require proof of vaccination; however, we do encourage you to continue to use your best judgment to continue to protect your health and that of others.

Installations



July 3, 2021

Rev. Brian Homann was installed as Pastor at St. John, Beardstown, by Rev. Mark Miller.

July 25, 2021

Rev. Andrew Herzberg, was installed as Pastor at St. John, Mattoon, by Rev. Mark Miller.



August 8, 2021

Rev. Robert Goodwin was installed as Senior Pastor at St. Paul, Decatur, by Rev. Mark Miller.



Now on CID Website



The **Mission Festival Toolkit** (under "Outreach") offers an English translation of a sermon on Isaiah 40:9-11 by former Concordia Theological Seminary, Springfield President Reinhold Pieper — appropriate, as the seminary celebrates its 175th anniversary in October.



A paper by Minnesota South District President Lucas Woodford on **Critical Race Theory** is available in "Studies," under "Resources."

Official Notices

7/3/2021 – 9/24/2021

Ordained

Transferred Out

- **Rev. David Benning**, St. John, New Berlin, to SID
- **Rev. Peter Weeks**, Our Redeemer, Bloomington, to SID
- **Rev. Timothy Hahn**, Immanuel/St. John, Cissna Park/Ash Grove, to RM
- **Rev. Jonathan Torreson**, Associate, St. John, Decatur to OH

Installation

- **Rev. Brian Homann**, Pastor, St. John, Beardstown (Miller) 7/3/21
- **Rev. Justin Cullen**, Pastor, Faith, Sullivan (Miller) 7/11/21
- **Rev. Andrew Herzberg**, Pastor, St. John, Mattoon (Miller) 7/25/21
- **Rev. Robert Goodwin**, Senior Pastor, St. Paul, Decatur (Miller) 8/8/21
- **Rev. Kene Whybrew**, Pastor, St. Paul/Grace, Strasburg (Woolery) 8/15/21

Called to Glory

- **Rev. Theodore Gall**, EM, August 19, 2021
- **Rev. John Senter**, EM, August 22, 2021

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Campus Ministry Support

Every one of the endowment funds that support CID campus ministries met its initial goal. Each fund received more than \$10,000 in contributions by this past July 1.

Also in July, the first earnings checks on these four funds came from Lutheran Legacy Foundation of Paris, Illinois. The amounts totaled \$5,783 to help the District continue its support of ministry to the students, faculty, and staff at U. of I., ISU, EIU, and WIU. God willing, these amounts will increase in the future as the endowment funds keep growing.

Lutheran Legacy has extended its generous dollar-for-dollar match. Contributions to these funds between now and July 1, 2022 will be matched up to another \$10,000 each.

Watch CID social media. Again during the 2021-2022 academic year, we will feature one campus ministry a month during each semester. Also, more information is available on the campus ministry page on CID website at <http://www.cidlcms.org/outreach-missions-campus.html>

Please support campus ministry in another way, by sending us the on-campus contact information on students from your church who attend the above-mentioned universities, or any other. CID will make referrals to LCMS U chapters throughout the country. Send students' names, mailing addresses, e-mail addresses and/or telephone numbers to kschurb@cidlcms.org

And don't forget to pray for our college students and the campus ministries serving them. It's all part of *keeping Christ on campus!*



Another method of support for campus ministry is to provide the District contact information on students attending one of the above-mentioned universities. In fact, CID will make referrals to LCMS U chapters all over the country.

Send students' names, mailing addresses, e-mail addresses, and/or telephone numbers to kschurb@cidlcms.org

For more information:

See the CID Website: <http://www.cidlcms.org/outreach-missions-campus.html>

Contact Ken Schurb at the District office: (217) 793-11802 or e-mail kschurb@cidlcms.org

To donate: <https://www.lutheranlegacyfoundation.org/fund/central-illinois-district-campus-ministry>



Upcoming Events

CID Pastors' Conference

October 4-5, 2021
Location TBA

POSTPONED

CID Junior High Lock-in

November 12-13, 2021
Five Points
Washington, IL

CID-SID Teachers' Conference

October 8-22, 2021
Good Shepherd Lutheran School
Collinsville, IL

CANCELED

CID Convention (moved to 2022)

July 17-19, 2022
Crowne Plaza
Springfield, IL

Book Study: The Modern Self

It's a different world! People think differently. That leads to different kinds of actions.

The drive toward self-expression is strong. People are constantly reinventing themselves. The self has been psychologized, psychology has been sexualized, and sex is politicized. This is the mind-set to which the church addresses herself with the Gospel today.

Yet none of this is completely new. Much of it has been brewing for years.

This fall, on a series of Wednesdays (October 20 and November 3 and 17) at 3:00 in the afternoon, CID Evangelism Executive Ken Schurb will make one-hour presentations via Zoom based on a recent book by Carl Trueman, *The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self*. This book goes back to the late 18th century to trace the beginnings of our present expressively individual and therapeutic culture. The sessions of this book study will include evaluations of the ideas covered, in terms of the catechism.

Join us via zoom for these sessions.

For more information visit <http://www.cidlcms.org/news.html>



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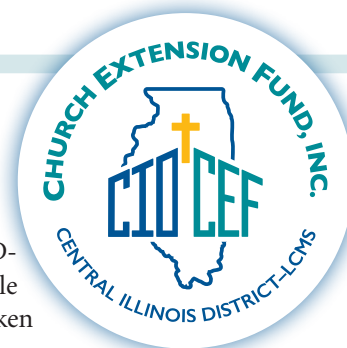
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Growth Bond Program is Ending

Through its Growth Bond Program, the Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund (CID-CEF) has encouraged the young members of our congregations to save up their treasures while supporting the growth of the LCMS and God's Kingdom in the CID. Many of our youth have taken advantage of this program, but the time has now come to bring the program to an end.

The CID-CEF will initiate the following steps to bring the Growth Bond Program to a close:

- All unused stamps not yet in booklets will be refunded at stamp face value upon presentation.
- All stamps in booklets, partial or full, will be refunded at stamp face value upon presentation.
- Growth Bonds that have not yet reached maturity will be allowed to reach maturity value. At that time, the Growth Bond will be redeemed, or the owner may have the option to reinvest in a CID-CEF Flexible Savings Account or Investment Certificate where qualified and permissible to do so.
- Growth Bonds that have matured will, after a 60-day notification period, be redeemed at their current value, or the owner may have the option to reinvest in a CID-CEF Flexible Savings Account or Investment Certificate where qualified and permissible to do so.

Please submit all unused stamps and stamps in booklets for redemption by December 31, 2021, to the CID-CEF (1850 N. Grand Ave. W., Springfield, IL 62702). We ask churches and schools to please communicate this request as necessary to members of their congregations and schools.

Communications regarding redemption of Growth Bonds already purchased will be sent 60 days in advance of their maturity or redemption as a reminder of this change and to allow reinvestment, where qualified and permissible to do so.

We thank you for participating in the Growth Bond Program and pray that your youth have likewise grown spiritually from the knowledge that they have assisted with reaching souls by providing the use of their treasures to build and grow our churches and schools in the CID.



Bring Giving Home

The CID Stewardship and Mission education initiative "Bring Giving Home" started two years ago, with workshops in each CID Circuit during the fall of 2019. It was supposed to last through the end of 2020.

Well, you know what happened in 2020.

Bring Giving Home has been held over. It will last for another three-quarters of the year.

Between now and June 30, 2022, President Mark Miller and Stewardship Executive Ken Schurb remain available to conduct Bring Giving Home follow-ups. They will preach and teach about Stewardship at your church, at no cost. A Church Extension Fund grant covers their expenses. Dr. Schurb will also do congregational Stewardship consultations at no cost.

What is your next step in Stewardship? Let's talk.



Redeemer Lutheran Church

6801 N. Allen Road, Peoria, IL 61614

Saturday, October 16, 2021
9am to 3pm

Register online at

https://www.lcms-lert.org/need/detail/?need_id=590988

Cost for the day is \$35, which includes light breakfast, lunch, book/materials, t-shirt, and credential card. If you are repeating the session we ask that you contribute \$15 if you need a new book and t-shirt to help defray the costs.

LERT Basic Training Event

Please join us for the Lutheran Early Response Team volunteer training program. Together we will walk through a simple training program designed to help you serve as a trained Christian volunteer when a disaster strikes and to help your family and congregation to be prepared for disasters. This training is part of a Synod-wide disaster response program, facilitated by a network of District Disaster Response Coordinators and Teams, under the direction of LCMS Disaster Response. After the program, you will receive a completion card credential and a t-shirt.

PLEASE NOTE: Registrations must be received by two weeks prior to the training day to ensure a shirt at the time of the class photo. Registrations received after that date will have shirts sent with the credential card.

In the chaos of disaster, it's important to stay focused on the task at hand. This training will help you focus on the most important thing to remember as you prepare for or to respond to a disaster in your community or beyond. At the center of our LERT Volunteer training is one thing: **MERCY!** Christ's mercy is the basis for everything we say and do. This 6-hour training event will equip you to be an effective volunteer should a disaster strike your community. After a brief introduction regarding the goals and theological rationale of LCMS Disaster Response, the LERT volunteer training will address the following:

- Christian care in times of disaster
- A Ministry of presence
- The LERT Program and how it works with other responders
- Introduction to Disaster Response
- At the work site: Debris clean up, tarp and patch, flood and mud clean up, chainsaw safety, and necessary paperwork.



CID is on Facebook AND Instagram

Come find us @cidlcms in both locations! Our page is filled with prayer and encouragement for you to share with those around you. Join us to keep up to date on District happenings and learn about new and exciting things coming soon!

INVESTMENT APPLICATION



CHURCH EXTENSION FUND, INC. (CEF)

Central Illinois District - LCMS (CID)

1850 North Grand Avenue West

Springfield, IL 62702-1626

TELEPHONE: (217) 793-1802 FAX: (217) 793-9454

EMAIL: cef@cidlcms.org www.cid-cef.org

New Investment: \$ _____

Make check payable to:
CID Church Extension Fund

-OR-

Existing CID-CEF Investment Certificate # _____

(signed Investment Certificate or Lost Certificate Agreement must be returned with Application)

Reinvest \$ _____ Redeem \$ _____

INVESTMENT CERTIFICATES - Minimum Investment: \$500 - Interest paid/applied and statement sent semi-annually

- ☐ 1.25% 5-year term ☐ 1.00% 3-year term
☐ 0.60% 1-year term ☐ 0.30% 6-month term

Special Term and Rate – Limited Time!!!

- ☐ 1.00% 2-year term

INTEREST PAYMENT METHOD (Choose one)

- ☐ Accumulate interest and add to investment
☐ Investment check semi-annually (if over \$25)
☐ Direct Deposit – requires completed enrollment form
(Go to www.cidlcms.org or contact CEF to request the form)

INTEREST RATES ARE EFFECTIVE 1/1/2021 AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE – CALL TO CONFIRM CURRENT RATES

FLEXIBLE SAVINGS – Interest added to account monthly, statement sent quarterly

- ☐ Regular Flexible Savings Account Interest Rate: 0.25% Minimum: \$25 – available to all customers
☐ Capital Campaign Flexible Savings Account Interest Rate: 0.60% Minimum: \$500 – available only to religious organizations

Account Ownership (Complete A, B, or C. Please print)

A. Sole or Joint Owners (One or more owners as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship and not tenants in common. Beneficiaries may be designated on "Beneficiary Designation" form. Interest is reported to the IRS using the Social Security number of the first owner listed.)

1. _____
Last or Religious Organization Name First MI Social Security # or TIN Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)
2. _____
Last First MI Social Security # Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)
3. _____
Last First MI Social Security # Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

- ☐ Check if "Beneficiary Designation" form is attached ☐ Check that all joint owners have signed application

B. Trust ("Certificate of Existence of Trust and Authority to Act" must be completed and sent with application)

Name of Trust

Social Security #/TIN

C. Custodian Investment for Minor (Under the Illinois Uniform Transfers to Minors Act)

MINOR Last First MI Social Security # Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

CUSTODIAN Last First MI Social Security # Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

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Contact Information for Account

Address

City

State

Zip

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Email Address

Supporting Investments

(Please provide the organization to be recognized for current or future investment requirements)

Your Home Congregation

City

---OR---

Other LCMS Organization

City

Investment Certification and Signature – Signatures of all account owners are required.

By signing this application ("I" refers to all applicants, whether one or more), I certify that:

- All information provided is true and correct.
- I am of legal age and not a minor.
- I authorize the Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund to initiate any correcting debit or credit that may be necessary.
- I have received a current Offering Circular of the Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund.
- I am a member of, contributor to, or participant in The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod or any district or other program, activity, or organization which constitutes a part of the Synod or any of its districts, or I am an ancestor, descendant, or successor in interest to such person.
- I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).
- The Social Security or Tax ID number shown for me on this application is correct.
- I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) the IRS has not notified me that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding. Please draw an "X" through the preceding sentence if you ARE currently subject to backup withholding. Due to IRS regulations, the Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund cannot record your investment until your Taxpayer Identification Number is provided and the above certification signed. The IRS does not require your consent to any provisions of this application other than the certifications required to avoid backup withholding.

Signature of Account Owner/Trustee/Custodian/Authorized Signer

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