

Rostered Leaders in Transition

Pr. Michael Fonner, called as pastor of Shepherd of the Hills, Montpelier, VT
Pr. James Kimmell, retired Dec. 1, 2007

Synod Leaders News

Sister Margaret “Maggie” Thorne of Plymouth Meeting, PA, a former member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rutland, VT, was consecrated Saturday, Dec. 1, at Grace Lutheran Church, Norristown, PA. Bishop Claire Burkat of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod presided. Sister Maggie has been called to serve as hospice chaplain at Odyssey Health Care, Blue Bell, PA. She is a member of the Deaconess Community of the ELCA, one of the three servant ministry rosters of the ELCA. The other two are Associate in Ministry and Diaconal Minister. The Deaconess Community will celebrate its 125th anniversary of servant ministry in 2009.

The second annual **Serving to End World Hunger** tennis tournament at the Midcoast Recreation Center, Rockport, ME, raised \$2507 for ELCA World Hunger Relief. **Pr. Bruce Meyer** and family: wife Martha, son Seth (director of the tennis program) and his wife Erin, plus daughter Krista Chase and her husband Brett, and Grandson Landen all helped with the tournament. The Chase family are members of Water of Life Lutheran Church in Newcastle. Local response to these events has been overwhelming and even those with non-Lutheran background or no church affiliation are very grateful to "play" for a cause other than personal gain. Many individuals and local businesses contributed beyond the \$25 suggested donation and a portion was given by **Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**.

Congregations in Transition

CONNECTICUT

Bethlehem, Georgetown	Self Study
Christ the King, Windsor	Self Study
Emanuel, Manchester	Interviewing
Emanuel, New Haven	Self Study
Faith, East Hartford	Interviewing
First, Waterbury	Intentional Interim
St. Peter's, Cornwall	Awaiting Candidate
Zion, Stamford	Interviewing
Zion, Waterbury	Self Study

MAINE

Water of Life, Newcastle	Awaiting Candidate
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MASSACHUSETTS

Bethesda, Springfield	Intentional Interim
Christ, Falmouth	Interviewing
Christ, Natick	Interviewing
Faith, Quincy	Intentional Interim
First, Brockton	Intentional Interim
House of Prayer, Hingham	Awaiting Candidate
Our Saviour, Dorchester	Self Study
St. John's, Sudbury	Interviewing

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Good Shepherd, Laconia	Self Study
St. Paul, Berlin	Awaiting Candidate

NEW YORK

Redeemer, Plattsburgh	Self Study
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RHODE ISLAND

Vermont

Redeemer, Shaftsbury	Awaiting Candidate
Shepherd of Hills, Montpelier	Awaiting Candidate