

Mid-Northeast Mission District
The North American Lutheran Church
Authorized Clergy and Lay Minister Supplies
October 25, 2015

Authorized Lay Ministers are approved by the Dean and certified by the Mid-Northeast Mission District Executive Council. Those approved hold a traditional Lutheran understanding of Word and Sacrament ministry. Authorized Lay Ministers have taken continuing education courses in the Old and New Testament, preaching, and in leading worship. Authorized Lay Ministers may be contacted to preach and conduct services; but may not lead the service of Holy Communion or consecrate the communion elements except under special circumstances authorized by the Bishop. Authorized clergy hold an orthodox, confessional Lutheran faith and hold to a traditional Lutheran understanding of the Authority of the Scripture. Only ordained Lutheran clergy may lead the service of Holy Communion when serving as a supply pastor.

Qualified persons, both clergy and lay, interested in being considered as Authorized Clergy and Lay Ministers of the Mid-Northeast Mission District are asked to speak with the Dean.

+Mr. Bill Oehschlanger III (Authorized Lay Minister and Outreach Director of Lutheran Lay Renewal); 209 Thornwood Drive Butler, PA 16001. (Mobile 505-270-4610; Home 724-287-5151)

+Mr. Robert Niggel (Authorized Lay Minister) 905 Seven Hills Road, Chicora, PA 16025 (Mobile Phone 724-991-8058; Home 724-445-2696)

+Jeannine Sanford (NALC Associate In Ministry at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Saxonburg, PA); residing in Vandergrift, PA (Mobile 724-594-5533; Home 724-567-7605)

+Pastor Jim Neal, retired ELCA Pastor, (Mobile 724-763-8331)

+NALC Clergy - Pastor Carl Hendrickson and Pastor Sandy Towberman alternate preaching and the leading of worship at Springdale Lutheran Church in West Sunbury, PA. Either may be available for supply per their schedule. Pastor Carl Hendrickson resides in Pittsburgh (Mobile 412-225-4186); Pastor Sandy Towberman lives in Butler, PA (Mobile 724-504-0493; Home 724-586-3161)

+NALC Clergy – Pastor Garrett Siemsen, Associate Pastor at Zion Lutheran in Pittsburgh is sometimes available for supply ministry (Mobile 480-747-0252)

+Pastor Don Green, retired ELCA Pastor and former Executive Director of Christian Associates living in Pittsburgh (Home 412-366-3894)

+NALC Seminary Students authorized by the President of our NALS Seminary in Ambridge, PA. (Names are supplied to the Dean by Seminary President Amy Schiffrin in November of each academic year.)

2015 Mid-Northeast Mission District Supply Compensation Guidelines

Stand 2015 IRS mileage rate for clergy and lay: Standard 2015 IRS rate – 57.5 cents a mile.

Authorized Clergy

One Saturday or Sunday Service - \$135.00

Two Sunday Services - \$185.00

Two Sunday Services and one Saturday Service - \$235.00

Authorized Lay Minister – Authorized Seminary Student

One Saturday or Sunday Service - \$125.00

Two Sunday Services - \$175.00

Two Sunday Services and one Saturday Service - \$225.00

-Rev. Dr. Alden W. Towberman, Dean