



Christ Lutheran Church & PreSchool

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Dear Friends in Christ,

After much prayer, it is with deep gratitude for nine years in ministry at Christ Lutheran Church, that I submit my letter of resignation effective June 8, 2015. I have been called and accepted the position as Senior Pastor of Christ Lutheran Church in DeForest, Wisconsin.

Over this past year, God has opened up new ventures for Rod in becoming Director of Engineers in Action. Since he can relocate the organization anywhere, we both felt God calling us to move back north to our home state of Wisconsin.

It has been a joy and privilege serving with you in ministry and I will sincerely miss all of you. I know God has wonderful plans for Christ Lutheran Church in Vernon Hills. Please know I will be praying for all of you and ask you to pray for Rod and I, along with our daughters, Stephanie and Jennifer.

My last Sunday as your pastor will be June 7th. I look forward to celebrating all that has been and all that is yet to be.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Sue Beadle

Dear Friends:

Let us all join in celebrating Pastor Sue's time with us during a reception following worship on **Sunday, June 7** (9:30 a.m. worship; 10:30 a.m. reception). Also, if you have questions and would like to talk more, Pastor Sue and church leaders will be available for informal meetings at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, **May 19** and after worship on Sunday, **May 24**.

On May 21, church council and preschool leaders will meet with Assistant Bishop Cynthia Hileman from the Metro Chicago Synod of the ELCA, our church parent. Rev. Hileman will lay out the process ahead of us, which will include the placement of an interim minister here, as well as the more detailed process of "calling" a pastor. We expect that the interim minister will serve us for several months, and possibly well over a year. Once the council meets with Rev. Hileman, we will schedule a more comprehensive Congregation Meeting to provide you with details and time frames. We will also work to keep you informed through emails, letters and the Sunday bulletin.

Please join me in asking God's blessings on Pastor Sue and her family as she and Rod go home to Wisconsin. I also ask that you hold this congregation in prayer as we enter a new chapter. God has plans for His church. We have good work to do. Thank you for being an important part of this congregation.

Sincerely,

Lynn Brandl, Council President

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. – *Romans 8:28*