



Arizona-California  
**DISTRICT**  
Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

## Congregational Services

### Report

The Committee on Congregational Services realized that there is much to celebrate with our WELS commissions. We especially noted that as the Arizona-California District we should celebrate:

- the work of the Hymnal Project Committee;
- the presentation of the 200<sup>th</sup> School of Outreach by the Commission on Evangelism;
- Evangelism Day at MLC;
- the jail ministry training to train lay people for prison ministry;
- and the increasing amount of LES schools that are getting WELSSA accredited, and using our school ministries as an outreach to the communities we serve.

We also see many challenges to the Gospel ministry and realize there are many resources that the WELS commissions has for our ministerial use. We encourage our congregations make use of all, but pointed with emphasis the following:

- the School of Outreach;
- WELS special ministries [wels.net/referral](http://wels.net/referral);
- Care Committee for Called Worker (WELS has a resource called Care to Care);
- the WELS/ELS Christian Therapist Network.

The Committee on Congregational Services also urges prayers to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ over several items happening at our WELS commissions. We ask that you join us in praying for the following:

- the work of the Hymnal Project Committee;
- the work of the aging congregation study by the Commission on Congregational Counseling.

Respectfully submitted,

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