PASTORAL COUNSELOR

Rev. Russell Etzel Concordia Lutheran, Houston White Oak Zone

DISTRICT: 2022 LWML Texas District Convention Host Committee Pastoral Counselor

ZONE: White Oak Zone Pastoral Counselor

LOCAL GROUP: Women's Club, Concordia, Pastoral Counselor

CONGREGATIONAL/SYNODICAL EXPERIENCE: Sole Pastor at Concordia Lutheran, Houston (2007–present); Our Savior Lutheran, Centerville, TX (1996–2007); Faith Mission, Vidalia, GA (1994–1996; Hope Lutheran, Milledgeville, GA (1992–1996); Circuit Visitor, Circuit 14 and 41, Texas District; Circuit Counselor, Florida/Georgia District

COMMUNITY: Centerville Ministerial Fellowship, Centerville, TX; Chaplains Committee, Baldwin County Hospital, Milledgeville, GA

EDUCATION: Master of Divinity, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, 1992; Bachelor of Arts, Concordia Lutheran College, Austin, 1988

MISC: Enjoys home wine making; crosswords; old movies; westerns

VISION STATEMENT: I hope and ardently pray the LWML Texas District remains true to its calling of spreading the Gospel near and far. The early institution of the Mite Box shows God can and does work mightily with the small, the meek, and the, supposedly insignificant, to save, heal, free, and grow.