



## **The SELC District**

**Christ the King Lutheran Church** is a member congregation of a church body called The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS). For ministry and administrative purposes, each member congregation is assigned to one of over 35 Districts in the LCMS – Christ the King is a member of the SELC District.

## **The SELC District Board of Directors**

Pastor Cahill is the Second Vice-President of the SELC District. He is a member of the SELC District Board of Directors, attends meetings of the Board either in person or via ZOOM, and represents the District President when called upon to do so at meetings of congregations, pastors, or other groups or individuals.

## **The SELC District Central Circuit and Pastors' Conferences**

Each District is further divided into Circuits, which are usually determined by a combination of a number of congregations in an area and the total membership of those congregations. In the SELC District, there are four Circuits – the Western Circuit, with congregations in Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin; the Central Circuit, with congregations in Ohio (including Christ the King), Western Pennsylvania, and Ontario, Canada; the Eastern Circuit, with congregations in Virginia, New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, Connecticut, and Quebec, Canada; and the Southern Circuit, with congregations in Florida. The Pastors of each Circuit meet several times a year for mutual conversation, encouragement, learning, and fellowship, usually at a host church within the Circuit.

## **Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Pleasant City, Ohio**

Holy Trinity is a small congregation in our SELC District that is located south of Cambridge, Ohio, in what was coal-mining country in the early 1900s. Holy Trinity was founded in 1902, and by the early 1920s had several hundred members. Not long after that, the population in that area declined when the coal mines closed, and the membership of Holy Trinity and many other churches dwindled drastically. For the last several decades, Holy Trinity has been too small to have a resident pastor. Instead, the congregation meets every Sunday morning for worship led by congregation members, with one of them reading a sermon prepared for them by one or another of our Central Circuit pastors; and once a month they meet at 4 pm on Sunday instead of in the morning so that one of the pastors from another congregation in our Circuit can come to lead them in worship and celebrate the Lord's Supper with them.

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