

December 2023

*A Word from the NWC Superintendent Kara J. Stromberg*

Dear Friends in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of Christ Jesus, our Savior.

Philippians 1:3-6: *"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."*

Gratitude, joy, gospel partnership and trusting in the Lord's faithfulness. This is the Lord's Church and to God be the glory! As I reflect on this past year, there are many reasons to celebrate and give thanks to God.

- building projects at churches and camps that will reach emerging generations with the gospel.
- our NWC school, Minnehaha Academy, that continues to educate and form the next generation of leaders in innovative ways
- church plants that have navigated a pandemic and are seeing missional fruit
- outward focused churches that serve their communities by responding to the needs of vulnerable populations
- new believers, baptisms and new members—all signs of God's faithfulness and grace
- pastors answering the call to continue to serve God's Church, some moving cross country (from warmer climates!) to do so ... because of *mission*
- the family of God coming around those facing grief and loss, caring and loving well in dark days

On behalf of the leadership of the Northwest Conference, I thank you for your faithful support of our shared ministry. Your commitment to the broader work of the Conference—through finances, prayers and your active support—allows all of us to live into God's call on our lives. Thank you for your partnership in mission.

We hope to see you at our Annual Meeting Celebration, held at Redeemer Covenant Church in Brooklyn Park, MN, on April 26-27, 2024, to fellowship, worship and celebrate stories of God's faithfulness together.

Serving with joy!



Kara J. Stromberg  
Superintendent