



## LUAD NEWSLETTER

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### OUTGOING PRESIDENT'S NOTE—Todd Long



I became involved in LUAD after my pastor heard about the team during a Synod event or meeting of Conference Deans. He felt I have similar ideals and could be an asset to this team. I am glad he told me about the program and I joined the group. During this time, I have been President of the organization 6 years and in a sense, the face of the group. Being in LUAD has allowed me to be more involved in our Synod as a whole.

LUAD is a great organization and needs more leaders to step forward and join our ranks. Our team has always been small. Our recent Zoom meeting had 8 members attending. We have several conferences without an active representative and a couple with reps serving (filling as rep) after their terms have expired. Our council is very engaged and has diligently worked to stay prepared for any possible events that may occur within our Synod. I appreciate every team member's involvement and input. We need more members and hope everyone reading this would consider becoming involved. This starts by listening in to a council meeting.

LUAD has Council needs for the following Synod Conferences:

South Rock, North Rock, S. Jefferson/Walworth, E. Madison, SE Dane, Green/Grant/Lafayette, Sauk/Columbia, and W. Dane. Please consider becoming involved in this special ministry. Reach out to our new president Dale Holmen at [info@luad.org](mailto:info@luad.org).

### LUAD RECOGNIZES DON WARREN WITH OUR FOUNDERS AWARD



On Sunday, January 12, 2025, then LUAD President, Todd Long, surprised Don Warren with the LUAD Founders Award recognition plaque. The recognition was given at Covenant Lutheran Church in Stoughton, where Don regularly worships. Don was a bedrock member in the founding of LUAD in the early 2010s and is well deserving of this recognition.



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## LUAD'S NEWLY ELECTED LEADERS-



**President:** Dale Holmen (2025-27)

**President-Elect:** Mary Irwin (2025-27)

**Treasurer:** Phil Ingwell

**Secretary:** Todd Long

## INCOMING PRESIDENT'S NOTE-

Dale Holmen



Welcome everyone to the Spring edition of LUAD's Newsletter. With the new year there are many changes with every group and LUAD is no different. In February we held our elections for the officers for the next 2 years. I was elected to the position of President. A little about me - my name is Dale Holmen and I am a member of Bethel Lutheran in Madison. I have been involved with LUAD almost from the beginning and this will be my second stint as the President. I am looking forward to a safe couple of years ahead.

The first event for LUAD this year has been hosting a workshop at the Synod LEAD conference in February and then a tabletop at Synod Assembly later in the Spring. The goal of LUAD is to assist our neighbors in the time of disasters in their life. To that end we are always willing to speak either a worship service or forum about what we do and how you might be able to help when called upon.

We are governed by a council made up of representatives of all the conferences within our Synod. There are several positions open. Please consider joining us! God bless us all and stay safe

## NEXT LUAD COUNCIL MEETING



The next meeting of the LUAD council is scheduled for **Sunday, May 4, 2025 at 6:00 pm** via Zoom. All members of churches within the Synod are welcome to attend. If you would like a Zoom invitation, please contact LUAD at [info@luad.org](mailto:info@luad.org) or 888-237-0433.