

Prairie Parish providing pastoral leadership



Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church of Akron



Akron United Methodist Church

What is Prairie Parish?

Prairie Parish is a newly formed, multi-denominational entity that provides pastoral leadership to multiple congregations here in northeastern Colorado. Participating churches include Peace Lutheran Church in Sterling, All Saints Church on the Eben Ezer campus in Brush, Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Akron, and the United Methodist Church in Akron.

Prairie Parish was formed in a cooperative effort to strengthen, support, and sustain these congregations by sharing resources and talents. Each individual church retains



Deacon Ro Fesser

their own identity and traditions, but shares pastoral leaders. Currently, there are not enough pastors to fill all of the vacancies in churches, both locally and nationally. Prairie Parish is taking a new approach to help address this issue.

Over the past year, several members of these congregations have taken classes on such topics as discovering spiritual gifts, prayer in daily life, leading Bible study, preaching, visitation, worship planning, and stewardship in order to help

support the ongoing ministries of each church. The idea is to train lay leaders who can step in to help fill a need in a specific area, while still having support and direction from an ordained leader.

This Sunday, the Prairie Parish will have an Installation Service for Deacon Ro Fesser to serve as a pastoral leader. The service will be at 11:00 a.m. on October 26, 2025 at Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Akron. All are welcome to attend.