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David Elbrecht has been named the new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the Ohio District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. David follows the thirteen-year tenure of Lisa Rachul who began as Treasurer and CFO in May of 2013 and will retire at the end of September. The District Board of Directors congratulates Lisa on her retirement and is so thankful for her years of expert service which have been a tremendous blessing.

David Elbrecht steps into a newly defined position of CFO which was recently restructured by the Board of Directors to take on the administrative responsibilities of the district office in addition to serving as the district treasurer. This new structure is intended to allow the District President, Rev. Dr. Kevin Wilson, to be freed of administrative responsibilities in favor of ministry leadership and ecclesiastical supervision.

David brings a strong financial background and commitment to service to the church. He is a graduate of Valparaiso University (2010) and has a Masters of Accountancy from Cleveland State University (2014). He most recently worked as an Assistant Controller at a $200-million dollar revenue company and has broad experience in accounting, as a financial analyst, and in administration. He is a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Westlake, Ohio.

The Board gives thanks to God for the faithful service of everyone across the District. Please keep both Lisa and David in your prayers for this new stage in their lives.

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