

Biography - Rev. Jeffrey G. Miskus

The Rev. Jeffrey Miskus has served as 1st Vice President of the English District since 2016. As Vice President of the English District, he has assisted the President in caring for 160 congregations and pastors across 22 American states and one Canadian province.

During his terms as Vice President, Miskus has served as a faithful member of the English District Board of Directors. In his second term he was called to organize the English District Virtual Gala, a fundraising and promotional event for the missions of the English District. Over two years this effort raised more than \$40,000.00 for mission congregations and gave district-wide visibility to the individual missions featured each year in the Gala. For the past 10 years, Miskus has also chaired and organized the annual Church Workers Conference for the District's Lake Erie Region. Rev. Miskus has supported pro-Life efforts at both the local and national levels.

A native of Windsor, Ontario, Miskus holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree majoring in Psychology from the University of Windsor. He attended both Fort Wayne and St. Catharines Seminaries and received his M.Div. in 1994. Over his 30 years as a pastor Jeff has served three congregations. His first call was a dual parish, St. John Lutheran Church in Warman, Saskatchewan, and Peace Lutheran Church in Martensville, Saskatchewan. In 2000 the Lord called him to St. Mark Lutheran Church in Mississauga, Ontario where he has been senior pastor for 24 years. He has mentored two men through the EIIT and SMP programs of the Saint Louis Seminary. They continue to serve in ministry as associate pastors serving under his oversight at St. Mark.

Rev. Miskus has a passion for memorizing large portions of Holy Scripture. In 2010 he memorized Jesus' Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7). Over the following years he "preached" this sermon in a dramatic presentation to congregations and pastors conferences in the United States and Canada. Other Scripture passages he has memorized and presented are Jesus's words to his disciples from John 14-16, Jesus's High Priestly Prayer from John 17, Paul's treatise on love from 1 Corinthians 12-13, and Proverbs 31 "The Wife of Noble Character."

Jeff and his wife Sylvia grew up attending English District parishes, Jeff at Peace Lutheran Church and Sylvia at Gethsemane Lutheran Church. They have been married for 34 years (August 11th is their anniversary), have three married children and three grandchildren. Jeff enjoys exercising daily, playing guitar, fishing, and listening to 70's rock and country music. Sylvia loves gardening, hiking, planning vacations, and feeding the woodland creatures in her back yard.