



PERSONAL

Birth date: March 12, 1972

Raised: Seven Mile, OH

Family: Wife

Krista M. Wirtley of Cincinnati, OH

- Married June 28, 1996

Children

Charis R Wirtley

- Born April 28, 2001

Carina N Wirtley

- Born November 11, 2002

Calea K Wirtley

- Born January 31, 2006

EDUCATION

Doctor of Ministry, In progress

United Lutheran Seminary

Master of Divinity, May 2006

The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Gettysburg, PA

Master of Music, December 1995

Morehead State University, Morehead, KY

- Major: Performance
- Emphasis: Jazz Studies

Bachelor of Music, June 1994

Morehead State University, Morehead, KY

- Major: Performance
- Emphasis Jazz Studies

EXPERIENCE

Interim Pastor, St. John's Lutheran Church, Waller, TX March 2025 – Present

Provided pastoral leadership through preaching, worship planning, visitation, pastoral care and administration.

Campus Pastor, ELCA Campus Ministry for the Brazos Valley (dba Treehouse Ministries), College Station, TX, March 2020 – July 2025

Provided pastoral leadership to college campuses through preaching, worship planning, pastoral care, counseling and administration. Coordinate fundraising efforts for ministry.

Pastor, St. John Lutheran Church, Little Suamico, WI, January 2014 – November 2019

Provided pastoral leadership through preaching, worship planning, visitation, pastoral care, counseling and administration. Coordinated Christian education ministries. Supervised the work of office and custodial staff.

Interim Pastor, Good News Lutheran Church, San Antonio, TX; 2013

Provided pastoral leadership through preaching, worship planning, visitation, pastoral care and administration.

Senior Pastor, First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Victoria, TX, September 2009 – February 2012

Provided pastoral leadership through preaching, worship planning, visitation, pastoral care, counseling and administration. Coordinated Christian education ministries. Supervised the work of office and custodial staff. Worked with congregation during a time of conflict.

Pastor, Hosanna Lutheran Church, Grand Rapids, OH, January 2007 – September 2009

Provided pastoral leadership through preaching, worship planning, visitation, pastoral care, counseling and administration. Coordinated Christian education ministries.

Intern Pastor, Zion Lutheran Church, Hollidaysburg, PA, August 2004 – July 2005

Assisted pastors of congregation in daily ministry of parish to learn the day to day working of pastors. Helped with youth functions and retreats. Helped with Senior high youth group activities and activities for younger children. Preached, taught, worshiped and lived in with and among the people of God learning the ins and outs of pastoral leadership.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Clinical Pastoral Education, one unit. Served as chaplain in multi-level retirement/assisted living community.

Chaplain, served as chaplain for several different Lutheran Outdoor ministry sites, for youth and as Adult study leader.

ORDINATION

Ordained: December 17, 2006, The Well of Hope Lutheran Church, Pineville, NC

PERSONAL STATEMENT

As a child of God named and claimed an heir of the kingdom, I am called to opportunities to bring new life to a gathering of the Body of Christ ready to embrace mission, through maintaining our Lutheran heritage, thinking in new ways and transforming ourselves into what Christ has called us to be. Using all avenues available to us to spread the grace and love of God.

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Music – listening and playing, walking, spending time with my girls, crafty stuff.

REFERENCES

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