



# Michigan District

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

*People of Hope ... Vigorously Making Known the Love of Christ*

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Rev. Dr. Todd Biermann, Administrative Pastor  
Faith Lutheran Church  
12534 Holly Road  
Grand Blanc, MI 48439-1815

Dear Pastor Biermann,

I am writing to express my sincerest gratitude to you, Pastor Scott, Pastor Cottam, the Faith, Grand Blanc **Here We Stand** Campaign (HWS) Planning Committee, and each member of our congregation for an overwhelming level of support and participation in the HWS campaign over the past three years.

At the end of 2019 we reached the end of our three-year HWS campaign period at Faith. In early 2017 when the campaign was initiated and members were asked to prayerfully participate, our congregation submitted a pledge of \$126,500 to the Michigan District. This amount, and it was a very generous amount, was determined based on the total amount of commitments made by members.

Each month as gifts and pledges were collected, they were forwarded at the end of each month to the Michigan District to be applied to the four initiatives of the campaign based on each donor's wishes.

I am very happy to share with you that as of the end of December, 2019, the Michigan District has received a total of \$142,335.04, far exceeding our initial pledge by \$15,835.04. This number may even continue to increase a little of the next few months as individuals continue to finalize personal pledges or perhaps make a new contribution.

Please know that this expression of generosity is a wonderful blessing to the mission and ministries of the Michigan District, and on behalf of President Maier, our entire staff, and all those who have been, and will continue to be impacted through your generosity, please accept my heartfelt and sincerest gratitude.

Again, thank you for all that you have done to help the HWS campaign be a wonderful success.

Continued blessings to all,

Ray Zavada, MA

Assistant to the President – Development

Cc: Greg Baehr