



**Rev. Christopher S. Esget**  
**Fifth Vice-President**  
***Representing the East-Southeast Region***

The Rev. Christopher S. Esget is fifth vice-president and a member of the Praesidium of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). He was appointed as a vice-president in 2015 and was elected at the 2016 Synod convention. In 2019 he was re-elected and ranked as fifth vice-president. He represents the church's East-Southeast Region.

Esget is the senior pastor of Immanuel Evangelical—Lutheran Church in Alexandria, Va., and superintendent of Immanuel Lutheran School where he has served since 2001.

Prior to being called to Immanuel, Esget served as pastor of Bethel Lutheran Church, DuQuoin, Ill., where he was ordained in 1998. He attended Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind., where he earned a Master of Divinity in 1997 and a Master of Sacred Theology in 2005. He is a member of the Board of Regents for Concordia College—New York.

Esget contributed two chapters to the book, *The Gates of Hell* (CPH, 2018). His writings have also been published in *The Lutheran Witness*, *Concordia Pulpit Resources*, *The Good Shepherd Institute*, *For the Life of the World*, *Higher Things* and *Gottesdienst*. He is a 2015 Washington Fellow of the National Review Institute.

Born and raised near Minneapolis, Esget pursued his love of music with classical piano and trombone studies at the University of Minnesota before graduating *summa cum laude* with a bachelor's degree in music from the Berklee College of Music in Boston in 1993.

Esget lives in Alexandria, Va., with his wife and son.