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REV. DR. RICHARD ARMSTRONG, LMFT

Executive Director / Lutheran Counseling Services / Orlando, Fla.

The Rev. Dr. Richard Armstrong is the executive director of Lutheran Counseling Services (LCS) in Orlando, Fla. He is a fellow in the American Association of Pastoral Counselors, a licensed marriage and family therapist in the state of Florida and a Florida approved clinical supervisor. Rick served for over 25 years in the parish ministry in three different LCMS congregations. He is co-author and trainer of “God’s Care in Times of Crisis” and “God’s Care for Congregations in Times of Crisis” manuals for selecting and training crisis teams in Christian schools and churches to prepare for, respond to and provide aftercare in crisis situations. Rick and his teams have been

part of Lutheran disaster response to tragedies in Denver, New York, D.C., Newtown, and the Florida and Gulf Coast hurricanes. He has received the “Distinguished Service Award” from the Lutheran Schools Association Metropolitan New York and the “Distinguished Alumni Award 2006” from Concordia University Texas, Austin, Texas. In addition to serving as the executive director at LCS, conducting individual, marriage and family system therapy sessions, Rick is involved in facilitating organizational consultations, leadership coaching and workshops and retreats. Rick is happily married to Kristi and they have two daughters, two sons-in-law and six grandchildren.



STACEY TASLER CROSSON, LMFT

Clinical Director / Safe Harbor Christian Counseling / Northern Virginia

Stacey Tasler Crosson serves as the clinical director for Safe Harbor Christian Counseling Northern Virginia and as the minister of care and outreach at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Springfield, Va. With over 25 years’ experience in the people-helping business, Stacey has a mature Christian lens on matters of heart and mind. Stacey is a commissioned minister in the LCMS as a director of Christian education with a Master’s of Science degree in Marriage and Family Therapy from Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Stacey is currently licensed in the state of

Colorado as a marriage and family therapist and a certified family life educator through the National Council of Family Relations in Minneapolis, Minn. Stacey’s professional passion is to help people experience reconciliation and restoration in their relationship with God, self and others. Stacey and her husband, Jeff Crosson, own Safe Harbor Christian Counseling Northern Virginia, a growing mental health practice which employs 15 therapists at eight locations across Northern Virginia. In her free time, Stacey enjoys traveling with her family, entertaining friends, reading and creating art.



REV. KEVIN D. ROBSON

Chief Mission Officer / The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod / St. Louis, Mo.

The Rev. Kevin Robson is chief mission officer for The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Prior to that, he served as pastor of Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Baxter, within the Minnesota North District, since 2006. He also has served at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Elgin, Minn. — first in a deferred vicarage (2000-01) and then as pastor (2001-04); as vacancy pastor of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hay Creek (Red Wing), Minn. (2004); and vacancy and sole pastor of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Long Prairie, Minn. (2005-06).

Prior to earning his Master of Divinity at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind., in 2001, Pastor Robson enjoyed a broad career in corporate research and development, product management, business development, sales and consulting, with Union Carbide

Corporation, Chicago, Ill., and Air Products and Chemicals, Allentown, Pa.

He is a 1988 graduate of the University of Chicago, Graduate School of Business, with a master's degree in Finance and Marketing and a 1982 graduate of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, earning both a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and a Bachelor of Science and Engineering in Chemical Engineering.

He has completed his coursework and is currently engaged in a dissertation project for the Doctorate of Ministry degree (Pastoral Care and Leadership) at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Ind. He also is a 2009 alumnus of the DOXOLOGY pastoral continuing-education program.

He and his wife, Peg have one son, Karl.