

### **TUTOR DANIEL SCHMIDT**

Although he was born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where his father was serving as pastor, Daniel has done a lot of traveling since then. His last home address was Kenai, Alaska, and that was after he spent a year living in the Dominican Republic. He is glad to be living this year near one of his five sisters, Nicki Hill (who lives in Bay City).

Tutor Schmidt went to the synod's other prep school, Luther Prep in Watertown, Wisconsin. He is a graduate of Martin Luther College and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. He spent his vicar year in West Chicago, Illinois.

Tutor Schmidt enjoys playing guitar and meeting new people. He also enjoys talking about Jesus, and will have plenty of opportunities to do that this year while teaching catechism, ecclesiastical Spanish, and typing at MLS.



### **TUTOR TERRI SCHROEDER**

Tutor Schroeder is a Michigan person. She has belonged to three congregations in Michigan: St. Peter, Plymouth; St. John, Ann Arbor; and Peace, Livonia. She spent a little time outside of Michigan after she graduated from MLS, attending Martin Luther College in Minnesota for five years to prepare to teach high school, but now she's back!

Her parents, Gary and Ellen Schroeder, are excited to have her back in the state. But even more excited is Tutor Schroeder's ten-year-old sister Dayna, who is already memorizing how long it takes to drive from Plymouth to Saginaw. Terri's brother Nate (with his wife Ingrid and their son Levi) and her sister Anne will probably also be on campus a few times this year.

Terri is teaching geometry and coaching volleyball along with supervising the dormitory. She is interested in sports of all kinds and will probably be seen anchoring the dorm staff intramural teams!



### **TUTOR KATHERINE VALLESKEY**

Tutor Valleskey grew up in Houston, Texas, where her father is pastor at Abiding Word. She has learned what it's like to live in the Midwest by attending Luther Prep and Martin Luther College, but she still prefers warm weather and sunshine. Her older brothers, Martin and Karl, and her older sister Lisa Terek, console her by reminding her that her passion for playing piano can still be pursued indoors.

Tutor Valleskey enjoyed playing both soccer and tennis all the way through college, and looks forward to helping run the MLS intramural program. She will be teaching piano and organ this year. Next summer she is engaged to be married to Nick Schmoller, a student at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. In the meantime we will enjoy her artistic talents and southern accent.





### **INSTRUCTOR NAOMI GETKA**

Instructor Getka returns to teaching at MLS after a one-year break for full-time care of foster children in her home. In the past she has taught physical education, biology and advanced biology at MLS. This year she adds freshman English, which was her major in college at MLC.

Mrs. Getka grew up in South Haven, MI, where her father is principal at the Lutheran elementary school, and attended MLS just like all of her brothers and sisters. She has served in all areas of the volleyball program at MLS, and will be the head coach in this coming school year. Students will appreciate her steady encouragement and ready smile.

Mrs. Getka is married to Jim, professor at MLS, 2001-2006. The two of them enjoy cooking, traveling, walking, and taking care of the children that the Lord brings into their lives.

### **DIRECTOR OF MISSION ADVANCEMENT PETER SNYDER**

Pastor Peter Snyder was hired into MLS' new mission advancement office last January. In the spring the Governing Board made the Director a called position, and offered that Call to Pete. He accepted gladly, demonstrating the patience with changing circumstances that has marked his ministry.

Pastor Snyder has served congregations in Howell, Michigan; College Station, Texas; and Appleton, Wisconsin. His wife, Jenell, has been able to pursue her love of horsemanship at all of these places, and the two of them have found the time to raise four children: Ben, Tessa, Ella, and Philip.

Pastor Snyder loves sports of all kinds. It's very difficult to stump him with sports trivia. He also enjoys visiting supporters of the Christian education at MLS, which will be the bulk of his work.

