

What do we do?

Planting and Renewing Free, Living, and Lutheran Congregations Across America

AFLC Home Missions exists to expand God's kingdom by planting free, living, and Lutheran congregations, renewing existing ones, and equipping pastors and leaders for faithful, vibrant gospel ministry throughout the US.

As an extension of the ministries of AFLC congregations, we support this work by training and mentoring church planters, walking alongside congregations as they pursue renewal and growth, and by serving as a resource for practical ministry training and tools. Our goal is to partner with churches to strengthen, encourage, and support the work God is already doing in their congregations.

Through the Alaska Mission, we boldly carry Christ's message of saving grace to remote villages—connecting people to the gospel through worship, radio ministry, and aviation outreach.

Church Planting



Church Renewal



Alaska Mission





Your Team

Pastor Andy Coyle - Home Missions Director

Pastor Andy Coyle serves as the AFLC Home Missions Director. He previously served as a church planter at Shiloh Free Lutheran in Rapid City, SD (2015–2024), a full-time missionary in Ukraine (2011–2015), and in pastoral ministry in rural lowa (2008–2011). He holds an M.Div. from the Association Free Lutheran Theological Seminary in Plymouth, MN, and a B.S. in Intercultural Studies from Northwestern University in St. Paul, MN. Pastor Andy and his wife, Monica, are grateful for their six children and enjoy doing life and ministry together.



Diane Brubakken - HM Executive Assistant

Originally from Hoople, North Dakota, Diane now lives in New Hope, Minnesota. She holds a Master of Arts in Theological Studies from the University of Northwestern–St. Paul and a Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies from Trinity Lutheran College (formerly LBI Seattle). Diane enjoys reading, spending time with friends, and spending time outdoors. Before joining the Home Missions department as their Executive Assistant in July 2025, she spent 14 years working in the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations Parish Education department.



Loren Tungseth - Alaska Coordinator

Loren Tungseth has served in various roles with the Alaska Mission since it became an AFLC mission in 2008. As Alaska Mission Coordinator, he represents the ministry through church and mission conference visits and by communicating its vision and needs through media. Loren holds a B.S. in Business Administration from Moorhead State University, attended California Lutheran Bible School, and is a U.S. Army veteran. He and his wife, Sharon, live in Fergus Falls, MN, and are blessed with two sons and daughters-in-law, and four grandchildren.



Home Missions Board of Directors

The Home Missions Board of Directors serves under the authority of the AFLC Home Missions Corp., which is accountable to the greater AFLC.

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