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First Evangelical Lutheran Church Welcomes Rev. Nicholas John Sollom as New Pastor

East Greenwich, Rhode Island— September 17, 2025 — First Evangelical Lutheran Church of East Greenwich joyfully announces the calling of **Rev. Nicholas John Sollom** as its new pastor. Rev. Sollom, currently working with us in transition, will officially begin his ministry with First Lutheran on **December 1, 2025**. He brings with him a deep commitment to proclaiming the Gospel, nurturing faith, and a deep desire to walk with God's people in faith, service, and community.

Rev. Sollom comes to First Lutheran most recently having served as a Hospital Chaplain and Educator at Yale New Haven Hospital. He is known for his compassionate leadership, thoughtful preaching, pastoral presence, and devotion to Lutheran theology and liturgy. He is dedicated to fostering a welcoming and inclusive church environment.

"We are excited and honored to welcome Pastor Nick into our church family," said Nancy Swanson, Congregation Council President. "We look forward to the ways God will work through him to lead, guide, and serve our congregation and community."

Rev. Sollom expressed his enthusiasm for this new chapter, saying, "I am so filled with gratitude and joy to have been welcomed into this amazing community and look forward to getting to know everyone, making new friends, and continuing the legacy of love and care that has been the story of First Lutheran for over 150 years."

All are warmly invited to worship with us on Sunday mornings at 10am to meet Rev. Sollom in person.

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About First Lutheran

First Evangelical Lutheran Church has been a part of the East Greenwich community since 1874 and is a member of the New England Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA) serving the community of East Greenwich with a mission to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, fellowship, and outreach. **All are welcome.**