

Praeses

The Deanery Synod elected the new president Dr. Michael Woerner with a majority of 97 out of 102 votes on 27 September 2013. He was a member of the Deanery Synodical Board since 2003. Dr. Michael Woerner is the successor of Mr. Axel Rothermel.

The duties of the honorary position include the chairmanship of the deanery synodal council, chairman of the assembly, the chairman of the deanery synod. After the Order of the Protestant Church in Hesse and Nassau (EKHN), he represents the deanery as a Protestant church in the Bergstrasse region together with the dean.

Dr. Michael Woerner lives with his family in Einhausen, where he is the chairman of the church council of the protestant parish. He has been working in the human resources at Merck in Darmstadt.



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Dean

Pastor Arno Kreh has been the Dean of the Protestant Deanery Bergstrasse since January 2014. Together with the president, he represents the deanery to the public and has the leading responsibility for the Protestant church in the region.

"As a deanery, we want to shape the church together and empower people," he said at his inaugural address. The wisdom of God leads us to a bigger community than that of the small parish under your own church tower. This makes it possible to open our ears to what others actually need in hospice work, the diaconal stations, in the fight against right-wing radicalism or in a welcome culture for refugees.

The duties of the Dean include the supervision of the pastors in the 34 parishes and the counseling and accompaniment of the church councils.



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Vice Dean

Pastor Hermann Birschel is the Vice Dean of the Deanery since January 2009. He assists the dean in performing his duties. In the deanery he is responsible for the parish educational work and church music. Pastor Hermann Birschel lives in Zotzenbach.



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