

Love & Logic Facilitators for St. John's Lutheran Church

St. John's Love & Logic parenting series will accommodate parenting topics for all ages, *preschool through young adulthood*, and will be co-facilitated by the fantastic team of Linda Loomis and Alissa Darin.

Linda has over 30 years' experience in Montessori education, is the Director of Teacher Training, and specializes in Early Childhood Education.

Alissa is the current Associate Principal at Stone Bank School. Alissa's focus is in helping adolescents, adults and families thrive. She is a speaker for parent groups, conferences and agencies focusing on mental health topics, parenting, and drug/alcohol use issues.

Full Bios



Linda Loomis, Director of Teacher Training

Linda has been a member of the MSOW family for six years, but has taught Children's House for over 30 years at different Montessori schools across the United States. She became excited about Montessori education when her two sons attended children's house while she was living in Boston. She completed her Montessori Certification for Children's House at Northeast Montessori Institute in Boston, holds a BS in Horticulture from the UW Madison, an MS in Early Childhood Education from Concordia University, her DPI Certification and is a Love and Logic Facilitator.

Linda is a presenter at the MSOW annual Montessori Paraprofessional Training Course and is currently working to develop the MSOW's Montessori teacher training center. Linda lives in

Waukesha with her husband Rob. She enjoys gardening, biking and spending time with her six grandchildren.



Alissa Darin, Associate Principal at Stone Bank School

Currently the Associate Principal at Stone Bank School, Alissa Darin is the former Director of School Counseling for the Kettle Moraine School District and a LPC-IT for the Gals Institute Counseling Center in Delafield, WI. She holds her National Boards for Professional Teaching in the area of School Counseling - Early Childhood through Young Adulthood. She has a Bachelor of Science degree from the [University of Wisconsin-Madison](#) in Education & Kinesiology and a Master's degree from [Marquette University](#) in Counseling. She currently serves as the Assistant Chair on the Wisconsin School Counseling Association Board of Directors.

Training as a psychotherapist, Alissa's focus is in helping adolescents, adults and families thrive using Solution-focused Therapy, Cognitive-Behavior Therapy, Motivational Interviewing and a family systems approach. Alissa is a National Board-Certified Educator in the area of Counseling - Early Childhood through Young Adulthood. Additionally, she is a Love and Logic facilitator and a speaker for parent groups, conferences and agencies focusing on mental health topics, parenting and drug/alcohol use issues.