

ANNUAL MEETING

2022 CONGREGATIONAL REPORT

January 22, 2023



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Annual Meeting Agenda

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Call to Order Organizations

Altar Guild **Opening Devotions** West Nidaros WELCA

WELCA Treasurer Welcome Replica Church Approval of Agenda

Hanson-Oyen Cabin

Approval of Minutes of January 2021 Annual Elections Meeting

Approval of Reports

Pastor

Director of Faith Formation

Interim Director of YF Ministry/Intern Pr.

Director of Youth & Family Ministry

Director of Music Ministry

Property Manager

Financial Secretary

Treasurer

Audit Committee

Ministry Teams

Administration Congregational Care Mission & Outreach Worship & Evangelism

Support Committees

Cemetery/Church Grounds

Nominating Committee Report **Election of Council Members**

Election of Nominating Committee

Election of Audit Committee

Election of Synod Assembly Delegates Election of Endowment & Memorials

Presentation of 2023 Budget

Unfinished Business

New Business

External Audit/Finance

Future Ministry Opportunities

Approval of 2023 Budget

Closing Prayers

Adjournment

Updated: January 5, 2023

2022 WEST NIDAROS LEADERSHIP DIRECTORY

* = Committee Chairperson ** = Staff Member

2022 Council Officers

President: Mike Bemboom Vice President: Jennie Criddle Council Secretary: Caitlin Brackey

Treasurer: Lynette Kautz

Financial Secretary: Trish Olthoff

2022 Council Members

Cheryl Anderson 2025
Mike Bemboom 2024
Caitlin Brackey 2023
Jennie Criddle 2024
Sheryl Engler 2025
Dean Fischer 2023
Ben Hasche 2023
Becky Langloss 2025
Chris Langloss 2024
Theresa Lien 2024
Jared Questad 2025
Janna Schneiderman 2023
Mike Wendland 2025

2022 Synod Assembly Delegates

Cheryl Anderson, Lynette Kautz

ADMINISTRATION

Council Rep – Chris Langloss & Jennie Criddle

Properties
Jerry Petersen
Troy Thompson
Jason Carls*
Jeff Watkins
Chad Moeller
Jim Norgaard
Tim Tiahrt
Dale Olthoff
Dean Fischer
Chris Langloss**
Jared Questad

Informational Technology

Darin Larson

Pr. Jared Rakness**

Endowment & Memorials

Jeff Oyen

Tim Renner – treasurer

Dawn Wendland Trish Olthoff

Joan Fischer

Pastor (non-voting)

Council Rep (non-voting)

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY

Council Rep – Caitlin Brackey

Christian Education

Kris Rise

Amber Fluth

Mindy Rezac

Caitlin Brackey

Jessi Rakness **

Youth & Family

Adam Guthmiller**

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Council Rep – Theresa Lien, Becky Langloss, & Mike Wendland

Health Ministry

Jill Rye

Kristy Hazel Joan Fischer Lavonne Burns

Bereavement

Sharon Hoekman

Funeral

Phyllis Falconer Leo Falconer Pat Kayser

Caring Friends

Cheryl Anderson

Local Ministry

Shirley McCormick Phyllis Falconer* Pat Kayser* Amber Kirkvold Cheryl Anderson **Becky Langloss**

Amy Oglesby Pam Petersen Janet Quaman

Stewardship

Theresa Lien

Mike Wendland

MISSION & OUTREACH

Council Rep – Mike Bemboom

Karin Renner

Nicole Questad

Cindy Johnson

Megan Faber*

Dana Sundal

WORSHIP & EVANGELISM

Council Rep – Ben Hasche & Janna Schneiderman

Worship Team

Kristi Stelter**

Membership

Jolene Wehde

Sharon Hoekman

Janna Schneiderman

Claudia Krumm

Heather Smith

Judi Egan

Home Communion

JoAnn Oyen

Ken & Patsy Burke

Cheryl Anderson

Pastor(s)

Volunteer Coordinator - Office Admin

Elise Hasche **

[Usher, Communion Set Up, Service Schedule

(Reader, Greeter, Name Tag)]

Hospitality

Audio Visual

Darin Larson

SUPPORT TEAMS

Council Rep – Sheryl Engler

Mutual Ministry

Office Admin
Sheryl Engler*
Lonnie Kocmick
Curt Hohman

History

Joan Eithreim Gary Brendtro Glenna Swier

Audit Committee

Jeff Oyen Terry Leraas Tim Tiahrt

Nominating Committee

Dale Olthoff Matt Meyerhoff Kent Johnson Nicole Questad

Library

Char Johnson Joni Schuler

ORGANIZATIONS

Council Rep – Chris Langloss, Dean Fischer, Jared Questad

WELCA

Chairperson: Jolene Wehde Secretary: Lorraine Hafstad Treasurer: Sharon Hoekman Mission Growth: Joan Eithreim Mission in Action: Jan Anderson

Cemetery

Dean Fischer*
Matt Meyerhoff
Robert Oyen
Jared Questad
Rob Whipple
Dale Olthoff
Kent Johnson
Doug Criddle

Wayne Laron, Sexton

Log Cabin

Vince Hanson*

Gary Brendtro – Treasurer

Replica Church

Chris Langloss *
Robert Oyen
Vince Hanson
Kathy Neeb
Ken Burke

Gary Brendtro – Treasurer

Altar Guild

President: JoAnn Oyen

Secretary/Treasurer: Pat Kayser

Sheryl Engler Arlis Fritz Cindy Johnson Claudia Krumm Gidget McAreavey

Kathy Neeb Alissa Nelson Trish Olthoff Jill Rye Diana Swier Shirley Dunlap

Scout Troop

Mike Bemboom

Annual Meeting 2021 Minutes Sunday, January 23, 2021

Present: 14 Zoom participants and 32 in the Sanctuary.

Call to Order: Mike B. called the meeting to order at 11:42 am.

Opening Devotions: Pastor Jared did opening devotions and a prayer.

Welcome: Mike B. and Pastor Jared welcomed all participants.

Approval of Agenda: Motion/Second to approve the agenda. Chris L./ Jennie C. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of January 2020 Annual Meeting: Motion to approve January 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes. Ben H./Jennie C. Motion carried.

Approval of reports: Motion to approve Reports of the Pastor, Director of Faith Formation, Director of Youth & Family Ministry, Director of Music Ministry, and Property Manager. Lynette K./Sheryl E. Motion carried.

Financial Secretary report: Trish O. reported that if you would like your giving statement sent to you more than just at year's end, please contact her. Motion to accept the Financial Secretary Report. Jim A./Kent J. Motion carried.

Treasurer report: Motion to accept the Treasurer Report. Chris L./ Cheryl A. Motion carried.

Audit Committee Report: Everything is in order. Receipts presented were reviewed and there were no inconsistencies. Motion to approve the Audit Committee Report. Jennie C./ Ben H. Motion carried.

Ministry Teams and Other Committee Reports: Motion to approve the Ministry Team reports. Cindy J./Cheryl A. Motion carried.

Support Committee Reports: Motion to approve the Cemetery/Church Grounds Report. Jim A./Chris L. Motion carried.

Organization Reports: Motion to approve the Organization Reports. Margaret T./Jennie C. Motion carried.

Election of Council Members: The Nominating Committee brings forward the following to serve on Council: Cheryl A., Becky L., Mike W., Jared Q., and Sheryl E. Motion that nominations cease and accept the slate as presented. Darin L./Cindy J.

Election of Nominating Committee: Dale O., Matt M., Kent J., and Nicole Q. have agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee again.

Election of the Audit Committee: Jeff O. Terry L. and Tim T volunteered. Motion that nominations cease and accept the slate as presented. Char J./Jennie C. Motion carried.

Election of Synod Assembly Delegates: Synod Assembly will be June 3rd and 4th at Our Savior's in Sioux Falls. Motion to elect Cheryl A. and Lynette K. as Synod Assembly Delegates. Dale O./Matt M. Motion carried.

Election of Endowment and Memorials Members: Motion to elect Trish O. and Joan F. as members to the Endowment and Memorials Committee. Ben H./Lynette K. Motion carried.

Presentation of the 2022 Budget: The Administration Committee recommended a 3% increase for the employees. Jeff O. suggested that 3% was not enough and suggested that employees be given a 5% increase. After discussion it was decided that the budget should move forward except for the employee compensation. Council members will get additional information on the cost difference between a 3% and 5% employee

increase, and then they will make the final decision as to the amount of increase for employees. Motion was made to have move the budget forward except for the employee compensation which will be decide by Council. Darin L./Matt M. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: Sheryl E. reported that the Constitution and Bylaws are being worked on.

New Business: Chris L. reported on Sanctuary Renovations and Updates. In order to preserve the organ, some HVAC renovations need to take place in the sanctuary and the organ room. Chris presented a proposal from Waterbury Heating and Cooling that came in around \$23000 for the necessary HVAC updates. After discussion a motion was made. Motion to approve the HVAC project for the Sanctuary and organ room. Jared Q./Tim T. Motion carried.

Parking Lot: Jim Anderson asked that paving of the parking lot moved up. Chris reported that he is getting bids and will bring the bids back to Council. Council will report back to the Congregation with their recommendations.

Approval of the Budget: Motion to approve the 2022 Budget. Jennie C./Nicole Q. Motion carried.

Closing Prayers: Pastor Jared.

Motion to adjourn. Jennie C./Ben H. Motion Carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:43 my Mike B.

Pastor Report Jared Rakness

Grace and peace to you from God the Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hebrews 13:8: Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

This has been an interesting year of ministry. With the pall of covid finally lifting we began to work toward getting things back to normal. A process that has proven to be very challenging. Judging by feedback from other pastors I feel West Nidaros is doing fairly well as we make our way out of the pandemic. Our worship attendance is close to our historical average, Sunday school, confirmation and other youth activities are essentially back to normal. I can't thank the leadership and our members enough for all that you have done to get us back on track as a congregation. Though we've come back strong we still have areas that we need to work on. Specifically, we need to rebuild our volunteer ministry, and we need to get our ministry teams back on track as we chart our path forward as a church.

Amid the challenges of this past year, we as a congregation undertook a project that has been on the wish list for decades, paving our east parking lot. Thanks to your financial support and the work of property manager Chris Langloss and the property committee we were able to finish this project by early summer and at this point we have paid for the cost of the paving and are close to raising our goal so that we can tithe 10% toward missions. Thank you to all who supported this project!

As I think about the new year, I find myself thinking about the opportunities for ministry that are before us. With the growth and changes our area is experiencing, how can we reach out and minister to our neighbors? How can we share Christ's love with all to this ever changing and growing environment? This year, I hope we as a congregation will take time to think about how we can reach out in the name of Jesus Christ to our community.

Thank you for all of the ways you support the ministry and work of West Nidaros Lutheran Church!

In Christ,

Pr. Jared Rakness

Director of Faith Formation Report Jessi Rakness

- Sunday school continued in January 2022 after a break for the holidays. Each month for the second half of the Sunday school year focuses on a different grade's milestone that they lead/present during 10:30 worship.
 - o January: 1st grade leads the Lord's Prayer
 - o February: 5th grade leads the Apostle's Creed
 - o March: Kindergarten leads the Benediction
 - o April: 2nd grade recites the Ten Commandments and 4th grade First Communion
 - o May: High school Senior Recognition Sunday where students receive a quilt from the quilters. (THANK YOU quilters)
 - o June: 6th grade Confirmation camp at Okoboji
- I lead the children's messages at both worship services.
- I attended high school graduation parties in May.
- iFaith Summer Edition was added this summer for 4th-6th grade students on Wednesdays in June and July. They did a service project at church or in the community in the morning and then spent the afternoon at Wild Water West. We had 10-15 students attend each week.
- Planned Vacation Bible School with the Board of Education. This year we changed the bible school age to preschool through 3rd grade students (4th-6th grade students had Summer iFaith on Wednesdays that they could attend). This is the fourth summer we have created our own lessons, crafts, snack, and game based on our own theme, "God is Strong." I wrote the bible lessons and the students learned about people in the bible who found their strength from God. THANK YOU to Caitlin Brackey for renting the bouncy house for us!
- I ordered water bottle stickers instead of keychains for the Blessing of the Backpacks during Worship in the Park.
- Planning GIFT Sundays GIFT stands for Growing In Faith Together. GIFT Sundays are for everyone of all ages in the congregation to come and learn together. On GIFT Sundays, instead of parents dropping off their student(s), they join them. There is not regular Sunday school classes on GIFT Sundays.
- iFaith is an energetic ministry that I lead EVERY Wednesday after school until 5:00. It's great to get together after school every Wednesday for a bible lesson, snack, games, and memorizing an important bible verse. We have about 12 students who consistently attend.
- Sunday school started in September. We're continuing to use the Whirl Lectionary curriculum, which I ordered in August. We begin in the sanctuary each Sunday at 9:35 with songs, a video, and lesson introduction. There are 2 or more co-teachers for each grade with 7th and 8th grade student helpers. Fall milestones:
 - September: 3rd grade students receive their Adventure Bible (THANK YOU to WELCA for purchasing the bibles)
 - October: 9th grade Celebration of Passage and Confirmation (THANK YOU to Elise for set up and music and to Kristi for music)
- Trunk or Treat was an outdoor event in the Family Life Center and church parking lot on October 29th. THANK YOU to the cars who handed out candy, donated cupcakes for the cupcake walk, and to Jason Carls for bringing the fire truck! In the Family Life Center, we had the cupcake walk, gourd painting, fall crafts, and more candy.
- The Christmas program and hot cocoa bar were on December 11th! Our program this year was having each student recite a line from the Christmas story. The students did a great job! We also added a student band. THANK YOU to Kristi for picking out the music and for leading them. THANK YOU to the Board of Education for their work with the hot cocoa bar!
- Write information for monthly The Reporter.
- Write a monthly council report.
- Communicate with parents and students on Facebook, through emails, phone calls, and texting. Send weekly
 emails to Sunday school teachers with information about the upcoming Sunday, supplies needed, and other
 events.

- Communicate Pastor Jared, Elise, Adam, and other people in leadership
- Pastoral care of students and families.
- Give visiting families "The Jesus Storybook Bible"
- Write letters of recommendation for scholarships and jobs
- The Board of Christian Education team is Caitlin Brackley, Kris Rise, Mindy Rezac, and Nicole Finnesand (Amber Fluth stepped down in September after many years of valuable service and Nicole Finnesand offered to take her place. THANK YOU Amber and Nicole!)

Thank you for valuing and being a part of Faith Formation and Christian Education at West Nidaros!!

Interim Director of Youth & Family Ministry/Intern Pastor Adam Guthmiller

Christ's peace to you,

It seems that *every* year brings about some changes — and yet our faith, our hope, and entire lives are embedded now in the One who remains firm in His faithfulness. Jesus Christ is the One who is our cornerstone, "chosen and precious, and whoever believes in Him will not be put to shame [1 Peter 2:6]. We — like the apostles, disciples, forefathers, and foremothers before us — go out into the world with the promise of forgiveness, salvation, and eternal life upon our lips. This year I continued in my role as Student/Interim Pastor, and also took upon the Interim position of Director of Youth and Family Ministry in the Fall of 2022 as Elise had stepped down from that. The new Youth Ministry position saw me take more pronounced role in:

- Leading, teaching, and creating curriculum for our 7th-8th grade Confirmation students.
- Staying connected with our students and parents through email and texting.
- Helping to confirm 15 9th grade students in the Lutheran faith on Reformation Sunday.
- Leading and planning for our weekly High School Ministry youth group; where we meet for a Christian lesson, participate in games, and allow our High Schoolers to enjoy the fellowship of our brothers and sister in Christ.
- I traveled with some of our Confirmation students to Okoboji Lutheran Bible [Ingham Okoboji Lutheran] for a weekend in the Fall. This was a wonderful time for our Confirmation students, as we gathered around the theme of Psalm 24:1, "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein." Songs, games, devotionals, and fellowship among old and new friends was had by all.
- We have also booked our Rainbow Trail Trip for the Summer of 2023 for our High Schools; and we look forward to a wonderful time in Colorado.

I have retained the duties that have been asked of me as Student/Intern Pastor. These include:

- Helping to plan worship and congregational activities.
- Preaching and presiding at worship.
- Visiting those who are homebound.
- Pastoral care.
- Teaching Bible studies on Wednesdays and Sundays.

I look forward to what 2023 has to bring us, as we continue our ministry of *Sharing Christ's Love With All*. It is with the promise of Jesus Christ – that His gospel "is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes [Romans 1:16]" – which gives to each of us the confidence to go about our vocations and ministry. Let us continue to find ourselves in the forgiveness and mercy of Jesus Christ.

In Christ,

Adam Guthmiller

Director of Youth & Family Ministry/Office Administrator Report Elise Hasche

Youth Ministry

- Originally, the 2022 summer trip was cancelled due to lack of interest. We later joined the Northern Rim Youth Group (consists of 7 churches outside of Sioux Falls) on a trip to Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp in Montana. This group met monthly and had a major fundraiser in May that paid for the bus transportation on the trip. We had 11 students & adults go from West Nidaros.
- Confirmation camp was held at Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp in Milford, IA. It was a great week! 13 students going into 7th grade participated. Thank you so much to WELCA for paying for this experience for these students.
- Staying connected with students and parents through email, texting, Facebook, and Instagram.
- After 20 years in youth ministry (4 summers at Bible camp, 16 years in church ministry), I decided it was time to step away. My "last day" was August 31. Thank you West Nidaros for making the last 5 years of youth ministry for me some great years!

Office Administrator

- Started working a 30 hour work with as the Office Administrator in September.
- Create and update worship and announcement slideshow using the program Proclaim.
- Create The Reporter Newsletter each month to keep the congregation informed. Thankful for the ladies who help assemble it every month!
- Continue to update the church website weekly.
- Create weekly publications include worship bulletins, announcements, and the WN Weekly email.
- Continue to keep our Facebook page up to date with announcements, pictures, events, and other informative content.
- Created mailings and posters for children, youth & family, stewardship, WELCA, and anyone else who needs one. Continuing to make EDDM (Every Door Direct Mail) for big events like Easter, Christmas, and Fall Kickoff. Postcards are sent to everyone in the Baltic, Crooks, and Renner area.
- Been coordinating our service schedule. One goal for 2023 is to figure out a better way for volunteer ministry to work as many people do not respond to emails/text messages.
- Another goal for 2023 is to get the Planning Center app fully working so it can be used for communication amongst volunteers, staff, and church members as a whole.
- I reach out to potential new members who I have received a card about to welcome them and find ways for them to stay connected here.
- I continue to be the communication hub for youth ministry with sending emails and connecting with families.

Other Ministry

- Continue to help where needed in worship whether it be music, running slideshow or cameras!
- Continue to lead music with Sunday school students and for VBS.
- Help with funerals as needed (sound, music, etc).

In God's Grip, Elise Hasche

Director of Worship & Music Report Kristi Stelter

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness." Psalm 100:1

We can give our thanks to a faithful God for a year of gathering weekly to worship and enjoy the community that we have at West Nidaros. We also continue to be thankful for the live-streaming that occurs weekly, so those not able to be in church have the opportunity to hear the Word of God. It has been so encouraging to see how our worship attendance is remaining constant and our church family continues to grow. Those two factors do not just happen without the endless work and dedication of many people; both by the West Nidaros staff as well as the many volunteers in our church community.

Worship continues to be an area that can always use participation from the church community. This can be something as simple as "pressing the buttons" on the computer for the worship powerpoint, or serving as a reader, usher, greeter or assisting with the sound and live-stream. We encourage anyone to volunteer, as it makes our worship run even more smoothly.

I would like to express a well-deserved thanks and appreciation for the work and service of our faithful organists: Marge Hegge, Jill Rye, Barb Boone-Graves and Lavonne Burns. We are surely blessed to have these ladies in our midst to offer their talents as graciously as they do. I also want to offer my gratitude to the members of our contemporary worship team for leading us in worship. We are blessed by the talents and dedication of all these servant musicians! Because of these musicians, we are able to provide a variety of worship styles with the use of our ELW liturgy, contemporary and blended style of worship using the "Texas Kyrie" liturgy. The frequency of these worship styles for 2022 is as follows: Traditional (ELW liturgy): 47 worship services; 10 Contemporary worship services; 2 Blended worship services ("Texas Kyrie" liturgy).

It takes the commitment of so many to make worship happen, and worship is an integral piece to continue our mission of "Sharing Christ's Love with All". I am so very blessed to be a part of this ministry! The role and primary responsibilities of Director of Worship and Music for 2022 have included:

Worship Planning and Implementation:

- Collaboration with Pr. Jared and other staff to plan worship schedule
- Selecting hymns for traditional worship services
- Music selection and preparation for blended/contemporary worship
- Scheduling of organists
- Providing and assisting with worship accompaniment
- Providing keyboard accompaniment for blended/contemporary worship
- Arranging for special music during worship services

Other Monthly Responsibilities:

- Email communication to all musicians of West Nidaros, providing hymn and song lists for upcoming worship services as well as general information for all who are involved in the music ministry
- Prepare monthly report for review by the church council
- Provide accompaniment for special music when needed

Detailed Listing of Responsibilities and Activities by Month:

January:

- Provided worship accompaniment: Jan 9, 30
- Attended Annual Meeting January 23

February:

- Provided and/or assisted worship accompaniment: Feb 13, 27
- Children's Choir rehearsals
- Attended Congregational Meeting February 27

March:

- Provided worship accompaniment: Mar 20
- Children's Choir rehearsals
- Communication with Marilyn Schempp regarding Memorial Organ Concert
- Attended Memorial Organ Concert March 13

April:

- Recruited musicians for Easter worship services
- Prepared and rehearsed music for instrumentalists for Easter worship service
- Provided worship accompaniment: Apr 10
- Rehearsals for Children's Choir
- Directed Children's Choir and Contemporary Singers for Palm Sunday Worship
- Played and led musicians for Easter Sunday worship

May:

- Directed Children's Choir for May 8 worship
- Provided worship accompaniment: May 1, 15

June:

• Provided worship accompaniment: June 5

July:

- Provided worship accompaniment: July 10
- Registered contemporary music per CCLI license requirement

August:

Attended Ministry Team Meeting August 24

September:

- Provided worship accompaniment: Sep 4
- Registered contemporary music per CCLI license requirement

October:

- Provided worship accompaniment: Oct 2
- Provided music and accompaniment for Rite of Passage service Oct 26
- Registered contemporary music per CCLI license requirement
- Prepared music for Christmas program band students

November:

• Rehearsed with Middle School instrumental musicians

December:

- Provided and/or assisted in worship accompaniment: Dec 11, 18, 24
- Rehearsed and led the middle school instrumental band for the Sunday School Christmas program

Prayerfully submitted, Kristi Stelter,

Property Manager Chris Langloss

West Nidaros had another very busy year, to say the least! Here is a list of projects that we completed this year:

HVAC in the balcony
Re-roofed the garage
Remodeled Pastor Jared's office
Put in a new parking lot with curb and gutter
Repaired stained glass window
3 new trees

This list contains completed projects but does not reflect the ongoing maintenance of the property. We have ongoing HVAC things that are addressed as they come up. We will have a snow removal cost for the new parking lot. Our facility is well used, and I feel that is a good thing! Our custodian, with help from her family, does a good job keeping our facility clean. We are blessed to have them!

As I look forward to the upcoming year, I know there will be projects and challenges that arise but I don't fear them! We are a strong congregation and together we can overcome anything that comes our way! I want to thank all of the folks that do so many things behind the scenes here at West and you know who you are! To all the volunteers that help out with projects and "emergencies", I can't thank you enough!

I would like to say thank you to West Nidaros for letting me serve in this capacity, God's Blessings to you all!

Chris Langloss

West Nidaros Lutheran Church Records & Statistics from 2022

Baptisms:

Rozlyn Ann Boysen

Clay Oschner

Laynee Lou Questad

Connor Keith Glasford

Oslo Edmund Bauder

Charles Ramstad

Cade Scott Korgstad

Thomas Janson Yde

Affirmation of Baptism:

Emma Albright Karsten Moller Emily Wenzel

Tristen Bunde Konner Moller
Graham Eisenberg Dale Olthoff
Sophia Even Kayda Olthoff
Danika Fluth Aynsley Pullman
Elijah Kendig Brody Thompson
Christopher Lee Hailey Tiahrt

Weddings:

Hannah Even & Noah Burke

Jayda Tidemann & Samuel Muston

Deaths/Funerals:

Larry Moe

Tanya DuBois

Transfer In:

Gwen & Jeremy Smith (Adyllen, Elliana, Jace)

Blake & Erin Boysen (Rozlyn)

Jared & Mindy Hill (Avery & Reagan)

Kristy & Luke Loen (Ari, Elyse, Grady, Quinn)

Dennis Holtz & Connie Stenzel

Kristi Stelter

Bob & Judi Egan

Brenda Lawrence

Beth Emmons

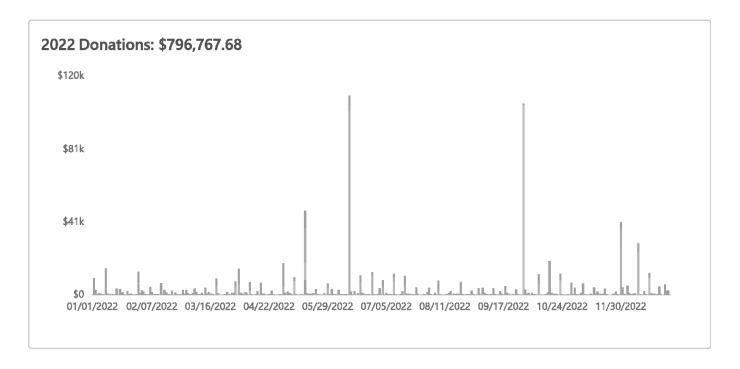
Brain & Melanie Paape (Felicia & Isaac)

Lars Olson

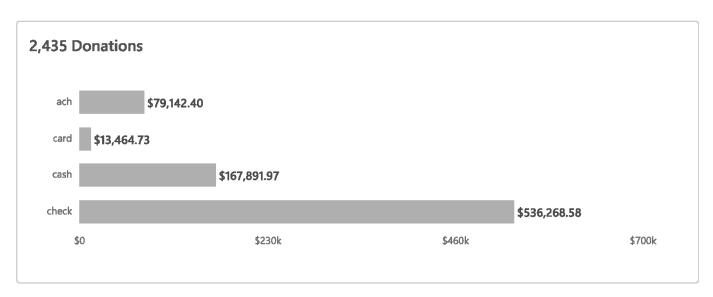
Average Worship Attendance:

2013: 180	2016: 170	2019: 192	2022: 190
2014: 184	2017: 206	2020: 192	
2015: 191	2018: 195	2021: 190	

Financial Secretary Report







Treasurer's Report

OPERATING AND SPECIAL FUNDS

December 2022

		Income	Expense	Totals
OPERATING FUND	(\$18,868.26)	\$46,288.00	\$35,837.30	(\$8,417.56)
SPECIAL FUNDS				
Altar Guild	\$5,158.87		\$103.50	\$5,055.37
Capital Improvement	\$1,719.50	\$100.25		\$1,819.75
Cemetery Fund	\$0.00			\$0.00
Cookie Jar Fund	\$340.73	\$521.09		\$861.82
Endowed Money-Undesignated	\$229,900.73			\$229,900.73
Endowed Money-Earmarked	\$8,170.03		\$8,170.03	\$0.00
Health Ministry	\$1,100.00			\$1,100.00
History Committee Memorial	\$0.00			\$0.00
Horizon Fund	\$200.00	\$200.00		\$400.00
Horizon Fund Grants	\$31,276.24		\$6,836.11	\$24,440.13
Mission & Outreach	\$1,670.54	\$550.00		\$2,220.54
Local Ministries	\$0.00	\$310.00	\$119.93	\$190.07
Log Cabin	\$70.00	\$200.00		\$270.00
Luther Youth Orgainzation	(\$1,056.96)	\$100.00		(\$956.96)
Misc	\$175.00			\$175.00
Missionary Support	\$100.00	\$50.00		\$150.00
Organ Fund	\$0.00			\$0.00
Parking Lot	(\$18,386.65)	\$23,668.85		\$5,282.20
Replica Church	\$0.00			\$0.00
Stained Glass Windows	\$0.00			\$0.00
Sunday School Offering	(\$64.31)		\$38.00	(\$102.31)
Thrivent	\$1,344.62			\$1,344.62
Undesignated Memorials	\$13,194.07		\$1,000.00	\$12,194.07
Balance on Hand All Funds	\$256,044.15	\$71,988.19	\$52,104.87	\$275,927.47

Operating Fund 2022

Month	Actual Monthly Income	Actual Monthly Expenses	Actual Year to Date Income	Actual Year to Date Expenses
January	\$37,170.16	\$30,024.45	\$37,170.16	\$30,024.45
February	\$28,363.02	\$27,927.17	\$65,533.18	\$57,951.62
March	\$21,822.29	\$45,351.53	\$87,355.47	\$103,303.15
April	\$32,086.85	\$32,393.67	\$119,442.32	\$135,728.31
May	\$40,288.09	\$35,424.12	\$159,730.41	\$171,152.43
June	\$24,172.25	\$32,118.55	\$183,902.66	\$203,270.98
July	\$29,473.61	\$34,483.77	\$213,376.27	\$237,754.75
August	\$24,491.35	\$32,415.86	\$237,867.62	\$270,170.61
September	\$24,464.01	\$36,232.37	\$262,331.63	\$306,402.98
October	\$50,543.79	\$28,806.46	\$312,875.42	\$335,209.44
November	\$24,389.92	\$36,271.11	\$337,265.34	\$371,480.55
December	\$46,288.00	\$35,837.30	\$283,553.34	\$407,317.85

Endowned Money Distribution 2022

Name	Amount
Augustana University	\$250.00
Baltic Food Bank	\$250.00
Charis Ministry Partners	\$250.00
Tri Valley After Prom Party	\$125.00
Familly Connection	\$150.00
Feeding South Dakota	\$250.00
Lutheran Leadership Foundaton	\$10,000.00
Lutheran Social Services	\$750.00
Lutherans Outdoors	\$600.00
Shetek Lutheran Ministries	\$600.00
St Dysmas	\$200.00
South Dakota Synod	\$8,500.00
Missionary Support	\$1,500.00
ELCA Disaster Relief	\$500.00
ELCA World Hunger	\$500.00
The Banquet	\$250.00
Stained Glass Window Repair	\$1,544.25
West Nidaros Church Ministries	\$29,672.00
Pastor office refresh	\$6,538.06
	\$62,429.31

Ministry Team Reports

Administration

ADMINISTRATION TEAM REPORT

Current Members: Lonnie Kocmick, Curt Hohman, Sheryl Engler

Updated and presented 2022 Council orientation handbook.

Verified that all staff annual evaluations were completed and filed.

Insurance claim filed by Property Manager. Closed without payment. (under deductible)

Collected and filed background checks on adults going on the youth trip, teaching Sunday School and Confirmation mentors.

Submitted 2023 budget request and staff salary increase recommendations for approval.

Arranged coverage for church office as necessary.

Constitution/Bylaws project placed on hold.

Prepared team report for the annual meeting

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE REPORT

(See Property Manager report)

ENDOWMENT & MEMORIAL FOUNDATION REPORT

No report submitted.

Congregational Care

LOCAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Members: Phyllis Falconer, Pat Kayser, Pam Peterson, Shirley McCormick, Jan Quamen, Becky Langloss, Amy Ogelsby, Amber Kirkvold

Teacher Appreciation was celebrated in May of 2022 by providing treats to all teachers and kids attending Sunday School.

Church picnic was held in August of 2022 with Benton Lutheran joining us. During the worship service, the blessing of the backpacks took place and we had a picnic lunch following.

The church was decorated for the Advent/Christmas season in late November. We also sold poinsettias in memory of loved one that also helped the church look festive.

HEALTH MINISTRY ANNUAL REPORT

Committee Members: Deb Whipple, Kristy Hazel, Joan Fischer, Lavonne Burns, Cheryl Anderson, Jill Rye

Weekly Exercise Classes are led by Deb Whipple. Stretch and Pray sessions were led by Shirley McCormick. Additional equipment has been purchased for these programs as they grow. Thanks to Deb and Shirley for their commitment to this ministry.

Faith Family and Friend ministry is supported by Cheryl Anderson. She has sent a total of 143, this is up from 83 in 2021. The cards are sent to elderly members of the congregation and those unable to attend worship regularly.

- Birthday (31)
- Get Well/Thinking of you (13)
- Thinking of You (17)
- Wedding/Anniversary (4)
- Easter (28)
- Thanksgiving (22)
- Christmas (28)

The committee members planned a Parent Confirmation education event and meal on November 16. Members of the Call to Freedom organization were invited provided education to the group on the dangers of human trafficking. Future education for Confirmation students will include substance abuse and suicide.

The committee members continued to monitor any changes in the COVID precautions for worship and gatherings. The Health Ministry Committee will continue to support the Church Council and staff on issues regarding any updates in Public Health restrictions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Rye

Mission & Outreach

EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS REPORT

Members: Megan Faber (Chair), Karin Renner, Nicole Questad, Cindy Johnson, Dana Sundal

2022 Tasks Completed

- February 13th- Completed Soup Fundraiser for SOUPER Bowl, all proceeds went to local food banks.
- April 7th- Volunteered at Mobile Food to You Distribution with Benton Lutheran- Made \$500 donation to Mobile Food to You- to Fund Food in Giveaway Boxes for evening and also donated boxes of cereal to donate to distribution boxes as that was the food of the month
- June 7th- Volunteered at Banquet in Collaboration with Willow Creek, able to make 500 dollar donation to cover costs from evening as well as support banquet mission
- November 19th made winter trip for year to Horse Creek in collaboration with Benton Lutheran and Willow Creek- Provided Thanksgiving Dinner Meal Box to 60 families, as well as games for each family, presents for children of horse creek, health kits (Provided by Health Ministry Team) and some more donated goods from churches
- Continue to Donate Kids Offering During Church to Different Organizations Including Baltic Food Bank, Local Families, Camp Ministries, Horse Creek Mission, St Dysmas, Global ELCA Missions

Respectfully Submitted, Megan Faber

Worship & Evangelism

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

No report submitted.

Support Committee Reports

CEMETERY/CHURCH GROUNDS REPORT

The Cemetery and Grounds Committee in 2022 consisted of Dean Fischer, Matt Meyerhoff, Robert Oyen, Kent Johnson, Jared Questad, Rob Whipple Dale Olthoff and Doug Criddle.

Projects that the Cemetery and Grounds Committee undertook in 2022:

We continue to over-seed gravesites as necessary.

Over-seeded the areas affected by the parking lot construction

Sprayed grounds for weeds

Planted 3 new trees on the north side of the road that were damaged by high winds. We had 3 new trees planted in front of the church and 1 evergreen planted on the westside of the cemetery

Snow removal

New shingles on the garage roof

Had a surveillance camera installed overlooking cemetery grounds

Donated \$10,000.00 for the parking lot project

All of the mowing and edging of the cemetery is done by Superturf Inc. In 2022 we spent a total of \$8,882.50 on mowing and maintenance.

Goals for 2023 Include:

Install a shut off valve/hydrant to turn water off to cemetery in the winter

Repair concrete entrance to the garage

Repair garage door

Assist with fixing the retaining wall

Seek bids from other mowing companies

At the end of 2022 the balance in our 1st National Checking account was \$6,385.64 with \$3,380.50 in deposits made.

We also have a Mission Investment Checking account and the ending balance was \$31,627.31

If you have any interest in being involved with this committee we are always looking for volunteers. Contact anyone on the committee or any of the church staff.

Thank you to everyone who assisted our committee this past year.

Respectfully submitted, Dean Fischer & Matt Meyerhoff.

Organization Reports

ALTAR GUILD REPORT

Ours is a service of beauty for our church and a blessed one; a labor of love in the church.

Members: JoAnn Oyen, Pat Kayser, Cindy Johnson, Trish Olthoff, Dee Oyen, Allisa Nelson, Jill Rye, Arlis Fritz, Sheryl Engler, Gidget McAreavey, Kathy Neeb, Diana Swier, Shirley Dunlap (new member)

Members are assigned a month for which they are responsible for weekly duties and cleaning the altar and keeping the oil candles filled with oil as well as changing the altar paraments according to the church seasons, preparing for baptisms and providing baptism items. Members are also responsible for the smaller altar that is located in the Martin Luther room and also the altar used in the Family Life Center.

The Altar Guild provides a baptismal napkin, a baptismal candle, and card to each child baptized as a reminder of their baptismal day. We thank Kathy Neeb for making the napkins and Bob Hempel for personalizing each napkin with a cross. We also give each child a baptismal box which is made by Ron Hegge.

Flowers on the altar are also Altar Guild responsibility. We thank Sheryl Engler for making sure we have beautiful bouquets every week.

Altar Guild received \$3,500.00 from the Endowment Grant this year for which we are very thankful. We purchased a baptismal banner and refurbished candle sticks and candelabras. Also purchased new oil candles. This grant money is greatly appreciated.

Altar Guild continues to take orders for Easter flowers. Those purchasing plants are given the opportunity to give them in honor or memory of someone or for a special occasion. Thanks to all who support our fundraiser. This project helps to support the work of the Altar Guild which includes purchasing oil for the candles and baptismal napkins. We also purchase paraments, altar cloths, candles for Christmas service, flowers and other supplies as needed.

Officers: President – JoAnn Oyen Secretary – Pat Kayser

Respectfully submitted, Pat Kayser

WEST NIDAROS WOMEN OF THE ELCA REPORT

West Nidaros Women continue to be a faithful, dedicated, diverse group of ladies in 2022.

In March it was decided to rename our group to Tack, Pack, Snack and Yak—and here is what this means— TACK—piecing, sewing and tying quilts for Lutheran World Relief and many local organizations including Horse Creek, victims of house fires, homeless, veterans, Children's Inn and more; PACK—collecting, sorting, purchasing materials to pack into Baby Kits, Health Kits, Fabric kits, School Kits, and bandages for Global Health and Lutheran World Relief; SNACK— we all need nourishment and a cup of coffee or two; YAK—we provide much needed fellowship to unite with our sisters!

Each Tuesday we have about 20 women gather and we are inviting ALL women to come and join us anytime, even if it's just for a cup of coffee.

We served soup supper during Lenten season with proceeds going to our Pave the Parking Lot fund. We observed National Quilting Day with a quilt give-away and Dave Quamen was the recipient.

The crisis in the Ukraine found us gathering Health Kits for those refugees; donations of towels and bars of soap were greatly appreciated.

Quilts for graduating seniors were completed and presented to them on May 1st during Senior Recognition Sunday followed by cake and refreshments for family/friends.

Historic Nidaros Church Tour was held on June 14th with about 60 women (few men) going to all four of the Nidaros Churches and hearing a brief history of each church and celebrating the faith of our pioneer ancestors. Food and fellowship was enjoyed by all. Brandon, Beaver Valley, Split Rock, Renner, Baltic, East and West Nidaros churches participated.

Confirmation camp was attended by 13 students (sixth graders) at Okoboji Lutheran Camp and their campership fees are funded entirely by our women's group. We sincerely hope this camping experience helps to enrich their Christian faith. Rolls for Campers is one way for you to contribute.

Thirteen women enjoyed a warm summer day in August to visit Shakespeare Gardens and Cottage in Wessington Springs, heard the history of the gardens and enjoyed the lovely flowers. Incidentally enroute home we stopped to see Jim/ Betty Anderson's new home in Mitchell.

Harvest Supper each fall is our main fundraiser and was enjoyed by many—thanks again to all who helped before, during and after the supper or who contributed with foods, crafts or monetary donations. We made our own lefse this year which again provided an opportunity for fellowship for this event. (Our Harvest Supper report can be found along with our Treasurer's Report.)

Bibles presented to all third graders and assembling school kits are another two projects for our fall agenda. We appreciated the help of our 5th graders in assembling over 100 school kits.

Cookie/Candy sale was a huge success and again we thank you for donating and/or purchasing cookies/candies and for those who are always willing to help before and after our projects. Funds raised go directly to the Campership Fund.

Thank you to all of our West Nidaros family for another busy but rewarding year. We ask and pray for your continued support in 2023 as we continue to "Share Christ's Love With All".

We send out this invitation for all women of West Nidaros to join us for our gatherings:

9:00 a.m. every Tuesday morning is our project day. Coffee is at 10:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. the second Tuesday (April thru December) is our WELCA meeting/brunch

10:00 a.m. the 4th Tuesday of the month—we help Elise assemble <u>The Reporter</u>

1:30 p.m. on the 4th Wednesday of the month—WELCA Bible Study in Heritage Dining Room—all are welcome!

Respectfully submitted by Jolene Wehde and Sharon Hoekman

BENEVOLENT GIFTS GIVEN BY WEST NIDAROS WOMEN/ELCA IN 2022
Campus Ministry, Augustana \$100.00
Campus Ministry, USD 100.00
Campus Ministry, SDSU 100.00
Campership Fund
Call to Freedom500.00
Church on the Street
ELCA Disaster Fund 300.00
ELCA Good Gifts
ELCA Missionary Support 1,000.00
Family Connection
Feeding South Dakota 500.00
First Lutheran Media Ministry 50.00
Global Health Ministries 300.00
Heartland Ephphatha 50.00
Human Services of SD 50.00
Life/Faith (KNWC)
Local School Support300.00
Luther House of Study 500.00
Lutherans Outdoors 325.00
Lutheran Social Services
LWR, shipping kits 300.00
Our Saviors Media Ministry 50.00
Shetek Lutheran Ministries 325.00
St. Dysmas & Christmas Sack Project 550.00
Union Gospel Mission
World Hunger 800.00
TOTAL \$8,550.00

WELCA MISSION ACTION REPORT

Worldwide - sent to Lutheran World Relief

144 quilts for LWR

86 baby care kits

103 school kits

41 personal care kits

17 Fabric sewing kits

Bandages for Global Health Ministries – 17.5 lbs of bandages (made from sheets)

Locally within South Dakota

17 quilts & 2 layettes for Children's Inn

17 quilts for St. Frances House

4 Quilts for Ronald McDonald house

20 Quilts for Horse Creek

21 quilts to West Nidaros seniors

8 Quilts for McCrossen Boy's Ranch

7 Quilts to Church on the Street

6 Quilts to Union Gospel Mission

98 Pet Beds out of pillow cases for Humane Society

47 Jump Ropes (made from t-shirts)

THANK YOU for sharing your LOVE with neighbors around the world and in our local areas!

WOMEN OF THE ELCA TREASURER'S REPORT

Offerings, Bible Study & WELCA offering	Balance on INCOME:	Hand, January 1, 2022		\$4,295.30
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REPLICA CHURCH ANNUAL REPORT

No report submitted.

REPLICA CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT

Assets:

FNB – Balance ending 12/31/21 \$1,820

Expenses:

West Nidaros Cemetery Fund \$150

Cheryl Anderson – Supplies \$37

Tru Green Lawn Care – 5 applications \$413

Total Expenses \$600

FNB Balance ending 12/31/22 \$1,220

WN Nidaros Replica Church ELCA Endowment Fund

Beginning balance 12/31/21 \$157,619

Expenses:

West Nidaros parking lot \$11,000

minus investment losses (- \$19,553)

Balance as of 11/30/2022 \$127,066

Gary Brendtro, Treasurer for WN Replica Church

HANSON-OYEN LOG CABIN REPORT

No report submitted.

West Nidaros Lutheran Church Proposed Operating Budget 2023

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			Actual Amount Paid by Endowed Funds 2022		Proposed Amount Paid by Endowed Funds 2023
<u>Missions</u>	Budget 2022	Actual 2022		Proposed 2023	
Augustana College	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$250.00
Baltic Food Bank	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	
Banquet	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	
Charis Ministry	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	
Community Activities	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$125.00	\$250.00	
Crooks Fire Department	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$125.00	\$250.00	
ELCA Disaster Relief	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	
Family Connection	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$300.00	
Feeding South Dakota	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	
Lutherans Outdoors	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$600.00	\$1,200.00	•
Luther House of Study	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	
Luther House of Study Lutheran Social Services	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$750.00	\$1,500.00	•
Missionary Support	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00	
Shetek Bible Camp	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$600.00	\$1,200.00	•
South Dakota Synod	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$8,500.00	\$20,000.00	
St. Dysmas	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$200.00	\$400.00	
World Hunger	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	
Total Expenses M&E	\$42,600.00	\$42,600.00	Ψ500.00	\$42,600.00	
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<u>Administration</u>					
Conventions	\$750.00	\$598.32		\$700.00	
Council Orientation	\$100.00	\$0.00		\$100.00	
Custodial Mileage	\$50.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	
Faith Formation Cont Ed	\$500.00	\$430.36		\$500.00	
Faith Formation Mileage	\$250.00	\$464.83		\$500.00	
Financial Secretary	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00	
Music Ministry Continuing Ed	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00	
Organist	\$3,000.00	\$2,200.00		\$3,000.00	
Pastor Base Salary	\$52,491.00	\$46,163.36		\$54,741.00	
Pastor Contingency	\$2,000.00	\$106.58		\$1,500.00	
Pastor Continuing Education	\$1,200.00	\$1,213.89		\$1,200.00	
Pastor Housing Allowance	\$26,246.00	\$32,333.48		\$27,371.00	
Pastor Mileage	\$6,000.00	\$4,361.58		\$6,000.00	
Pastor Pension & Insurance	\$42,430.00	\$42,397.27		\$44,051.00	
Pastor SS Reimbursement	\$6,024.00	\$6,006.16		\$6,282.00	
Pastoral Supply	\$800.00	\$462.50		\$1,000.00	
Office Manager Mileage	\$50.00	\$0.00		\$50.00	
Treasurer	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00	
Youth & Family Continuing Ed	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00	
Youth & Family Mileage	\$1,000.00	\$395.00		\$1,000.00	
Total Expenses Admin	\$147,891.00	\$141,133.33		\$152,995.00	
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<u>Committees</u>					
Administration-office	\$15,955.00	\$13,586.12		\$16,636.00	
Endowment	\$100.00	\$0.00		\$100.00	
Faith Formation Ministry	\$7,500.00	\$6,262.01		\$7,000.00	
Grounds	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00	
Congregational Care	\$1,500.00	\$112.65		\$1,000.00	

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(Revised Operating Expenses- Projected Income)	\$2,713.00				
Revised Operating Expenses (Total operating expenses - Total paid from Endowed Money) Deficit	\$413,562.00				
Total Projected Income	\$410,849.00		Remaining End	lowed Funds	\$39,524.00
Endowed Income Used	\$66,029.00				
Projected 2023 Income Congregational Giving	\$344,820.00		Endowed Money	Recived 2022	\$105,553.00
Total paid from Er	ndowed Money		\$54,472.00		\$66,029.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$469,911.00	\$432,242.85		\$479,591.00	
Total Expenses Employees	\$174,065.00	\$159,788.27		\$180,335.00	
Payroll Tax Expense	\$12,050.00	\$11,252.08		\$11,800.00	
Part Time Pastor	\$12,500.00	\$0.00	\$3,150.00	\$0.00	
Properties Manager	\$26,000.00	\$24,333.28	\$5,300.00	\$27,170.00	\$9,510.00
Director Faith Formation	\$33,574.00	\$33,466.50	\$8,444.00	\$35,085.00	\$12,280.00
Director Youth and Family Ministry	\$0.00		\$5,740.00	\$25,000.00	\$8,750.00
Office Manager	\$45,522.00	\$40,924.56		\$33,440.00	
Custodial Staff	\$16,244.00	\$10,393.20		\$16,950.00	
Director Music Minsitry	\$15,350.00	\$9,285.40	\$3,888.00	\$16,040.00	\$5,614.00
Intern Pastor	\$12,500.00	\$29,833.36	\$3,150.00	\$14,500.00	\$5,075.00
Employees Direct Deposit Fees	\$325.00	\$299.89		\$350.00	
Total Expenses Utilities	\$50,500.00	\$48,115.98		\$53,600.00	
Water	\$950.00	\$1,011.00		\$1,000.00	
Telephone/Computer	\$6,000.00	\$5,973.00		\$6,000.00	
Snow Removal	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00	
Kitchen Supplies	\$400.00	\$189.00		\$400.00	
Insurance	\$11,500.00	\$10,923.52		\$12,000.00	
Garbage	\$900.00	\$919.64		\$950.00	
Fuel	\$14,500.00	\$16,249.75		\$20,000.00	
Electricity	\$8,000.00	\$8,382.00		\$8,500.00	
Custodial Supplies	\$1,750.00	\$1,400.53		\$1,750.00	
<u>Utilities</u> Audio Visual/IT	\$6,000.00	\$3,067.54		\$2,500.00	
Total Expenses Committees	\$54,855.00	\$40,605.27		\$50,061.00	
Youth & Family Ministry	\$5,500.00	\$3,749.15		\$5,000.00	
Worship & Devotional Life	\$2,000.00	\$1,174.40		\$1,500.00	
Stewardship	\$2,550.00	\$420.32		\$750.00	
Properties	\$14,000.00	\$10,723.01		\$13,500.00	
Mission & Outreach	\$3,000.00	\$2,697.92		\$2,000.00	
Membership	\$1,200.00	\$1,636.76		\$1,200.00	
Meal Ministry	\$300.00	\$128.43		\$275.00	
Local Minstry	\$750.00	\$114.50		\$600.00	

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDING BISHOP ELIZABETH EATON



Dear friends in Christ,

We have seen many changes throughout the years and throughout the world. Sometimes we've been left yearning for the days when things didn't feel so complicated. Other times, we have seen something new happen and have asked, "Why did this take so long?" The church has been through its own changes as well. Some of these have left us wishing for simpler times while others have us waiting for even more to come about.

But, dear church, God still is unchanging. God's love is still the foundation on which the church was built. While we have seen many changes, both in the world and at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the eternal love of God and the good news that dwells with Christ's death and resurrection continue to provide hope for everyone. This is why our mission remains steadfast, whether that is through our traditional mission work in places near and far or from new ventures and visions that encourage us to think of different ways to reach even more people.

The writer of Hebrews reminds us: "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God" (13:16). That could not be truer in the work we have been doing in each expression of the church. Your gifts continue to benefit the good work of spreading the good news throughout your communities, your synods and the whole church. We are all answering the call to continue to do good work with the help of your support, whether that is through your resources, your time or your talents.

I am grateful for your generous support of each expression of the church. God calls all of us to continue to do the good work, and you continue to answer that call. We also continue to join you in that call and will remain true to looking toward God's unchanging promise. There is still much change and learning that will come before us, but God's steadfast love energizes us for the work God is still doing in the world through this church.

In Christ,

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton

Presiding Bishop

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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South Dakota Synod

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Dear South Dakota Synod,

Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit! On behalf of the 200 partner congregations and worshipping communities in South Dakota, your two companion synods, Cameroon and Nicaragua, and your 64 synod partners across the ELCA, I would like to thank you for your partnership. Together we have faithfully shared the Gospel of Jesus Christ with "all nations" (Matthew 28:19).



Please know that your local ministry has touched people's lives and hearts. Every item you donated to your local food ministry, every Sunday school lesson you prepared and taught, every quilt you assembled, every cup of coffee you poured at a funeral luncheon, and every other way you served your neighbor in Christ's name has touched someone else in Christ's name. You may not think much of it, but be assured that every kind gesture, every caring act, and every kind word is a faithful response to the faith God's Holy Spirit ignites in you. Thank you, for living out your faith in these various ways in your local context.

Together with the 200 partner congregations and worshipping communities in the South Dakota Synod, we also continue to be able to reach even farther than anyone's own local context, and, together, make a positive impact in Christ's name in all parts of our Synod. Please take a look at the "Ministry Celebration" insert that was included in our annual year end mailing. It will give you a numerical snapshot of the many things we have accomplished together as the South Dakota Synod. Thank you for being a partner in this journey.

Personally, I am grateful for your support of my rural ministry emphasis. Because of your generosity and your synod council's courage, I was able extend a call to Pastor Alan Blankenfeld to serve as the first "South Dakota Synod Rural Liaison". This position is not funded through the synod's mission plan but instead through your generosity and in part through "Listen God's Calling" capital campaign resources. Because of your generosity, Pastor Alan has impacted and continues to impact rural communities in big ways. You may want to be careful if he asks you out for coffee, though, because he is known for planting and cultivating the seed of answering the call to ordained ministry.

We are also able to look back on a successful inaugural "Farm to Table Dinner," at which we raised over \$100,000.00 for Rural Ministry support. Through these gifts, and your synod council's support of Pastor Greg Johnson in his sabbatical project, we are now also able to offer you a free five-part study called "A Life of Faith," which can be used in a variety of ways. You can check out the series on the synod's webpage www.sdsynod.org. And finally, I am delighted to announce to you that, because of a generous donor, the South Dakota Synod was able to establish the first "Rural Ministry Sustainability Endowment." As it grows, it will assure that the Gospel of new life in Christ can be shared for generations to come.

In closing, let me share with you my deep sense of gratitude for the opportunity to serve the synod as your Bishop with a deep passion for rural ministry in times such as these. I am grateful for the call, your partnership in ministry and the grace of God, which sustains us in our daily life. Thanks be to God!

Journeying with you,

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2022 MINISTRY CELEBRATION



Our Synod's vision of Journeying Together in Christ has continued to focus our work. We invite you to take a few moments to review the list below which celebrates some of the ministry we shared together in 2022. **Journeying together in Christ as the South Dakota Synod, in 2022 we:**

- Walked with a new start congregation, **Spirit of Hope, in Scotland, SD,** called their mission developer and found a site to worship, as they had outgrown their house.
- Continued to partner with the **McLaughlin Community Alliance Group**, a non-profit utilizing the building of Redeemer Lutheran Church for the empowerment of the community.
- Began exploration for two new potential church plants, with Box Elder and Shepherd's Table in Sioux Falls.
- Walked with the **30** people in various stages of **Candidacy** and have 3 new entrance interviews scheduled in January
- Received 9 new first call candidates.
- Completed 28 Ministry Site Studies and extended 41 calls!
- Ensured that nearly every congregation has a called pastor, interim pastor, Synod Authorized Minister, or lay leader to care for God's people (thank you to all of you who are helping out with area congregations and filling in!)
- Distributed \$60,201 through the Seminary Debt Reduction Program.
- Granted \$124,290 in scholarship funds to seminary students plus \$20,000 in internship site assistance.
- Received **\$102,000** in grants from ELCA Christian Community & Leadership.
- Distributed 37 disaster recovery micro-grants for \$18,800 to congregations in need of repairs or community relief after natural disasters. In addition, Beaver Valley Lutheran Church received \$22,000 from Lutheran Disaster Response and \$10,000 from Synod Storm Recovery funds for tornado recovery.
- Held a **Synod Assembly**, where we gathered again as a community to conduct the business of the synod.
- Hosted Spring and Fall Theological Conferences, where we continued to support the continuing education of our Rostered Ministers either online or in-person.
- Continued to invest in **FaithX**, a community mapping tool for congregations to see hard data about their neighborhoods and learn more about their neighbors.
- Supported the congregations and ministries of the synod through visits by synod staff, both digitally and in-person.
- Created new synod staff positions including a Rural Ministry Liaison to journey with our rural ministry sites. In the
 past year, the Rural Ministry Liaison has worked directly with 10 communities and 19 congregations.
- Held an inaugural **Farm to Table Dinner and Auction** which resulted in gifts and pledges of almost **\$100,000** to support rural ministry in South Dakota.

Thank you for all the ways you have supported the ministry of the South Dakota this past year! God has called us to be the body of Christ together, and this is an active and healthy body. We look forward to continuing our journey with you in 2023 and beyond!

In 2019, we listened to you and learned from you in order for us to care for you as the body of Christ in South Dakota. As we live into the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic, many things that were said in 2019 are ever more present.

Here's what we found out:

What gives you joy?

- Milein
- Multi-generational ministry opportunities
- Purposeful gatherings
- · Purposeful volunteering
- The Gospel

What keeps you up at night?

- Economic hardships
- Polarization in our society
- Mental Health
 Fear for the future of "the Church"

How do you envision your relationship with the synod staff?

- Resources
- Relationships
 - Programs
- Communication
- Faith Formation



Why even be "synod?"

• We are synod, because we are called to journey together in Christ. – Luke 24:13-35

How will we journey together in Christ?

- Relating with intentionality
- Networking across the church
- Equipping leaders for ministry
- Sharing Leadership With confidence in Christ's Love for All.

"Fitting who we are into pews made for who we were."

– Participant from 2019 Listen, Learn and Care Event."

What we plan to do:

- Intentionality in our presence (site visits, accompaniment, West River presence, Disaster response through grants and presence)
- Community building opportunities (peer ministry, coaching, zoom groups, task forces, Synod Day)
- Resources (Red River Leadership partnership, Canvas platform faith formation curriculum, network of intentional interim pastors, Justice Table, worship resources, task forces, synod staff sermons, constitutional resources)
 - Educational Opportunities (Region 3 Lay School, Psychological First Aid, Mental Health First Aid, Facebook Live Dwelling in the Word, Boundary workshops)

We are no longer the people we were when we left our buildings in March 2020, nor is the world around us — and it won't ever be. New life and possibilities have emerged. Let's embrace our current situation and reimagine it as a classroom. How would that reshape our experience today?



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South Dakota Synod Five-Year Journey for the South Dakota Synod, ELCA

Adopted 2022 Mission Plan 02/01/2022 - 01/31/2023

	Adopted 2023
Revenue	
Mission Support	
Undesignated Mission Support	1,870,465
SD Synod Mission Support	25,000
Total Mission Support-Congregations	1,895,465
Program Ministry Income	
Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center Income	45,000
Total Program Ministry Income	
Other Income	
DEM Support Staff Income	10,000
Interest Income	10,000
SDS Travel LLC Income	5,000
Misc Income	1,000
Total Other Income	26,000
Total Revenue	1,966,465
Expenses	
Churchwide Ministries	43%
Churchwide Support	804,300
Region III	
Region III Support	7,260
South Dakota Ministries	
South Dakota Partnership Ministries	
SD Ministries Support	10,750
Luther Seminary	74,492
Church Colleges (ELCA Pool)	6,445
Lutheran Social Services	74,492
Campus Ministry	131,356
Lutheran Outdoors	37,151
South Dakota Supported Ministries	
Heartland Ephphatha	6,445
Youth Ministry	3,600
Campus Ministry Capital	1,030
Good Samaritan Society	1
Chapel in the Hills	1
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Lutheran Planned Generosity	58,300
Total Shared Ministries	423,063

	Proposed 2023
Executive Leadership	1 1 op 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1
Bishop	96,675
Assoc/Director of Ev Mission	6,375
Assoc-Mobility/Candidacy	79,909
Executive Staff Benefits	106,192
Exec Travel/Continuing Ed	34,800
Program Ministries	
Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center-Director	98,872
Youth Gathering Synod Coordinator	6,959
Companion Synod Coordinator	15,839
Support Staff and Office	
Support Staff Salaries/Benefit	167,359
Synod Office Expenses	69,264
Augustana University Occupancy Fee	27,876
Synod Committees	
Synod Council	3,000
Support to Ministries Committee	2,100
Candidacy Committee	2,250
Multi-Cultural Ministry Committee	1,550
Companion Synods Ministry Committee	200
Evangelical Outreach Committee	1,500
Mission & Outreach	
Mission Congregation Start-up	4,000
Mission Strategy Table	2,000
Contingency	5,122
Total South Dakota Ministries	731,842
Total Expenses	1,966,465
Net Total	0

"Journeying Together in Christ"

2022 will be remembered as a year of challenges--drought, global conflict, stock market corrections, and hard-hitting inflation. Plenty of reasons for anxiety and pulling back, saving and waiting. But also opportunities for genuine reflection about **generosity**. What does it look like? Is this fruit of the Spirit reflected in my life? How much is ENOUGH (for me)?



Lutheran Planned Generosity
of South Dakota

As a partner ministry of the South Dakota Synod, ELCA,

Lutheran Planned Generosity of South Dakota (LPGSD)

was created to join you on your journey to create a personal legacy

plan—one that expresses your faith in Christ with gratitude and generosity.

LPGSD also walks alongside congregations hoping to create or revitalize their own legacy through an endowment fund, offering members the opportunity to share in the ministry and outreach of their Christian family. Walking and working together, we can create **greater impact** because of intentional plans and shared visions.

Where will your **generosity journey** will lead in 2023? LPGSD would be honored to serve as your confidential guide with no fees, commissions or obligations as you explore some of these destination options:

- ◆ Income for You Now—Gifts to Ministry Later. A charitable gift annuity provides you with fixed payments for life, with the remainder of the gift benefiting the ministries of your choice.
- Gifts Beyond the Checkbook. Grain, Cattle, Stocks, Mutual Funds, Real Estatealmost any appreciated asset can create a tax-efficient gift with greater impact.
- Qualified Charitable Distribution. Use your IRA to make tax-free gifts and reduce your adjusted gross income, even if you no longer itemize charitable contributions. Ask about the new Non-Advised Fund to spread the distribution of a large QCD over several years.
- ◆ Give It Twice Trust. A tool to create income for you and/or your family and the ministries you care about, oftentimes doubling the impact of your assets because of tax savings. A great solution to the IRS's elimination of stretch IRAs.
- ◆ Legacy Gifts. Name your favorite ministries as beneficiaries on an insurance policy, a bank account or an IRA, your will or trust, or even your home via a life estate or TOD (transfer on death) designation.
- Congregational Endowment and Gift Policies.
 - Newly updated document templates
 - Workshops for individuals, church councils and endowment committees

Ready for the journey?

Contact Kathy McHenry at **605.274.5030** or **kmchenry@sdsynod.org**. Visit our website at **www.lpgsd.org** or find us on Facebook.

Regardless of your personal or financial situation,

LUTHERANS OUTDOORS IN SOUTH DAKOTA



WELCOME, NEW STAFF!

Lutherans Outdoors welcomed some new faces to our staff during 2022.

We welcomed Marti Knudsen as the Camp Director of NeSodak in November. Marti brings many years of experience in Outdoor Ministries at Upper Missouri Ministries in North Dakota. She has three daughters and a husband; Pastor Josh Knudsen serves at Grace Lutheran in Sisseton.

Klaire (Hudson) Decker was welcomed as Program Director at Outlaw Ranch in late spring 2022. She was on summer staff in 2018 and 2019. Klaire and her now husband Noah were married in October.

SUMMER 2022 | SUMMER 2023

Over 1,250 campers experienced God's Boundless Love during the summer of **2022** at NeSoDak, Klein Ranch, and Outlaw Ranch! This was an approximate 15% increase from the Summer of 2021. It is approximately 75% of the number of campers attending the camps in 2019, previous to the Covid-19 pandemic. Unfortunately, the last week of summer camp at Outlaw Ranch needed to be canceled for safety reasons as several staff members tested positive for Covid.

WONDER Summer 2023

During the summer of **2023**, campers will explore the wonders of creation, the gift of grace through Jesus, and how we steward these gifts. Campers will look down, look up, look around, look in, and look out to examine the precious gifts of community and creation.

Registration is currently open so reserve your spots today at losd.org.

We will see you at CAMP in 2023!

REIMAGINING LUTHERANS OUTDOORS

Staff and Board members of Lutherans Outdoors, along with many of you that are interested in the future of Lutherans Outdoors, will begin a REIMAGINING of the ministry during 2023. New Core Values will be announced early in the year.

Deep dive audits will begin looking at Program, Governance, Marketing, Finance and Budgeting, Staffing, Facilities, and Financial Development. This REIMAGINING will create what Lutherans Outdoors will look like for the next 30, 40, or even 50 years and will be presented at the 2023 Annual Meeting taking place in June 2024. Please contact the Lutherans Outdoors office if you are interested in helping with this REIMAGINING!

Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota welcomes all to explore and experience Christ's love in community and creation.

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Executive Director - Marv Nysetvold Program Director - Lexie Blaschko

Greetings from your camp - Shetek Lutheran Ministries!

Over the past three summers, Shetek has adapted and sought out new ways to carry out our mission. In 2020 we offered a shortened season with many restrictions and served 265 campers. Last year, 2021, we offered a full season of summer programming but limited our numbers and served 618 campers. This year we offered our full season with somewhat limited numbers and served 621 campers. This year, our limited camper numbers had more to do with the difficulty finding summer staff than the pandemic. One of our greatest challenges is finding young adults who are willing to serve for the summer. We were blessed with 4 international counselors this past summer and Shetek will be doing more with international counselors in 2023.

Our summer ministry team of 20 young adults served faithfully this summer. Elementary, middle school, senior high, family camp, grandparent/grandchild camp and SOS camp (for folks with disabilities) all came this summer! For reference, 621 campers is about 75% of the campers we served in 2019. Safety was again a top priority and again, as in 2020 and 2021, we had no known cases of COVID. Campers were again thankful for camp.

Our "Building on the Foundation" capital campaign was on hold for most of 2020 and 2021. This year we restarted the congregational phase of the campaign. Several congregations have run successful campaigns in their congregations so far this year. We will be contacted all our 101 member congregations to give them the opportunity to participate. We continue to visit with prospective major donors, those who give or pledge \$5,000 or more for the campaign. Our total so far in cash and pledges is about \$1,475,000 towards our goal of \$1,500,000 with a challenge goal of \$2,000,000. With our member congregations and new donors, we hope to reach our challenge goal of \$2,000,000 in 2023. The new lodge is close to being open for guests. Our beach/waterfront was updated and landscaped before our summer program started this year and is a beautiful improvement. Our new water treatment system was up and running for the summer also.

Shetek continues to receive estate gifts periodically, which we are very thankful for. Over the years, these thoughtful gifts have really benefitted the ministry at Shetek. If you're interested in finding out more about how to support Shetek in this way, please let us know. We have access to a gift planner at no cost to our donors.

Some improvements in 2022 – the new landscaped beach area along with a new dock for the swimming area and the new water treatment center. We did some grading and tiling on the south end of the property to improve drainage. Several smaller propane tanks around camp were removed and consolidated to larger ones. A new water line was installed from the new lodge to the activity center and the old pump house is no longer in service. Plans for future expansion were included with the new water line.

I am thankful for our year round staff and their hospitality to our guests and campers. Shetek welcomed Val Kastner in Feb. to our Housekeeping team, Lexie Blaschko joined us in May as our Program Director and Jana Sturges began in June in our Food Service.

2022 looks better than 2021, but compared to the average from 2015-2019, we will still be about \$30,000 lower in program income and about \$12,000 lower in retreat/rental income. However, in the face of all the uncertainty over the last couple of year, our donors and congregations have continued to respond with incredible generosity. I am amazed and grateful and can't say "THANK YOU" enough for your support and prayers!!

Mary Nysetvold, Executive Director

Shetek's Board of Directors in 2022 - Ashley Benson, Lindsey Cartwright, Logan Gooch, Lora Hopp-Hansen, Sarah Kirchner, Pastor Jeanette McCormick, Leon Mortland, Pastor Eric Ohrtman, Pastor Elizabeth Pagnotta, Pastor Juanita Parker, Pastor Laura Phillips, Pastor Michael Stangeland.

Shetek's staff in Dec. 2022 – Lexie Blaschko, Sandy Carlson, Tom Carlson, Katie Chapman, Nora Dahlhoff, Michelle Flanigan, Sharon Haugen, Val Kastner, Jean Larson, Marv Nysetvold, Joe Stefanick, Jana Sturges, Jessica Van Dam, Jane Wahl.

Pioneer Cemetery Association

Annual Treasurers Report for the year 2022

This year Larry Lee Moe, Janice Kay Peterson, and Ona Marie DeWitte joined others in eternal rest in Pioneer Cemetery. May the rest in peace.

The Annual Memorial Day Service conducted by the Baltic American Legion was cancelled this year due to inclement weather.

The Emerald Ash Borer continues to be a threat to our ash trees that border the cemetery and any that remain within. To date, no trees have been lost to this threat. I am happy to report that the ash trees survived the year 2022 without loss. The board continues to closely monitor this situation.

The Association is especially grateful to the volunteers who cared for the cemetery by mowing and trimming. **YOU ARE NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!!**

Attached you will find the year end financial reports for the operations of the cemetery during the year. As this is a transitional year from Doug Uthe serving as treasurer, and Dan Uthe now serving as the current treasurer for the Association these reports may look different from years past, I have now elected to report all transactions using a QuickBooks format. Please let me know if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Last, but certainly not least, Douglas Uthe resigned as Treasurer of the Board after many years of faithful and dedicated service. He remains "of council" as we transition into this new format of accounting for the operations of the cemetery. I am grateful for his assistance and everyone connected with the Pioneer Cemetery owes him a debt of gratitude!

For The Board

Daniel D. Uthe Treasurer 12:01 PM 01/10/23 Accrual Basis

Pioneer Cemetery Association Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison

As of December 31, 2022

	Dec 31, 22	Dec 31, 21	\$ Change
ASSETS Current Assets Checking/Savings			
Checking	2,526.58	2,016.58	510.00
Total Checking/Savings	2,526.58	2,016.58	510.00
Total Current Assets	2,526.58	2,016.58	510.00
Fixed Assets Land	5.00	5.00	0.00
Total Fixed Assets	5.00	5.00	0.00
Other Assets Other Assets Certificates of Deposit Grant Receivable Mutual Funds Uthe Endowment Fund Available Funds	18,609.95 0.00 61,218.75 1,861.00	18,437.73 1,000.00 64,321.33 1,861.00	172.22 -1,000.00 -3,102.58
Total Uthe Endowment Fund	1,861.00	1,861.00	0.00
Total Other Assets	81,689.70	85,620.06	-3,930.36
Total Other Assets	81,689.70	85,620.06	-3,930.36
TOTAL ASSETS	84,221.28	87,641.64	-3,420.36
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Equity Unrestricted Net Assets	87,641.64	87,641.64	0.00
Net Income	-3,420.36	0.00	-3,420.36
Total Equity	84,221.28	87,641.64	-3,420.36
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	84,221.28	87,641.64	-3,420.36

Footnote to Balance Sheet

Not included in this balance sheet is an endowment fund established with the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation entitled **UTHE FAMILY PIONEER ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT.**

This fund was established in 2005 for the benefit of Pioneer Cemetery. The funds in this account have been excluded from the balance sheet as the "ownership" of this account belongs to the Sioux Falls Area Foundation. Annually, on a fiscal year ending June 30, the Foundation determines what amount from this fund is available for distribution to the cemetery. I have included the **Available Spendable Balance** as other asset on the balance sheet entitled "Uthe Endowment Funds — Available Funds".

The balance as of December 31, 2022 in The Uthe Family Pioneer Association Endowment equals \$35,915.79.

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Pioneer Cemetery Association Profit & Loss January through December 2022

	Jan - Dec 22
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Burial Permits	300.00
Memorials & Gifts	300.00
Staking Care Receipts	100.00
Total Income	700.00
Expense	
Liability Insurance	275.00
Monument Staking	350.00
Safe Deposit Box Rent	15.00
Trees and Supplies	550.00
Total Expense	1,190.00
Net Ordinary Income	-490.00
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Income	172.22
Unrealized Gain(Loss) on Invest	-3,102.58
Total Other Income	-2,930.36
Net Other Income	-2,930.36
Net Income	-3,420.36



CHURCH ON THE STREET ANNUAL REPORT 2022

Dear Church on the Street Ministry Partners,

Your faithful generosity in prayer, kits, visits, quilt making, laundry pods, quarters, transporting donations, fundraising, Thrivent Action Teams, making and serving meals, telling the story, and making sure the good news of Jesus resurrection is known in hugs, tears, words, and clean laundry is remarkable. God's work is being done by a whole community by being Church together. Thank you for all so very much!

It is a joy for me to share what God is up to at Church on the Street, and I love getting to visit organizations and congregations all over the state and even in neighboring states! Frequently, a few lay leaders are able to join me. After a visit this summer, one of them leaned over and said, "I love hearing our story." And, in case you didn't know it, our story includes you! It is a story of God calling together a community that worships, serves, and walks together with those experiencing homelessness and poverty in Sioux Falls.

Here is a snapshot of who we are and what we do as a church:

- We worship monthly (6 months in the park & 6 months in the Multicultural Center)
- Our Laundry with Love ministry provides free laundry for families, a meal, new underwear, and fellowship
- We provide pastoral care at the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House, weekly
- We take countless walks to meet people where they are
- We ensure that folks are fed through our pantry and Fruits of the Freezer
- We collect, and pray over prayer requests are shared and prayed over and send them out to partners like you (email me chiral@churchonthestreet.org to join those who pray for our individuals)

Because of you, we can better meet the growing needs in our community. We're relocating our annual Health and Healing event to include more ways for people to experience wellness through screenings and checks - in addition to feeling a bit more dignity through haircuts and new family photos.

We continue to have excellent staff and regular volunteers who work hard and deeply love the Church on the Streeters. When we gather for worship, in the laundry mat, or even on visits, someone is always handing me a little bit of food they got from a food giveaway or some warm clothing they won't be eating or using and tells me to pass it along to someone who needs it. Generosity abounds at Church on the Street!

We say it often because it is true - It's great to be Church together!

Together we do God's work and reach out to one another with hope and love. This hard, holy work is a blessing to so many. Thank you.

God's blessings, Rev. Chris Matson

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