

# St. Andrew Lutheran Church 2022-2023 Annual Report



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**St. Andrew Lutheran Church**  
**Annual Meeting - June 5, 2022 - June 11, 2023**  
**June 11, 2022, 10:45 AM**  
**Agenda**

- I. Call to Order/Confirmation of a Quorum
- II. Opening Prayer - Pastor Jeffrey
- III. Approval of Minutes of the Congregation Meeting, December 18, 2022
- IV. Treasurer's Report -
- V. Election of Officers and Congregation Council Commission Chairs and Installation

Vice President	Debbie Warren	2 years
Secretary	Susie Besack	2 years
Treasurer		1 year (fulfills Betty's two year term)
Hospitality	Isla Holmes	2 years
Property	Jon Woody	2 years
Worship and Music	Vicki Linta	2 years

- VI. Election of Endowment Committee member for two-year term
- VII. Election of two Nominating Committee members from the Congregation
- VIII. Adjourn with the Lord's Prayer

**St Andrew Lutheran Church**  
**Congregation Annual Budget Meeting, December 18, 2022, Minutes**

1. Call to Order and verification of a quorum-Art Revueltas called the meeting to order and Barbara Revueltas verified the quorum of 23 members.
2. Opening prayer – Pastor Jeffrey led us in prayer.
3. Approval of Minutes-June 5, 2022- Anne Christiansen and Dave Dickerson signed the minutes for approval. Suzanne Thompson and Len Bobier moved and seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed.
4. Treasurer’s Report led by Art Revueltas-Due to the passing of Betty Dagen, our treasurer, Art presented a provisional budget for 2023.
  - a. If giving continues in December, we would be just a small bit in the red.
  - b. New budget asks for a 4% increase in giving for 2023.
  - c. The budget tried to cut where it could, but inflation has affected areas.
  - d. Our budget is based on faith and God’s vision for our church (Pastor Jeffrey noted that churches who have a balanced budget are not living in faith.
  - e. Our current budget had projected a \$25,000 deficit but we are almost even by the end of 2022.
  - f. Our 2023 budget projects an \$18,000 deficit.
  - g. Isla Holmes moved to approve the budget; Len Bobier seconded. Motion passed.
5. Second vote to approve constitutional changes-Second vote was approved. No need for a motion.
6. Election of two representatives to 2023 Pacifica Synod: The meeting will be held in Palm Desert on May 5-6. At this time, no one has been elected.
7. Adjournment- Pastor Jeffrey closed the meeting in prayer at 11:10.

Respectively Submitted,  
Barbara Revueltas, Council Secretary

Readers of the minutes to present to the congregation for approval.

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Date\_\_\_\_\_

## Major Congregation Council Issues and Actions: July 2022 - May 2023

### **July 2022**

- \*Masks will no longer be required but encouraged
- \*Offerings are very close to budget

### **August 2022**

- \*Capital Campaign met to prioritize list of projects

### **September 2022**

- \*Council Retreat focused on goals for the coming year

### **October 2022**

- \*Met with Little Learners on use of Fellowship Hall
- \*Update on Capital Campaign looking at quotes for air conditioning and repairing the roof
- \*Reformation Sunday on Oct 30
- \*Set Budget Meeting for December 18
- \*Start of having church volunteers for Habitat for Humanity

### **November 2022**

- \*Flag Ceremony on November 6- Flag given to Russ Hering a US Marine Corp Veteran
- \*Art, Mardie, and Mike put together a budget to be presented at the Dec. Budget Meeting
- \*Pie auction after the Thanksgiving Wed. Service will go to Interfaith Food Center
- \*Worship and Music will have copies of music for those who wish to have them
- \*Betty Dagen passed away

### **December 2022**

- \*Pastor Jeffrey's housing allowance was approved
- \*Congregational Annual Budget Meeting approved the budget
- \*The second vote to approve Constitutional changes was passed

### **January 2023**

- \*Looking into getting a quote on how to design, update, and maintain our website
- \*No major leaks due to all the rain

### **February 2023**

- \*Bernice Arends approved to be acting treasurer
- \*Good Samaritan fund gave out \$1,700 to members
- \*Church was tagged, and police reports filed. Looking into lighting and security cameras
- \*St. Andrew wrote a check for \$1,860 for Lutheran Relief

### **March 2023**

- \*Date set for Congregational Meeting- June 11
- \*Street signs have been updated
- \*Habitat for Humanity will be meeting with churches

### **April 2023**

- \*Youth put on a breakfast on Palm Sunday
- \*Easter was attended by 90 people
- \*Art and Suzanne met with Habitat for Humanity along with several other churches on the process and how our property is zoned. Further meetings will be held and we will see if we want to proceed

### **May 2023**

- \*Women's Tea
- \*Pacifica Synod Assembly attended by Pastor Jeffrey Nelson, Art and Barbara Revueltas

## **Congregational Report for 2022**

Baptized Members	288 Total
Baptism(s)	
Gabiella Lauren Rodriguez	11/22/22
Death(s)	7 Total
Doris Elaine Johnson	
Donald Richard Fosburg	
Lorel Ann Morgan	
Orma Lee Stiltz	
Robert McKinney	
Barbara Muldown	
Elizabeth Ann Dagen	

## **Status of the St. Andrew Constitution 2023**

The St. Andrew Constitution was reviewed by the Church Council in early 2022. Proposed updates were presented and approved at the Annual meeting in June 2022. As required by constitutional procedures, amendments to constitutional provisions approved at the June meeting were ratified by unanimous vote at the Annual Budget meeting on December 18, 2022. The Constitution was submitted to the Pacifica Synod following the December meeting and was approved by the Synod Council on March 11, 2023.

No additional changes are proposed for consideration at this meeting.

Submitted by Kathy Mitzen

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Statement of Financial Position

March 31, 2023

	Year Begin Balance	Balance Last Month	Year to Date Balance	Year to Date Change
<b>Assets</b>				
<b>Cash</b>				
101 ACCU Internet Checking Account	1,020.99	1,283.84	1,444.69	423.70
95 ACCU Checking Account	29,615.83	22,519.67	34,376.37	4,760.54
102 Petty Cash	22.22	22.22	22.22	0.00
103 PPP Loan Checking Account	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
105 ACCU Money Market Acct.	68,718.21	68,828.96	68,887.42	169.21
106 OneWestBank money market acct.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Totals:	99,377.25	92,654.69	104,730.70	5,353.45
<b>Interfund Transfers</b>				
100 Due from/to (general)	(34,773.82)	(34,773.82)	(34,773.82)	0.00
108 Due from/to (restricted)	(22,278.93)	(22,278.93)	(22,278.93)	0.00
110 Due from/to (property)	34,525.56	34,525.56	34,525.56	0.00
112 Due to/from (endowment)	(36,125.00)	(36,125.00)	(36,125.00)	0.00
Interfund Transfers Totals:	(58,652.19)	(58,652.19)	(58,652.19)	0.00
<b>Other Current Assets</b>				
115 Deposits/Advances	(17,250.00)	(17,250.00)	(17,250.00)	0.00
116 Accounts Receivable, misc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
118 Prepaid Expenses	6,708.62	5,594.62	5,037.62	(1,671.00)
Other Current Assets Totals:	(10,541.38)	(11,655.38)	(12,212.38)	(1,671.00)
<b>Savings &amp; Investments</b>				
125 Thrivent brokerage (general)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
126 Thrivent Brokerage (Endowment)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
127 Thrivent Money Mkt (Endowment)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
128 Thrivent Mutual Fund (Endwmtnt)	50,176.21	50,176.21	52,157.53	1,981.32
Savings & Investments Totals:	50,176.21	50,176.21	52,157.53	1,981.32
<b>Physical Plant</b>				
180 Land	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
181 Sanctuary	4,214,435.53	4,214,435.53	4,214,435.53	0.00
184 Equipment	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00
Physical Plant Totals:	4,264,435.53	4,264,435.53	4,264,435.53	0.00
<b>Total Assets:</b>	4,344,795.42	4,336,958.86	4,350,459.19	5,663.77
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<b>Current Payables</b>				
201 Pre-Tax FSA/403(b) Withholdings	(302.30)	(548.06)	(670.94)	(368.64)
200 Accounts Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
205 Other Accrued Liabilities	990.53	(847.47)	5,099.35	4,108.82
202 Garnishment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
136 Federal Tax withheld Payable	0.00	346.00	519.00	519.00

	<u>Year Begin Balance</u>	<u>Balance Last Month</u>	<u>Year to Date Balance</u>	<u>Year to Date Change</u>
137 Fed Soc Sec Tax Pay	1,395.44	1,023.08	2,173.28	777.84
139 State Inc Tax Pay	54.20	55.14	110.28	56.08
83 TSA Withholding	0.00	200.00	300.00	300.00
Current Payables Totals:	<u>2,137.87</u>	<u>228.69</u>	<u>7,530.97</u>	<u>5,393.10</u>
<b>Long Term Liabilities</b>				
260 Long Term Debt LCUA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Liabilities:</b>	<u>2,137.87</u>	<u>228.69</u>	<u>7,530.97</u>	<u>5,393.10</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>				
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300 Net Assets - General Fund	(97,630.29)	(97,630.29)	(97,630.29)	0.00
301 Net Assets - Restricted	(14,212.79)	(14,212.79)	(14,212.79)	0.00
302 Net Assets Property	4,298,961.09	4,298,961.09	4,298,961.09	0.00
303 Net Assets Endowment	18,568.73	18,568.73	18,568.73	0.00
Net Assets Totals:	<u>4,205,686.74</u>	<u>4,205,686.74</u>	<u>4,205,686.74</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Dedicated Accounts</b>				
Without Donor Restrictions	9,670.69	10,249.43	10,436.93	766.24
With Donor Restrictions	127,300.12	124,966.23	124,671.30	(2,628.82)
Dedicated Accounts Totals:	<u>136,970.81</u>	<u>135,215.66</u>	<u>135,108.23</u>	<u>(1,862.58)</u>
Current Period Changes to Net Assets	0.00	(4,172.23)	2,133.25	2,133.25
<b>Total Net Assets:</b>	<u>4,342,657.55</u>	<u>4,336,730.17</u>	<u>4,342,928.22</u>	<u>270.67</u>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Net Assets:</b>	<u>4,344,795.42</u>	<u>4,336,958.86</u>	<u>4,350,459.19</u>	<u>5,663.77</u>



St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Statement of Activities

March 31, 2023

Account Shortcut and Description	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Current Month Actual vs. Budget	Same Month Last Year Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Last Year	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>								
<b>Contributions</b>								
400 Envelope Offerings	17,064.75	21,666.67	(4,601.92)	23,507.85	51,525.11	64,999.97	55,157.53	260,000.00
401 Loose Offerings	40.00	83.33	(43.33)	0.00	312.00	250.03	0.00	1,000.00
402 Sunday School	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
408 Endowment Gifts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contributions Totals:	17,104.75	21,750.00	(4,645.25)	23,507.85	51,837.11	65,250.00	55,157.53	261,000.00
<b>Misc Inc./Exp. Reimb</b>								
430 Usage Fees	485.00	125.00	360.00	0.00	1,260.00	375.00	550.00	1,500.00
420 Expense Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
411 Thrivent Choice Dollars	0.00	416.67	(416.67)	1,313.00	2,230.00	1,249.97	1,851.00	5,000.00
431 Little Learners	9,803.17	9,470.83	332.34	9,017.65	28,838.47	28,412.53	27,052.95	113,650.00
432 Brokerage Expense Little Learners Center	(557.00)	(557.25)	0.25	(557.00)	(1,671.00)	(1,671.75)	(1,671.00)	(6,687.00)
Misc Inc./Exp. Reimb Totals:	9,731.17	9,455.25	275.92	9,773.65	30,657.47	28,365.75	27,782.95	113,463.00
<b>Interest Income</b>								
440 Interest Income	1.37	4.17	(2.80)	2.73	5.00	12.47	8.92	50.00
404 Endowment Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Income Totals:	1.37	4.17	(2.80)	2.73	5.00	12.47	8.92	50.00
<b>Dividend Income</b>								
450 Dividend Income	254.16	25.00	229.16	98.74	254.16	75.00	98.74	300.00
<b>Net change in investments</b>								
406 Net change in investments	1,727.16	0.00	1,727.16	(2,697.95)	1,727.16	0.00	(2,697.95)	0.00
407 Net change in investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net change in investments Totals:	1,727.16	0.00	1,727.16	(2,697.95)	1,727.16	0.00	(2,697.95)	0.00
Income Totals:	28,818.61	31,234.42	(2,415.81)	30,685.02	84,480.90	93,703.22	80,350.19	374,813.00

Account Shortcut and Description	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Current Month Budget vs. Current Month Actual	Same Month Last Year Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Last Year	Annual Budget
<b>Expense</b>								
<b>Pastoral Staff</b>								
558 Pastoral Professional Expenses	0.00	83.33	83.33	0.00	0.00	250.03	0.00	1,000.00
569 Yth Minister Allowances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
533 Pastoral Continuing Education	0.00	41.67	41.67	0.00	0.00	124.97	0.00	500.00
89 Senior Pastor Salary	5,829.80	5,666.67	(163.13)	5,495.84	17,489.40	16,999.97	16,487.52	68,000.00
77 Pastor Living Allowance	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	30,000.00
90 Pastor Mileage Allowance	250.00	291.67	41.67	250.00	750.00	874.97	750.00	3,500.00
91 Senior Pastor Pension	3,031.72	3,100.00	68.28	3,750.84	9,095.16	9,300.00	11,252.52	37,200.00
92 Pastor SSI Allowance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
562 Yth Minister Sal & Allow	2,233.34	2,291.67	58.33	2,233.34	6,700.02	6,874.97	6,700.02	27,500.00
563 Yth Minister Pension	0.00	62.50	62.50	0.00	0.00	187.50	0.00	750.00
564 Employer Taxes	163.20	179.17	15.97	163.20	489.60	537.47	489.59	2,150.00
579 Youth Minister Cont Ed	0.00	41.67	41.67	0.00	0.00	124.97	0.00	500.00
Pastoral Staff Totals:	14,008.06	14,258.35	250.29	14,393.22	42,024.18	42,774.85	43,179.65	171,100.00
<b>Benevolences</b>								
500 Synod Benevolence	0.00	870.00	870.00	739.79	416.28	2,610.00	1,618.03	10,440.00
556 Special Benevolences	169.00	217.50	48.50	232.00	505.00	652.50	548.00	2,610.00
Benevolences Totals:	169.00	1,087.50	918.50	971.79	921.28	3,262.50	2,166.03	13,050.00
<b>Worship Expense</b>								
502 Instrument & Multi-Media Maint	402.38	250.00	(152.38)	471.95	854.10	750.00	471.95	3,000.00
501 Worship Supplies	82.70	83.33	0.63	0.00	163.05	250.03	482.15	1,000.00
510 Musician's Fees	300.00	333.33	33.33	0.00	1,200.00	1,000.03	0.00	4,000.00
511 Pulpit Supply	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	600.00
512 Sanctuary Decorations	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	0.00	300.00
571 Musician Salary	3,839.16	3,833.33	(5.83)	3,595.01	12,047.48	11,500.03	11,015.03	46,000.00
572 Musician Employer Taxes	293.70	333.33	39.63	275.01	921.63	1,000.03	842.63	4,000.00
573 MW Subscriptions	134.01	50.00	(84.01)	88.99	193.99	150.00	138.97	600.00
585 Organist Supply	0.00	41.67	41.67	0.00	0.00	124.97	0.00	500.00
503 Music Licenses	0.00	91.67	91.67	0.00	0.00	274.97	0.00	1,100.00
504 Sanctuary Choir	0.00	41.67	41.67	0.00	159.00	124.97	0.00	500.00
Worship Expense Totals:	5,051.95	5,133.33	81.38	4,430.96	15,539.25	15,400.03	12,950.73	61,600.00

Account Shortcut and Description	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Current Month Actual	Budget vs. Current Month Actual	Same Month Last Year Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Last Year	Annual Budget
<b>Evangelism</b>									
513 Evangelism	0.00	41.67	41.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	124.97	0.00	500.00
<b>Education &amp; Youth</b>									
518 Adult Ministry Projects/Events	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	98.74	300.00	0.00	1,200.00
519 Jr./Sr. High School Programs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
520 Children's Ministry	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	750.00	0.00	3,000.00
521 Vacation Bible School	0.00	208.33	208.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	625.03	0.00	2,500.00
554 Subscriptions	0.00	41.67	41.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	124.97	0.00	500.00
577 Nursery	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
587 Homework Club	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Education & Youth Totals:	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00	0.00	98.74	1,800.00	0.00	7,200.00
<b>Congregational Care</b>									
588 Homebound Communion	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
589 Stephen Ministry	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
516 New Members/Visitors	0.00	4.17	4.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.47	0.00	50.00
584 Card Ministry	37.80	8.33	(29.47)	29.00	29.00	50.40	25.03	29.00	100.00
Congregational Care Totals:	37.80	12.50	(25.30)	29.00	29.00	50.40	37.50	29.00	150.00
<b>Mission &amp; Justice</b>									
570 Mission & Justice Projects	0.00	41.67	41.67	0.00	0.00	(157.94)	124.97	0.00	500.00
<b>Stewardship</b>									
527 Envelopes	0.00	20.83	20.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	62.53	0.00	250.00
<b>Administration</b>									
538 Telephone (incl FAX & DSL)	347.26	333.33	(13.93)	322.72	1,041.08	1,000.03	967.74	4,000.00	0.00
543 Pastoral Transition Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
578 Pictorial Directory	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
582 Call Process Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
583 Church Council Expenses	0.00	16.67	16.67	16.67	0.00	0.00	49.97	0.00	200.00
590 Bookkeeping Services	650.00	666.67	16.67	16.67	600.00	1,950.00	1,999.97	1,800.00	8,000.00
591 BMCS Registration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
529 Office Staff Salaries	1,545.00	1,583.33	38.33	38.33	1,500.00	4,635.00	4,750.03	4,500.00	19,000.00
530 Payroll Tax Expense	118.20	125.00	6.80	6.80	114.76	354.60	375.00	344.28	1,500.00
531 Retirement & Health Benefits	560.08	645.83	85.75	85.75	581.21	1,680.24	1,937.53	1,689.55	7,750.00

Account Shortcut and Description	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Current Month Budget vs. Current Month Actual	Same Month Last Year Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Last Year	Annual Budget
532 Workers' Compensation Insurance	142.00	141.67	(0.33)	142.00	426.00	424.97	426.00	1,700.00
534 Synod Assembly/Meetings	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	475.00	75.00	525.00	300.00
535 Office Equipment	150.00	150.00	0.00	150.00	540.48	450.00	450.00	1,800.00
536 Office Supplies	0.00	125.00	125.00	91.14	53.85	375.00	252.87	1,500.00
537 Postage	0.00	83.33	83.33	0.00	127.92	250.03	236.68	1,000.00
Administration Totals:	3,512.54	3,895.83	383.29	3,501.83	11,284.17	11,687.53	11,192.12	46,750.00
<b>Finance</b>								
568 Contingencies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
593 Contingency Expense Reserve	167.00	166.67	(0.33)	167.00	501.00	499.97	501.00	2,000.00
540 Accounting Services/software	0.00	58.33	58.33	0.00	0.00	175.03	462.99	700.00
544 Interest & Finance Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
545 Property Taxes	259.00	258.33	(0.67)	259.00	777.00	775.03	777.00	3,100.00
555 Banking & Misc. filing fees	20.00	25.00	5.00	20.00	60.00	75.00	60.00	300.00
586 Background Check Fees	0.00	6.25	6.25	0.00	0.00	18.75	0.00	75.00
541 Commercial Package	750.00	750.00	0.00	750.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00	9,000.00
542 Umbrella Policy	67.00	66.67	(0.33)	67.00	201.00	199.97	201.00	800.00
561 Directors' & Officers' Ins.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
553 Medical/Accidental Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
580 Thrivent Choice Transfer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Finance Totals:	1,263.00	1,331.25	68.25	1,263.00	3,789.00	3,993.75	4,251.99	15,975.00
<b>Land, buildings &amp; equipment</b>								
546 Janitorial Services	847.51	1,000.00	152.49	758.00	2,363.51	3,000.00	2,274.00	12,000.00
548 Repair & Maintenance	4,033.70	3,333.33	(700.37)	3,714.20	10,579.00	10,000.03	8,647.74	40,000.00
574 Pty Maint Salaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
547 Janitorial Supplies	126.63	250.00	123.37	0.00	503.75	750.00	0.00	3,000.00
575 Pty Maint Employer Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
592 Disaster Recovery Expense	250.00	250.00	0.00	208.00	750.00	750.00	624.00	3,000.00
549 Electricity	(6,439.37)	1,500.00	7,939.37	1,450.48	(7,953.50)	4,500.00	1,412.06	18,000.00
550 Gas	70.21	333.33	263.12	341.69	2,144.89	1,000.03	1,059.40	4,000.00
551 Water	(640.77)	333.33	974.10	131.20	(346.30)	1,000.03	1,025.75	4,000.00
552 Disposal	222.87	250.00	27.13	215.00	668.61	750.00	625.45	3,000.00
Land, buildings & equipment Totals:	(1,529.22)	7,249.99	8,779.21	6,818.57	8,709.96	21,750.09	15,668.40	87,000.00

Account Shortcut and Description	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current	Current
	Month Actual	Month Budget	Month Actual	Month Budget	Month Actual	Month Actual	Month Actual	Month Actual	Month Actual	Month Actual	Month Actual	Month Actual	Month Actual
Hospitality													
525 Welcome/Hospitality	0.00	41.67	41.67	41.67	41.67	47.26	(87.58)	124.97	47.26	47.26	47.26	47.26	500.00
581 Special Event Recognitions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	176.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hospitality Totals:	0.00	41.67	41.67	41.67	41.67	47.26	88.61	124.97	47.26	47.26	47.26	47.26	500.00
Expense Totals:	22,513.13	33,714.59	11,201.46	11,201.46	11,201.46	31,455.63	82,347.65	101,143.69	89,485.18	89,485.18	89,485.18	89,485.18	404,575.00
<b>Income - Expense:</b>	6,305.48	(2,480.17)	8,785.65	8,785.65	8,785.65	(770.61)	2,133.25	(7,440.47)	(9,134.99)	(9,134.99)	(9,134.99)	(9,134.99)	(29,762.00)

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Dedicated Accounts

March 31, 2023

Account Shortcut and Description	Beginning Balance	Month Credits	Month Debits	YTD Credits	YTD Debits	Ending Balance
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>						
<b>Misc Inc./Exp. Relmb</b>						
962 Endowment Fund Dividends/Earnings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Land, buildings &amp; equipment</b>						
963 Disaster Recovery Reserve	12,212.16	250.00	0.00	750.00	0.00	12,962.16
GENERAL FUND Totals:	12,212.16	250.00	0.00	750.00	0.00	12,962.16
<b>Restricted Funds</b>						
<b>Benevolences</b>						
957 First Call Theological Ed	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
900 ELCA Disaster Relief	2,040.00	150.00	0.00	2,120.00	3,900.00	260.00
901 ELCA Global Mission	(55.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(55.00)
902 ELCA World Hunger	300.00	100.00	0.00	224.40	300.00	224.40
903 Lutheran Social Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
904 Lutheran World Relief	859.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	859.40
950 ELCA Malaria Campaign	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
952 Central City Lutheran Mission	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
905 Intercommunity Counseling Cntr	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
906 Interfaith Food Center	990.40	10.00	987.40	258.00	1,156.40	92.00
908 Homeless Ministry	682.60	682.60	1,029.60	850.60	1,029.60	503.60
941 African Children's Choir	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
909 Bread for the World	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Benevolences Totals:	4,817.40	942.60	2,017.00	3,453.00	6,386.00	1,884.40
<b>Worship Expense</b>						
922 Pipe Organ Fund	3,519.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,519.21
923 Praise Band	(13,356.61)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(13,356.61)
924 Quartet Plus	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
942 Altar Memorial Fund	205.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	205.37
943 Drama Ministry	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
948 Handbell Choirs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
949 Choir Robe Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
954 Music Program	1,108.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,108.05
919 Sanctuary Choir Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
920 Flowers	496.42	100.00	0.00	380.00	512.50	363.92
921 Paraments	156.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	156.15
Worship Expense Totals:	(7,871.41)	100.00	0.00	380.00	512.50	(8,003.91)
<b>Education &amp; Youth</b>						
934 Nursery Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
946 Youth Gathering	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
930 Bible Fund	70.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.85
916 After School Funds (Tutoring)	167.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	167.07

<b>Account Shortcut and Description</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Month Credits</b>	<b>Month Debits</b>	<b>YTD Credits</b>	<b>YTD Debits</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
917 V.B.S.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
918 Youth Fund	1,377.40	0.00	0.00	20.00	48.71	1,348.69
915 Warner Trust Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
947 Sunday School B-Day Fund	36.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.35
951 Youth Houseboats	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
953 Adult Education	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Education & Youth Totals:	1,651.67	0.00	0.00	20.00	48.71	1,622.96
<b>Congregational Care</b>						
929 Designated Memorials	1,495.00	75.00	0.00	650.00	0.00	2,145.00
956 Wedding Fund	382.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	382.00
959 Quilters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
907 Good Sam Fund	4,990.19	0.00	0.00	150.00	1,382.32	3,757.87
940 Funerals	855.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	112.00	743.70
Congregational Care Totals:	7,722.89	75.00	0.00	800.00	1,494.32	7,028.57
<b>Mission &amp; Justice</b>						
932 Social Concerns	100.00	169.00	269.00	338.00	269.00	169.00
944 Mission Peru Team Support	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
955 God's Work, Our Hands Sunday	65.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65.91
912 Food For Peru	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
913 Mission Peru Projects	1,268.58	0.00	150.00	0.00	150.00	1,118.58
Mission & Justice Totals:	1,584.49	169.00	419.00	338.00	419.00	1,503.49
<b>Finance</b>						
927 Interest/Contingency Fund	84,876.68	167.00	0.00	501.00	0.00	85,377.68
945 Thrivent Choice Dollars	5,053.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,053.53
Finance Totals:	89,930.21	167.00	0.00	501.00	0.00	90,431.21
<b>Land, buildings &amp; equipment</b>						
935 Office Equipment Fund	(1,587.58)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1,587.58)
936 Long Term Property Mtnc	22,918.13	208.46	0.00	693.70	1,115.00	22,496.83
960 Kitchen Remodeling Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.65	0.00	800.65
961 Endowment Fund Dividends	1,694.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,694.11
Land, buildings & equipment Totals:	23,024.66	208.46	0.00	1,494.35	1,115.00	23,404.01
<b>Hospitality</b>						
964 Mens Group	1,662.00	149.00	36.00	361.00	357.91	1,665.09
958 Esther-Anna Circle	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
965 Hannah Circle	369.00	130.00	0.00	130.00	0.00	499.00
928 Coffee Fund	1,867.74	397.00	167.99	467.00	167.99	2,166.75
966 Womens Group	0.00	0.00	55.50	0.00	55.50	(55.50)
Hospitality Totals:	3,898.74	676.00	259.49	958.00	581.40	4,275.34
Restricted Funds Totals:	124,758.65	2,338.06	2,695.49	7,944.35	10,556.93	122,146.07
<b>Total for selected dedicated accounts:</b>	136,970.81	2,588.06	2,695.49	8,694.35	10,556.93	135,108.23

**Pastor**  
**Annual Report 2022-2023**

*“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” - Jeremiah 29:11*

Dear Friends in CHRIST,

GOD does indeed have plans for us, plans that will help us prosper by growing in faith and understanding of GOD’S will for our congregation and for us as individuals, and plans for a future that will come from a desire to engage others in service and witness. But these are not things that GOD will just do. They will require an ONGOING commitment to participate in what GOD is doing in our community, in our congregation, and in our lives as individuals. The more fully we seek to make GOD a central part of our daily living, the more fully we will receive and experience GOD’S many blessings.

We are blessed to have dedicated leadership that strives to guide our congregation through what can sometimes be stormy waters. Because of them, we are emerging from the pandemic with a renewed and shared sense of vision for the future. Thank you to:

<b>Art Revueltas,</b>	President	<b>Isla Holmes,</b>	Fellowship
<b>Chris Allen,</b>	Vice-president	<b>Jon Fort Woody,</b>	Property
<b>Betty Dagen,</b>	Treasurer	<b>Suzanne Thompson,</b>	Mission and Service
<b>Barbara Revueltas,</b>	Secretary	<b>Diane Fort-Woody,</b>	Stewardship
<b>Kathy Mitzen,</b>	Adult Ministries	<b>Vicki Linta,</b>	Worship and Music
<b>Marie Jorgensen,</b>	Congregational Care	<b>Sue Grana,</b>	Youth and Education
<b>Len Bobier,</b>	Evangelism		

I also note with sadness the loss of our treasurer, Betty Dagen, this past year. We are grateful that Bernice Arend has agreed to step into this vacancy. Be sure to offer each of council members your gratitude for their service to St. Andrew!

We are blessed with a talented team of folks who oversee important areas of our ministry together, and who do so enthusiasm and excellence. Elissa Mitzen continues to direct our youth and education programs that offer to our young people and their families experiences that will be foundational for the lives as Christians in the future. Randy Guiaya through his gifts of accompaniment and directing provides for the more historic areas of music in our weekly and special worship services. On the organ or the piano, he leads the choir and the congregation in key parts of our musical offering to GOD. And a special word of thanks to the many members of the choir who share their love and passion for singing the music they offer in worship. Matthew Sivertson and the Praise Band enhance our worship with more contemporary musical offerings that expand the range of our singing. We are grateful for their voices, as well as for the support of the musicians who accompany them. And we are blessed by the able and quality support of Carina Ogawa in the church office during the week, willingly supporting our ministries in a myriad of ways.

And, of course, we are grateful for the many, many dedicated people who volunteer their time, energy, and gifts to support the commissions and ministries of our congregation. There are such a multitude of individuals who find both joy and purpose in their service to GOD through ministry to those who come here and to those to whom we bring GOD’S blessings as we are able.



I also want to commend all of you for your generosity that provides support for the needy in our community and throughout the world. Your love of GOD is shown in your caring offerings to help those who struggle. As you serve those who are least in our world, you do so for JESUS HIMSELF!

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My hope for the coming year is that we will commit ourselves to some intentional activities that can bless and increase GOD'S mission in some significant ways.

First, I'd like to see our members commit themselves to regular Bible study. There are 260 weekdays in a year. That may seem like just a piece of trivia until we realize that there are 260 chapters in the New Testament. I don't think this is a coincidence. Rather I think it provides an opportunity for us to immerse ourselves in the Bible for a time each weekday. Beginning this fall, we will have the opportunity to journey THROUGH THE NEW TESTAMENT by reading one chapter a day and spending 20-30 minutes reflecting on what we have read. Hopefully, this personal study will be supported by times to gather and share our questions and observations. In the process, we will see the biblical literacy of our congregation increase, and ideally our commitment to GOD'S mission in the world will become more front-burner for all of us.

Second, it is my hope that we can provide intentional training for individuals that will enable them to be better equipped in sharing their faith and extended invitations for people to come and join us. JESUS calls us, not to make members, but rather to make disciples. One of the most important and effective places this happens is through participation in the life of a faith-based congregation. It is not enough that we have built this wonderful congregation. We must also build relationship with others that will allow us to bring them to meet CHRIST JESUS here as we do each week and throughout the week.

I also expect that as we continue to find our way out of the time of pandemic in which we have travelled in the recent past, that we will discover new ways of being the church which GOD calls us to be. "We've never done it that way before," will be replaced with a joyful pronouncement of "Look at what GOD is doing!" as we shape and reform ourselves so that we are becoming more and more who GOD wants us to be, both as individuals and as a committed body together.

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Finally, I want to say thank you. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and serve with you as faithful followers of CHRIST JESUS. As I like to say when asked how I am, "I'm better than I deserve." GOD continues to bless me in so many ways and one of the greatest of those is being able to regularly worship, study, and fellowship with all of you. GOD indeed has plans for us as we engage in GOD'S vision and mission. GOD is always ready to guide us to a hope and a future through faith in our loving GOD.

In CHRIST'S love,  
Pastor Jeffrey

## **PASTORAL ACTS 2022-23**

### **Baptisms**

Gabriella Lauren Rodriguez 11/22/22

### **Marriages**

Samantha Estrella and Tyler Gressner 11/12/22 Non-members

### **Funerals**

Barbara Jean Muldown	6/30/22	Non-member
Elizabeth Ann Dagen	1/15/23	Member
Kent Edward Sexton	3/11/23	Non-member
Lorraine Edith Tunberg	3/22/23	Member
Barbara LaVerne Dubois	3/27/23	Member
Gwenalynn May Mask	4/22/23	Non-member

## **President and Treasurer** **Annual Report 2022-2023**

Thanks to all our members, especially all the Commission leaders and members for the hard work it takes to run our church.

Thanks to all for the financial contributions, time, and energy it takes to further the mission of St. Andrew Lutheran Church.

Thank you, Pastor Jeffrey, for your guiding leadership and patience as we navigate our future.

Thank God for watching out for our little corner of this world. I believe He watches and guides us all the time, especially when we slow down to listen!

- We continue to evolve as a church community. The COVID- 19 threat subsided this past year. As emergency health orders conclude both at the local and state level perhaps, we should review some of the decisions we made in response to those health orders.
- We suffered a great loss, both on the personal and leadership level, with the passing of Betty Dagen, our Treasurer, this past November. Bernice Arends volunteered to fill in as Treasurer until June. We are still looking for someone to be our Treasurer for 2023-24.
- Giving by our members continues to be strong, but national/worldwide events which cause inflation will affect our spending and budget.
- Long-term deferred maintenance issues still exist and need to be dealt with.
- Little Learners continues to be fully enrolled, and the added Infant/Toddler Program increased their enrollment to 98 students! The lease payments they make enables St. Andrew to capitalize on what used to be underused assets.
- Carina, our church secretary continues to provide us with her untold skills and talents in our office. Thank you, Carina!

Once again, I would like to thank our members for their support, both in person and monetarily. And, as we face the future with hope and faith, I believe the St. Andrew Church community will continue to fulfill our Mission as new opportunities for service present themselves.

God Bless,  
Art Revueltas, Church Council President

## Director of Youth and Family **Annual Report 2022-2023**

It's been a great year working with the youth and families at St. Andrew and I look forward to another year. I am so grateful for the support of Sue Grana and our Youth and Family Commission. Thank you for your dedication to our youth and for all the time and energy you put into this ministry.

Here are some of the highlights from this past year:

- Youth Group meets every other week at 9:30AM.
- Sunday School meets every other week at 8:30AM. This year we plan to include worship time for the kids in the sanctuary. This will take place during the last 10 minutes of class. We are also switching to a new curriculum.
- This year we partnered with St. Paul Lutheran Church and have been doing a joint Confirmation program. We have a total of 7 students combined. Pastor Jeffrey teaches the students at St. Andrew for two weeks and the leaders at St. Paul teach the students at their church for two weeks.
- We had a graduate service and cupcake reception for Hailey Barton and Sarah Murphy.
- Hailey Barton was selected to receive the \$1,000 Benton Scholarship.
- Our commission hosted an outdoor movie night in July.
- Water Day was a hit this year! The kids had a lot of fun using our new water slide.
- Blessing of the Backpacks and Bible Presentations went well. We blessed 5 backpacks and handed out 2 Bibles.
- Our commission hosted a BBQ potluck for the congregation in September. It was nice to gather and share a meal.
- We had a Halloween party for our youth in October. We had pizza, a cake decorating contest, smashed pumpkins, and played hide & seek in the sanctuary. The youth had a blast!
- Our Sunday School children performed a Christmas skit during the service on December 18. Thanks to the Rejoice Band for helping with the music.
- We had a Sunday School Easter event for the children. We learned about the meaning of Easter, made several crafts, ate goodies, and had an egg hunt.
- Our youth group took a trip to Big Air in April. They had a lot of fun. We plan to do more outings in the future.
- Our youth continue to volunteer their time helping with events and serving whenever they are able. This year, our youth and Sunday School children participated in GWOH and made cards for veterans. Our youth decorated a banner for the VFW dinner, they passed out candy canes after service in December, they helped serve food at the Easter Breakfast and at the Pancake Breakfast, they helped with our Sunday School Easter Event and on special occasions they serve refreshments after church. They also help with acolyting from time to time.

We have gone through so much change and it's hard for people to accept that we can't do everything the way we used to, but the way we are doing things now is working. Attendance is inconsistent as usual, but those who participate are engaged and really enjoy our programs.

Thank you,  
Elissa Mitzen

## **Youth and Family Commission** **Annual Report 2022-2023**

The Youth & Family Commission's areas of responsibility are to provide education and ministering to the children and youth along with coordinating family activities for the congregation.

The Sunday School continues to meet every other week. We teach Bible stories and scripture through various crafts, games, songs, and cooking activities. In addition, we had a water play day, Christmas Party, Christmas performance in Church, and Easter Celebration. We struggle with regular attendance but continue to reach out to families and hope to increase participation.

The Youth Group also meets every other Sunday and gets together for holiday parties and other outings. Elissa and I have seen a big difference in the youth program this year. The youth are much more engaged, they participate, they interact with each other and have really bonded. They are becoming more comfortable helping with church activities such as serving at the breakfasts, helping with the Sunday School, and working on various outreach activities. We are still working with them on Acolyting.

This year we partnered with St. Paul Lutheran Church for Confirmation. There was a total of 7 confirmation students and each church took turns monthly teaching the lessons.

In September 2022, the Youth and Family Commission hosted a "Chillin' & Grilling BBQ and Bingo" for the congregation. About 20 people attended and it was a fun event.

I would like to thank Commission Members Elissa Mitzen, Vicki Linta, Diane Fort-Woody and Pastor Jeffrey for their time and dedication to the youth. We are always looking for new members to join the commission so please let one of us know if you are interested.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Grana

## **Mission and Service Commission** **Annual Report 2022-2023**

Following is a recap of the impact we made on those in need locally and globally this past year, with generous contributions and support from our members:

### **Interfaith Food Center**

We contributed 39 lbs. of rice; 49 packages of pasta; 36 cans of tomato sauce; 27 boxes of cereal; 28 jars of peanut butter; 21 lbs. of dried beans; 16 cans of meat/fish; 25 boxes of pancake mix; 90 cans of soup, including those contributed as part of our Souper Bowl Sunday friendly competition; 26 jars of jelly; and 62 boxes of macaroni and cheese. In addition, we collected 51 pounds of food and \$100 for Thanksgiving, and 32 pounds of food, \$330 in gift cards, and \$791 in cash for Christmas.

### **Quarters for the homeless**

We delivered 45 tubes filled with \$5 each of quarters, plus other cash, to Saint Mathias, for a total donation of \$238.75. The quarters were given to homeless individuals to wash clothes at the laundromat.

### **ELCA World Hunger's Global Farm Challenge**

We raised \$2,145 to give a fresh start to three family farms by providing a cow, two goats, two pigs, a dozen chicks, farming tools, seeds and agricultural training and support.

### **God's work. Our hands.**

We wrote 125 cards for residents of the Veterans' Home of California in Barstow, including hand-decorated cards made by our youth, and cards made by Cub Scout Pack #438 in La Habra, which joined our efforts as a community service project. Our members also volunteered at the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank's new City of Industry location, helping to assemble 4,073 food packages that day for low-income seniors in LA County.

### **Bread for the World pancake breakfast**

We raised more than \$600 for Bread for the World to help in its advocacy efforts to end hunger at home and abroad.

### **San Juan Camino de Esperanza, Lima, Peru**

We contributed \$880 through member donations to support three projects for San Juan Camino de Esperanza (St. John Road of Hope), which despite being located in an area impacted by poverty, continues to minister to the surrounding community. The projects included snacks for the children every Saturday; a partition between the temple and service area to protect the children from the cold and create privacy for the separate use of the rooms; and scholarships for four teenagers to pay for the exam/tuition for state technical courses. We applied for and received an \$880 grant from the ELCA for these expenses, but since we were able to raise the funds ourselves, we will be able to use the grant money for additional projects for San Juan.

### **Lutheran World Relief contribution to support Ukraine**

We contributed \$1,500 to Lutheran World Relief (LWR) in September to support Ukraine, which was our second contribution in the calendar year.

### **Support for veterans of VFW Post #9148 La Mirada**

In November, we served soup, chili, salad, bread, and dessert to veterans of VFW post #9148. We also made a \$150 donation to their monthly food pantry which distributes food to approximately 50 local veterans, homeless individuals, and others who are hungry. This helped pay for at least two months of food. All of these projects were made possible due to a Matthew 25 hunger grant that we applied for and received from the ELCA. We also provided 10 veterans with \$35 gift cards to Walmart to buy turkeys for Thanksgiving.

### **Donation to help injured police cadets in Whittier**

In November, we made a \$100 donation to the Sheriff's Relief Foundation, which helped the police cadets who were injured when a car crashed into them while on a run in Whittier.

### **Habitat for Humanity build**

On January 14, five members from St. Andrew volunteered at Habitat for Humanity's home build site in south Los Angeles. Our volunteers installed electrical wiring, cut and painted wood, and pounded a lot of nails. We also provided a catered lunch for the volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Thompson  
Chair, Mission and Service

## Adult Ministries Commission Annual Report 2022-2023

The Adult Ministries Commission is responsible for encouraging the spiritual development and fellowship of adults in the congregation through education and social activities. The commission will develop, plan, promote, support, and implement classes, programs, groups and special events.

As COVID restrictions have been lifted this year, we have offered a variety of in person and zoom classes. A faithful group of members have participated in weekly daytime and evening Bible studies by Zoom. Many thanks to Pastor Jeffrey for presenting meaningful studies and facilitating discussion of the Scripture. Thanks also to Marsha Ehlers for planning and leading the Sunday morning adult class. There has been a faithful group participating in her classes as well.

The commission has worked toward supporting established groups that encourage fellowship, education and sharing of our faith. Currently, the Hannah Woman's Circle is meeting for Bible study and fellowship each month by Zoom. Thanks to Terry Reimer and Bernice Arend for serving as leaders of this group. The men's group meets on Saturday mornings monthly for breakfast, fellowship, and devotion. Thanks to Damon DiRuscio and the wonderful chef Nick Grana for their leadership.

A new fellowship group for single women has been established based on the "Women Alone Together" group that thrived here at St. Andrew in past years. The group has begun this spring to meet monthly for a meal and activity. So far, the group has had an organizational meeting, taken a tour of the Fullerton Arboretum and enjoyed afternoon tea with all the women of the church and their guests. Future plans include lunch and a service project in June and attending a performance of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat" for discussion of Joseph at the July meeting.

The church subscribes to a wonderful multimedia platform called Amplify. It offers a variety of educational videos that can be used for personal study, reflection, worship, and inspiration. Materials from Amplify are used by several of our study groups for Bible study and Christian growth. Information is available at the church office on how to sign on to our subscription at no charge to the individual and all members are encouraged to use the resources for personal growth.

I look forward to expanding our offerings of classes and Bible studies.

Kathy Mitzen

## **Congregational Care Commission** **Annual Report 2022-2023**

The congregational care commission is a great group of volunteers. We are always looking for ways to help members. Many thanks to all the volunteers who have helped with transportation, delivering food, and helping find needed medical equipment such as walkers.

The prayer chain is being sent out online with new requests almost daily. Thanks to all those on our prayer team.

Vern and Geneva DeBuhr are sending out birthday cards and also e-mailing cards for birthdays. Sue Grana is sending out praying for you cards, get well cards, and sympathy cards.

The commission also oversees the Good Sam Fund.

We are always looking for volunteers who are willing to help others.

Marie Jorgensen,  
Congregational Care

## **Evangelism Commission** **Annual Report 2022-2023**

Volunteers are what we need to call on our aging and shut in congregation members. This past year was very successful, and we had two new people join in our mission to keep in contact with those that are unable to attend or need special assistance.

Dick Besack stepped up and helped several members with projects they could not contend with themselves. Many thanks to him and hoping he expands.

When Madeline Thomas had some balance problems Jane Hamby stepped up and took over calling and giving communion to the family Madeline was contacting. That was a first for her and I hope she enjoys the conversations and expands in the future.

As always, Don Scotvold is the major reason for our group accomplishing what we can. He keeps track of all that need conversation and are unable to attend. I am pleased to work alongside him and help him in his mission to expand the word of God to all.

Please do not forget to direct those Choice Thrivent dollars to St. Andrew. We do budget for the Choice dollars. They can be directed to St. Andrew up until February of next year but nice to have them all year long.

If you are inclined to make some visits, please let me know and call me at 562-947-4919 and I know you will find it very awarding. Phone calls are important also and the Nielsens do a great job of keeping in contact with people having issues.

Len Bobier



**Hospitality Commission**  
**Annual Report 2022-2023**

This year we served refreshments every Sunday. Coffee and treats are available after service to all that come.

We assisted in the funeral/memorial services for the following members: Bobbie Muldown, Betty Dagen, and Barbara Painter. We also hosted a memorial service for a nonmember in March. A great big thank you to my wonderful team, Steve and Margaret Bruhns, Mary Jo and Damon DiRussio, Geneva De Buhr, Susie and Dick Besack, Marianne Dickerson, Marsha Ehlers, Mardie Heller, Jon Woody, and Art Revueltas. They are always available to help with setup, serving, clean up and laundry. They make my job so much easier.

In March we planned and organized a Potluck to kick off Lent. We also organized the Lenten Soup Suppers. A big thank you to everyone that donated soup or dessert to make this event a success.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Isla Holmes

**Property Commission**  
**Annual Report 2022-2023**

**Accomplishments:**

- Improved grounds maintenance through contracting and including a quarterly maintenance of unimproved hillside next to the Sanctuary
- Installation/Conversion of fluorescent lighting to LED in various rooms
- Repairs made to leaks in women's restroom

**Upcoming Issues-Differed Maintenance:**

- Sanctuary roof and skylight are still a primary concern and we are seeking ways to deal with them in the most cost effective manner
- Painting the outside of the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall
- Remodeling of remaining restrooms
- Continue to convert to LED lighting

**Worship and Music Commission**  
**Annual Report 2022-2023**

Once again, we made it through another year of growth and changes at St. Andrew Lutheran Church. We have continued to gather indoors safely and made a number of positive changes to our service that allow members from the traditional service and the contemporary service to gather and worship together in one combined service. I'm extremely grateful for the members of this commission that continue to selflessly give their time, support and valuable input as we work collaboratively to make worship at St. Andrew a meaningful service that is inclusive and respectful of our diverse congregation.

This year in review:

- \*We have continued to gather for one combined service and strive to bring back portions of traditional and contemporary services.
- \*The congregation was invited to sing aloud again and this was a welcome addition to our service.
- \*We completed the installation of our new sound system which includes a new digital sound board, in-ear-monitors for band members, a room microphone and the completion of the installation for live streaming the services with the camera on the balcony. A Huge thank you to Art Revueltas and Nicholas Reed for their commitment to ensuring that the service is livestreamed each week.
- \*We continued to receive feedback regarding the sound in the sanctuary and sometime in the stream. The need for a dedicated person to operate and oversee the soundboard has been brought to the council's attention. We continue to seek out a volunteer, however no one has expressed an interest to volunteer.
- \* Nov, 6, 2022 we honored the father of one of our Scouts at our flag ceremony.
- \*The commission agreed to add some of the sung liturgy responses into the service. These responses were an important part of the traditional service. It is important to keep the service balanced as it is a combined service and should include portions of both services while keeping close to one hour in length.
- \*Thanksgiving Eve service was in person and the "Pie Auction" returned following the service.
- \*Advent services were held in person using the Holden Evening Service.
- \*The commission agreed that it was time to return to face to face sharing the peace. This was a welcome addition and congregants appreciate the opportunity to greet and welcome each other.
- \*The council approved hiring a sound tech to operate the sound board since no volunteers have come forward. John Louis was hired in Jan 2023 and has been a welcome addition to the St. Andrew Worship and Music Team. Sound issues have continued to be resolved.
- \*Christmas Eve service was one service at 6pm. The service offered both traditional and contemporary music throughout the Christmas story. The service was well attended.
- \*Christmas Day service was very lightly attended as it fell on a Sunday this year.
- \*Jan 15 a memorial for our beloved Betty Dagen was held to honor her for all of her years of dedicated service to St. Andrew Lutheran Church.  
The service was very well attended and a luncheon followed in the fellowship hall.
- \*We continue to troubleshoot for solutions to some of the technical issues encountered during the service. We have added Wi-Fi boosters to eliminate the laptop cutting out.
- \*The commission met and discussed a layout for the service that would be representative of both traditional and contemporary. We need to move forward as one combined congregation gathering to worship in a hybrid service that is inclusive of both worship styles. We agreed to try out the new format for a couple of months to see how it goes.
- \*Advent services included the return of our Soup Suppers in the fellowship hall followed by a lesson presented by Pastor. The suppers were well attended and everyone enjoyed the opportunity to gather and share a meal again.
- \*Palm Sunday began outside of the sanctuary followed by a procession into the sanctuary with congregants waving their palms.
- \*Holy week services included: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. All of the services were well planned out and well attended.
- \*The Commission met and reviewed the changes made to the service. There was a consensus that with the exception of a few minor tweaks all is going well. We need to be mindful that we are respectful of both traditional and contemporary worship styles and celebrate that we can come together and worship in our new hybrid service.
- \*Mother's Day was made extra special with the presentation of individually wrapped carnations and roses presented by the youth for all of the Moms and Mother figures.

Presented by:  
Vicki Linta- Worship and Music Commission Chair

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