

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year: January 1– December 31, 2021

ANNUAL MEETING

January 23, 2022



CHURCH COUNCIL:

Term Ends

President: Diane Kracht

Jan. 2023

Vice President: Randy Ladbury

Jan. 2023

Secretary: Linda Anderson

Jan. 2022

Rodney Moore

Jan. 2023

Jennifer Jenness

Jan. 2024

Gene Langemo

Jan. 2024

Russ Larson

Jan. 2024

Linda Westby

Jan. 2022

Patti Angeles

Jan. 2022

Interim Pastor: Rev. Robert Franek

Treasurer: Kaneia Kinney

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Trinity Lutheran Church Mission Statement:

“Love God. Love Others.”

The Auditing Committee of Trinity Lutheran Church, Valley City, ND, hereby informs the members of the congregation that the books of the congregational treasurer, Endowment Fund treasurer, WELCA treasurer, and all other organization treasurers have been audited as of ***January 13th, 2022***, and appear to represent fairly the activities and balances of the respective organizations.

Rose Wendt
Sue Martin
Karen Ladbury

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

January 23, 2022



- I. Call to Order—President, Diane Kracht**
- II. Annual Meeting Devotion—Pastor Robert**
- III. Approval of Agenda**
- IV. Minutes of 2021 Annual Meeting**
- V. Pastor's Word**
- VI. Membership Statistics & Congregational Acts**
- VII. Treasurer's 2021 Report**
- VIII. Committee/Auxiliary reports**

- IX. Old Business:**
 - A. Sanctuary carpet**
 - B. Pew Cushions**
 - C. Church Insulation**

- X. New Business:**
 - A. Elections:**
 - 1. Church Council (3 positions/3 year terms)**
 - 2. Endowment (1 position/5 year term)**
 - B. Budget 2022**
 - C. Call Committee**
 - D. Parsonage**
 - E. Council members**
 - F. Synod Assembly delegates: June 4 & 5, 2022 in Fargo**

- XI. Other:**
 - A. Marleen Pytlik retiring**
 - B.**

- XII. Adjournment, the Lord's Prayer**

Annual Meeting “Devotion”

L: Blest be the God of Love, **C: Whose splendor fills all the earth!**

L: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the Presence of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

L: This is the day the LORD has made; **C: We shall rejoice and be glad in it!**

L: Gracious God, You are the source of all that is;

C: In You we live and move and have our being.

L: You have breathed into us the very breath of life;

C: We give thanks to You with every breath we take.

L: You have given us the earth and its creatures, which nourish and sustain us and bring us delight;

C: We give thanks for the fruits of the earth and for those who have labored to care for and feed us.

L: You have entrusted to us knowledge and wisdom, skills and talents, treasures and tithes;

C: We give You thanks and pray for guidance in using them to Your glory and for the good of Your people and Your creation.

L: For the ministry, worship, and care we have shared,

C: We give thanks to You, and to one another!

For the friends beside us, the task before us,

Your love within us, and Your presence among us;

we give You thanks and praise, O God. Amen!



Grace to you and peace,

One of my favorite lines of all the hymns I've sung is "courage be our daily breath." This line by Susan Palo Cherwien is from her hymn, "Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen." (*Evangelical Lutheran Worship* #548) It is a reminder to me that in our baptismal call to discipleship, every breath in every moment takes courage. The courage of speech or restraint. The courage to face new challenges or embrace new ideas. The courage to explore the unknown or try something new.

The next line Cherwien's hymn is "mercy be our destination." I am grateful for this time to walk with you in the vocation of service, with breaths of courage towards a reality of mercy. Whether it is through this pastoral transition time, the ongoing Covid pandemic, or any of our life's realities our faith grounds us in God's love for us and for all the world and empowers us to live in love for the sake of our neighbors, especially those who are vulnerable and in need. In the concise words of our mission statement: **Love God. Love others.**

I am grateful for the welcome I have received from all of you and the opportunity to see how the light of Christ shines forth in and from our shared gospel work. I look forward to the courageous breaths we take together as we follow the Spirit's leading throughout the coming year in our call to service with mercy our destination "from this day and unto death."

With gratitude,

Pastor Robert Franek

Trinity Annual Meeting – Minutes

February 14th, 2021 @ 1:00 pm

- I. Call to Order:** Diane Kracht, President, declaring a quorum present.
- II. Annual Meeting Devotion:** led by Pastor JoAnne
- III. Approval of Agenda:** Jeanne Wobbema made a motion to approve the Agenda; seconded by Jerry Yokom, approved by congregation.
- IV. Minutes of 2020 Annual Meeting:** Patti Angeles made a motion to approve the Minutes; seconded by Elsa Kamphuis, approved by congregation.
- V. Pastor's Report** - See report
- VI. Membership Statistics and Congregational Acts** – See report
- VII. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Rodney Moore a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Randy Schlecht, approved by congregation.
- VIII. Committee/Auxiliary Reports:** Rebecca Westman made a motion to approve the reports, seconded by Elsa Kamphuis; approved by the congregation.
- IX. Old Business:**
- A. South roof leak/repair:** Russ Larson will be getting ahold of Shawn Cole to take a look at the roof leak but is waiting for it to warm up.
 - B. Roof insulation:** Russ presented a bid from Smith Lumber for blow-in insulation of \$8,337.50. Jeanne Wobbema made a motion to go ahead with the blow-in insulation up to \$10,000 without having to come back to the congregation for approval, seconded by Kevin Kamphuis; approved by congregation.
- X. NEW BUSINESS:**
- A. Elections:**
 - 1. TLC Council (3 positions/3-year terms):**
Nominations: Russ Larson, Jennifer Jenness, Gene Langemo
Motion made for nominations to cease by Margie Eggert, seconded by Rebecca Westman; approved by congregation.

Jeanne Wobbema made a motion to accept the unanimous nominations to re-elect for 3-year terms Russ Larson, Jennifer Jenness and Gene Langemo; seconded by Brian Enge; approved by the congregation.
 - 2. Endowment Fund (1 position/5-year term)**
Nomination: Amy Anderson
Motion made for nominations to cease by Brian Enge, seconded by Rose Wendt; approved by the congregation.
Margie Eggert made a motion to accept the unanimous nomination to re-elect Amy Anderson to a 5-year term, seconded by Patti Angeles; approved by the congregation.
 - B. Budget 2021:** Rebecca Westman made a motion to approve the 2021 Budget, seconded by Jeanne Wobbema; approved by the congregation.
 - C. Sanctuary carpet:** A bid by Valley Paint & Glass was given for carpet squares in the amount of \$9,144.08. Motion to accept bid was made by Jerry Yokom, seconded by Kevin Kamphuis, with the money to be paid out of the Memorial Fund, approved by the congregation.
- XI. OTHER:**
- A. In-Person Worship:** We will be having both Facebook Live and in-person Worship through Holy Week. After that will be going to in-person Worship only.
 - B. TLC "Wish List":** Pew cushions, front sidewalk slant; with congregation supporting Council to look into options for these
- XII. Motion** made by Kevin Kamphuis to adjourn meeting, seconded by Rodney Moore; closed with the Lord's Prayer.

MEMBERS of the E.L.C.A.: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
"God's Work, Our Hands."

Trinity Membership Statistics

	<u>Members Received in 2021</u>		<u>Members Removed in 2021</u>	
	<u>Baptized</u>	<u>Confirmed</u>	<u>Baptized</u>	<u>Confirmed</u>
<u>CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP</u>				
By Baptism	1	0		
By Confirmation	3	3		
By Transfer In				
By Death			8	8
By Transfer Out			5	5
By New Member	0	0		
Total	4	3	13	13

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>MEMBERSHIP TOTAL</u>					
Baptized Members	582	584	582	581	572
Confirmed Members	524	522	518	514	504
Communed Confirmed members	200	197	199	194	165

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

Number of services held	53	53	51	51	50
Total Attendance	4,073	3,665	3,174	*	*
Average Attendance	77	72	65	*	**53

OFFICIAL ACTS

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Baptisms	10	5	2	3	1
Confirmations	3	5	6	3	3
Marriages	1	2	1	0	1
Funerals	7	12	15	6	8

**Due to the ongoing COVID pandemic & strict guidelines against large gatherings, Worship was conducted on Facebook Live and with "partial in-person Worship" for those without Facebook. Therefore, "Total Attendance" for Sunday Worship services could not be accurately recorded from Jan.—March, 2021.*

*** Full "in-person Sunday Worship" 2021 began on Sunday, March 28th, so the "Average Attendance" number is the count for the dates of March 28—December 26, 2021.*

Congregational Acts of 2021

Baptism:

Millie June Carlbom

Confirmations:

Lucas Compson-Lorenz

Peyton Olson

Shaunn Wieser

Weddings:

Preston & Abigail (Undem) Andersen

Funerals:

Charles Olson

Leon Pytlik (non-TLC member)

Herb Hoff

Marcella Richman

Gale “Buzz” Eggert

Velva Keene

Darell Berg

Marlene Bischoff

Removed by Death:

Jane Huber

(private family funeral in MN)

Transfers In

None

Transfers Out

Shane & Katie Kalbrener (Karlee & Brody); JoAnne Moeller

About Eastern ND Synod:

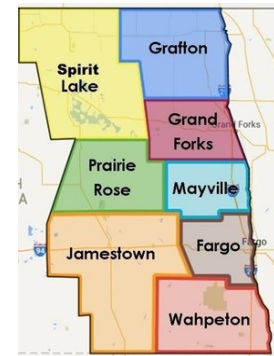
Our Mission: “Jesus Christ calls us to live in love as we serve, equip, and challenge God’s people.”

The Eastern ND Synod is part of Region 3 of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

The word “synod” comes from the Greek words: “syn-” meaning together, and “hodos-” meaning the way. A synod is a group of people on the way together.

The Eastern ND Synod is comprised of over 200 rostered leaders and over 101,000 baptized members. The synod covers approximately the eastern third of the state of North Dakota, and is divided into eight (8) conferences:

Spirit Lake
Fargo
Grafton
Mayville
Jamestown
Prairie Rose
Wahpeton
Grand Forks



Where does your Offering go?

More than 90% of all offering given is used to support its local congregation ministries, leaders, and expenses. Less than 10% of those offerings are passed on to the synod and, from those gifts, the synod passes 41.5% to the churchwide organization and some of that comes back to support synod ministries.



Companion Synod: Central African Republic

Companion synod relationships of the ELCA connect Lutheran churches throughout the world with ELCA synods and congregations. These relationships are concrete expressions of the communion and fellowship with the more than 140 Lutheran member churches of the Lutheran World Federation. Each of the 65 synods has at least one international church companion and many have additional relationships, resulting in more than 120 companion synod relationships.



BUDGETED EXPENDITURES 2021

	<u>BUDGETED 2021</u>	<u>SPENT 2021</u>
<u>WORLD MISSION & LOCAL BENEVOLENCE</u>		
ELCA Synod Mission Support	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Barnes County Ministerial	\$ 250.00	\$ -
Global Mission/CAR		\$ -
Ministerial Community Assistance	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Lutheran Social Services	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Other Benevolence	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
 <u>OUR PASTORAL MINISTRY</u>		
Pastor's Salary	\$ 53,000.00	\$ 48,500.03
* Health Ins. Retirement ELCA/Portico	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 19,548.88
Half of Pastor's Social Security	\$ 4,100.00	\$ 3,862.14
Continuing Education	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Mileage/Reimbursement	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 954.72
Supply Pastor/Guest Speakers	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,550.00
Housing Allowance		\$2,000.00
 <u>OUR WORSHIP & PROGRAM SERVICE</u>		
Staff Salaries	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 31,683.73
Social Security & Workers Compensation	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,415.52
Worship Accompanists	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,700.00
Worship Supplies/Music	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,951.47
Office Supplies & Copier	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 8,355.44
Outreach/Stewardship	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Conferences/Synod Assembly/Bus	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 46.00
Christian Ed. SS Confirmation & Adult	\$ 600.00	\$ 153.83
Jr. & Sr. Youth Events/Scholarships	\$ 200.00	\$ 2,000.00
Sound Equipment		\$ 262.85
Miscellaneous		\$ 1,070.00
Art/Design/Flowers Expense		\$ 633.97
Proclaim KOVC		\$ 190.00
 <u>OUR CHURCH HOME</u>		
Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 24,243.23
Property Services/Snow/Lawncare	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,812.61
Gas (church)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,605.66
Utilities (church)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,367.05
Telephone/Internet (church)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,194.96
Telephone/Internet (Parsonage)		\$ 2,660.44
Gas (Parsonage)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,107.61
Utilities (Parsonage)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 993.32
Insurance	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,508.00
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 450.00</u>	<u>\$ 832.70</u>
Total Budgeted Expenditures	\$179,100.00	\$184,404.16

* \$2,167.08/yr. of the Health Ins. Retirement ELCA/Portico expense is a pretax item that is taken out of Pastor's paycheck.

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January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021

GENERAL FUND

Balance January 1, 2021	\$30,805.11	
Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$123,093.01	
Sunday Loose Offering & Initial Offering	\$12,017.03	
PPP Loan	\$17,367.00	
Misc Offering Revenue	\$11,305.41	
Expenses	<u>\$ (156,207.80)</u>	
	\$38,379.76	\$38,379.76

MEMORIAL FUND

Balance January 1, 2021	\$231,628.70	
Memorials & Donations	\$2,265.49	
Expense	<u>\$ (6,312.92)</u>	
TOTAL	\$227,581.27	\$227,581.27

PROCLAIM/KOVC FUND

Balance January 2021	\$3,369.49	
Income	\$185.00	
Expense	<u>(\$1,230.00)</u>	
	\$2,324.49	\$2,324.49

THE DESIGNATED FUND

Balance January 2021	\$4,385.74	
Income	\$8,083.00	
Expense	<u>(\$3,514.02)</u>	
		\$8,954.72
	\$8,954.72	\$8,954.72

TLC BUILDING FUND

Balance January 2021	\$21,048.15	
Income: Memorials & Donations	\$965.00	
Expense	<u>(\$17,139.42)</u>	
TOTAL	\$4,873.73	<u>\$4,873.73</u>
		\$282,113.97

Fixed Assets

Church & Educational Unit	\$ 2,000,000.00
Parsonage	<u>\$ 225,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,225,000.00

GENERAL FUND	\$ 38,379.76
MEMORIAL FUND	\$ 227,581.27
RADIO FUND	\$ 2,324.49
THE DESIGNATED FUND	\$ 8,954.72
TLC BUILDING FUND	<u>\$ 4,873.73</u>
TOTAL	\$ 282,113.97

Diane & John Hill CD	\$ 200,000.00
2021 CD Interest	\$ 224.01
Total Income 2021	\$175,280.94
Total Expense 2021	<u>\$184,404.16</u>
TOTAL	(\$9,123.22)

Special Income/Offerings

Pew Cushions	\$6,518.00
Easter & Lenten Offering	\$190.00
Lights purchased	\$200.00
Kentucky Disaster	\$569.00
Flowers	\$655.00
Scholarships	\$2,000.00
Pastor Phone	\$480.00
Church Rent	\$25.00
Thrivent	\$3,359.00
Wedding Fees	\$100.00
Thanksgiving Baskets	\$1,697.00
Endowment	\$500.00

Worship Committee

Submitted by Diane Kracht, Council rep

Worship is at the center of who we are and everything we do as part of Trinity Lutheran Church. We are blessed to have such a beautiful sanctuary, to be fed God's Promise again and again, and to be led in thanking God and giving praise through song and prayer.



We had "Facebook Live" for part of 2021, then partial in-person with Facebook Live, and finally on Maundy Thursday we returned to full in-person worship. We had our first communion with 5 students that night. Thank you, to Jerry Yokom for ringing the bell and bringing the offering forward all year. We really have appreciated him!

We celebrated our graduates at worship on May 16.

We are so thankful for our musicians during this year: Pastor JoAnne, Naomi Schlecht, and especially Amy Anderson for all the time spent preparing for worship. We thank them for sharing their gift of music with us!

Pastor JoAnne retired August 28 and we had supply Pastors for the months of September and October. We are so grateful for each one of them and especially for Pastor Randy Schlecht for conducting worship two Sundays a month and for Confirmation Sunday! Then on November 1st, our interim Pastor Robert Franek began. We are so fortunate to have him to help guide us through this transition period.

We continued to offer Proclaim/KOVC 1490 AM broadcasts on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. through August. It has been put on hold until Faith Lutheran and Trinity call a full-time minister.

Council has adopted a new mission statement for Trinity. It is "Love God...Love Others."

Your presence and prayers matter to all of us, and we are grateful for you. We look forward to seeing you in Worship on Sunday mornings.



The duties of the Banner Committee are to hang banners for different liturgical seasons of the church. Also, for different occasions that happen during the church year, such as

baptisms, funerals, weddings, confirmation etc.

This year we made individual banners with a special Bible verse for three confirmands in October. We also made a red glittery ribbon banner for Pentecost and Reformation Sunday, and a gold glittery ribbon banner for Christmas.

Members: Rose Wendt, Edna Elsner, Rachel Johnson, and Diane Kracht

Submitted by Diane Kracht

The Altar Guild is responsible for taking care of the Altar. Our responsibilities include changing the Altar hangings, getting communion ready for Sunday and other special services. We

assist with communion as needed. We keep the pews equipped with communion cards, scratch paper and pencils. We take care of the flowers, arranging and watering them. We keep the candles filled with oil and the altar area dusted.



We meet when necessary on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 5:00pm. We welcome anyone who is interested to join our group. We ask for your patience and support as we continue to do our work with guidance from our Lord.

Submitted by Patricia Larson, Altar Guild President

Global Mission

The Global Missions committee of Trinity Lutheran Church is part of the work of the ELCA and beyond, throughout the world.

Here at TLC, we have engaged in global mission work primarily through two sub-committees:

Synod Partners with “Central African Republic” (C.A.R.)/Jennifer Jenness, Council Rep.

Four times a year, we raise funds (donations of \$5 or more) for many ministries in the C.A.R. With 2020 & 2021 being COVID years, that did not happen. We hope to start back up for 2022.

Casa de Fe = “House of Faith”/ Pat Beil, Committee Chairperson

Trinity's Casa de Fe mission team was actively involved in fundraising in spite of Covid during 2021. All funds raised (minus expenses) went directly to benefit the kids at Casa de Fe, a home for abandoned, abused, special needs and orphaned children of the Amazon Rain Forest Region.

Trinity's Mission Team/Income 2021:

-prepared and sold crock pot soup meals	\$2200.00
-prepared and served Class of 1960 Reunion dinner - Sept 11	\$1020.00
-coordinated bake sales and summer sales	\$ 579.00
-coordinated rummage sale & Casa de Fe Cafeteria	\$6794.17
-was a recipient of donations and memorials for Casa de Fe	<u>\$3298.61</u>
	\$13,891.78

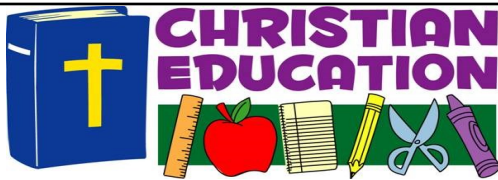
Because of the commitment & support of the members of Trinity Lutheran, its mission team, the community, and Thrivent funds*, 2021 fundraising for Casa de Fe was a success. (***Thrivent funds are a benefit of any policy holding member. \$500 is available annually to support fundraising activities.**) Thank you!

Questions may be answered by any member of the mission team: Patty Beil, Sue Martin, Jan Pearson, Francis Yokom, Susan Smith, Jeanne Wobbema, Margaret Heise, Rose Wendt and Pat Beil.

Casa de Fe Financials for 2021:

Beginning balance:	\$ 835.77
Income 2021:	\$13,891.78
Expenses 2021:	\$14,000.00 (<i>Paid to Hope Extended for Casa de Fe</i>)
	<u>22.00</u> (<i>service charge \$2, open check #1363 - \$20</i>)
Ending Balance:	\$705.55





CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Christian Education committee is the group that oversees the educational aspects of our church. This includes Sunday School, Adult Bible Study and Confirmation. Our committee members for 2021 included: Rachel Johnson, Nicole Olson, Linda Anderson, and Rebecca Westman.

Sunday school meets from 9:00-9:50 a.m. Our current enrollment is 13 students. Our teachers include the following. PreK-2nd: Carson Johnson, Brooklyn Triebold, Kellen Westman (one Sunday a month); 3rd/4th: Linda Anderson; 5th/6th: Rebecca Westman.

Confirmation is for kids in grades 7-9. The confirmation class is taught by Amy Anderson and Diane Kracht. They meet alternating Wednesdays with 9th and the 7th/8th grade groups. There are currently 16 students attending confirmation and 3 students were confirmed in 2021.

The Christian Education committee is involved in the following activities: Vacation Bible School, graduate recognition, 3rd grade Bible presentations, First Communion, Sacraments class, Sunday School Christmas program, TLC Kids Club Activities, and student participation in worship service.

The past year has continued to be challenging with the COVID-19 pandemic. January 2021 through May 2021 were able to meet 3 times a month but with masks and eliminating large group activities. In September 2021 we were able resume large group activities and make mask use optional.

Submitted by Rebecca Westman, Christian Ed Chairperson

Christian Education Financial 2021:

Beginning Balance:	\$2,266.74
Income (S.S. offering, memorials, misc):	\$1,050.50
Expenses:	\$1,072.82
Ending Balance:	\$2,244.42

Financials submitted by
Kaneia Kinney



The TLC Kids Club continues to be a casual group that is part of the Christian Education committee. The club's checking account was combined with Christian Education in 2021, but separate records are kept for each group. The goal is to provide 2-3 recreational activities for our youth each year. In 2021 we began partnering with the other ELCA churches in Valley City to provide more opportunities for our kids. We have two youth that attend Faith Lutheran's Kids Club (4-6) on Wednesday after school. We have also provided youth activities for our K-6 youth on early dismissal days of our public school in partnership with Our Saviors and Faith Lutheran churches. Our 7-9 youth have been invited to many opportunities to participate in youth events with our friends at Faith and Our Saviors Lutheran. These events include service projects (day of service in Fargo, preparing/delivering Thanksgiving baskets) and fun game/movie nights.

TLC Kids Club Financial 2021:

Beginning Balance:	\$2,162.53
2021 Income:	\$ 0
2021 Expenses:	\$ 62.50
Ending Balance:	\$2,100.03

Financials submitted by
Kaneia Kinney

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ENDOWMENT FUND

The purpose of the Endowment Fund is to enhance the work of Trinity Lutheran Church by supporting ministries and special charitable and educational purposes additional to and apart from the general operation of the congregation, as recommended by the advisory members of this committee.

During the year of 2021 the Endowment Fund has provided funding for the following projects:

Trinity Lutheran Church WELCA Budget	650.00
Trinity Lutheran Church Vacation Bible School	500.00
Red Willow	725.00
Trinity Lutheran Church WELCA/Casca de Fe Storage Shelves	500.00
Barnes County Food Pantry	627.58
Barnes County Senior Center	627.58
Barnes County Salvation Army	627.58
2022 ELCA Youth Trip in Minneapolis	2750.00
Trinity Lutheran Church General Fund	500.00
Total giving for 2021	\$ 7507.74

The committee made the decision in 2020 to keep investments at 6% cash 30% bonds and 64% stock. This year we rebalanced our portfolio with the help of Edward Jones to create a more balanced portfolio while avoiding any cost to the endowment fund.

We welcome any and all suggestions from the congregation as to use of funds.

Respectfully submitted:

President Boyd Westman

Secretary Amy Anderson

Treasurer Alex Wittenberg

Members: Gayle Hoff, Marla Bloom



2021 Endowment Fund Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2021

	<u>12/31/2020</u>	<u>12/31/2021</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
CASH ACCOUNTS		
EDWARD JONES MONEY MARKET	4,812.66	1,617.96
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	\$4,812.66	\$1,617.96
INVESTMENTS		
FEDERAL NATL MORTGAGE ASSN	37.01	27.40
AMERICAN BALANCED FUND	49,064.19	56,109.24
BOND FUND OF AMERICA		54,503.20
CAPITOL WORLD GROWTH & INCOME	130,459.28	21,561.91
GROWTH FUND OF AMERICA	53,350.72	26,197.73
HIGH-INCOME TRUST		19,293.44
NEW WORLD		16,772.75
SMALLCAP WORLD		63,540.78
FIDELITY CONTRA	119,588.28	148,811.19
OPPENHEIMER SENIOR FLOATING	19,270.69	20,922.67
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$371,770.17	\$427,740.31
TOTAL EDWARD JONES ACCOUNT	\$376,582.83	\$429,358.27
OTHER ASSETS		
ELCA MIF (24 month)	14,397.40	14,638.88
ELCA MIF (48 month)	14,537.60	14,889.55
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$28,935.00	\$29,528.43
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	<u>\$405,517.83</u>	<u>\$458,886.70</u>
<u>CONTRIBUTIONS & EQUITY</u>		
TRUST CONTRIBUTIONS(NON-SPENDABLE)	\$187,693.61	\$187,743.61
EQUITY	\$217,824.22	\$271,143.09
<u>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS & ASSETS</u>	<u>\$405,517.83</u>	<u>\$458,886.70</u>

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Members: Gene Langemo, Diane Kracht (Council reps.); Sherri Adams, and Pastor



Our Outreach Committee did not meet officially but met several times unofficially by phone or email to plan some “outreach efforts within the congregation and beyond into community.

Welcoming friends and visitors to Trinity on Sunday mornings is another way in which we “reach out” here. Together we hope to help others to feel warmly welcomed and cared about, from the moment they are greeted at the door. Thank you to church council members for the warm welcomes on Sunday mornings! We also have “Welcome Bags” for visitors to take home with them. Our coffee time in the gathering place has once again started and a big Thank You to the confirmation for serving coffee and treats.

As an Outreach ministry, we have “**TLCare**” – which stands for “tender loving care” as well as “Trinity Lutheran Church.” When we are not dealing with a pandemic, this team makes visits to Trinity friends at homes, hospital, or care centers, as well as annual “Teas” at local assisted living centers. They host gatherings at Sheyenne Care Center, Bridgeview Estates, Legacy Place, Rudolf Square, Skyline Villa, and the Elks. These visits can be group visits or individual. Both men and women serve on our “TLCare” team who have made many visits.

Crop Walk was held in May which encourage people to start the route wherever they wished and stop at stations for info and treats along the way.

Donation were collected at Trinity for the Community **Thanksgiving Food Baskets**. We joined with Faith Lutheran and Our Savior’s Lutheran members to let people in the community know we care about them and want to bless them from our blessings! Thanks to everyone who helped put the 125 baskets together or delivered them. Special thanks to Gene Langemo for coordinating this at Trinity.

Individual Trinity members did volunteer to **ring bells for Salvation Army** during the Advent season.

Trinity members continued to help deliver “**meals on wheels**” the third Saturday of every month through the Senior Citizen Center. Thank you to those who have volunteered and delivered, and thanks to Marleen for her extra effort to get enough volunteers. As of November, Trinity is not coordinating this project, but many Trinity members still volunteer to help.

Trinity is offering **free transit services** to church through the Senior Center. Many people have taken advantage of this by just putting their trip on “Trinity’s tab.”

Outreach **hosted a webinar** through Thrivent. This webinar featured Emmanuel Acho, “Uncomfortable Conversation with a Black Man.” Several people attended and popcorn was served.

We would welcome more of you to join us on the Outreach Committee and help us make some ongoing and new Outreach ministry plans for this next year. Contact one of us and ask whatever question you may have or share ideas you are considering with us. We look forward to “reaching out” to one another and to our Valley City community with you.

Submitted by Diane Kracht, Chairperson



Property

Tending and repairing our church building and parsonage is a never-ending privilege and challenge. We are grateful for all who help “behind the scenes” in cleaning and fixing, and in bringing to our attention what needs fixing and attention. We are so grateful for your donations in-kind and in money to our Trinity “Building Fund” that make it possible to keep our church buildings in good shape, looking cared-for, and standing tall for years to come.

In 2021 we:

Parsonage:

- Boiler repairs
- Carpets cleaned
- New faucet – kitchen & small bathroom
- Gutters cleaned
- Trees trimmed
- Insulated garage & new lights
- Main Bathroom gutted & remodeled (in progress)
- Garbage disposal eliminated/drain fixed

Church:

- Painted red wall & décor outside Fellowship rm
- Painted basement hallways
- Hung basement coat rack
- Backsplash men’s bathroom
- “This is Us” décor in dining room
- Railings sanded & finished in both stairways
- Backdoor handle and door sweep
- Parking Lot stripped
- Boiler repairs
- Pastor’s Office painted
- Upstairs toilet fixed
- Slides put on tables in Gathering Area

A Big Thank You to ALL who made these things possible!!!!

Also, a special thank you to Westmans for donating their time in mowing and watering the church lawn, and Bruce & Diane Kracht for the many special projects they worked on! Thank you, Karen, for the lovely planters!

Submitted by Russ Larson and Gene Langemo, TLC Council reps

Wilhelmeina Erickson Scholarship



This year Alexis Triebold was awarded Wilhelmeina Erickson Scholarships in the amount of \$2,000. Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are available at the church office and will be accepted until May 20.

To be eligible for consideration for the scholarship, students must be:

- Active member of Trinity Lutheran Church (student and/or parents). An active member of TLC is defined in our Constitution as “those who have communed and given an offering at TLC in the current and previous year” (C8.02).
- Good academic standing (GPA minimum of 2.5)
- Enrolled in University or Technical College
- Preference will be given to students enrolling into Christian Ministry.
- Students must have completed one academic year to be eligible.
- Undergraduates may renew the scholarship one time, with preference given to first-time applicants.
- 10 hours of church/community service (within 12 months) which has been verified by a supervisor through phone call, email or letter.

Original amount invested \$ 68,892.61

Beginning Account Value \$119,054.98
(as of 1/01/21)

Ending Account value \$133,742.79
(as of 12/31/21)

Submitted by Rochelle Triebold
(on behalf of the Scholarship Cmte)

Committee Members:

Rodney Moore, Russ Larson, Gene Langemo, Roger Triebold; Pr. JoAnne Moeller (Jan.—Aug., 2021)



With the continued COVID pandemic, our WELCA ladies continued as best as we could with the activities of the church. Listed below, are the keynote events that took place in 2021:

- We held several bake & food sales: March 27, June 19, July 28, Nov. 20, & Dec. 11. All funds raised were used to meet our benevolent budget for the year.
- On April 17th, we held the WELCA Spring Luncheon with ladies from the three local ELCA churches: Trinity, Faith, and Our Savior's. Speaker was Amanda Brumfield, and theme was "Is Jesus Calling You?".
- Our shut-in members are always important to us. We remembered them several times this year with flowers, cards, and small gifts.
- We are working on reorganizing the funeral lunch reception procedures.
- We also spent several days reorganizing the storage rooms in the basement.
- Because of the pandemic, we did not hold the Fall Festival this year.
- We were able to gather each month for study & fellowship. We enjoyed a special outing to the Nome schoolhouse in October, and a recent Christmas gathering.

This dedicated group of ladies continue our mission: "As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing & wholeness in the church, the society, and the world."

WELCA welcomes all ladies of our congregation. We meet the third Wednesday of each month at 12 noon.

Submitted by Sue Martin, TLC WELCA Secretary

<u>Trinity Lutheran Church WELCA</u> <u>Treasurer's report:</u>		Stewardship, Banners, and Quilting accounts are all included in WELCA's bank balance. Those balances are:	
Beginning Balance:	\$2,215.47	Stewardship:	\$21.96
Income for 2021:	\$9,125.91	Banners:	\$279.68
Expenses for 2021:	\$7,318.54	Quilters:	\$870.12
Ending Balance:	\$4,022.84	WELCA:	\$2,851.08
		Total:	\$4,022.84

WELCA Financials submitted by Rose Wendt, WELCA Treasurer

PROPOSED BUDGET 2022

	<u>BUDGETED</u> 2022	<u>BUDGETED</u> 2021
<u>WORLD MISSION & LOCAL BENEVOLENCE</u>		
ELCA Synod Mission Support	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Barnes County Ministerial	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
Ministerial Community Assistance	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Lutheran Social Services	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Other Benevolence	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
 <u>OUR PASTORAL MINISTRY</u>		
Pastor's Salary	\$ 53,000.00	\$ 53,000.00
Health Ins. Retirement ELCA/Portico	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Half of Pastor's Social Security	\$ 4,100.00	\$ 4,100.00
Continuing Education	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Mileage/Reimbursement	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Supply Pastor/Guest Speakers	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
 <u>OUR WORSHIP & PROGRAM SERVICE</u>		
Staff Salaries	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Social Security & Workers Compensation	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Worship Accompanists	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
Worship Supplies/Music	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Office Supplies & Copier	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Outreach/Stewardship	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Conferences/Synod Assembly	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Christian Ed. SS Confirmation & Adult	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Jr. & Sr. Youth Events	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
 <u>OUR CHURCH HOME</u>		
Minor Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Property Services/Snow/Lawn care	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Gas (church)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Lights & Water (church)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Telephone (church)	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Parsonage Utilities	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Insurance	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 450.00</u>	<u>\$ 450.00</u>
 Total Budgeted Expenditures	 \$180,100.00	 \$179,100.00