

# ANNUAL REPORT 2021

## Emanuel Lutheran Church

Council Bluffs, Iowa



Annual Congregational Meeting  
Sunday January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

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Annual Congregational Meeting  
January 23, 2022

## *Agenda*

Call to Order (quorum= 40)—Mike Winter

Minutes of 2020 Annual Congregational Meeting

Minutes of Special Congregational Meeting

Pastor's Report

President's Report

Financial Secretary's Report

General Fund Treasurer's Report

Voting on reducing number of Council Members

Nomination Committee's Report

Accept Nominating Committee's Report

Nominations from Floor

Selection of Tellers

Election of Church Council (ballot)

Ministry Reports-written

New Business

2022 Budget (presented by Stewardship and Finance Committee)

Announcements

Closing Prayer—Pastor Cara Knutson

Adjournment—Mike Winter

# Council Members

	<b>Term Began</b>	<b>Term Length</b>	<b>Term Renewed</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Mike Winter, President (completing 2019 term for Amy Garreans)	2020	1 year	2 years	2023
Greg Steensland, Vice President (completing 2020 term for Alex Skovgaard)	2020	2 Years		2022
Chris Reed, Secretary	2021	2 Years		2023
Connie Edson	2021	2 Years		2023
Alan Ellis	2019	2 Years	2 years	2023
Mike Hipnar (completing 2020 term for Jane Anderson)	2021	1 years		2022
Char Les Kemmish	2020	2 Years		2022
Mike Loos	2020	2 Years		2022
Al Martens (completing 2020 term for Joel Hauschild)	2021	1 Year		2022
Nick Rickard	2019	2 Years	2 years	2023
Shelby Rickard	2021	2 Years		2023
Matt Solon	2020	2 Years		2022

Pastor Cara Knutson  
 Connie Solon, Treasurer  
 Richard Reed, Capital Funds  
 Darlene Reed, Financial Secretary

# Church Staff

Cindy Richards, Director of Music Ministries  
 Darlene Reed, Financial Secretary  
 Michaela Lewis, Parish Assistant  
 Stephen Lewis, Children's Programming

# *Minutes of the Annual Congregational Meeting*

**January 24, 2021**

***Submitted by Rosie Spangenberg***

President Mike Winter called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. Michaela Lewis confirmed that there was a quorum (40 needed), with 36 voting members in person and 8 voting members online.

- Ken Kemmish made a motion to accept the minutes from the 2020 Annual Meeting as presented in the Annual Report Booklet. Richard Reed seconded it. Motion carried.
- President Winter directed those in attendance to the written Pastor's and President's reports. He thanked all those who helped with the business of Emanuel Lutheran Church during a difficult year, noting our dedicated staff and wealth of volunteers.
- Rick Stone as a member of the Stewardship and Finance, committee gave a recap of 2020. (Other members of this committee include Richard Reed, Oscar Over, Matt Solon, and Connie Solon.) He thanked the church members for their continued financial support during 2020. He then presented the proposed budget for 2021 that had been approved by the Church Council at the January 18, 2021, meeting. He explained the budget line by line and asked for questions if clarification was needed. Kevin Epperson made a motion to accept the 2021 budget as presented. Maja Knutson seconded it. Motion carried.
- President Winter directed members to the written ministry reports, and thanked members involved with those ministries for their dedication during 2020.
- President Mike Winter presented the following names as members of the 2021 Church Council:
  - ◇ Mike Winter, Nick Rickard, and Alan Ellis for second two year terms
  - ◇ Shelby Rickard and Chris Reed for two year terms
  - ◇ Mike Hipnar for a one year term, completing Jane Anderson's term
  - ◇ Stephen Lewis made a motion to accept the names as presented, Deann Over seconded it, motion carried, with the understanding that there is still a two year position open to complete the twelve member council. Any member willing to serve that term was asked to contact President Mike Winter.
- President Mike Winter thanked the bell choir for performing during the service and informed the members in attendance that a set of used bells had been purchased with memorial money.
- President Winter asked if there was any other business. Cindy Richards expressed the idea of Emanuel going solar as it looks to replace many furnaces and air conditioners. She volunteered to serve on a committee to explore this. President Winter directed her to the property committee, with Oscar Over agreeing to look into it.
- Pastor Knutson gave a closing prayer.
- With no other business, Maja Knutson made a motion to adjourn the annual meeting, Elaine Sasso seconded it, motion carried. President Mike Winter closed the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

# *Minutes of Special Congregational Meeting*

**August 08, 2021**

***Submitted by Chris Reed***

President Mike Winter called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. There was a quorum (40 needed), with 38 voting members in person and 2 voting members online.

- Mike Hipnar presented a bid from Midwest Sound. This bid included equipment and work needed to upgrade the sound system and online streaming equipment. This would include a larger soundboard with more capabilities, three mounted cameras, one laptop, one desktop computer, microphones and other equipment.
- After some discussion there was a vote on using memorial funds from Elizabeth Miller's estate to proceed with the suggested upgrades of equipment.
- The congregation approved the use of up to \$35,000 for this project.
- Meeting was adjourned.

# Pastor's Report

**Submitted by Pastor Cara Knutson**

2021 has been a year of many transitions. When we thought perhaps we could put the pandemic behind us, we get another wave, or another variant of COVID. Everyone is at a different place with their own comfort level in regards to safety and distancing. COVID has also been disruptive of any of our own personal habits and patterns, including how frequently we attend church. I see this in my own family. We've put quite a bit of effort into trying to think about how best to welcome people back and to attract new members. This year for stewardship month we had a series of round table discussions on how to do just that. Now is the time to try some of those ideas out and see what works.

But first and foremost we need to pray. We need to pray for guidance; we need to pray for direction; we need to pray for God to send us the people, gifts, and resources for the work God has called us to do; and we need to pray for clarity on just what that work is.

**Starting in Feb. every Monday from 10-11** am we'll have the sanctuary open to come for prayer. If you can't make it in say a prayer at your desk at work, or at your breakfast table. We need to pray for direction and guidance for our church and our future.

We are a generous and caring congregation. When Owen Hansen was injured we collected gift cards, hosted his welcome home celebration and gave our proceeds from our rummage sale, plus a portion of memorial money to help him and his family. When a friend of the congregation, Debbie Betts, was overwhelmed at the death of her mother and all the work to clear out her home, we came and helped. When Connie's home was damaged in a storm, a member suggested taking up a Joyful Noise offering to help with expenses.

We're also a community that sees how we've always done things isn't always the best way to meet the needs of today's people and world. We've seen a transition in our worship becoming hybrid—both online and in person. We've updated our streaming equipment and installed three cameras as well as upgraded our sound system. This year's synod assembly took place online as well as much of continuing education, clergy gatherings, and meetings.

Slowly I've been able to resume in home visits, hospital and nursing home visits, monthly services at Midlands and at Bethany. We have five students for confirmation: Cole Holcombe, Mason Lewis, Grace Nixt, and Gabe and Alex VanSickle. We are using curriculum from Augsburg Fortress called Collaborate that offers a unit on Old Testament, New Testament, Lutheran History and Catechism, and Lutheran Living. Families with young children were invited to light the Advent wreath during worship as a way of encouraging and inviting our younger families back to church. I've also reached out to members who hadn't worshipped with us in awhile through one on one visits, letters, postcards, mailings, and phone calls.

We tried several different fellowship events, that while enjoyable, had a very small attendance. I think people have so many different things competing for their time and have become used to having more free time during COVID. However, people do come together when they can complete a project and help someone like Cookie Crumbs, and the rummage sale.

It's hard to know how to proceed in the year ahead. At one point in time I met with the leadership at St Paul's Episcopal to begin looking at ways the two congregations could collaborate in ministry. We had a bowling party planned then had to cancel due to COVID. That's still a great idea, but will have to wait until the timing is better. 2022 will continue to bring both challenges and blessings and our task is to be faithful listeners and followers, perhaps even more so now than at any other time.

## Pastor's Report Continued

In spite of our many challenges we do celebrate new members coming to join us: Lori Lynn Ahrends and the Nixt family: Chris, Crystal, Grace, Tayah and Katrina. I've been in correspondence with another couple that is looking to possibly joining. I am confident that we can continue to grow, in the midst of challenges, as we listen for God's direction and proactively reach out into our community both within and without the doors of 2444 North Broadway.

Yours in Christ's Service,  
Pr. Cara Knutson

*Emanuel Lutheran Church, ELCA*  
*Statistical Report*

**January 1-December 31, 2021**

This year we have held in-person worship, with services livestreamed on Facebook, YouTube & Twitter. Attendance was calculated with counting those in person and the views online at 1.5, as some people viewed services alone and others with at least one other person.

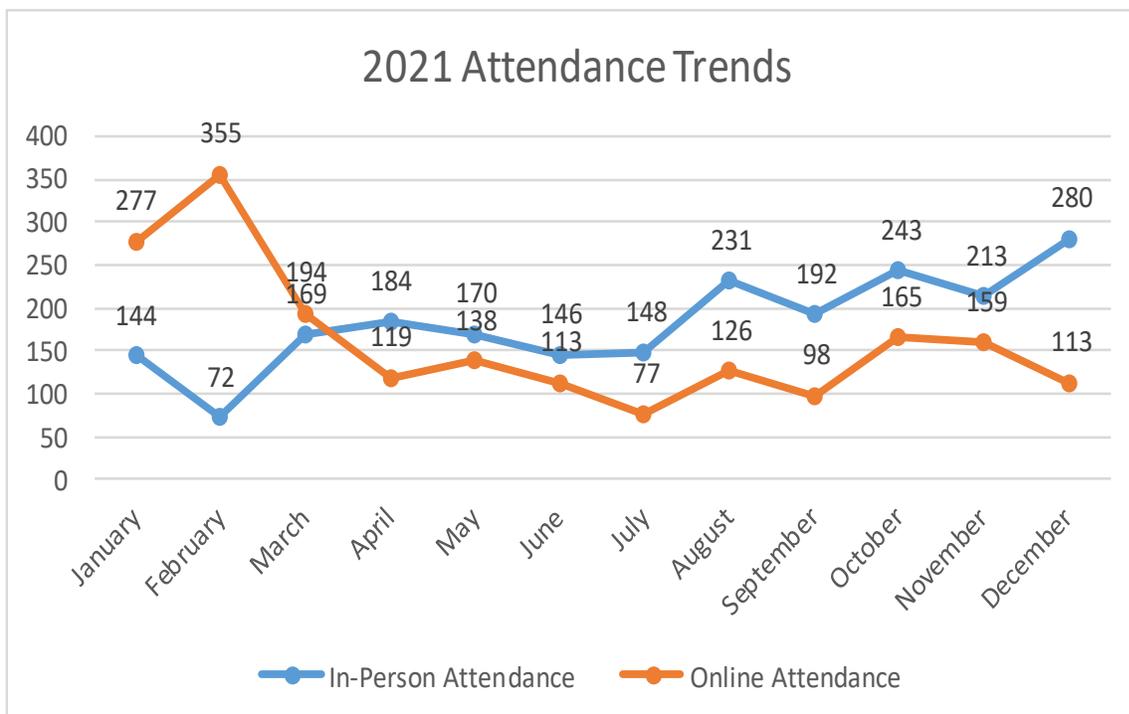
Worship Services (ELC).....	58	Meetings (ELC).....	80
Worship Services (Other).....	4	Meetings (Larger Church).....	55
Baptisms .....	1	Meetings (Community) .....	1
Weddings .....	0	Hospital/Nursing Home/Home Visits.....	2
Funerals .....	4	Office visits .....	n/a
Classes (adult) .....	50	Phone/electronic visits .....	n/a
Classes (youth) .....	4	Reimbursable mileage submitted .....	269.53

**Attendance Comparison**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
2021	421	427	363	303	308	259	225	357	290	408	372	393	4,126
2020	259	337	406	448	220	236	182	335	263	279	478	468	3,911
2019	369	180	608	607	391	362	340	298	323	263	319	359	4,419
2018	451	452	663	622	528	411	465	420	474	420	472	690	6,068
2017	522	491	570	831	415	386	433	434	457	669	621	761	6,590
2016	471	595	728	460	570	425	485	385	452	557	624	634	6,386
2015	356	256	268	447	416	429	332	401	391	432	650	600	4,978
2014	283	352	408	554	304	390	302	393	388	364	433	406	4,577
2013	267	287	422	272	338	328	228	286	332	335	366	450	3,911
2012	362	285	334	462	269	229	294	240	287	285	298	362	3,707
2011	411	344	331	461	382	355	308	325	337	411	341	303	4,309
2010	422	411	495	466	461	277	295	436	350	400	327	316	4,656
2009	380	455	552	544	466	282	307	435	358	372	503	377	5,031
2008	539	461	723	468	430	449	386	330	406	515	664	545	5,916
2007	382	432	555	635	417	356	487	385	478	423	485	524	5,559
2006	549	451	467	660	519	331	503	450	405	584	564	765	6,248
2005	501	533	685	438	522	405	511	369	436	679	439	647	6,165

Statistical Report Continued

Year Averages		
2021	79.34	0.16%
2020	79.21	-10.38%
2019	88.38	-28.36%
2018	123.36	-.79%
2017	124.34	1.78
2016	122.16	27.64%
2015	95.73	8.76%
2014	88.02	17.03%
2013	75.21	7.53%
2012*	69.94	-15.59%
2011	82.87	-7.45%
2010	89.54	-7.45%
2009	96.75	-14.96%
2008	113.77	6.42%
2007	106.90	-11.03%
2006	120.15	1.35%
2005	118.56	



# *President's Report*

**Submitted by Mike Winter, Council President  
God's Work. Our Hands.**

I was first elected as council president in January of 2020. I have now completed my second year in that position. Pastor Cara began her service to our congregation in December 2019. Both of us had to deal with the inconveniences of Covid-19 for the last two years and perhaps for the next year. As a result of the virus, we have suffered a precipitous reduction in attendance at Sunday church services. We began the year wearing face masks and social distancing. Face masks are now by personal choice, but we still do not have normal communion services, no hand shakes and none of the donuts that we particularly enjoyed during coffee hour.

During the year of 2021, we received a very generous donation from the Estate of Elizabeth Miller that has helped us balance the books, at least for now. Because attendance has been down, we have asked for a vote today to reduce the minimum number of council members from 12 to 8 as it has become difficult to find those that wish to make that commitment for a full two years and a minimum of 12 meetings. We need others to step forward to take on that responsibility. Although attendance has been reduced, volunteerism is still a priority for many of our members. It is those volunteers that help maintain our facility and keep our community commitments. The council began the year by approving our budget of \$160,984 for 2021. We also explored the purchase of hand bells and authorized the expenditure of \$4,500 to purchase the same which has now developed into a bell choir that brings a variety of music to our services. In February of 2021, the council began exploring the purchase of an updated electronic system since many of our members are now attending church via the internet and this would enhance their experience. We also explored the possibility of purchasing a van and although that idea is still being tossed around, it has not moved forward. We started receiving bids for streaming and audio equipment in May and also authorized the expenditure of funds for a prayer path which some of you may have enjoyed. The council has approved repairs for the parking lots including sealing and coating that will probably not take place until spring. At a special meeting of the congregation, the council was authorized to spend up to \$35,000 for streaming capabilities and audio equipment which has now been installed, but the rough edges still need to be worked out. Perhaps you have noticed the cameras positioned on the walls and eventually we will have tv's installed outside of the sanctuary.

I am optimistic about our future and confident that we will put the virus behind us in the year 2022. If you have not already volunteered to assist in the many committees established by the council, I encourage you to get involved. We need volunteers for everything from taking down the Christmas decorations to helping in the spring clean-up, both inside and outside of the church buildings. I am hopeful that we will return to normalcy and increased attendance and new members in the upcoming year.

Please pray that the church council will make wise decisions in the upcoming year and that our congregation will continue to be a vibrant member of the surrounding community.

# Music Director Report

**Submitted by Cindy Richards**

2021 was another challenging yet very rewarding year. The music ministry at Emanuel changed as needed to enhance worship through music. Even though we've had to change our music making, the seasons of the church year continue, and the musicians of Emanuel continue to complement our services. Congregational singing is slowly being added back into our worship services as we navigate the pandemic conditions in our community.

Two special events were held in 2021. In August we were pleased to have Brennan Plummer bless us with a piano concert. Additionally, he added to our worship services when he was home from college. Our band played an outdoor concert in May.

Live streaming now weekly carries our worship services out to the world. A huge thank you to Michaela for making her way through the world of online worship production.

A new hymnal, *All Creation Sings*, is being used for a new liturgy setting that we have been using since October and several new hymns.

I was able to continue my education this year watching 11 webinars provided by the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians and many, many YouTube videos provided for church musicians. This year I played for only one funeral held at our church.

We are pleased to have Lori Lynn Ahrens adding music to our children's program. Music is the perfect way for the stories in the bible to be absorbed by young ears. These songs will stay in their being for the rest of their lives. Thank you, Lori Lynn!

It was a joy to have Ashley Hipnar and Zane Olson play with the band again this year. Their input really added to the fullness of the band. For years Tim Johnson of Broadway Methodist has played with the band on trumpet for outside gigs and he joined us again this year. Additionally, Payton Chapman, a piano student of mine, provided trumpet support for Easter Sunday and in the summer. It is such a joy to work with other musicians in the community!

The handbell choir, soloists, and band provided music for 63 services, after practicing together a total of 120 times. We have all been blessed by the sharing of their gifts. Thank you to all these volunteer musicians! Emanuel music would be minimal without you!

I'm sure the upcoming year will again be challenging. As an ever-evolving group, Emanuel musicians are all up to the task. I'm excited to see what this year will bring!

# Parish Assistant Report

**Submitted by Michaela Lewis**

This has been another challenging and stressful year navigating the pandemic and learning new ways to connect with people online.

## **Online Presence**

- We use StreamYard to broadcast worship services to Facebook, YouTube & Twitter. There is a cost with broadcasting through here, but it allows us to reach our audience through a wider variety of platforms and we can have titles on the screens and see comments in real time.
- On our YouTube Channel we currently have 45 subscribers with 692 views in 2021. YouTube can be viewed online or through the YouTube app on a smart TV. This accounts for 21% of our online views
- Our Twitter account is less active, but our services are shown on there as well. We have 22 followers on there and in 2021 we have had over 800 visits to our profile page, 2,476 impressions and had 75 Tweets. This accounts for 13% of our online views.
- Our Facebook page started with 367 followers at the beginning of 2021 and ended with 361. The drop in followers could mean people deleted their facebook account or they decided not to follow our page anymore. The page is public, so people can view it regardless if they follow us or have a facebook page. In addition to livestreaming services to the platform, we also post updates on activities at church and share posts from the ELCA or the Western Iowa Synod. This still appears to be where most people view our live services. This accounts for 66% of our online views.
- It is interesting to look at the attendance trends. On weeks where there has been bad weather or lower attendance in person, you can see that there are more people view online.
- We continue to use our domain name ([www.emanuelcb.org](http://www.emanuelcb.org)) and updated information as needed. Current and past newsletters are on there and look great in color!
- I was able to apply to Google non-profits, so they now host our church email addresses for free. This saves about \$350 a year.

## **Equipment**

- As you may have noticed, we have upgraded our audio system and online streaming capabilities in the past few months. This has come with some growing pains and hasn't been as smooth as we would like some weeks. Please bear with us as we get the system working at its optimal performance level. If you are viewing online, please let us know if there are issues with sound by commenting during the broadcast. We can see those comments in real time and try to make adjustments as best we can. If we aren't able to fix it at that time, at least we are aware of it so we can have a technician come take a look at it. If you are interested in helping to run the soundboard or streaming equipment, please let us know. We can always use more help!
- The computers for this are on backorder, but should arrive by late February. For over a year the office computer has not been in the office and has been used to livestream. So I have brought in my personal computer many times to be able to work in the office instead of the worship center or Cindy's office. Once we have the livestreaming computers the office computer will be able to move back home to the office.
- We did switch out the printer this fall with a slightly different model. This saves us an additional \$20 a month off the lease. The cost of prints is slightly cheaper as well.

## **Mailings**

- In 2021 we had 12 monthly newsletters go out. Jan Stone has arranged volunteers and made sure the newsletters are addressed and sealed each month and taken them to the post office. The average number sent each month is 245.

# *Membership Statistics*

	<u>Baptized</u>	<u>Confirmed</u>
Membership, end of 2020.....	598.....	442.....
 Members received in 2021		
By Baptism .....	1.....	0.....
By Affirmation of Faith .....	4.....	1.....
By Transfer from ELCA.....	1.....	1.....
By Transfer from Non-Lutheran .....	0.....	0.....
Other (re-activation, etc.).....	1.....	1.....
 Total Received.....	 7.....	 3.....
 Baptized members confirmed in 2021 .....	 0.....	 0.....
 Members removed in 2021		
By Death.....	6.....	6.....
By Transfer to other ELCA.....	4.....	4.....
By Transfer to other Lutheran .....	0.....	0.....
By Transfer to Non-Lutheran .....	0.....	0.....
Other Reasons .....	0.....	0.....
 Total Removed .....	 10.....	 10.....
 Membership, end of 2021.....	 595.....	 435.....

*New Members, Baptisms, First Communion,  
Confirmed, New Members, Funerals & Weddings*

**Baptisms:**

Charleigh Rickard

**First Communion:**

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**Confirmed:**

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**New Members:**

Lori Lynn Ahrens  
Chris Nixt  
Crystal Nixt  
Grace Nixt  
Tayah Nixt  
Katrina Nixt  
Charleigh Rickard

**Pastoral Acts:**

**Funerals:**

Dennis Beckman  
Vern Buley  
Daralene Smith  
Rodella Vergamini

**Weddings:**

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## 2021 Committee Reports

### *Children's Ministries*

**Submitted by Michaela Lewis, Chair**  
*Pastor Cara Knutson, Deann Over, Steve Lewis,  
Linda Steensland, Angel McGee, Clare Haats*

The Children's Ministry Committee had a challenging year, but we were able to plan some events for 2021. Gatherings were still discouraged since many children were unable to be vaccinated until late fall. So we didn't have Sunday School in the spring and first communion classes were unable to be held. Easter Egg hunt was cancelled along with vacation Bible school. Meetings were also limited during the year.

#### **Stepping Stones**

First Communion class was unable to be held and there were no books handed out this year.

#### **Sunday School**

There are currently 32 people who follow the Emanuel Sunday School page, which is managed by Stephen Lewis. In the spring a puppet named "Corey" took over hosting the Sunday School show, which is taped, edited and posted each Sunday. He uses the Sermon's for Kids curriculum. The page has reached 1,207 people with 148 views of the full video and 1,413 partial video views this year on the Facebook page. There have been 110 views of the videos on YouTube. All puppetry and equipment used for this is Steve's personal equipment.

We did begin holding in-person Sunday school again this fall. Stephen Lewis uses the same curriculum that is used for the online video, but is able to expand on it and do craft projects and games as well. Lori Lynn Ahrens joined Steve this year in the classroom and has let the kids in song and games. We are grateful to have two wonderful leaders for our kids.

#### **Easter**

Due to COVID concerns, we did not hold an Easter egg hunt. We did send Easter books to all elementary age children in the congregation.

#### **Cookout**

We did host a cookout this fall with about a dozen people in attendance. When it was added to the calendar, we missed that A.L.'s homecoming game was that night, so that may have contributed to a smaller crowd. However, we still had fun and were able to roast hotdogs and marshmallows over a fire.

#### **Halloween**

We held Trunk-or-Treat the afternoon of Halloween. Since it was cold out, we moved the event inside the community room and people were able to decorate a table instead of their car. It seemed to go very well and we had about 300 trick-or-treaters, plus adults.

#### **Children's Christmas Program**

A lot of our children in the classroom are toddler to younger elementary. Because of the younger group, the Christmas program was a simple one with one reader and all the actors acting out their parts. The children sang three songs during the program. We did have a few confirmation students help with the program as well.

## 2021 Committee Reports

### *Youth Ministries*

**Submitted by Deann Over, Chair**

*Michaela & Steve Lewis, Linda Steensland, Angel McGee,  
Clare Haats, and Pastor Cara Knutson*

We looked forward to 2021 with many plans, however, we carefully adjusted due to continuing COVID-19 limitations for Youth in person activities.

#### **Honoring High School Graduates**

Since services were not able to held in the church, Emanuel's High School Graduates, Shelby Rickard and Taryn McSorley were honored during the virtual Facebook service. Both were also delivered a large yard sign with their picture and the Jeremiah 29:11 Bible verse.

#### **Care Packages for Emanuel's College Students**

Gift cards from Emanuel were sent both in the Spring and Fall as they prepared for their finals. Fourteen were sent in the Spring to: Kobie Ferguson, Mattie Nickels, Nick Haats, John Scheffler, Porter McSorley, Haley Holland, Alexis Gress, Brennan Plummer, Kaitlyn Egner, Macy Kephart, Andrew Hubbard, Carly Sorensen, Clare Plummer, and Ashley Hipnar

And in the Fall thirteen to all the above except for John Scheffler, who graduated in May with a BA in Criminal Justice from Iowa State and then commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army.

#### **Confirmation**

Classes began in September with five students (Grace Nixt, Mason Lewis, Cole Holcombe, Alex and Gabe VanSickle) and co-teachers, Pastor Cara and Steve Lewis. Confirmation classes meet once a month on Sundays.

#### **2022 ELCA Youth Gathering**

Due to COVID the National 2021 ELCA Youth Gathering was rescheduled to July 24-28, 2022, in Minneapolis, MN. Emanuel has registered six students: Hanna Ferguson, Angie Maxwell, Hailey Holcombe, Reagan Haats, Kade Holcombe and Kyle Sorensen with Pastor Cara and Steve Lewis serving as the Adult Leaders.

We are hopeful that the Gathering will be able to be held, however, the most recent post stated due to the latest COVID-19 surge the Gathering leadership is evaluating the next steps and has paused registration. We anticipate updates in the coming weeks.

## 2021 Committee Reports

### *Property Committee*

**Submitted by Oscar Over, Chair**

*Alan Ellis, CharLes Kemmish, Joel Hauschild and Oscar Over.*

Members of Emanuel have stepped up again in helping to maintain its property.

A special thank you to those who mowed, took care of the patio, vacuumed the Sanctuary and community room, and who removed the snow.

During the year several things needed to be repaired or replaced:

- The push bar and lock on the exterior door to the lower offices were replaced.
- A hole in the galvanized pipe to a toilet in the women's rest room resulting in flooding the floor was fixed.
- A leak from the upper restroom was fixed and the ruined ceiling tile replaced.
- Four smoke detectors were replaced, and new batteries put in the other smoke detectors.
- An additional fire extinguisher was purchased and put in the community room.
- Water was seeping through the lower West wall, by the men's restroom. The area was excavated, and tar applied to the exterior of the wall. Painting of the interior of the wall has not been completed as of the preparing of this report.
- A large tree, at the corner entering the upper parking lot, blew over and has been removed and disposed of.
- The hinges on the door to the fence securing the upper lever air conditioners broke and were replaced.

## 2021 Committee Reports

### *Wider Ministries*

**Submitted by Linda Steensland, Committee Chair**

*Jan Husmann, Phil Meyer, Angel McGee, Suzanne Winter, Connie Solon, Mike Garreans, John Spilde, Peggy Jarrell (partial year) and Chris Reed (council representative)*

MISSION: Sharing God's love in the surrounding community by informing the congregation of opportunities to give to those in need through donations of money, service, and needed items.

#### **JOYFUL NOISE:**

February	Our Savior's Food Pantry	\$651.39
March	Phoenix House	\$168.82
May	Camp CoHoLo	\$300.10
July	Habitat for Humanity CB	\$578.58
October	Thanksgiving Baskets	\$336.91
November	Lutheran Family Service bags	\$239.38
December	Connie Edson tornado damage	\$799.00
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$3074.18</b>

#### **OUR SAVIOR'S FOOD AND PET PANTRY**

Judi Malloy coordinated our volunteers on the third Friday of each month during most of the year. We are waiting for direction as they have a new delivery system and have combined with Story Street pantry. Chris Reed is a board member.

#### **GREEN BEAN CASSEROLES**

18 Fully cooked casseroles were delivered on Thanksgiving Day for the community dinner. Members also volunteered in other ways that day. Thanks to Judi Malloy the coordinator! They reported that 592 meals were served, and 78 delivered.

#### **THANKSGIVING BASKETS**

The Sunday before Thanksgiving 22 families received baskets. A full dinner was provided, and an invitation to Emanuel, a devotion, recipes, and napkins were included. A very special thanks to those who donated, and who helped with distribution.

#### **LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICE BAGS**

56 bags were donated to Lutheran Family Services in December for their clients with children 0-5 years old. The bags included needed items such as socks, diapers, sippy cups, shampoo, lotion, plus a book and a small toy. Thanks to Jan Husmann the coordinator.

#### **CLOTHES, COATS, ETC.**

Throughout the year coats, clothes, socks, gloves, hats, books and personal items were delivered to several local organizations. Donations can be brought to the church all year.

Thanks to each of the committee members and the congregation for your support in this ministry. I have enjoyed being the chair. Chris Reed and Angel McGee will be the new co-chairs.  
Linda

## 2021 Committee Reports

### *Women of Emanuel*

***Submitted by Darlene Reed***

Most of our activity was making and tying quilts. We completed 115 quilts. 55 went to Lutheran World Relief and 50 to VODEC, Heartland Family Services, Micah House, Phoenix House, New Visions, Boys & Girls Club, Salvation Army, Lutheran Social Services, Mosaic and Kaneshville Therapy.

Jan Stone again served as Bethany Key Lady.

Other services for 2021 were:

- Served 1 funeral
- Honored students graduating from high school
- Gathered pop tabs which were donated to Ronald McDonald House in Okaha
- Collected Best Choice Labels for Youth
- Donated Cards for Birthdays and thinking of you cards to Bethany Home and Heights

## 2021 Committee Reports

### *Worship & Music*

**Submitted by Mike Hipnar**

Kevin Epperson, Mike Hipnar, Pastor Cara Knutson, Maja Knutson, Mike Loos,  
Marjorie Powell-McIntosh, Ron Reiff & Cindy Richards

The annual Mardi Gras celebration was cancelled this due to virus safety concerns but we are hoping this festive tradition will be able to continue in 2022.

The new video & sound system has been installed and we are working at fine tuning it. We are still waiting for a sound amplifier and a couple laptops to arrive that have been ordered. The T.V. monitors have been installed in the community room. We are anticipating to have all the equipment in place very soon and fully operational. As with anything new and this complex, a few complications have occurred, but Midwest Sound is working closely with us to navigate through these issues and we greatly appreciate everyone's patience. If you would be interested in helping operate this equipment, please see anyone in this committee.

The Emanuel Bell Choir has been a welcome addition to the musical gifts offered here. After renting a set on a trial basis last year, we purchased our own set of hand bells and have played several services. Learning how to play them has been such a fun experience for everyone involved and your hours of practice and fellowship are greatly appreciated.

Our 2021 garage sale, along with donations, raised a record \$10,000.00 which was donated to Owen Hansen for medical expenses. Our many prayers continue to go out to Owen and everyone involved in his care. Thanks to everyone involved through donations, setup, working the event, tear down and haul away. This is truly a team effort and so appreciated.

With the ongoing virus concerns, Emanuel's vocal choir has temporarily halted practices. No decision has been made at this time for when they will resume.

Da Band continues to practice and has played at several services throughout the year. Additional gifts of music were offered this past year through solos from many of our talented musicians. Thank you for enhancing our services with your musical talents.

## 2021 Committee Reports

# *No Reports Provided*

*Due to limited activity this year, reports were not submitted for the following committees:*

- FAITH Team
- Fresh Start
- Evangelism
- Fellowship & Support
- Mutual Ministry

## 2021 Financial Reports

### *Assets*

	<u>Assets</u> <b>2021</b>	<u>Assets</u> <b>2020</b>
<b>Cash Accounts</b>		
Checking Account	14,978.32	20,408.34
Bldg & Grounds	23,623.68	21,127.68
Interest Account	141.30	138.61
Les Haas Estate	5,735.73	5,735.13
Rudy & Elizabeth Miller Estate	149,430.50	83,861.78
Insurance Claim	3,391.15	3,391.15
Day Care Start Up	33,539.03	33,535.60
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Totals	\$230,839.71	\$168,198.29
 <b>Special Accounts</b>		
Special Funds	28,684.61	25,976.46
Youth Account	3,614.78	3,634.45
Special Needs	1,678.21	1,843.21
Women Account	670.65	754.06
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Totals	\$34,648.25	\$32,208.18
 <b>Memorial Account</b>		
Memorial Account	24,035.86	27,381.07
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Totals	\$24,035.86	\$27,381.07
 <b>Investment Accounts</b>		
Miller Estate (Due 2/26/24) 1.5%	101,120.09	
Miller Estate (Due 3/26/24) 1.5%	101,120.33	NONE
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Totals	\$202,240.42	\$0.00
 <b>Property Investments</b>		
Church Edifice & Lot	3,231,700.00	3,107,431.00
Church Personal Property	697,600.00	697,600.00
Parsonage	201,000.00	201,000.00
Parsonage Personal Property	11,900.00	11,900.00
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Totals	\$4,130,300.00	\$4,006,031.00
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<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$4,622,064.24</b>	<b>\$4,233,818.54</b>
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# 2021 Financial Reports

## *Capital & Building Fund Report*

### Capital & Building Accounts

#### Building & Grounds (GWB)

1/1/2021 Balance		21,127.68
	Y-T-D	
Income		
Transfer From Church (General)	2,496.00	
Expense:		
Stamps \$ Fee's	0.00	
Balance		23,623.68

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#### Interest Account (GWB)

1/1/2021 Balance		138.61
	Y-T-D	
Income		
Interest (GWB)	2.69	
Expense:		
Balance		141.30

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#### Les Haas Estate (GWB)

1/1/2018 Balance		5,735.13
	Y-T-D	
Income		
Interest (GWB)	0.60	
Expense:		
Balance		5,735.73

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## Capital & Building Fund Report Continued

**Insurance Claim (GWB)**

	1/1/2021 Balance		3,391.15
		Y-T-D	
Income			
Expense:			
	Balance		3,391.15
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**Rudy & Elizabeth Miller Estate (GWB)**

	1/1/2021 Balance		83,861.78
		Y-T-D	
Income			
	Interest (GWB)	14.85	
	Deposit From Estate	273,952.85	
Expense:			
	Mission Investment (CD)	200,000.00	
	Sound & Video System	8,398.98	
	Balance		149,430.50
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**Day Care Start UP (GWB)**

**MUST BE APPROVED BY EACH MEMBERS TO SPEND.**

	1/1/2021 Balance		33,535.60
		Y-T-D	
Income			
	Interest	3.43	
Expense:			
		0.00	
	Balance		33,539.03
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## Capital & Building Fund Report Continued

<b>Miller Estate CD (MIF)</b>	#54740 400046582	3 Yearss	
	\$100,000.00	2/26/24	Rate 1.50%
1/1/2021 Balance			0.00
		Y-T-D	
Income			
Interest Deposit		1,120.09	
		100,000.00	
Expense:			
		0.00	
Balance			101,120.09
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<b>Miller Estate CD (MIF)</b>	# 54740 400047228	3 Yearss	
	\$100,000.00	3/26/24	Rate 1.50%
1/1/2021 Balance			0.00
	M-T-D	Y-T-D	
Income			
Interest Deposit		1,128.33	
		100,000.00	
Expense:			
		0.00	
Balance			101,128.33
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# 2021 Financial Reports

## *Memorial Fund Report*

**CHECKING ACCOUNT**

# 549758

	Y-T-D	BALANCE
Balance as of 1/1/2021		2,401.89
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		
Transfer from Saving	6,500.00	
Transfer from General Account	55.00	
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
Transfer to Savings	100.00	
Music	75.00	
Safe Deposit Box	45.00	
Hand Bells with Cases and Tables	4,500.00	
Owen Strong	2,076.00	
Xmas Tree for Hats And Mittens	105.93	
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		1,999.96

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**SAVING ACCOUNT**                      # 330646

Balance as of 1/1/2021		24,979.18
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		
Interest	1.86	
Transfer from General Account	2,995.00	
Transfer from Checking	100.00	
Deposit	415.00	
Safe Deposit Box	45.00	
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
Transfer to Checking	6,500.00	
Transfer Between Funds	0.00	

## Memorial Fund Report Continued

Balance On Hand	=====	
	22,036.04	
<b><u>TOTAL MEMORIAL FUNDS</u></b>		=====
		24,036.00

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Y-T-D 2021  
 At: American National Bank Richard D. Reed

<b><u>TOTAL MEMORIAL RECAP:</u></b>	Bal 1/1/2021	Received	Used	Balance
Interest & Expenses	(12.67)	46.72 0.00	45.00	(10.95)
Kathy Springer	550.00			550.00
Mike Sullivan	704.38			704.38
Joseph Anderson II & Children	250.00	500.00		750.00
Joseph Anderson III & Deborah Anderson Leaf				
Marie Mass & Daughter Susan Mass	250.00	500.00		750.00
Jim Lee Jeppesen (2016)	12,030.00		6,576.00	5,454.00
Jerry McIntosh (2016)	331.69			331.69
Anna Ellingsen (2016)	150.00			150.00
Ray Kanger (2017)	700.00		105.93	594.07
Deb Hipnar (2017)	350.00			350.00
Hazel Schnieder (2017)	500.00			500.00
Kara Nickels (2017)	1,705.00	975.00		2,680.00
Dorothy Ferris (2017)	50.00			50.00
David Larson (2017)	310.00			310.00
Charlie Madsen (2019)	1,000.00			1,000.00
Robert Bird (2019)	1,508.97			1,508.97
Lucille Weatherill (2019)	369.90			369.90

## Memorial Fund Report Continued

### MEMORIAL FUND REPORT

Michael Spangenberg (2019)	40.00			40.00
Gene Jeppesen (2019)	905.00			905.00
Daphne Miller (2019)	635.00			635.00
Mildred Rogers (2019)	388.80			388.80
Edna Morgans (2019)	405.00			405.00
Dave Apple (2019)	1,020.00			1,020.00
Jim Hamilton (2019)	50.00			50.00
Elizabeth Miller (2019)	445.00			445.00
Glen Fahenkurg (2020)	765.00			765.00
Dona Mae Smith (2020)	170.00			170.00
Irvin Mass (2020)	1,760.00	110.00		1,870.00
Cheryl Ellis (2020)	25.00	70.00		95.00
Jim Fowler (2020)	25.00	75.00	25.00	75.00
Ruth Pearson (2020)	0.00	65.00		65.00
Phyliss Fowler (2021)	0.00	75.00	25.00	50.00
Dennis Beckman (2021)	0.00	320.00		320.00
Paul Heath (2021)	0.00	25.00		25.00
Alce Croson (2021)	0.00	25.00		25.00
Rodella Vergamini (2021)	0.00	20.00		20.00
Darlene Smith (2021)	0.00	75.00	25.00	50.00
Helne Baker (2021)	0.00	425.00		425.00
LaVern Buley (2021)	0.00	150.00		150.00
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TOTAL MEMORIAL FUNDS	27,381.07	3,456.72	6,801.93	24,035.86

# Memorial Fund Report Continued

## MEMORIAL FUND REPORT

### Safe Deposit Box

Safe Deposit Box	45.00
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	45.00

### Music

Jim Fowler (2020)	25.00
Phyliss Fowler (2021)	25.00
Darlene Smith (2021)	25.00
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	75.00

### Hand Bells with Cases and Tables

Jim Lee Jeppesen (2016)	4,500.00
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	4,500.00

### Owen Strong

Jim Lee Jeppesen (2016)	2,076.00
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	2,076.00

### Xmas Tree for Hats And Mittens

Ray Kanger (2017)	105.93
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	105.93

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,801.93</b>

## Financial Reports

# *Women of the ELCA Treasurer's Report*

Balance carried forward January 1	\$754.06
Income	
Funeral	\$121.74
<hr/> Total Income	<hr/> \$121.74
Expenses	
Funeral	\$71.74
LWR (Shipping)	\$123.75
Graduation Gifts	\$9.66
<hr/> Total Expenses	<hr/> \$205.15
Balance December 31	\$670.65

# Financial Reports

## *Treasurer's Report, General Fund*

Emanuel Lutheran Church - Council Bluffs IA  
Treasurer's Report as of December 2021 for General Fund

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

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Account #	Account Name	YTD Balance	% of Budget YTD	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>					
4.010.010	Loose	655.50	66	1,000.00	66
4.010.020	Pledged	149,369.85*	103	145,575.00	103
4.010.030	Special Pledge	0.00			
4.010.050	End of Year Carry Over	0.00	0	20,408.00	0
4.010.080	Interest	0.00			
4.010.090	Miscellaneous and Loan	0.00			
4.010.100	** Faith Giving **	0.00			
	<b>Total General Income</b>	<b>\$150,025.35</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>\$166,983.00</b>	<b>90</b>
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$150,025.35</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>\$166,983.00</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Expense</b>					
5.010.010	Benevolence/Synod Support	6,996.00	100	7,000.00	100
	<b>Total Benevolence</b>	<b>\$6,996.00</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>\$7,000.00</b>	<b>100</b>
5.015.010	Pastor's Salary	40,836.00	100	40,836.00	100
5.015.015	Pastor's Housing	0.00	0	0.00	0
5.015.020	Pastor's Benefits	16,173.00	100	16,173.00	100
5.015.030	Pastor's Social Security	3,123.92	100	3,124.00	100
5.015.040	Pastor's Phone & Internet	1,089.53*	101	1,080.00	101
5.015.050	Pastor's Books	239.33*	120	200.00	120
5.015.055	Pastor's Continuing Education	375.00	50	750.00	50
5.015.060	Pastor's Car Reimbursement	156.20	26	600.00	26
5.015.100	Staff Salaries	37,576.60	99	37,846.00	99
5.015.110	Staff Taxes	2,874.74*	101	2,838.00	101
5.015.200	Supply Pastor/Organist-Pianist	1,125.00*	113	1,000.00	113
	<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>\$103,569.32</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>\$104,447.00</b>	<b>99</b>
5.020.010	Utilities	17,611.81*	101	17,500.00	101
5.020.020	Building & Grounds	2,496.00	100	2,500.00	100
5.020.030	Maintenance	3,179.01*	106	3,000.00	106
5.020.040	Insurance	8,501.70*	104	8,200.00	104
	<b>Total Property</b>	<b>\$31,788.52*</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>\$31,200.00</b>	<b>102</b>
5.025.010	Children Ministry	1,264.46	63	2,000.00	63
5.025.020	Youth Ministry	1,028.63	69	1,500.00	69
5.025.030	Worship & Music	3,228.31	98	3,300.00	98
5.025.040	Evangelism	0.00	0	250.00	0
5.025.050	Stewardship	209.52	70	300.00	70
5.025.060	Wider Ministries	0.00	0	0.00	0
5.025.070	Fellowship & Support	0.00	0	0.00	0
5.025.080	Office Supplies & Mailings	7,613.65*	102	7,500.00	102
5.025.085	Redevelopment	0.00	0	0.00	0
5.025.090	Miscellaneous and Loan Exp.	172.10	57	300.00	57
5.025.095	Seminar & Training	494.66	35	1,400.00	35
5.025.096	Fresh Start	0.00	0	0.00	0
5.025.100	Transfer from Special	(910.00)			
	<b>Total Programs</b>	<b>\$13,101.33</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>\$16,550.00</b>	<b>85</b>
	<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$155,455.17</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>\$159,197.00</b>	<b>98</b>
	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$155,455.17</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>\$159,197.00</b>	<b>98</b>
	<b>Difference</b>	<b>(\$5,429.82)</b>		<b>\$7,786.00</b>	

# Financial Reports

## *Donations Account Balances*

(01/01/2021-12/31/2021)

Monday, January 3, 2022

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Account ID      Account

YTD Balance

***Giving Accounts***

001	001 - Loose	655.50
002	002 - Pledged	149,369.85
	<b>Unified</b>	<b>\$150,025.35</b>
041	041 - Ash Wednesday	55.00
042	042 - Lenten Offering	20.00
043	043 - Maundy Thursday	75.00
044	044 - Easter	230.00
045	045 - Thanksgiving	95.00
046	046 - Christmas	435.00
	<b>Holidays</b>	<b>\$910.00</b>
047	047 - Janitor	440.00
051	051 - Initial	86.00
053	053 - Memorial	2,995.00
054	054 - Flowers	169.00
056	056 - Music	78.21
057	057 - Refund	150.00
058	058 - Repairs / Maintenance	100.00
060	060 - Owen Strong	10,410.00
061	061 - World Hunger	500.00
066	066 - Youth	1,138.80
070	070 - Fellowship & Support	799.50
072	072 - Joyful Noise	2,079.18
079	079 - Tee Shirts	72.00
081	081 - Thanksgiving Basket	400.00
092	092 - Foster Children Car Seats	200.00
102	102 - Concert	635.00
107	107 - Van	800.00
116	116 - Special Needs	750.00
119	119 - National Youth Gathering	50.00
120	120 - Wednesday Night Dinner	14.00
125	125 - Display Sign	775.00
	<b>Special Income</b>	<b>\$22,641.69</b>
	<b>Total Giving Accounts</b>	<b>\$173,577.04</b>

**Count: 29**

**Period: 01/01/2021 - 12/31/2021**

**Year: 2021**

## Financial Reports

### *Special Needs*

*Submitted by Richard Reed*

<b>Month</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Check</b>	<b>Deposit</b>	<b>Balance</b>
January 21	Balance Forward			\$1,843.21
02/05/21	Deposit		\$35.00	\$1,878.21
02/28/21	Check #2020	\$700.00		\$1,178.21
03/03/21	Deposit		\$500.00	\$1,678.21
	No activity through end of year			
<b>12/31/21</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>			<b>\$1,678.21</b>

# Financial Reports

## *Consolidated Fund Activity Report*

### Emanuel Lutheran Church - Council Bluffs IA Consolidated Fund Activity Report as of 12/31/2021

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

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Account #	Account Name	Beg Balance	Receipts	Disbursement	Transfers/JE's	End Balance
3.001.010	Youth Saving Account	3,634.45	0.33	20.00	0.00	3,614.78
3.010.010	General Fund	20,408.34	150,025.35	155,455.17	0.00	14,978.52
3.035.010	Special Days Fund	0.00	910.00	910.00	0.00	0.00
3.047.010	Janitor Fund	0.00	440.00	440.00	0.00	0.00
3.051.010	Initial Fund	0.00	86.00	86.00	0.00	0.00
3.053.010	Memorial Fund	(838.34)	3,711.18	2,872.84	0.00	0.00
3.054.010	Flowers Fund	54.11	169.00	123.86	0.00	99.25
3.056.010	Music Fund	626.86	78.21	10.00	0.00	695.07
3.057.010	Refund Fund	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	0.00
3.058.010	Repair / Maintenance Fund	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
3.060.010	Owen Strong Fund	0.00	10,410.00	10,410.00	0.00	0.00
3.061.010	World Hunger Fund	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.00
3.062.010	Easter Breakfast Fund	852.31	0.00	0.00	(852.31)	0.00
3.064.010	Garage Sale Fund	2,318.84	0.00	465.62	0.00	1,853.22
3.065.010	Day Camp Fund	1,117.91	0.00	0.00	(1,117.91)	0.00
3.066.010	Youth Fund	3,084.20	1,138.80	1,232.66	2,169.77	5,160.11
3.070.010	Fellowship & Support Fund	1,456.42	799.50	624.59	0.00	1,631.33
3.072.010	Joyful Noise Fund	0.00	2,079.18	2,079.18	0.00	0.00
3.079.010	T-shirts Fund	0.00	72.00	0.00	0.00	72.00
3.080.010	Library Fund	934.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	934.39
3.081.010	Thanksgiving Baskets Fund	0.69	400.00	50.55	0.00	350.14
3.082.010	Wider Ministries Fund	899.89	0.00	458.52	0.00	441.37
3.087.010	Fine Arts Fund	321.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	321.19
3.088.010	Parish Nursing Fund	390.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	390.83
3.091.010	Evangelism Fund	280.00	0.00	150.90	0.00	129.10
3.092.010	Foster Children Car Seats Fund	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
3.093.010	Mardi Gras Fund	3,144.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,144.96
3.096.010	Church Council Funds	296.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	296.72
3.098.010	DA Band Fund	152.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	152.82
3.099.010	Mission Support Fund	323.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	323.72
3.100.010	Faith Team/Redevelopment Fund	972.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	972.15
3.102.010	Concert Fund	1,075.00	635.00	85.00	0.00	1,625.00
3.103.010	Angel Tree Projects Fund	1,199.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,199.81
3.107.010	Van Fund	2,280.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	3,080.00
3.108.010	Mental Health Fund	2,240.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,240.15
3.109.010	Fresh Start Team Program Account Fund	920.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	920.92
3.116.010	Special Needs Fund	35.00	750.00	785.00	0.00	0.00
3.119.010	National Youth Gathering Fund	87.57	50.00	0.00	0.00	137.57
3.120.010	Wednesday Night Dinner Fund	290.79	14.00	0.00	0.00	304.79
3.121.010	Lakeview Camp Fund	199.55	0.00	0.00	(199.55)	0.00
3.124.010	Carol Joy Holling Trailhead Campaign Fund	25.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	0.00
3.125.010	Display Sign Fund	1,233.00	775.00	0.00	0.00	2,008.00
<b>Total</b>		<b><u>\$50,019.25</u></b>	<b><u>\$174,293.55</u></b>	<b><u>\$177,034.89</u></b>	<b><u>\$0.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$47,277.91</u></b>

**Financial Reports**

*2021 Percentage Report for Estimate of Giving*

**2022 Pledge Recap**

**Final 2022**

<b><u>AS OF 1/15/22</u></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Dollar</b>
Pledged 2022	45	120,159
Loose		500
Pledged 2021 Not 2022 (Less 15%)	5	1,530
	====	=====
	50	122,189
Paid 2021No Pledge (Less 15%)	13	6,821
2020 Balance Carry Over		15,020
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	63	144,030
<b>Prososed Budget</b>		174,109
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<b>Deficit</b>		-30,079

## Financial Reports

# 2021 Budget Review & Proposed Budget for 2022

	<b>PROPOSED BUDGET</b>		<u>AS OF 1/17/22</u>		
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2021 Y-T-D as of 12/31</b>	<b>2021 % of Budget</b>	<b>2022 Proposed Budget</b>	
<b>Benevolence</b>					
Synod Support	7,000	6,996.00		5,000	
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<b>Total Benevolence</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>	<b>\$6,996.00</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>-28.6%</b>
<b>Staff</b>					
Pastor - Salary	40,836	40,836.00	100%	43,489	
Pastor - Benefits	16,173	16,173.00	100%	17,398	
Pastor's Social Security	3,124	3,123.92	100%	3,327	
Pastor Phone & Interest	1,080	1,089.53		1,326	
Pastor's Books	200	239.33	120%	200	
Continuing Education	750	375.00		375	
Car Reimbursement	600	156.20	26%	175	
Staff Salaries	37,846	37,576.60	99%	45,896	
Staff Taxes	2,838	2,874.74	101%	3,511	
Supply Pastor & Organist	1,000	1,125.00	113%	1,125	
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<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>\$104,447</b>	<b>\$103,569.32</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>\$116,822</b>	<b>11.8%</b>
<b>Total Property</b>					
Utilities	17,500	17,611.81	101%	20,400	
Building & Grounds	2,500	2,496.00	100%	2,000	
Maintenance	3,000	3,179.01	106%	6,220	
Insurance	8,200	8,501.70	104%	9,222	
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<b>Total Property</b>	<b>\$31,200</b>	<b>\$31,788.52</b>	<b>102%</b>	<b>\$37,842</b>	<b>21.3%</b>
<b>Programs</b>					
Children Ministry	2,000	1,264.46	63%	1,500	
Youth Ministry	1,500	1,028.63	69%	1,050	
Worship & Music	3,300	3,228.31	98%	3,300	
Evangelism	250	0.00	0%	150	
Stewardship	300	209.52	70%	295	
Office Supplies & Mailings	7,500	7,613.65	102%	7,500	
Miscellaneous	300	172.10	57%	150	
Seminars & Training	1,400	494.66	35%	500	
Transfer from Special		*		(910.00)	
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<b>Total Programs</b>	<b>\$16,550</b>	<b>\$13,101.33</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>\$14,445</b>	<b>-12.7%</b>
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<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$159,197</b>	<b>\$155,455.17</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>\$174,109</b>	<b>9.4%</b>

\* Adjusted by  
Transfer



## **2021 Financial Reports**

### *Audit Statement*

***Submitted by Ken Kemmish***

I have examined the cash receipts and disbursement statements for the following funds for the year ending 12/31/21:

TREASURER'S REPORT

CONGREGATIONAL CONSOLIDATED FUNDS

CONGREGATIONAL CAPITAL FUND

MEMORIAL FUND

SPECIAL NEEDS REPORT

WELCA TREASURER'S REPORT

My review indicated that the statements for the above accounts reflect an accurate accounting of Emanuel Lutheran Church's receipts and disbursements, for the year ended and an accurate statement of funds on hand as of 12/31/21.

Ken Kemmish





## A MESSAGE FROM ELCA PRESIDING BISHOP

*Elizabeth  
Eaton*

Dear friends in Christ,

The last year has been one of adapting and learning. In many places we have seen vibrant and vital ministry spring forth from changes made due to the pandemic. Digital worship opportunities have introduced to our congregations people who may never have walked into one of our buildings. Many congregations have found new ways to invite people to share their generosity through online giving. And many ministries have found just how vital they are as they continue to serve alongside people in their communities.

The first chapter of James, verse 17, reminds us that “Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.” Yes, this has been a season of change, but Scripture also reminds us that we serve a generous, steadfast God.

While we stay rooted in God’s enduring, unchanging promise, God also gives us the gifts of creativity and learning. Across all three expressions of the church we have used those gifts to serve God, love our neighbor and share the good news of Jesus Christ. In this time of change, we have opened our arms wider to meet people where they are, living into the reality that we are not defined or confined by the four walls of our buildings.

Through all this, I am so grateful for your generous sharing of creativity, time, talents and resources. All good gifts do come from God, and we are called to share and use those gifts. We have and will continue to answer that call. There is still much change and learning to come, but God’s steadfast love energizes us for the work God is still doing in the world through this church.

*Elizabeth A. Eaton*

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton  
Presiding Bishop  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

“Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.”



***Come as you are!***  
***Be who you are!***  
***Make us a better community,  
congregation and people!***

***Come as you are!***

**Bring yourself, dressed in your favorite comfy clothes**  
**Bring your gifts, your pain, your hope, and your fears**  
**Bring the traditions that have helped you and hurt you**  
**Bring your experiences that have made you and broken you**  
**Bring your mind, ready to engage and question and grow**  
**Bring your heart, open to discern and delight**



***Be who you are!***

**If you are young or old and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

**If you have brown skin, black skin, white skin,  
or any color of skin, and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

**If you are married or single, and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

**If you are gay or straight, and you come to  
Emanuel, we will be better because of you.**

**If you are transgender, and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

**If you are a man or a woman, and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

**If you cannot hear or see, and you come to  
Emanuel, we will be better because of you.**

**If you are sick or well, and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

**If you are happy or sad, and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

**If you are rich or poor, powerful or weak, and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

**If you believe in God some of the time or none of the time  
or all of the time, and you come to Emanuel,  
we will be better because of you.**

***And make us a better community,  
a better congregation, and better people.***



***We're excited to be with you and to have you with us!***