

# IMMANUEL IMAGE

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This year's cooperative **New Year's Eve worship service** will be held at **7:00 pm** here at Immanuel Lutheran Church, with Pastor Brian Shane preaching the sermon that night. Help bring in the new year, praising our God!



**To request prayers for the PRAYER CHAIN**, contact one of the coordinators: Clarice Michel (Claricemichel39@gmail.com; 701-237-9759) or Sandi Gardner-Leikas (701-237-9661; srendrag@gmail.com). You may also wish to join the prayer chain in this new year. Contact Clarice or Sandi to volunteer. *Note: Prayer Chain items do NOT go on the Prayer Page of the Immanuel News unless directed to do so.*

32nd Annual ND District  
**2022 MEN'S RETREAT**  
January 14-15  
Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads

**CHRISTIAN Hope**

One doesn't have to look far to see the effects of sin on our fallen world - just turn on the nightly news. Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of The Lutheran Hour® and author of Christian Hope Among Rivals, will encourage men to find hope in a hopeless world.



Begins with meal Friday at 6:00 PM, ends 2:00 PM Saturday  
\$100 | RSVP to Corey Isaak  
corey.isaak@gracefargo.org or 701-281-0240

## Children's Christmas Service Thank You

On December 19<sup>th</sup>, the children of Immanuel participated in sharing the Christmas story with family, friends, and our congregation. They did an absolutely wonderful job sharing the birth of Jesus through his lineage, starting with Adam and Eve. Thank you to all of the children who participated and shared the story of Jesus! Thank you also to our Sunday School teachers; Carolyn Worrall; Pam Sommer; Jane Moltzan; Lisa Esping; and Barbara Downs, who all helped to make this service happen. A special thank you to our Christmas Committee: Sue Schulz, Melissa Gornowicz, and Brenda Preuss, who worked so hard to help me make this service great. One final thank you to all those who attended the service, watched it online, or supported in any way, especially the Board of Elders and the LWML. We look forward to the wonderful things to come this year and getting to share the story again next year!

DCE Susie

## Christmas Cookie Bake Thank You

Thank you to everyone who donated ingredients and helped with the baking of the cookies for the Christmas Cookie Bake this year! It is always such a fun weekend to bake Christmas cookies and you all help to make that possible. Thank you also to everyone who helped support the youth by purchasing the group's delicious cookies. This year's funds were raised to assist those attending the National Youth Gathering this summer and they are incredibly grateful for your support!



**The Flower Calendar for 2022** is near the elevator and Sign-Up Center. Consider providing altar flowers to commemorate special events. You may sign up wherever there are blanks – first come, first served.

**The Annual Voters Meeting** will be **Sun, Jan 30<sup>th</sup>** at **9:30** am in the Celebration Center (in place of Adult Bible Class).

## Attention, Board Chairs and Church

**Officers:** The deadline for those needing to turn in reports for the Annual Report is January 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Educational Event, Coming our Way on February 5<sup>th</sup>:

### Overcoming Life's Sorrows: Learning from Jeremiah

Led by Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing  
Professor of Hebrew and Greek at Concordia University, St. Paul

Based upon Dr. Lessing's Concordia Publishing House Book by the same title, this seminar will equip you to overcome many of life's setbacks and sorrows. Participants will be inspired by the Old Testament prophet Jeremiah, who, despite numerous tragedies and nights of weeping and mourning, survived and prevailed. Discover how you can overcome life's disasters through:

- God's Word
- Confession and Absolution
- Worship
- Lamenting
- Renouncing Idolatry
- Taking Risks
- Persistence
- And much more!

Make plans now to be a part of this biblical, practical, and inspiring seminar. Invite friends! The event is 9:30 am – 1:30 pm, including lunch served by our Immanuel Board of Elders

## From the Board of Outreach:

Exciting News! We are updating Immanuel's pictorial church directory. The dates for photography will be **Feb 10, 11, 12, 22, & 23**.

## Church Photo Directory



We have selected Universal Church Directories to help us with our new directory. See the insert in this newsletter. There is online registration for photo sessions. Go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) and use our church code [nd108] and the

password [photos] to get signed up. If these dates don't work, contact the church office. Make-up sessions will be scheduled for April (after Easter).

We are also collecting good quality photos of church activities from the past couple of years in order to complete our candid photos section. We will need volunteers to help with the sign-up process for our families. Please contact Jamie Jacobson at [jamiejacobson122@hotmail.com](mailto:jamiejacobson122@hotmail.com) or 701-200-7304 to be part of this project. Watch for more details in the weekly bulletins.

## "Main Street Living" Media Ministry – January Update



*"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made." (Psalm 139:13-14).* During January, many of our Lutheran congregations celebrate LIFE SUNDAY because we believe in the God-declared sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. Our United States Supreme Court recently heard arguments regarding the "life issue", and we pray that they, as a part of the "civil government" established by God for our fallen world, may also rule to once again provide protection for our not-yet-born brothers and sisters created in the image of God. May we also do what we can to support the sanctity of human life!

### "MSL North" Programs for January 2022:

**Jan 2:** Rev. Brian Shane, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Fargo, ND, presents the message: "The Little Solomon in Us All," based on I Kings 3:4-15. *Lutheran Television Special: "The Other Wiseman" - Another Magi, making his journey to the Christ child, encounters others and shows kindness along the way.*

**Jan 9:** Rev. Bruce Noennig, Zion Lutheran Church, Detroit Lakes, MN, presents the message: "Who Are the Wisemen?", based on Matthew 2:1-12. *"This Is The Life" program: "Money for Marriage" - A woman's decisions at work put strain on the new couple's marriage.*

**Jan 16:** Rev. Adam Harvala, St. Andrew Lutheran Church, West Fargo, ND, presents the message: "In the Eye of the Beholder", based on Isaiah 62:1-5. *"This Is The Life" program: "Burden Made Light" - The housekeeper helps a family through the struggle of an*

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increasingly sick child.

**Jan 23:** Rev. Michael Salemink, Executive Director, Lutherans for Life, presents this year's "Life Sunday Message", based on John 15:12-17. *"This Is The Life" program: "Like Father Like Son" - A father's example leads to his son making questionable choices at school.*

**Jan 30:** Rev. Jacob Wagner, St. John's Lutheran Church, Vergas, MN, presents the message: "Love as We Have Been Loved," based on 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13:13 and Jeremiah 1:4-10. *"This Is The Life" program: "Twisting Road" - A young man and his wife deal with life, the future, and regrets of things left unspoken.*

Please continue to share information about our LCMS "Main Street Living" media ministry with others. In addition to being broadcast each Sunday morning, you can view archived programs anytime at [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com) – then click on the link under the picture identified as "North (Fargo)."

Thank you for your much-needed financial support! Checks may be sent to "Main Street Living NORTH", 821-5th Ave S, Fargo, ND 58103, or donate by Credit Card or your PayPal account on the website. God's blessings in Christ!

Ken Koehler, MSL North Volunteer Coordinator

### My Faith Story

This means-of fellowship among our Immanuel family was instituted in March 2015. **"My Faith Story"** was a [mostly] monthly feature where members contributed stories that can be an inspirational snapshot into a person's faith life. Please contribute, if you can. Many members can benefit from hearing from YOU.

**We are still in need** of new (and returning)



**greeters** [20-minute commitment about 6 times per year] and **second service ushers**. Contact the office for more

information about these volunteer opportunities.

Anyone that might still possess **Immanuel information and printed materials**, especially from the 1960's, 70's, and 80's, please consider sharing your information with the office. Some of our historical records are not complete.



### Family Serving Groups

Ed Bean, FSG Coordinator, has announced the FSG for January is **Tri** (Trittin through Zinke). Thanks to those who already volunteered to serve coffee. The February group will be **Aas** (Aasland-Bubach).

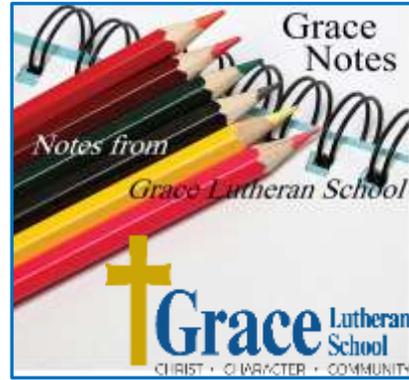


- 1Jan – Megan & [Ben] Kunkel (6<sup>th</sup>); John Maurer Jr & [Kaly] (8<sup>th</sup>)
- 4Jan – Ben & Becky Duncan (25<sup>th</sup>)
- 11Jan – Myrna Larson & [Dick Anderson] (8<sup>th</sup>)
- 13Jan – Jason & Jennifer Wilkie (21<sup>st</sup>)
- 16Jan – Andy & [Kristin] Wollin (1<sup>st</sup>)
- 17Jan – Reid & [Carissa] Kittelson (8<sup>th</sup>)

YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS			
11-30-2021			
	BUDGET	2021	2020
<b>* RECEIPTS *</b>			
REGULAR ENVELOPES	\$560,000.00	\$487,109.08	\$474,287.96
PLATE OFFERINGS	\$5,000.00	\$6,105.50	\$2,670.50
SPEC. SERVICES & MISC.	\$10,000.00	\$9,440.50	\$6,919.50
ASSETS RELEASED	\$55,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$0.00
<b>*TOTAL RECEIPTS*</b>	<b>\$630,000.00</b>	<b>\$557,655.08</b>	<b>\$483,877.96</b>
<b>* EXPENSES *</b>			
MISSIONS	\$115,000.00	\$100,258.06	\$96,038.27
ELDERS	\$28,550.00	\$28,275.79	\$24,427.03
EVANGELISM	\$4,750.00	\$2,787.50	\$2,750.00
STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE	\$3,400.00	\$3,172.74	\$3,080.55
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	\$46,000.00	\$29,680.77	\$20,529.00
TRUSTEES	\$110,000.00	\$116,481.07	\$56,130.99
ADMINISTRATION	\$270,150.00	\$246,150.01	\$232,686.72
HUMAN CARE	\$2,250.00	\$0.00	\$2,250.00
CAMPUS MINISTRY	\$69,025.00	\$64,819.17	\$60,184.51
ENDOWMENT	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>*TOTAL EXPENSES*</b>	<b>\$649,125.00</b>	<b>\$591,625.11</b>	<b>\$498,077.07</b>
<b>HOME PURPOSES PLUS (MINUS)</b>	<b>(\$19,125.00)</b>	<b>(\$33,970.03)</b>	<b>(\$14,199.11)</b>
<b>*YEAR-TO-DATE REC'D*</b>			
<b>BOTW-BLDG. MAINT. FUND</b>		\$12,880.53	\$15,223.27
<b>THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS</b>		\$7,467.00	\$9,630.00

From (date)	Honor/MEMORY
Richard/Norma Frohberg (11/28)	GUNNAR ERIKSSON/ MIRIAM JOHNSON
Evelyn Montgomery	GUNNAR ERIKSSON
Myrna Larson	GUNNAR ERIKSSON
Bill Piper	GUNNAR ERIKSSON
Christine Kotscherar	GUNNAR ERIKSSON
Donna Miller	GUNNAR ERIKSSON
Eva Olin	GUNNAR ERIKSSON
Dena Carbert	GUNNAR ERIKSSON
Mary Teske	GUNNAR ERIKSSON
Terry/Dolly Meyer (12/6)	BRUNO MULSKE
Bob Stahlecker	ARDIS DANIELSON
Virginia Lepage (12-20)	ARDIS DANIELSON
Bruce/Kay Levenson	ARDIS DANIELSON
Sandi Gardner-Leikas	ARDIS DANIELSON
Vi Aasland	ARDIS DANIELSON
Cur/Pam Sommer	ARDIS DANIELSON
Ed/Karen Woyen	ARDIS DANIELSON
Bob/Donna Roach	ARDIS DANIELSON
Jack/Linda Olson	ARDIS DANIELSON

25Jan – Pam Coste; [Trista Walla]  
 26Jan – Krista Klein; Henry Swanson (3); Carol Thoreson  
 29Jan – Melissa Gornowicz  
 30Jan – Austin Moltzan



**Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year to all friends of Grace.**

On Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, Grace Lutheran School held A *Celebration of*

*Grace* at the Sanctuary Events Center. Over 100 celebrants attended the in-person event and many more participated online. We thank all who supported our event as attendees, volunteers, donors, bidders, committee members, and those who prayed for our event's success. In an incredible outpouring of love, we raised **\$58,370** for our school, our students, and a brand new math curriculum. Along with budgeted funds, we easily raised the amount needed to **fully fund** the new math curriculum and extend into future textbook updates. We are humbled by this outpouring and pray continually that we use the resources provided to us in a God-pleasing way that all children may come to know and love Christ Jesus. Thank you all.

National Lutheran Schools Week takes place January 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. Our students take part in many fun activities that week, including a competition to raise funds for our yearly outreach project, special all-school activities, and the ski trip for our older students, all while also learning the importance of a Lutheran and Christian education.

This winter, all Association families with 4- and 5-year-olds, kindergarteners, first graders, and middle school students will be receiving special information about Grace Lutheran School. We are devoted to helping families build solid Christian foundations and helping middle school students become leaders, as they navigate the unique transition between child and young adult. Parents, if you are seeking a different kind of educational experience, please call us at 701-232-7747, or check out our website: [gracelutheranschoolfargo.com](http://gracelutheranschoolfargo.com).



3Jan – Rhoda Viker (80)  
 4Jan – Peter Woyen  
 5Jan – Alexis Riesen; Jack Schroeder  
 6Jan – Clint Podoll; [Dustin Rickford]; Brian Williams  
 10Jan – Roselynn Speidel  
 11Jan – [Joe Auksela]; Jordan Dahl; Shirley Janssen (85); Cheryl Mammel-Hamdan  
 12Jan – Samantha Albrecht, Cassie Anderson; Palmer Brackett (2); Katie Ill; Mary Marohl; Ben Stevens  
 13Jan – Jeremy Duncan; Sally Hallman  
 14Jan – Owen Duncan  
 16Jan – Gretchen Klein  
 17Jan – Jack Bumgarner; Jacob Schaefer; Brexley Swenson (3)  
 18Jan – James Speidel (8)  
 19Jan – Bob Stahlecker  
 20Jan – Curt Sommer; Clara Tegtmeier (2)  
 22Jan – Jamie Jacobson; Faith Luebke; Sue Williams  
 23Jan – Dean Sonnenberg

*Upcoming Events at GLS:*

January 3<sup>rd</sup> – School Resumes

January 21<sup>st</sup> – No School

January 22<sup>nd</sup> – PTL Carnival 1-3 pm



February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Band and Choir Concert 7 pm

As we close out another year, we have much to look back on with gratitude and thanksgiving. It has been so special to be able to meet together and serve others ‘in person’ after feeling so isolated during the initial scare of COVID. We look to a new year with optimism, knowing that our Lord has everything under His control. We will rejoice and serve as God guides us.

Many hands make light work! **Thank you** to all who stepped up to help with food preparation, providing cookies/bars, serving, and cleanup when we served for the Advent meal on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, and also serving treats and hot chocolate following the Sunday School Christmas Service on Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>. Also, thank you to Thrivent for the Thrivent Action Funds to assist in the purchase of supplies for our meal!

**Mark your calendars**, as we look to a new year and upcoming events:

**Sunday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup> – LWML Board Mtg @ 12:15**

**Wednesday, Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> – LWML Unit Meeting @ 6:30 pm.** We will be assembling Valentine bags for our homebound members.

**Saturday, Feb 19<sup>th</sup> – District LWML Board Meeting @ Immanuel.** Our Unit will serve a noon meal.

**Saturday, Feb 26<sup>th</sup> – FM Area Prayer Service @ Our Redeemer, Moorhead**

More information will come next month on the February events. The dates are here for you to get them on your calendar!

May God bless and guide us into 2022 as we put our trust in Him.

*In Christ, Patty Walla, LWML President*

**From the Board for Human Care:**

Thank you for your gracious donations to this year’s giving tree! All gifts received will benefit a family in need at the YWCA. As always, if you or someone you know is need of assistance please reach out to the Board for Human Care or one of our pastors.

*Immanuel Image, January 2022*

January 2022 Worship Assistants				
Jan 2	8:15 am	E: Mike Rachow A: Bella S U: Rachow Teeam G: Clarice Michel V: Samuel Boateng	11 am	Mike Rachow Ellyse M McCoy Team Rick Cote/Pam Coste none
Jan 9	8:15 am	Dean Sonnenberg Mckinley E Hass/Esping Team Patrick/Jane Moltzan Jacob Schulz	11 am	Dean Sonnenberg Victoria B Diers Team Brent/Jamie Jacobson none
Jan 16	8:15 am	Andrew Eggebraaten TBD Stahlecker Team TBD Jack Bumgarner	11 am	Andrew Eggebraaten TBD Kosel Team TBD none
Jan 23	8:15 am	Russell Bubach TBD Montana Team TBD Kay Tegtmeier	11 am	Russell Bubach TBD McCoy Team TBD None
Jan 30	8:15 am	Peter Woyen TBD Semanko Team TBD Kay Tegtmeier	11 am	Peter Woyen TBD Roesler Team TBD None

**The staff at Immanuel wants to thank you** for the many cards, notes, gifts and words of encouragement you have extended to us. You have received our ministry and service on your behalf with such grace and kindness! And for that we are truly thankful. What a joy it is to serve among God’s people and to celebrate with them the great thing God has done in the sending of His Son for our salvation. May we rejoice together always in the rescue by God for His people.

**Statistics for 2021**

**Deaths/Funerals:** Greg Kaeding (13Jan); Ken Stevenson (3Feb); Mel Johnson; (12Feb); Ron Engelking; (15Feb); Dave Viker (9Apr); Lucille Glessing (May); Dick Demro (1Jun); Tom Kuehn (26Jun); Karen Dean (10Jul); Angie Peda (6Aug); Marv Czichotzki (13Aug); Ted Rossman (4Sep); Miriam Johnson (11Nov); Gunnar Eriksson (12Nov); Ardis Danielson (15Dec)

**Transfers Out:** Kalika [Peske] Kirk (Mar); Brent & Rachel Templin (Jun); Emma [Twedt] Thompson (Jun); Dave & Pat Slyter (Aug); Jeff & Kathy Bumgarner (Sep); Adam Presler (Nov); Paul Glander (Dec)

*Release from membership:* Brandon Renner (Mar); Todd & Melissa Evensen family (Jun); Bill Fortier & children (Aug)

*Removals:* Brent & Andria Hulke family (Nov)

*Transfers In:* Korey & Lindsay Zellers family (Jun); Scott Gustad (Jun); Erling Podoll (Sep); Euphemia Rubbert (Oct)

*Profession of Faith:* Larence [Larry] & Sheila Bakken (Jun); Emily Gress (Jun); Theresa Hosford (Jun); Troy Dilger (Jun); Todd Hirsch (Jun); Chris Rieckman (Aug)

*Youth Confirmed:* David Beam; Jenna Carr; Eric DeBoer; Aryn Dilger; Jeremy Duncan; Gabrielle Engebretson; Ethan Hilden; Canyn Lyons; Abigail Moen; Alessandra Simmons; Garrett Skaurud; Dillan Tollefson

*Baptisms:* Felix Wendlick (15Jan); Banks Bubach (13Mar); Logan Rickford (21-Mar); Croix Briggs (7Jun); Bentley Orvik (27Jun); Skylar Decker (1Jul); Beckett Klemz (1Jul); Remington Klemz (1Jul); Violet Johnson (10Oct)

*Weddings:* Casandra Thompson & Ben Maassel (21Aug); Jennifer Oster & Joseph Adama (28Aug); Jessica Erickson & Adam Buskirk (5Sep); Katelyn Ressler & Gabriel Cortez (11Sep)

**Designate 2021 Thrivent Choice Dollars Now**

Now is the time to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars if you have not already done so. The Choice Dollars are used to support a variety of Immanuel programs and activities. Examples are scholarships, college and youth programs, facility improvements and others. Funds can be requested by organizations, committees, or individuals. The primary guideline for expenditures is that it must benefit Immanuel and its programs. Request forms are available in the church office. If you require information or assistance, please contact Paul Mayland (701-238-0826) or Wayne Hankel (701-232-1813).

*I just wanted to extend my appreciation to all of you who remembered me with cards and kind words last Immanuel Image, January 2022*

**Poinsettias** for the beautification of our sanctuary this Christmas season are given by the following people:



<b>Given by:</b>	<b>In honor/memory of:</b>	(color of plant)
Lisa & Erick Esping	<i>Daughters: Teagan &amp; Reagan Esping</i>	(Red, Jingle bell)
Alden, Wilma, & Tim Flakoll	<i>Paul Flakoll</i>	(5 Red)
Len & Colleen Hurajt	<i>Son, Robby Hurajt</i>	Red
Joanne Kaeding	<i>Husband, Greg Kaeding</i>	Jingle bell
Bonnie Kittelson & family	for the miracle of healing & restoration given to Kelly this past year as he endured a brain fistula & 9 surgical procedures in 8 mos. & has been restored to us. Praise God!	(2 Red)
Diane Lueck	<i>My beloved husband, Wally</i>	(4red)
Deanna & Paul Mayland	<i>Our Loved Ones that have gone before us</i>	(Red, Jingle bell)
Pat & Clint Podoll	<i>Marcia Odenbach; Connie Podoll; Bob &amp; Terry Nelson</i>	(3 Red)
Lorinda & Mitch Semanko	<i>Parents: Rev. Roger &amp; Sonja Leonhardt; Clarence &amp; Janice Semanko</i>	(2 White)
L & M Semanko	The many blessings of our children, son-in-law, & grandchildren	(Jingle bell)
L & M Semanko	Martha & Codie Harkins' engagement	(Red)
Pam & Curt Sommer	Our family and friends	(White)
Sarah & Dan Swenson	Children: Brexley & Lazarus Swenson	(Red, Jingle bell)

*week on my 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a pastor here at Immanuel. I have been so blessed by God to be numbered among His saints here at Immanuel and to have been given the great joy and privilege of serving as a pastor here. The Lord's continued blessings to all of you, as we serve Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.*

*Pastor S.*

**Greeting Cards Available**

Have you shopped for greeting cards lately? They can be expensive! The LWML has a spot near the elevator that holds a few of the cards available. They are still only \$1 each!! Just to the left of the display is a wooden box on the wall for your payments. But we have an even better bargain for you. You may buy a whole box of 12 cards containing 4 different (3 of each) cards for \$10. That's even less than a dollar each! For example, a box of birthday cards, or a box of sympathy cards; then you would have them on hand. Just contact Clarice Michel 701-237-9759 and she'll bring some varieties to church and you can pick out what you'd like, or call her we'll see if arrangements can be made. All proceeds go to LWML.

## ND District LCMS Message in a Pew December 2021

### Advent & Christmas Blessings!

We rejoice in our LCMS members who continue to support our missions in Chile, Christ Cares for Children—Kenya and our campus ministry at Wittenberg Chapel, UND, Grand Forks.



The LCEF's Joyful Response program gives you a new way to support our missions! Using GivePlus, submit a one time donation or set up an automatic recurring donation. Visit [nodaklcms.org/giveplus](http://nodaklcms.org/giveplus) or check out the mobile app. More information can be found on the website. Thank you for your support.

We grieve over the closing of two churches in our District. Trinity Lutheran of LaMoure had started as a mission church in 1941. St. James Lutheran of Golden Valley started in 1907. We pray for the members of both churches as they find new homes for worship.

**May Jesus, the reason for the season, fill your heart with joy and peace.**

### Congregations' Status

**Pres. Arie Bertsch**

Redeemer, Lisbon: vacancy (Rev. Aaron Filipek).  
 St. Peter, Belfield: vacancy (Rev. Anthony Ahrendt).  
 Redeemer, Grassy Butte: vacancy (Rev. Mike Wolters).  
 Our Savior, Bottineau; St. Paul, Rugby; Immanuel, Willow Creek: vacancy (Rev. Jon Bonine).  
 St. Martin, Anamoose; St. John, Kongsberg: vacancy (Rev. Tim Stout).  
 First English, Fairmount: vacancy (Rev. Matthew Tooman).  
 St. James, Golden Valley: Closing service was December 12.

### Pastors & DCE'S

Trinity, Adrian: Rev. Tom Eckstein installed Nov. 28.  
 Alan Eppen, Zion, Edgeley and Bethlehem, Forbes: returned a call to St. John, Akeley, MN.

## NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT LCMS Financial Information November 2021

<b>INCOME</b>	
Congregational Mission Giving	\$106,109.13
Synodical Pledge (35%)	(37,138.20)
Other Gifts	868.34
<b>Total left for District Missions, Expenses</b>	<b>\$69,839.27</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
Local Missions and Committee Activities:	\$20,735.72
(Includes Wittenberg Chapel, Life Skills & Transition Center, Deaf Ministry, Youth)	
Congregational Support	35,727.76
(Includes General Operations, District President, Business Manager, Board of Directors)	
<b>1-1-1 Mission Giving</b>	<b>(1,997.89)</b>
Current gifts given for these missions	(4,887.00)
International Missions	
Christ's Care for Children – Kenya (\$10,000)	0.00
Chile Mission (\$25,000)	0.00
(These missions were voted on by the District Convention. They will be paid quarterly as funds are available)	
<b>Net Expenses</b>	<b>\$49,578.59</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME FOR NOVEMBER</b>	<b>\$20,260.68</b>
Past Funds Given used for Current Expenses	<b>\$4,040.95</b>
<b>Year To Date NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$33,640.31</b>

**WOW!!** The way God blesses the North Dakota District through our member congregations amazes me. November giving was a historical high and financially, we are in uncharted territory. Sing with me!

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.  
 Gifts from individuals and congregations designated for our international missions are sent on at the end of each fiscal quarter. Those amounts are not included in income or expense totals. YTD designated gifts for international missions as of November 30, 2021:

Christ's Care for Children – Kenya	\$9,495.00
Chile Partnership	\$6,765.00

Please contact Tami Liland at [lcms.nd.busman@gmail.com](mailto:lcms.nd.busman@gmail.com) or call 701-293-9001 if you have more questions.

You can now give to the District via on-line through Joyful Response. [Click on the GivePlus+ button on nodaklcms.org.](http://nodaklcms.org)

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