



Resurrection Lutheran Church  
Annual Report  
2025

# Resurrection Lutheran Church

A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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## February 2026

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### Our Mission . . .

We are an inviting community of faith where we care for all.

### Our Vision . . .

To share God's care, we invite people personally and virtually into community and offer opportunities to grow and serve.

### Our Guiding Principles . . .

1. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.
2. Transparency is key to integrity.
3. Acceptance in inviting.
4. Faithful in caring.
5. Compassion for everyone.
6. Creatively growing in service.

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## **I. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

And just like that, as mysteriously as it arrived, it was over. 2025 was an interesting year, the least to say. For me personally, I worked the evening of a tornado mid-March, hearing it pass over, seconds later dealing with officers, other emergency services and citizens for hours as they began unfolding the initial devastation. Unfortunately, a misunderstanding of the needs of one citizen kicked off a tumultuous couple of months that included being placed on probation, exploitation of my schedule and finally my resignation. For the first time ever, I experienced unemployment, the challenges of seeking new employment, and feeling no direction. I had to keep remembering the saying that we know God works in mysterious ways, ways that exceed human understanding, perspective, and logic.

I think Resurrection felt the same "tumultuous" feeling at the beginning of 2025 with a set back by the departure of two members. Their abrupt departure left us scrambling to figure out how to pull together all the pieces of a Properties Committee, Technology Team and a few other nonspecific areas. Thankfully, all it took was a little diligence, a few phone calls, and a few conversations to work on a solution. Yet again, members of Resurrection rose to the occasion to help where they could.

Upon Pastor's recommendation, it was decided that Properties would be overseen by Council, something commonly done by other congregations when necessary. Luckily, we had nothing major that needed to be addressed beyond a few light bulbs, some wiring issues, two HVAC repairs, a garage door and working on a solution for the rainwater entering the sanctuary. Phew !!!

The Tech Team quickly recruited new members who were trained in how to operate our sound and video streaming system. Several individuals took self-initiative, like Rich Kelley coordinating with Output Unlimited on several occasions for adjustments to the system. Tim Belfield kept the church office connected and functional via computer repairs, addressing internet issues and other technological glitches. And I cleaned up church accounts such as Google and Microsoft bringing them up to date with the appropriate sources.

As the year ended, Dan Garner approached Council volunteering to be the head of the Properties Committee for 2026. Dan has already obtained bids for work to be done both inside and outside, built multiple closet shelves, and initiated a major clean-up throughout the building. Sharon Groh and Pastor Jan pulled members of the Technology Team together and kicked off the compilation of a technology guideline/manual. Several people contributed their knowledge, taking the time to put it all in print. When finished, this guide will explain everything from setting a thermostat to updating the digital sign. And we even adorned our Narthex with some modern technology to remind us of the weekly/monthly happenings at Resurrection.

A few final thoughts that come to mind for 2025 include acknowledging those that diligently worked behind the scenes. Jim Lieber and Ruth Wolter kept our landscape maintained. Kay Tucker put hours upon hours of her personal time in to keep our budget in check and maintained accounts like our CDs that have now earned more than \$2,400 in interest. Carol Garner made sure midweek meals were planned and available. And of course, Pastor Jan, Janet Broche and Russ Henkhaus made 52 Sundays of worshipping the Lord possible via printed worship guides, Power Point presentations, recorded music and emphasizing His Word at the pulpit to name a few. Thank you to all those named and unnamed who made 2025 at 1211 W. Homer M. Adams possible.

Cheers to 2026, a year already set in motion by your actions in 2025 !

Neal Booth

# Resurrection Lutheran Church

Annual Congregational Meeting

November 23, 2025 11:00 a.m.

***We are an inviting community of faith where we care for all.***

- Neal Booth opened by meeting by welcoming everyone in attendance. He began by informing everyone of some of the work that the council has undertaken this year and of some ongoing expenses that will be needed to keep the property and building in good shape.
  - Old Furnace, septic system, parking lot resurface. We have approximately \$40,000 invested for major repairs.
  - Roof was repaired and overall maintenance
  - Lots of volunteers to help-just a few examples: Landscaping was done by Jim Lieber & Ruth Walter; Men's club always willing to provide help/labor; 50" TV in Narthex to keep the congregation informed of upcoming events and needs of the community
  - With Pastor's dedication and well being of the congregation we have received new banners, PI team to work on our immediate and long- term goals. Handling holiday and extra events. She has personalized her office and feels she is at home. The church is blessed.
  - Although our financials are tight, we are able to maintain the property and have plans for future repairs when needed.
  
- Attendance was taken to ensure that a quorum was reached. The result was 23 members attended. Distribution of previous year's congregational meeting minutes, nominating committee roster, proposed budget and agenda was completed.
  
- No corrections were found in the November 2024 Annual Congregational Meeting. A motion was made by Margie Snep to accept the minutes as written. Jim Lieber seconded the motion. The motion passed.
  
- The 2026 proposed budget was presented by Kay Tucker. She explained that this budget is not set in stone and is just a guide line of what is expected for expenses. Offerings are down slightly but expenses are on the rise. Much discussion was presented regarding the budget with finally a "point of order" being called by Pastor. A vote was taken to approve the 2026 budget with some

changes (mostly summing errors) with a motion made by Bob Doerr and Wendy Rienholdt seconded. The motion passed.

- The Nominating Committee presented the positions to be filled for 2026. Margie Snep and Vicki Baggio declined to run in 2026. Anne Isringhausen has agreed to fill Margie's position. There were no additional nominees from the floor. Council will appoint another person to fill Vicki's position.
- There was no change to the Council officers. Carol Garner made the motion to accept the Council officers as is. Bob Doerr seconded. Motion passed.
- Kay indicated that the Nominating Committee for 2026 needs to be approved. They include Margie Snep, Kay Tucker and Jim Lieber. Others will be appointed as needed. Neal Booth made the motion to accept the nominees. Vicki seconded. The motion passed.
- Other items that were discussed
  - Doors-Need only resealing and a new threshold. Probably around \$1,200. Bob Doerr to talk to contact.
  - Jim Lieber wanted to highlight our community impact. He mentioned the community garden and the Men's club help during the recent tornados in the area-3 ½ ton of water was delivered to needed people.
- Neal closed the meeting with reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Droste

## II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Social Ministry Annual Report

**Members:** Ann Isringhausen, Carol Garner, Mark and Sharon Groh

The Social Ministry Committee seeks to identify community needs and to educate and engage the congregation in meaningful ways to help. In partnership with congregation members and, at times, the Planning and Implementation (PI) Team, Social Ministry participated in the following congregation- and community-focused ministries during 2025.

#### **Cards 'n Cookies**

The Cards 'n Cookies ministry delivered thoughtfully packaged cookie trays with words of appreciation to 21 community service organizations. Additional trays were shared with congregation members who were sick or homebound.

#### **Community Health & Resource Fair**

The Community Health & Resource Fair was designed to provide opportunities for face-to-face connection and information sharing with Riverbend-area government agencies, private organizations, and nonprofit partners. Attendees were offered access to free health and wellness services, housing information, disability and aging support, legal and financial resources, and opportunities for social connection to reduce isolation. While community attendance was lower than anticipated, collaboration and relationship-building among participating organizations and Resurrection volunteers was strong and meaningful.

#### **God's Work. Our Hands. – Reverse Birthday Party**

God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday 2025 was celebrated with a "Reverse Birthday Party" supporting Madison County foster care children served through Caritas Family Solutions. Congregation members and friends purchased age- and need-specific gifts for children ages 0–18, which foster parents and caseworkers could select for children on or before their birthdays. In the weeks leading up to the event, the congregation learned about the unique needs of children in foster care. The celebration included a presentation by Caritas staff.

#### **Alton Crisis Food Center**

Seasonal vegetables from the Resurrection Community Garden and periodic donations of non-perishable food items were shared throughout the year. Members were also encouraged to donate gently used clothing and household items to the Community Store associated with the Crisis Food Center.

#### **Overnight Warming Location (OWL) – Alton**

Social Ministry team members volunteered during evening hospitality shifts at the Overnight Warming Location when temperatures dropped to 20 degrees or colder. In addition, a church-wide clothing and outreach drive provided a significant quantity of new and gently used coats, shoes, boots, sweaters, blankets, and other cold-weather items for unhoused neighbors.

#### **Lenten Offering – Amare**

Resurrection joined other congregations in St. Clair and Madison Counties in sharing Lenten offerings to support Amare, a nonprofit recovery community organization serving individuals and families affected by substance use disorders.

#### **Carbon Monoxide Detector Outreach and Installation (CODO)**

With financial assistance from Thrivent Financial, two Carbon Monoxide Detector Outreach

and Installation (CODO) events were held. The CODO Team partnered with the Godfrey Fire Protection District, the Alton Fire Department, and Boy Scout Troop 7 to install new, 10-year UL-listed carbon monoxide detectors in preapproved homes. Referrals were also made to local fire departments for additional home fire safety planning.

### **Oasis Women's Center**

Donations of seasonal garden vegetables and non-perishable food items were shared with Oasis Women's Center, which provides shelter, counseling, and support services for individuals affected by domestic violence.

### **Government Shutdown Response**

During the 2025 government shutdown, Social Ministry funds added to Advent donations to provide financial assistance to Senior Services Plus to temporarily expand its Congregate Meal Program. This support helped ensure meal access for seniors, individuals who lost SNAP benefits, and unpaid federal workers.

### **Christmas Giving Tree**

Gifts from the 2025 Christmas Giving Tree were shared with a family of ten experiencing a range of health and physical disabilities.

### **Advocacy and Congregational Support**

An Offering of Letters event was hosted in partnership with Bread for the World to advocate for federal hunger program funding. Social Ministry also provided medical transportation and advocacy support to congregation and community members as needs arose.

### **Scouting Ministry**

Resurrection Lutheran Church continued its sponsorship of Boy Scout Troop 7 by providing meeting space, storage, and ongoing member support.

*"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."*  
— Matthew 25:40

Respectfully submitted,  
**Sharon Groh**

## **Fellowship**

Fourteen Young Hall rentals

Five Lenten Suppers, prepared and served by Fellowship Committee

Three Advent suppers prepared and served by Fellowship Committee

Coffee & Donuts served each Sunday to Life Long Learners

Admit groups and close church for all Young Hall rentals

Upgrade kitchen with new labels on cabinets, drawers, rearrange tables and chairs in Young Hall when needed.

Purchase needed supplies

Respectfully submitted

Carol Garner, Fellowship Chair

## **Book Club**

In January 2014 Book Club had its beginning, and records were kept as to the month, book and discussion leader. An interesting list. This is the beginning of our 12th year of reading interesting books with our group.

The Book Club meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at the church, with the exception of July (vacation month) and December (Christmas busy time). Two months, January and August, we meet at local restaurants for an evening of fun, food and fellowship which is always looked forward to by everyone.

Eight months of the year a leader chooses a book for that month which everyone tries to get read and be ready to discuss during the meeting. Yes, we have some very interesting and hilarious discussions. Everyone is welcome to come and join our group.

Ruth Wolter

## **5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday's Soup On**

On all months that have a 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, we serve the needy in our community. It has been a blessing to all involved. This effort is done on a voluntary basis. The volunteers are: Carol Garner, Kay Tucker, Ruth Wolter, Karen Woods, Rich Kelley, Fay Stoutenborough, Teresa Droste and me. They either work the dinner and/or provide food.

In 2025, post recovery, I was finally back in the "kitchen" and we continued our "5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday" mission. We served 4 Tuesdays in 2025. I really appreciate the contributions by all our crew. Thank You!

Janet Broche

## **Church Properties**

NO REPORT AVAILABLE.

## **Worship Committee**

SEE PASTOR'S REPORT.

## **Memorial Committee**

The Memorial Committee met on October 8, 2025. Present were Pr. Jan, Dan Garner, Rich Kelley, and Kay Tucker. Neal Booth was unable to attend.

The Memorial account contains \$6,811, including the latest additions from Kirk Rhea. Various projects were discussed, with the committee deciding to make two recommendations.

First, it was proposed to purchase a series of banners. The cost for a set of three banners on sale (2 for the sacristy, 1 for the narthex) is \$300, plus shipping. The committee proposes to purchase 3 sets of seasonal banners for Spring, Summer, and Winter and one set for Liturgical days. One large banner for Christmas would be purchased for the Narthex. Approximate cost for all of these would be \$1500, if we can get them on sale. If we have to pay regular price, the cost would increase to as much as \$2500.

The second recommendation would be to purchase a 55" TV, with wall mount and data hub for the narthex. This would allow messages to be broadcast on both the new TV and the one in Young Hall. Approximate cost for these materials would be \$650-\$700.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kay Tucker, chairperson

## **Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee met on October 15, 2025. Those in attendance were Neal Booth, Teresa and John Droste, Tim Belfield, and Kay Tucker. Pr. Jan was unable to attend.

Using last year's budget and projections for 2025 spending, the committee went line by line and after discussion, decided on entries for all. It was decided to maintain the \$2,500 which is currently transferred monthly from checking to the major repair fund in the money market account. As an example of this need, it was noted that 3 of the air conditioners in the church are original equipment and that we need to plan for their eventual replacement. The set-aside for insurance was set as \$600 per month to cover that bill which comes due in July-August. Changes were made as necessary, with the total budget coming in at \$10,000 in the red. Because this is a template and an estimate, the committee thinks it is an accurate assessment for 2026.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kay Tucker, chairperson

## **Audit Committee**

NO AUDIT IN 2025.

## **PI Team** (Planning and Implementation Team)

SEE PASTOR'S REPORT.

### **III. ORGANIZATION REPORTS**

#### **Men's Club**

RLC Men's Club continued to grow and prosper in 2025.

2025 Acheivements of note;

1. Adopt a Highway clean up, whereas the men pick up debris along Homer Adams parkway and Delmar streets
2. Men's Club sponsored a youth baseball and youth softball team at Godfrey Glazebrook Park.
3. Chili Drive-Thru, which was completed in October was very successful. 640 12oz, bowls were made and sold. Two thousand dollars was given to St. Phillips Lutheran Church for North St. Louis Tornado Relief.
4. Men's Club sponsored a Snowman Family at Rock Spring Parks Christmas Wonderland.
5. Donated to Crisis Food Center.
6. Provided CPR training and AED training to congregation and community. Added mouth to mouth mask station.
7. Sponsored two Cars, Coffee, and Community events with 100 plus participants.
8. Prepared and served Easter Breakfast to the Congregation.
9. Constructed and installed brochure racks in Narthex and Young hall.

10. Provided 175 -24 bottle cases of water to Salvation Army Disaster Relief for victims in North St. Louis Tornado. This equates to 7700 pounds.
11. Automotive Swap Meet held in September brought 16 vendors and over 200 visitors to Resurrection.
12. Provided Annual Easter Brunch to congregation.
13. Provided two Trivia nights for community.

As one can see, it was a very productive year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dan Garner, Men's Club President

### **Community Garden Team**

During the past year (2025), the Community Garden provided over 1,200 pounds of fresh, nourishing produce to those in need. Crops included lettuce, cabbage, green beans, okra, squash, cucumbers, tomatoes, peppers, and beets, all of which were shared with the Alton Crisis Food Center and Oasis Women's Shelter. New this year, the garden also featured a variety of flowers, bringing beauty, joy, and encouragement to the clients at Oasis Women's Shelter. With the support of the Men's Club, a new gate was installed, and fencing repairs were completed, strengthening both the safety and sustainability of the garden.

This ministry would not be possible without the faithful dedication of our volunteers and congregation members—those who weeded and harvested, delivered produce, provided financial support, and upheld the garden in prayer. In grateful recognition of Dave Isringhausen's help and commitment, a commemorative plaque was placed on the garden gate following a dedication service.

We are grateful to Thrivent Financial Services and to Pride, Inc for their financial assistance.

Respectfully,

**Bob Doerr and Mark Groh**  
**Co-Chairs**

## **IV. PASTOR'S REPORT**

As I reflect on 2025, I can only feel tremendous gratitude for the many blessings with which God has graced our parish and our life together. I deeply appreciate how each of you contributes to our parish community by sharing your time and talents. I am particularly grateful to share worship with you and to work beside you as we do ministry together in this community of faith. You are each valued and deeply loved by God and by me.

There is no way that my small report can include a complete recall of all that we did and accomplished in 2025. I can only report highlights and ask your forgiveness for any omissions from these highlights. Whatever I may have forgotten to include is certainly not intentional.

### **Pastoral Acts**

#### **Funerals/Memorial Services**

Katherine Wiskow – May 24, 2025 – Memorial Service (Mother of Pastor John Jaffrey)

The Rev Dr Fred Giraud – August 9, 2025 – Memorial Service – Founding Pastor of Resurrection – participated in the Memorial Service and represented the people of Resurrection Lutheran Church.

Kirk Rhea – August 22, 2025 – Funeral

#### **Holy Baptism**

Quinn Paisely Rau – June 1, 2025

#### **New Members**

Pam Walls – March 30, 2025

#### **Lifelong Learners**

Education for adults and older youth is offered at 9:00 A.M. Sunday morning. During 2025 our primary focus was learning about the beliefs of other religions and denominations. Discussion is lively and thought-provoking. Attendance varies from 3 or 4 to over 10 folks present.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Lunch Bunch**

We enjoy food and fellowship at a local restaurant after worship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of most months. Participants vary, but the food and fellowship are always great! All are welcome!

#### **Worship Committee**

❖ A highlight of the year was selecting new seasonal banners for our worship space and entrance hall. These banners were purchased with memorial funds and have added a welcome splash of color and spiritual nourishment to our worship. Our selections for Easter and the summer months, while purchased in December 2025, will not be seen until Easter and Summer of 2026.

❖ We gratefully received donation of a new “Alleluia” banner which made it’s debut during the procession Easter morning and has graced our worship space until Transfiguration Sunday 2026. It will return during the Easter procession Easter Day 2026.

❖ Sunday, May 11, we offered at Narrative Eucharist during Sunday morning worship. A narrative Eucharist explains the history and meaning of the liturgy as we celebrated and worship together.

❖ We celebrated Rogate (A fancy Latin word that means the Blessing of Fields, gardens and commerce) on May 25. All attending were invited to pick a packet of blessed flower seed to plant in their home gardens. Soil and water blessed during worship were poured into our Community Garden after worship.

❖ We blessed Pets at the close of worship October 5. Those present were invited to pick out a charm made by Pastor Jan to attach to their pet's collar, leash or carrier. There were cat and dog treats available to take home.

❖ We observed Veteran's Day with a community worship service on November 9. Offering collected benefitted the local chapter of "Wreaths across America," which places a wreath on Veteran's Day on the graves of veterans.

❖ Other activities included Hanging and Unhanging of the Greens, Midweek Advent and Midweek Lent worship preceded by a light supper and fellowship hour, the Way of the Cross on Good Friday, collecting donations for Easter Lilies and Christmas Poinsettias, and changing altar and pulpit paraments each Liturgical season.

❖ Worship Committee members faithfully set up and clean up Holy Communion every Sunday and do whatever is needed to enrich our worship here at Resurrection.

### **Evangelism Workshops**

I offered a series of Evangelism Workshops during Lent 2025. There were four opportunities each week for folks to attend. These were interesting, helpful, well attended and well received.

### **PI Team (Planning and Implementation Team)**

The PI Team was very busy in 2026, accomplished a lot, and worked very hard. A few highlights:

❖ Installed two new brochure racks; one in the Narthex and a second in Young Hall. These were beautifully hand crafted by Dan Garner and provide an ideal way for us to make available to all an assortment of helpful literature.

❖ A brochure writing sub team wrote and prepared a series of new brochures to fill our new racks. If you have not explored what we have available in these racks, please do so and help yourself to any brochures that may be useful to you, your family and friends or neighbors.

❖ Used Memorial Funds to install a new, big TV in the Narthex, as well as the equipment needed to stream the same content on the Narthex TV and the TV in Young Hall. We used this new TV to broadcast a variety of stuff including our weekly/monthly calendar and power point presentations on various ministry outreach projects that we support financially.

❖ Pastor Jan prepared "A Little Book of Prayer" for use by our members and to include in "Goody Bags" that we hand out on various occasions. If you don't have one and would like to have one, pick up a copy from one of our brochure racks.

❖ Pastor Jan and the PI Team worked with the Men's Group to prepare a little brochure to include in each bag of Chili sold at the drive-thru Chili event in October. This little brochure includes a table prayer, instructions for reheating your chili, a calendar of up-coming parish events and an invitation to worship with us, follow us on Face book, or worship with us on-line on You Tube or Face book.

❖ Expertly led and organized by Sharon Groh, the PI Team sponsored a fantastic community health fair April 11.

❖ We held two CODO (Carbon Monoxide Detector Outreach) events in 2025.

❖ Faithful Volunteers continue to deliver Holy Communion to our homebound members

### **Outreach Activities**

Various groups sponsored a variety of outreach events including the annual Men's Club Chili Drive-Thru, Car Shows, a Swap meet for car parts, Concerts and a "Spring Fling," which was rained out, sadly.

### **Tech Team**

Late in 2025 we formed a Tech Team to prepare a handbook of instruction for various pieces of equipment in our church including our thermostats, AV equipment, Organ Button Pushing Duties, publishing to Face book and You Tube, our outdoor electric sign, power point presentations for the Narthex and Young Hall TV screens and the like. The final copy will be published in Spring 2026.

### **Continuing Education**

❖ With delegates Mike and Elyse Tillman, I attended the annual Synod Assembly in Bloomington, IL on June 5-7.

❖ I attended the Annual Synod Theological Conference at Pere Marquette State Park September 22 - 24.

❖ I attended two icon writing (painting) workshops.

Hearty thanks to all of you. We've been together for three years! It continues to be an honor and a joy to share ministry and worship with you. I look forward to another fruitful year together worshipping with you and serving our community. Special thanks to Janet Broché and Russ Henkhaus, our Parish Council and Parish President Neal Booth, for the excellent work they do for us. And special thanks to each of you for all that you do for Resurrection. Please pray for us and the community we serve, and for me, as I do for you and our ministry together. Peace be with you and yours.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Pastor Jan*

The Rev Jan S Worms

Pastor

Resurrection Lutheran Church

V. Financials for 2025 ..... Kay Tucker

**2025 End of Year Financials**

	<b>End of Year Totals</b>	<b>ANNUAL BUDGET</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		
<b>OFFERING</b>		
Pledged Accounts		
Non pledged Accounts	142,138.29	155,000.00
Lenten Offerings	2,285.00	
Thankoffering		
Advent Offerings	980.00	
<b>TOTAL OFFERING</b>	<b>142,138.29</b>	<b>155,000.00</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>		
Activity Income		
Community Garden	1,250.00	
Front Door Fund		
Hall Rental Income	775.00	1,200.00
Music Fund		500.00
Recycling	21.49	60.00
Special Gifts (Women's Club)	128.88	
Worship Supplies		
Yellow Barn Income	492.07	661.00
<b>TOTAL OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>2,667.44</b>	<b>2,421.00</b>
<b>DEPOSITED INCOME</b>		
Interest Income	1,454.31	1,200.00
Thrivent Funds	312.00	765.00
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITED INCOME</b>	<b>1,766.31</b>	<b>1,965.00</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>146,572.04</b>	<b>159,386.00</b>
<b>UNBUDGETED PASS-THRU ACCOUNTS</b>		
Unbudgeted Accounts Donations	8,956.87	
Unbudgeted Accounts Paid Out	9,093.87	
<b>TOTAL UNBUDGETED ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>-137.00</b>	

	End of Year Totals	ANNUAL BUDGET
<b>TRANSFERS</b>		
Deposit - Major Repairs Set Aside	30,000.00	
Deposit - Insurance Set Aside	6,990.00	
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS</b>	<b>36,990.00</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>BENEVOLENCE</b>		
Dues - West Central Conference	30.00	40.00
Synod Benevolence (Budgeted)	2,400.00	2,400.00
Soup's On	1,200.00	1,200.00
Transfer to Mission Fund		
<b>TOTAL BENEVOLENCE</b>	<b>3,630.00</b>	<b>3,640.00</b>
<b>BUILDING &amp; GROUNDS</b>		
Building & Grounds Maintenance	8,492.73	9,000.00
Electricity & Gas	8,243.88	7,500.00
Major Repairs Set Aside	30,000.00	30,000.00
Mowing	6,200.00	3,500.00
Snow Removal		500.00
Trash Removal		500.00
Water (Barn, Community Garden)		
Water (Church)	803.33	900.00
<b>TOTAL BUILDING &amp; GROUNDS</b>	<b>49,179.89</b>	<b>51,900.00</b>
<b>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION</b>		
Christian Education		300.00
Sunday School		
<b>TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>
<b>EVANGELISM</b>		
Facebook		
Evangelism: Other		200.00
<b>TOTAL EVANGELISM</b>		<b>200.00</b>
<b>INSURANCE</b>		
Monthly Set Aside	6,990.00	6,840.00
Property & Liability		
<b>TOTAL INSURANCE</b>	<b>6,990.00</b>	<b>6,840.00</b>

	<b>End Of Year Totals</b>	<b>ANNUAL BUDGET</b>
<b>OFFICE</b>		
Copier	1,967.84	2,500.00
Internet Access and Website	2,083.48	2,000.00
Postage	151.00	500.00
Supplies	1,382.69	1,000.00
Telephone	420.00	450.00
<b>TOTAL OFFICE</b>	<b>6,005.01</b>	<b>6,450.00</b>
<b>PERSONNEL COMPENSATION</b>		
Administrative Assistant	8,713.99	9,000.00
Guest Minister	1,471.74	1,300.00
Guest Organist		400.00
Organist	12,625.00	12,000.00
Interim Minister	20,334.90	
Pastor Stipend	20,584.56	80,000.00
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL SALARIES</b>	<b>63,730.19</b>	<b>102,700.00</b>
<b>PERSONNEL COSTS</b>		
Auto Allowance		
Basic Group Life (Portico)		
Conference Allowance	1,316.16	1,800.00
Continuing Education		
Disability (Portico)		
Employee Federal Withholding	6,968.70	3,500.00
Employee State Withholding	3,972.24	2,700.00
FICA Allowance	1,646.20	1,300.00
Medicare	384.97	300.00
Prospective Pastor Expenses		
Professional Expenses		
Retiree Support (Portico)		
Retirement	3,600.00	3,600.00
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL COSTS</b>	<b>17,888.27</b>	<b>13,200.00</b>
<b>SOCIAL MINISTRY</b>		
Pastor's Discretionary		200.00
Social Ministry Unspecified		100.00
<b>TOTAL SOCIAL MINISTRY</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>
<b>STEWARDSHIP SUPPLIES</b>		
Supplies: Offering Envelopes	0.00	165.00
Supplies: Other		
<b>TOTAL STEWARDSHIP SUPPLIES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>165.00</b>

	<b>End of Year Totals</b>	<b>Annual Budget</b>
<b>WORSHIP</b>		
Copyright License	342.00	325.00
Devotionals	145.20	350.00
Music Fund	175.00	750.00
Other Worship		
Supplies	1,581.91	2,000.00
<b>TOTAL WORSHIP</b>	<b>2,244.11</b>	<b>3,425.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>142,864.32</b>	<b>188,920.00</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>-2,082.28</b>	<b>(29,534.00)</b>
<b><u>YEAR END ASSETS</u></b>		
<b>Operating Account Totals</b>	<b>4,343.89</b>	
<b>Money Market Account Total</b>	<b>53,262.40</b>	
<b>Certificates of Deposit Totals</b>	<b>42,400.00</b>	

VI. 2026 Budget ..... Kay Tucker

**2026 BUDGET**

		<u>2026 BUDGET</u>
<b>INCOME</b>		
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>		
	<b>Offering</b>	
	Plate Offering	\$145,000
	Thank Offering	
	<b>TOTAL OFFERING</b>	<b>\$145,000</b>
	<b>Other Income</b>	
	Hall Rental Income	\$1,000
	Interest Income	\$1,200
	Music Fund	\$500
	Recycle Income	\$40
	Thrivent Income	\$500
	Yellow Barn Income	\$500
	<b>TOTAL OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>\$3,740</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$148,740</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<b>BENEVOLENCE</b>		
	Dues - West Central Conference	\$40
	Synod Benevolence (Budgeted)	\$2,400
	Soup's On (General Fund)	\$1,200
	<b>TOTAL BENEVOLENCE (General Fund)</b>	<b>\$3,640</b>
<b>BUILDING &amp; GROUNDS</b>		
	Maintenance	\$9,000
	Electricity & Gas	\$8,000
	Major Repairs Set Aside	\$30,000
	Mowing	\$5,000
	Snow Removal	\$500
	Trash Removal	\$0
	Water (Barn)	\$0
	Water (Church)	\$900

<b>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION</b>	<b>TOTAL BUILDING &amp; GROUNDS</b>		<b>\$53,400</b>
	Christian Education		\$300
	Confirmation		
<b>EVANGELISM</b>	Sunday School		
	<b>TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION</b>		<b>\$300</b>
	Facebook		\$0
<b>INSURANCE</b>	Other		\$200
	<b>TOTAL EVANGELISM</b>		<b>\$200</b>
	Monthly Set Aside		\$7,200
<b>OFFICE</b>	Property & Liability		
	Worker's Compensation		
	<b>TOTAL INSURANCE</b>		<b>\$7,200</b>
<b>PERSONNEL COSTS</b>	Copier		\$2,500
	Internet Access and Website		\$2,000
	Postage		\$500
	Supplies		\$1,500
	Telephone		\$450
	Office: Other		
	<b>TOTAL OFFICE</b>		<b>\$6,950</b>
	Auto Allowance		
	Synod Conference		\$1,000
	Federal Withholding		\$7,000
	FICA Allowance		\$1,500
	Continuing Education		\$1,000
	Medicare		\$350
	Portico Basic Group Life		
	Portico Disability		
	Portico Health		
Portico Retiree Support			
Retirement		\$3,600	
Professional Expenses			
State Withholding		\$3,900	
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL COSTS</b>		<b>\$18,350</b>	
<b>PERSONNEL SALARIES</b>			

	Administrative Assistant		\$10,000
	Interim Minister		\$0
	Guest Minister		\$1,300
	Guest Organist		\$0
	Organist		\$12,600
	Pastor		\$41,169
	Housing Allowance		
	<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL SALARIES</b>		<b>\$65,069</b>
<b>SOCIAL MINISTRY</b>			
	Community Garden		\$0
	Pastor's Discretionary		\$200
	Social Ministry Other		\$200
	<b>TOTAL SOCIAL MINISTRY</b>		<b>\$400</b>
<b>STEWARDSHIP SUPPLIES</b>			
	Supplies: Offering Envelopes		\$190
	Supplies: Other		
	<b>TOTAL STEWARDSHIP SUPPLIES</b>		<b>\$190</b>
<b>WORSHIP</b>			
	Copyright License		\$350
	Music Fund		\$400
	Other Worship		
	Devotionals(Quarterly)		\$290
	Supplies		\$2,000
	<b>TOTAL WORSHIP</b>		<b>\$3,040</b>
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$158,740</b>
	<b>OVERALL TOTAL BALANCE</b>		<b>-\$10,000</b>

## **VII. ELECTION REPORT**

### **2025 ELECTION REPORT**

There were four officers of the Congregation whose term expires at the end of the year 2025. These are:

President: Neal Booth  
At Large: Wendy Reinbold  
At Large: Vicki Baggio  
At Large: Margie Snep

Of these, the first two have agreed to serve a second time.

Nominations for the 2025 ballot are:

President - Neal Booth  
At Large - Wendy Reinbold  
At Large - Vicki Baggio  
At Large - Ann Isringhausen

With only 1 person per office, we elected these people by acclamation.

The Nominating Committee for 2026 will be Margie Snep, Kay Tucker and Jim Lieber. Others will be appointed by the Council as needed. Neal Booth made the motion to accept the nominees. Seconded by Vicki Baggio. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kay Tucker

## **2026 Congregational Council:**

President:	Neal Booth	314-766-8782
Vice President:	Robert Doerr	618-980-4726
Secretary:	Teresa Droste	618-944-5243
Treasurer:	Kay Tucker	618-972-5049
At-Large Members:	Sherry Wyatt	618-600-2182
	Wendy Reinbold	618-593-6587
	Carol Garner*	618-792-1356
	Ann Isringhausen	618-498-4094
	Mark Groh	402-937-3748

*\*appointed by Council in January to replace V. Baggio*

## **Committee Leads**

Evangelism/Congregational Life	Jim Lieber	618-402-0325
Fellowship	Carol Garner	618-792-1356
Book Club	Ruth Wolter	618-433-1469
5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Soup's On	Janet Broche	618-401-2646
Financial Secretary	John Droste	618-830-1030
Finance Committee	Kay Tucker	618-972-5049
Properties	Dan Garner	618-792-1777
Social Ministry	Sharon Groh	402-432-3942
Worship	Pastor Jan Worms	618-250-1608
Audit	(vacant)	
Community Garden Team	Mark Groh	402-937-3748
Men's Club	Dan Garner	618-792-1777
Memorial Committee	Kay Tucker	618-972-5049

## **BEYOND OUR WALLS IN 2025**

ELCA DOMESTIC DISASTER.....	650
ELCA WORLD HUNGER RELIEF.....	420
AMARE RECOVERY COMM. CENTER.....	2,285
CRISIS FOOD CENTER.....	800
L.S.S.I. (LUTH. SOCIAL SERVICES).....	905
LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRIES.....	200
MADAGASCAR COMPANION PROJECT.....	200
MEN'S CLUB	
CHILI SUPPER (TORNADO RELIEF).	2,000
SPONSOR, BASEBALL TEAM.....	300
SPONSOR, ROCK SPRINGS DISPLA...	250
MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDENS.....	250
SOUP'S ON.....	1,200
SSP (HELP US FILL 7500 PLATES).....	1,000
SYNOD BENEVOLENCE.....	2,400
WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA.....	100

**TOTAL MINISTRY BEYOND OUR WALLS  
\$12,960**

### **IN ADDITION, WE HELPED WITH THESE PROJECTS:**

**CODO INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE AND SMOKE DETECTORS;  
COMMUNITY GARDEN VEGETABLES AND NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS FOR CRISIS  
FOOD CENTER AND OASIS WOMEN'S DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER; MEN'S CLUB  
WATER DONATIONS TO NORTH ST. LOUIS FOR TORNADO RELIEF; GAS & FOOD  
CARDS; CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE REFERRED FROM IMPACT; CARITAS BIRTHDAY  
PARTY FOR FOSTER CHILDREN; SUPPORT FOR OUR LOCAL SCOUT TROUP**

**WE HAVE BEEN BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING TO OTHERS!**