



# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

704 Poplar Drive

Sibley, IA

## 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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## Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Devotions
3. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Year 2020
4. Pastor's Report
5. Council President's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Presentation of the 2021 Proposed Budget
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12. Election Results
13. Approval of the 2021 Budget
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***We, the children of God,  
are created to share Jesus' love and  
saving grace through faith.***

*Mission Statement of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church*

## 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: 1-17-21

Call to Order: Brandon Rusche called the meeting of the TELC council to order at 11:00 am.

69 congregational voting members in attendance.

Annual Meeting Minutes of 2020 were reviewed. Traci Henning made a motion to approve the minutes as recorded. Steve Rosenberg seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Pastor's Report approval, motion made by Cindy Onken, seconded by Gidget Henning, motion passed.

President's report approval, motion made by Lola Sjogren, seconded by Brian Seivert, motion passed.

Treasurer's report approval, motion made by Jeff Krahlung, seconded by Traci Henning, motion passed.

### 2021 Budget

Discussion regarding the new Pastor's salary and if required to live in the parsonage. These will be discussed in the future with the council and call committee. A motion to approve the budget for 2021 was made by Arlene Kuehl and seconded by Adam Henning. Motion passed.

Memorial Fund: Linda Fick made a motion to approve, Todd Ackerman seconded. Motion passed.

Endowment Fund: Maralee made a motion to approve, Ken Eben seconded. Motion passed.

Elections: Lola Sjogren made a motion to approve the ballot, Steve Rosenberg seconded. Motion passed.

Barb Schuster made a motion to cast ballot unanimously. Brenda Hibbing seconded. Motion passed.

Linda Fick made a motion to approve the committee reports, Brenda Rosenberg seconded. Motion passed.

### New Business: Update on Building Fund

Motion to adjourn made by Todd Ackerman, seconded by Traci Henning, motion passed.

The meeting ended at 11:15 am with the Lord's Prayer.

## 2021 Pastor's Annual Report

***"Then Joshua said to the people,  
'Sanctify yourselves; for tomorrow the  
Lord will do wonders among you.'"  
(Joshua 3:5)***

Last year at this time, I used the verse from Joshua 1:9, "I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Joshua and the children of Israel were standing on the banks of the Jordan River, looking across at the Promised Land that they had heard about for generations. God was trying to reassure Joshua and the people that He was going to be with them in the future, no matter what happened or where their journeys took them. They were trying to envision a new future without Moses, in a new land, dealing with all the challenges ahead of them.

A year ago, we at Trinity were not sure where God was leading us or what the future would hold. But we had the assurance that God would be with us and that we did not need to be afraid.

Much has happened in this last year! Nationally, we have had to deal with the transition to a new leadership, with a new president and a different political party. We had to get used to the "new normal" with school, work, church, and business taking Covid-19 into consideration. And we have had to negotiate ups and downs in the economy along with upheavals and turmoil in our society.

Within our congregation, we had our own transition of leadership. The congregation voted to call me as the new pastor, and we moved into the parsonage in August. There have been many of the normal challenges of congregational life. We had five of our young people confirmed, a baptism, a couple of weddings, and several funerals. We have enjoyed seeing Sunday attendance slowly increasing and Sunday school starting back up. Just recently, we joyfully announced that the congregation was able to pay off the loan at the bank! That has been an issue that has challenged the congregation for years! Now, we can turn our attention to paying off the member loans and becoming debt free!

I have been getting acquainted with many of the members and talking with them about the prospects for the future. After dealing with all the national and local challenges for the last couple of years, where do we want to turn our attention for the future? What is God calling us to? It seems that most of our energy and resources in the last few years has been expended just keeping our head above water! We have been struggling to cope with the everyday issues within the church, and within our culture.

But now it is time to broaden our vision. God has so much more in store for us! He has a bigger agenda for us, beyond simple survival! I believe that God has been preparing Trinity to step out in new and exciting adventures! That is what this verse in Joshua 3 is all about.

The people of Israel are now ready to cross over the Jordan into the Promised Land! They are no longer dreaming about it or talking about it. Now they are going to do it! And Joshua wants to prepare them for this big moment. "Sanctify yourselves; for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you!"

I think that we are standing on the verge of the next big adventure that God has in store for the people of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Sibley! What is that going to look like? Who knows! When we trust God to guide us and follow His direction, we will see wonders happen among us!

## Pastor's Annual Report Continued

For Joshua and the Israelites, they had no way of knowing what the future was going to hold. They just knew that they needed to trust God and follow where He would lead them. And to their surprise, they watched the walls of Jericho crumble! They watched God clear the path and open up all kinds of new opportunities for them! God was at work making a way for them into the future. They just needed to be obedient and faithfully follow where He was leading.

So what does that mean for us? Joshua's advice to the people of His time was to "Sanctify yourselves; for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you." He was calling the people to turn their attention to God and focus on their relationship with Him.

There are spiritual activities that we can cultivate that will deepen and strengthen our relationship with God. Prayer, worship, Bible study, talking to and listening to God on a daily basis can all help to grow our relationship with Him.

God was not calling on the Israelites to conquer the Promised Land on their own. He was calling them to draw near to Him and trust Him as He performed the miracles. They just needed to be faithful and obedient. God would take care of the rest!

That is what Joshua is talking about as he calls the people to, "Sanctify yourselves!" Turn your attention to God. Focus on Him, trust Him, follow Him, rely on Him, and watch what He is about to accomplish among you!

I believe that is our call for this coming year. Focus on drawing near to God. He is about to do wonders among you! Here at Trinity, around us in Sibley, and extending out into the world, God is at work. Focus on Him, follow Him, trust Him, and watch what He is about to accomplish! We have much to look forward to!

*Pastor Tim Nappe*

## **2021 President's Annual Report**

Dear Members of TELC

It has been a privilege to serve as the council president of TELC. I would like to thank all of council members that I have served with over my last 2 years on council. All off your hard work is appreciated.

I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered in any capacity throughout the past year at Trinity. Many of the projects and events at the church would not be possible without your willingness to jump in and serve.

We have had some exciting things happen this year at TELC. In April, the call committee interviewed several candidates. After the interviews, they recommended that the congregation place a call to Pastor Nappe who was working as our interim pastor. The congregation had a special meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup> and voted to officially call Pastor Nappe as the new pastor of TELC. Pastor Nappe was installed by Pastor Stephen Anenson from the Iowa district of the LCMC on Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>.

In November, TELC was able to pay off the bank portion of its building fund loan. I would like to thank everyone that helped make this happen. TELC still has \$200K worth of member loans yet to pay but I know that with this congregation's generosity it will not be long before this building project is paid off in full.

**Respectfully Submitted by**

**Brandon J Rusche**

## 2021 Treasurer's Annual Report

General Offerings ** includes a \$30,000 Christmas Donation - <i>Council will decide at the meeting on January 14 how to use the donation</i>	\$ 178,922.16
Building Fund Offerings	\$ 149,922.16
Reaching the Unreached Mission Support	\$ 6,000.00
<b>Checking Accounts Balances as of December 31, 2021</b>	
General Account	\$ 82,312.76
Sunday School	\$ 1,341.82
Building Fund	\$ 28,726.62
<b>Savings Accounts Balances as of December 31, 2021</b>	
Parsonage	\$ 108.56
Furnace	\$ 8,269.22
Parking Lot	\$ 280.00
SE Entry	\$ 9,038.95
Maintenance (Fred & Ada Folkers Endowment)	\$ 1,377.34
Emergency	\$ 13,880.00
Security System	\$ 365.00
T-shirts	\$ 282.15
<b>Lenten Offerings</b>	
Building Fund	\$ 726.00
Community Projects	\$ 726.00
Bucket of Bucks	\$ 417.48
Noisy Offerings	\$ 958.71
*see Page 7 for more specific details	
Tail Gate Meal – Okoboji Summer Bible Camp Scholarships	\$ 576.00

## **2021 Bucket of Bucks and Noisy Offerings Annual Report**

### **BUCKET OF BUCKS – first Sunday of the Month - \$417.48**

ATLAS of Osceola County: \$417.48

### **NOISY OFFERINGS - \$958.71**

(January) Hope Haven: \$56.40

(February) Sibley EMT: \$55.07

(March) Camp Scholarships: \$145.90

(April) Sibley Library Youth Programs: \$81.34

(May) Veteran's Honor Flight: \$120.00

(June) OCMA Backpack Program: \$84.13

(July) Bless You Inc.: \$91.56

(August) Sunday School: \$90.27

(September) Bright Beginnings Daycare: \$55.72

(October) Sibley Fire Department: \$78.97

(November) Youth Group Adopt a Family for Christmas: \$82.40

(December) Head Start Book Club: \$26.95



## TELC ALL FUNDS GIVING TOTAL COMPARISONS

Amount	2019	2020	2021	2022
\$0.00	48	72	57	
\$1-\$50	7	3	5	
\$51-\$100	7	3	4	
\$101-\$200	8	8	4	
\$201-\$500	14	10	12	
\$501-\$1,000	14	10	11	
\$1,001-\$2,000	14	11	14	
\$2,001-\$3,000	10	9	11	
\$3,001-\$4,000	5	9	3	
\$4,001-\$5000	6	5	8	
\$5,001-\$6,000	5	2	4	
\$6,001-\$7,000	2	3	3	
\$7,001-\$8,000	2	1		
\$8,001-\$10,000	2	1	1	
\$10,001-\$11,000	1		1	
\$11,001-\$15,000	1	1	2	
\$15,001-\$16,000	1	1		
\$16,001-\$17,000	1			
\$17,001-\$20,000		2		
\$20,001-\$23,000	1		2	
\$23,001-\$26,000				
\$26,001 - \$30,000				
\$30,001 - \$35,000			1	
\$35,001 - \$40,000		1		
\$40,001- \$50,000				
\$50,001- \$65,500		1	1	

## PROPOSED 2022 BUDGET

BUDGETS	Actual 2019	Budget 2020	Actual 2020	Budget 2021	Actual 2021	Proposed 2022
6000 Pastor's Salary	\$ 54,177.00	\$ 42,189.00	\$ 18,750.72	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 33,250.00	\$42,961.22
6010 Pastor's Social Security Offset	\$ 5,388.00	\$ 4,196.00	\$ 1,864.80		\$ 2,543.66	\$ 3,558.78
6020 Interim Pastor			\$ 14,000.00		\$ 15,750.00	
6030 Auto Allowance	\$ 2,792.57	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 205.12			\$ 3,000.00
6060 Pastor's Continuing Education	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$			
6070 Pastor's Professional Expenses	\$ 600.86	\$ 600.00	\$ 376.81			
6100 Pastor's Pension & Health	\$ 34,709.18	\$ 31,174.00	\$ 15,432.91			\$15,000.00
6120 Cell Phone Allowance	\$ 480.00	\$ 480.00	\$ 240.00		\$ 280.00	\$ 480.00
6130 Secretarial Staff	\$ 10,281.16	\$ 12,300.00	\$ 12,285.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$16,000.00
6160 Custodian Staff	\$ 15,285.92	\$15,286.00	\$ 15,286.08	\$ 15,286.00	\$ 15,286.08	\$15,286.00
6170 Accounting	\$ 2,240.00		0			
6200 Payroll Expenses	\$ 2,230.27	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,300.45	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,316.89	\$ 2,600.00
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>\$126,214.96</b>	<b>\$111,795.00</b>	<b>\$ 80,501.89</b>	<b>\$ 97,786.00</b>	<b>\$ 84,426.63</b>	<b>\$ 98,886.00</b>
<b>OPERATING</b>						
6210 Supply Pastors, Speaker/Facilitator		\$ 200.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,716.64	\$ 2,000.00
6230 Adult Education	\$ 207.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 206.23	\$ 250.00	\$ 89.14	\$ 500.00
6240 Mission - Reaching the Unreached	\$ 3,857.12	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,124.04	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
6250 Bank Fees	\$ 107.00	\$ 50.00	0	\$ 150.00		\$ 150.00
6260 Building and Grounds	\$ 2,133.75	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,839.21	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 8,102.93	\$ 5,000.00
6270 Snow Removal	\$ 3,445.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
6300 Choir Director	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
6310 Accompanist	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
6330 Confirmation/1st Comm. Ministry	\$ 101.68	\$ 200.00	\$ 86.08	\$ 200.00	\$ 460.02	\$ 200.00
6360 Copier/Printer Expense	\$ 2,963.53	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,970.73	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,988.93	\$ 3,000.00
6400 Evangelism	\$ 230.49	\$ 200.00	\$ 316.92	\$ 200.00	\$ 376.64	\$ 400.00
6440 Fellowship					\$ 119.46	\$ 100.00
6460 Fuel - natural gas	\$ 7,305.74	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 6,225.79	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 8,791.27	\$ 9,000.00
6500 Property Insurance	\$ 7,895.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,148.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,455.00	\$ 8,700.00
6560 Janitorial Supplies	\$ 462.93	\$ 500.00	\$ 456.89	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,281.43	\$ 800.00
6600 Light & Power City	\$ 7,936.40	\$7,500.00	\$ 7,439.44	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 8,791.27	\$ 8,500.00
6600 Miscellaneous	\$ 90.84	\$ 100.00	\$ 13.56	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,879.59	\$ 500.00
6730 Music- Adult Choir	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	0	\$ 250.00	\$ 90.78	\$ 500.00
6750 Music Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 110.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 389.00	\$ 400.00
6800 Offering Envelopes	\$ 384.61	\$ 400.00	\$ 374.35	\$ 400.00	\$ 416.37	\$ 450.00
6830 Office Supplies – QuickBooks, Microsoft, checks, envelopes, antivirus, paper,	\$ 1,250.88	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,974.38	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,752.05	\$ 1,600.00
6860 Organist Salary	\$ 1,525.00	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,700.00
6900 OCMA	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
6930 Parsonage Utilities	\$ 4,100.19	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,260.11	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,302.84	\$ 4,000.00
6960 Parsonage Repairs	\$ 1,154.40	\$ 500.00	\$ 3,764.49	\$ 500.00	\$ 6,413.25	\$ 2,000.00
7000 Postage & Supplies	\$ 101.63	\$ 120.00	\$ 296.90	\$ 250.00	\$ 484.71	\$ 600.00
7120 Technology – Realm & Website	\$ 1,167.69	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,016.12	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,005.80	\$ 1,100.00
7160 Telephone and Internet	\$ 1,930.95	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,228.20	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,472.84	\$ 2,500.00
7200 Connections	\$ 269.28	\$ 90.00	0	\$ 120.00		
7260 LCMC Annual Gathering					\$ 460.00	\$ 500.00
7300 Worship Materials	\$ 403.78	\$ 700.00	\$ 808.29	\$ 700.00	\$ 770.60	\$ 800.00
9999 Call Committee				\$ 1,000.00		
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 50,264.32</b>	<b>\$ 54,360.00</b>	<b>\$ 54,299.81</b>	<b>\$ 59,820.00</b>	<b>\$ 68,321.05</b>	<b>\$65,450.00</b>
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>\$126,214.96</b>	<b>\$111,795.00</b>	<b>\$ 80,501.89</b>	<b>\$ 97,786.00</b>	<b>\$ 84,426.63</b>	<b>\$98,886.00</b>

## 2021 Memorial Fund Annual Report

<b>Opening Cash</b>	<b>\$ 5,290.62</b>
Total Income	\$ 20,935.26
Total Expenditures	\$ 16,068.53
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 10,157.35</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Fred Folkers (Endow)	\$ 15,376.65
Memorial Accounts	0
Thrivent	0
Building Fund	0
CD Cashed/Memorial	\$ 5,558.61
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 20,935.26</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>	
TELC Maintenance	\$ 1,153.24
TELC Endowment	\$ 2,690.92
CD Purchase (Folkers)	0
Scholarships*	\$ 11,424.12
Undesignated Memorials**	\$ 800.25
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 16,068.53</b>

<b>Designated Memorials</b>	
Playground Equipment	\$ 580.22
Youth	\$ 7.50
Sound	\$ 2,373.84
TELC Choir	\$ 1,186.92
Bell Tower	\$ 60.00
Hymnals	\$ 98.17
<b>Total Designated</b>	<b>\$ 4,306.65</b>
<b>Total Undesignated</b>	<b>\$ 183.72</b>
<b>TOTAL MEMORIALS</b>	<b>\$ 4,490.37</b>
<b>Good Samaritan Fund</b>	
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 504.70</b>
Income	0
Expenditures	0
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 504.70</b>

**Submitted by: Sharon Gradert**

<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$176,479.28</b>	<b>\$166,155.00</b>	<b>\$ 134,801.70</b>	<b>\$157,606.00</b>	<b>\$152,747.68</b>	<b>\$164,336.00</b>
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\* On behalf of the Fred & Ada Folkers Estate, scholarships for \$3808 each were awarded to 3 seminary students working on requirements to become pastors of LCMC congregations.

\*\* The Dick Grave Memorial (\$800) was used to purchase a new 12' artificial Christmas tree for the sanctuary, as well as new decorations. Our church will enjoy this tree for many years.

## **2021 Endowment Fund Report**

During 2021 the endowment fund received \$2,665.63 in capital funds to add to its account. Currently the capital amount of the fund is \$201, 508. 0. A majority of these funds are invested in corporate bonds and exchange traded funds. We also have a \$60,000.00 to the Trinity building fund.

In the year the fund earned \$6,524.75 on the investments.

Our bylaws state that the income from the fund is to be used solely for religious purposes. With this in mind, the fund has been and continues to support the youth of our congregation. In the past year, four members of our congregation received financial help to attend summer bible camp. We also continue to help the leaders of the youth group to provide support for the youth of our church.

**Submitted by:**

**Lowell Heibult, Treasurer**

## **2021 Meals on Wheels Annual Report**

The Meals on Wheels Program is essential here at Trinity and for the whole community. It is a program that feeds anyone who cannot get out on their own to buy groceries and cook for them self. Trinity takes a turn from other community churches, and we deliver meals to their home. Trinity takes a 2-week window that we would deliver to 3 or 4 times a year from the Senior Center Mondays thru Fridays. We have 2 teams with a driver and one to deliver the meal to the door which means we need 4 people each week to volunteer.

It has been another difficult year this year with many decisions to make as to when and if the Senior Center is even open. Many picked up their meals at the Senior Center. Right now, there has been no meals at all coming out of the Center due to Covid hitting the cook and its helpers. At present they are looking for someone to take over cooking. Let's pray that happens soon. Trinity did make and deliver a Thanksgiving dinner to 26 shut ins and it was well received. Thank you to all who help to make this happen. It was a fun adventure and worthwhile.

A sincere Thank You to everyone who has volunteered to make this program a successful program. You are all appreciated. Let's pray we can find someone to take over this program soon so it can continue.

**Submitted by:**

**Barb Schuster**

## 2021 Sunday School & Youth Group Annual Report

### Sunday School:

We started Sunday School on September 12th. We averaged 5 to 7 students on Sundays serving pre-K thru seniors. The younger grades having Bible lessons and watching videos while the high school group were studying "The Bible" series along with a study guide.

### Youth Group

The youth group started on September 15th and meet every Wednesday night. A light meal is served along with Bible study time and some fun time outings throughout the year. We have been averaging 6 to 10 students from 7th grade up to seniors. The Youth Group has been involved with Camp Sunday, Church or Treat for Halloween, shopping for the adopt-a-family, serving coffee fellowship and helping with other activities within the church.

### Vacation Bible School

It was decided to hold a one-day Bible School event this year, not knowing how many students would show up. We handed out fliers for Bible School at the Good Old Summertime parade. VBS was held on Saturday July 10th and open to students 4 years old up to 6th grade. 15 students came. Pastor Tim came up with a VBS theme of "Holiday or Holy Day?". Study time, music time and snack time where the order of the day.

### Christmas Program

A Christmas program for the youth was held on Sunday December 12th. 11 students participated in the program. The program was called "A Capital Christmas". The students had some speaking parts and almost all played some musical instruments for the program. Great job kids!! Christmas goody sacks were handed out after the program.

We want to thank all who helped in any way with the youth activities this year. Brandon & Jen Rusche, Adam & Traci Henning for being Sunday School and Youth Group leaders. Brenda Krahling for leading the music programs. Pastor Tim & Bev, and all who helped with our Youth Education.

Thank You!

### **Submitted by:**

**Adam Henning**

**Steve Onken**

**Council Reps**

## 2021 Vacation Bible School Annual Report



Holiday or Holyday was our theme this year. We celebrated 3 holidays, EASTER, CHRISTMAS AND BIRTHDAY and the true meaning of each Holiday.

**Teachers:** Barb Seivert, Sandy Eben, Alayna Wingate,  
Carol Leach, Brenda Tutje, Pastor Tim, Adam Henning, Sue Ackerman

**Crafts:** Barb Seivert, Carol Seivert

**Music:** Brenda Krahling, Sue Ackerman

**Cooks:** Barb Schuster, Sharon Gradert, Danielle Onken,  
Linda Klaahsen, Amber Taylor

**Playtime:** Conner Beltman, Evan Beltman, Erica Rosenberg,  
Paula Beltman, Brianna Taylor

**Photographer:** Brenna French

**Manicurist:** Jan Henningsen

**Donated Food.** Arlene Kuehl, Paula Maxwell, Jackie Glade

Thank you to the children and all the volunteers for making this Vacation Bible School a great success.

**Submitted by:**

**Barb Schuster**

## 2021 Music & Worship Committee Annual Report

The Committee has been working diligently with Pastor Nappe to oversee the Worship and Music matters pertaining to the life of the congregation. We hope to see some of the changes happening soon and welcome any feedback on likes and dislikes with the Service and music.

Special worship services this year included:

- Communion first and third Sundays
- Maundy Thursday Service
- Good Friday Service
- Easter Service
- Blessing of the Seeds
- Graduation
- Blessing of bikes in July
- Outdoor Services with Methodist Church on 2 Sundays
- Adult Choir started again
- Reformation Sunday/ Confirmation Day- 5 confirmands
  - Erika Rosenberg
  - Reagan Rusche
  - Brianna Taylor
  - Cayden Wingate
  - Natalie Wollmuth
- All Saints Sunday
- Advent
- Christmas Eve

Thank you to the music committee for all of your time and talents with a selection of hymns and special music throughout the year. Members include Brenda Krahling (Adult choir) Lola Sjogren (Organist and Music selector) Lois Timmermann (organist) Vicki Zylstra (pianist) and Eileen Schutte (organist/pianist).

Also Thank You to all the members of the congregation who have assisted the church with all your time and talents.

**Submitted by:**

**Brenda Rosenberg**  
**Luci Ferrin**

## 2021 Stewardship and Evangelism Annual Report

Covid still has a grip on Gatherings at Church. We were not able to do to the “Banquet” in Sioux Falls to serve them. We provided money but were not able to be in the building. But we were able to have more meeting and activities

Few things happening at church this 2021

1. Sibley had their usual “Good Ole Summertime” Parade again this year, and we were able to participate. We had a float (the only church float) in the parade, and the kids rode on it. It took a little talking, but they had a lot of fun. They had squirt guns and had a ball shooting at their friends in the crowd. We also had Thrivent t-shirts to throw out to the crowd. I often see people in the community wearing them. We have purchased a sign for a float, so in the future we can use it to promote our church. Pastor was able to make contact with many people along the parade route by handing out flyers that day.
2. Men’s Lenten Breakfast was held at TELC. Arlene Kuehl and Sharon Gradert served French toast and sausage. Two churches participated at their churches.
3. We handed out water at the Osceola County Fair, complete with cozies and TELC name on them. We have cozies left for another year to hand out also.
4. We attended an outdoor worship service at the Methodist Church parking lot on August 22, and then on August 29 at the Methodist attended our outdoor worship service, 84 people were in attendance.
5. Our Mission Festival was canceled because our speaker had covid. SO, may hold later.
6. We have a new artificial Christmas tree that was donated as a memorial for a deceased member.
7. Pastor and the Stewardship/Evangelism Committee have been working on members we haven’t seen for some time. If you know of someone that needs a church home, please let Pastor know the name.
8. Tuesday evenings are busy at church. Pastor has a bible study on at 7:00pm and it is open to everybody.
9. Many dedicated individuals take their time to deliver meals on wheels. Many of which put a meal together for Thanksgiving this year. Meals on wheels staff were sick with covid, so we took over for a day.
10. We also gather food for the Food Bank, and the grocery cart is always open for more items.

As the year closes, we thank everyone for your time and help. And may God bless you.

**Submitted by:**

**Sheryl Peters**



## 2021 Property Committee Annual Report

I would like to start by thanking all the volunteers and contractors that have helped this year. Many hands make like work!

This past year has seen many changes to Trinity. There has been quite a bit of work done at the parsonage. Between the painting, cleaning, updating, plumbing, and some stonework it has become ready to be a home to Pastor and his wife. Much of this work was done by volunteers and the use of separate donations to do do such a great job!! It is definitely a beautiful piece of Trinity.

The Church itself has had some improvements made and shown where some other are still needed.

The cement at the west doors has been patched and looks great.

The east end of the Sunday school wing has finally had the paint problem solved!! It has been sided and looks awesome!

We have made upgrades to the internet and added some security cameras to help make sure everything and everyone stays safe. Thanks to the gentlemen who handled these projects.

We have purchased a carpet cleaning to help with the wear and tear. Thanks to Steve and Cindy for keeping things clean and tidy for us all!

A brick planter style base was added to the light pole in the parking lot.

Many small issues have been handled with general upkeep of our beautiful house of Worship.

We still have tasks that are being discussed and being worked on.

The money to fix this southeast entry way was donated and we are on the schedule to have it worked on after Christmas season.

The parking lot is still a challenge that will need to be faced in the coming years.

We are discussing the best way to handle the rain gutters on the church and some stonework to be done around the church

I know I am missing some things!! Please feel free to reach out to the Council if you have questions or concerns. I can't thank everyone enough for all the donations of time, talent, love, thoughtfulness, and money. It has been awesome to watch God's work continue at Trinity!!

**Submitted by:**

**Luc Johnson**

## 2021 Building Fund Financial Annual Report

**Building Fund Account Balance as of 12/31/2021 = \$28,726.62**

**Bank Loan Total as of November 10, 2021 - \$ 0**

**2021 Expenses** - payments for bank loan, extra principal & member interest

Extra Principal Payment 1-14-2021 = \$25,000.00

Extra Principal Payment 1-15-2021 = \$25,000.00

Bank Loan Payment for 1-1-2021 = \$20,169.48

Bank Loan Payment for 3-10-2021 = \$20,169.48

Extra Principal Payment 3-16-2021 = \$11,000.00

Extra Principal Payment 5-12-2021 = \$6,370.00

Bank Loan Payment for 7-1-2021 = \$20,169.48

Bank Loan Payment for 10-1-2021= \$20,169.48

Extra Principal Payment 10-13-2021 = \$10,000.00

Extra Principal Payment 11-10-2021 = \$10,000.00

Bank Loan Final Payment 11-10-2021= \$8,074.38

1<sup>st</sup> Member loan interest payments Oct. & Apr. = \$1,000.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Member loan interest payments Jan. & Jul. = \$1,200.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Member loan interest payments Mar. & Sep. = \$750.00

4<sup>th</sup> Member loan interest payments Mar. & Sep. = \$750.00

Endowment Loan interest payment due May & Nov. = \$1,800.00

**2021 TOTAL EXPENSES** - payments for bank loan, extra principal & member interest = **\$161,452.82**

Thank you to everyone that contributed to the loan payments and helped get it paid off more than a year ahead of schedule. With the bank loan paid off, we will work on paying off the member loans.

They will be paid in this order:

- 1. 4<sup>th</sup> member loan \$25,000
- 2. 3<sup>rd</sup> member loan \$25,000
- 3. 2<sup>nd</sup> member loan \$40,000
- 4. 1<sup>st</sup> member loan \$50,000
- 5. Endowment loan \$60,000

Interest payments will continue with the same schedule as previous years until a loan is paid off.

\$50,000 1<sup>st</sup> Member loan(renewable yearly) interest payment Oct. & Apr. @ 2% int. only = \$500 x 2

\$40,000 2<sup>nd</sup> Member loan (renewable yearly) interest payment due: Jan. & Jul. @ 3% int. only= \$600 x 2

\$60,000 Endowment Loan(renewable yearly)interest payment due: May & Nov @ 3% int. only= \$900 x 2

\$25,000 3<sup>rd</sup> Member loan (renewable yearly) interest payment due: Mar. & Sep. @ 3% int. only= \$375x 2

\$25,000 4<sup>th</sup> Member loan (renewable yearly) interest payment due: Mar. & Sep. @ 3% int. only= \$375x 2

**TOTAL yearly interest payments for member/endowment loans= \$5,500.00**

Each promissory note will get handed in when the principal is paid in full.

THANK YOU to TELC for your continuing generosity.

**Submitted by:**

**Brian Schnepf**

# 2021 Women of TELC Annual Report

## TREASURER'S REPORT

December 1, 2020 through December 1, 2021

<b>12-1-2020</b>	<b>Balance on Hand</b>		<b>\$1,921.93</b>
<b>Receipts</b>	Coffee Fellowship	\$ 197.00	
	Soup & Pie	2,782.92	
	Funerals	700.00	
	Misc	76.20	
	Interest	<u>.22</u>	
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$3,756.34</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	Soup & Pie	\$ 0.00**	
	Donations	2,650.00**	
	Supplies	<u>183.82</u>	
<b>Total</b>			<b><u>\$2,833.82</u></b>
<b>12-1-2021</b>	<b>Balance on Hand</b>		<b>\$2,844.45</b>

\*\*No cost - used a Thrivent card for purchases

\*\*To Building fund - profits from Soup & Pie

**Submitted by:**

**Linda Fick**

**Treasurer**

## 2021 Annual Report Membership Events and Changes

### BAPTISM

Leah Marie Kruger, daughter of Kyle & Kayla Kruger, born on September 22, 2021

Sponsors Todd & Sarah Howard, Troy & Meggan Block, baptized on September 5, 2021

### CONFIRMATION – October 25, 2020

Erika Rosenberg, daughter of Nathan & Radhika Rosenberg, Mentor – Mary Kharmawphlang

Reagan Rusche, daughter of Brandon & Jennifer Rusche, Mentor – Amber Taylor

Brianna Taylor, daughter of Tom & Amber Taylor, Mentor – Alyssa Prins

Cayden Wingate, son of Ron & Alyssa Prins, Mentor – Daryl Tutje

Natalie Wollmuth, daughter of Jeremy & Patty Helmers, Mentor – Gidget Henning

### FIRST COMMUNION – September 20, 2020

Carson Renner, son of Ron & Amy Renner

### MARRIAGES

Jared Wayne Onken & Kendra Sue Dorn

May 22, 2021

Matthew Paul Ackermann & Alyssa Michelle Hibbing

August 8, 2021

Kraig Kurtis Boernsen & Jill Kariin Berkland

December 18, 2021

### NEW MEMBERS

Richard Dvorak – March 14, 2021

Daniel Berkland – March 14, 2021

Matt Bergman - August 15, 2021

Keith & Marvella Klaahsen - August 15, 2021

Rev. Tim & Bev Nappe - August 15, 2021

Alan & Carol Seivert - August 15, 2021

### MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER OUT

Marilyn Hedges transferred to Zion Lutheran Church, Ocheyedon, IA (her daughter's church)

### DEATHS

Richard LeRoy Engler February 21, 2021

Lawrence Dale Helmers July 18, 2021

Sidney Paul Schnepf September 8, 2021

Timothy Howard Lange September 29, 2021

Ryan Lee Palmer October 18, 2021

Daryl Freeman Renner October 25, 2021

Eugene Herbert Philip November 11, 2021