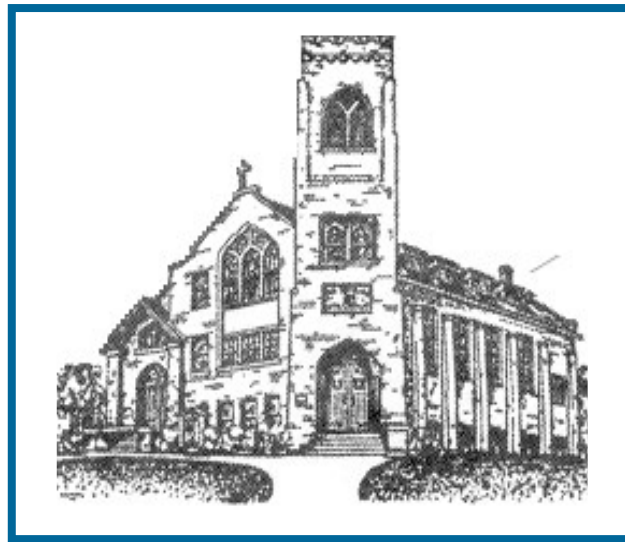

Annual Report

2022

Our Saviour's
Lutheran Church



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**Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
Whitehall, Wisconsin**

Annual Meeting Agenda

February 5, 2023

10:40 AM

- 1) Call Meeting to Order, President, David Anderson**
 - 2) Secretary Approval of Quorum (25 people)**
 - 3) Prayer, Pastor Peter Jonas**
 - 4) Approval of Agenda**
 - 5) Old Business**
 - 6) New Business:**
 - a. Presentation of 2023 Budget**
 - b. Approval of Budget**
 - c. Election of Leadership Positions**
 - d. Other items of business**
 - 7) Motion to Adjourn**
 - 8) Lord's Prayer**
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Minutes - 2022 Annual Meeting

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

Annual Meeting - Sunday, January 30, 2022

Present: Church Congregation, President Brenda Gilbertson, Pastor Peter Jonas, Council Secretary Kathy Johnson
Meeting was brought to order by President Brenda Gilbertson, Council President at 10 :09 a.m.

Quorum Certification: Council Secretary Kathy Johnson confirmed that there are enough members present to certify a quorum.

Devotions: Pastor Jonas

Approval of Agenda: David Anderson made a motion to approve the agenda with a second by Kay Nelson. Motion carried.

Minutes of 2021 Annual Meeting: The 2021 annual meeting minutes were approved by the church council at their May 2021 meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Presentation of 2021 Budget: Steve Lamberson presented the 2022 budget.

Approval of the 2021 Budget: Steve Lamberson moved to approve the 2022 budget and financial reports from 2021. Marnie Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Election of Leadership Positions: There are still many leadership positions open. The

Youth and Family Committee needs members as there is no one currently serving. Nominations were opened up to the floor with no additional nominations. Position nominations to be approved are:

President: David Anderson

Secretary: Kathy Johnson

Treasurer: Kris Dubiel

Church Council at Large: Jeff Sygulla, Eric Herman, Clarice Laehn

Auditors: Barb Mathson, Judy Harolson, Sharon Ivers

Parish Board: Jake Paulson

David Anderson moved to close nominations and instruct the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for the aforementioned candidates. Second made by Linda Schaefer. Motion carried. The next council meeting is Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 6:30.

Other items of Business:

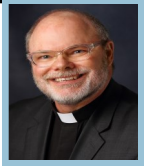
Thank you to everyone who has served last term of office. Pastor Jonas extended a thank you to outgoing council President Brenda Gilbertson as well as others who have served: Les Foss, Mike Gilbertson, Peggy Kneifl. Also, thank you from Council President to Pastor Jonas and Kay Nelson for seeking out nominations. She thanked Steve Lamberson and Jeff Sygulla for taking care of the leak in the bell tower. Kay Nelson stated that the diaper panty is running low. There is a greater need for larger sizes.

Motion to adjourn was made by David Anderson with a second by Ellen Hauser. Motion carried.

Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Johnson, Council Secretary.

Pastor's Annual Report for 2022



Dear Friends in Christ,

As I write this final yearly report for you, I cannot but think of the ancient Roman god Janus that our month of January is named after. Janus is the god of beginnings, endings, doorways and transitions. In sculptures and pictures Janus is depicted with a face pointing forward and a face pointing backward. You and I are both about to enter a time of transition. So, in this report, like Janus I wish to look both backward and forward.

I entered 2022 still recovering from my cancer surgery. I want to thank you as a parish for your understanding and patience during the early months of the year when I was recovering and regaining my strength.

One area that I focused on throughout the year was the development of RUTH (Rural Unity through Hope) as a faith-based organization. RUTH's first public event was a prayer vigil in March outside the Trempealeau County Courthouse in response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Throughout the year RUTH attracted leaders, volunteers, partners and some financial contributions. After the vigil, RUTH recruited leadership for the local Sleep in Heavenly Peace chapter and organized a health fair as an outreach effort toward the Trempealeau County Latin American community. RUTH provides a network for congregations to coordinate their various ministries like providing winter clothes for people reentering society from the Trempealeau County Jail. I retire in hope that RUTH will continue to flourish as an organization and find new opportunities to share Christ's love in our rural context.

With sadness, I and the rest of Whitehall and Pigeon said farewell to my colleague Pastor Mary Ann Bowman in late spring. I remain deeply appreciative for the partnership among our churches during her ministry. The current shortage of pastors in the ELCA has revived some old methods and inspired some new approaches to help congregations through leadership transitions. The Northwest Synod of Wisconsin appointed me to serve as the Administrative Pastor for Peace Lutheran until an interim pastor became available. Having a local pastor assist a vacant congregation was not uncommon decades ago, and it is likely this approach will become more common in the future.

Leadership transitions can be times of worry for any organization. As human beings we get used to people who are familiar to us and we even put up with their faults. But transition times can also be times of new vision and creativity. During a pastoral vacancy, a congregation can honestly assess their ministry and health with a little more freedom because the assessment is not about a specific person, but the community as a whole. Customarily when a pastor leaves you see some turnover in lay-leadership and new people bring new ideas. This is a good thing when it is blended with the wisdom of experienced leaders who have walked through pastoral transitions before and know that the ministry of a church is more than the pastor. In an interim period, congregations' partnership with the synod is intensified because of the synod's role in the call process. The synod ministers can bring a bit of an aerial view to a parish and help them see their ministry in new ways. And your interim pastor and newly called pastor will bring their own gifts and perspective to your ministry. All of these factors together can make a time of transition a time of hope and renewal.

I want to conclude by saying that I give thanks for the honor of serving Whitehall and Pleasantville as your minister. During my time among you I was privileged to witness your love for God, your churches and your community in the way you serve, give and walk together as disciples of Jesus. And this love you have shown to me as your pastor and to each other and a broken world in need is of course a reflection of the love of God. The familiar words of the Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 13 are often read at weddings. But a closer reading reveals that they are really about life together in the church. "And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love."

Peace

Pastor Peter +

OSL-GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Our Saviour's Luthearn Church - 2023 Proposed Budget

OSLC GENERAL FUND BUDGET

OSLC GENERAL FUND BUDGET

2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget
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EXPENSES

Ministry				
Pastor Discretionary	\$-	\$-	\$250.00	\$-
Ministry Teams (separate account "On-Going" Fund)	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Church Consultant - Conflict Mediation	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Sub Total - Ministry	\$-	\$-	\$250.00	\$-

Administration				
Postage	\$563.12	\$700.00	\$814.71	\$700.00
Office Supplies	\$1,187.86	\$1,300.00	\$1,306.15	\$300.00
Subscriptions	\$913.06	\$1,000.00	\$869.87	\$1,000.00
Office Equipment: Copy Machine	\$1,818.89	\$2,000.00	\$3,151.30	\$3,000.00
Miscellaneous Office	\$2,325.87	\$1,000.00	\$1,957.80	\$1,000.00
Worship Supplies	\$1,001.53	\$1,500.00	\$333.00	\$1,500.00
Synod Convention/Strategic Retreat	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Sub Total - Administration	\$7,810.33	\$7,500.00	\$8,432.83	\$7,500.00

Physical Plant				
Heating	\$6,455.38	\$10,000.00	\$9,138.58	\$13,000.00
Electric/Water	\$4,491.05	\$6,500.00	\$5,562.63	\$8,450.00
Telephone	\$695.27	\$800.00	\$720.74	\$800.00
Internet	\$824.89	\$900.00	\$841.90	\$900.00
Insurance-Property	\$7,887.96	\$8,000.00	\$9,421.00	\$8,000.00
Maintenance	\$2,042.88	\$3,500.00	\$1,214.08	\$3,500.00
Elevator Maintenance	\$922.52	\$1,200.00	\$963.92	\$1,200.00
Waste Disposal	\$495.00	\$500.00	\$666.00	\$500.00
Custodial Supplies	\$29.52	\$500.00	\$102.91	\$500.00
Miscellaneous Buildings and Grounds	\$902.94	\$1,500.00	\$175.73	\$1,500.00
Lawn care & Snow Removal	\$1,178.25	\$2,000.00	\$1,627.50	\$2,000.00
Sub Total - Physical Plant	\$25,925.66	\$35,400.00	\$30,434.99	\$40,350.00

Salaries and Benefits				
Pastor Compensation Package (includes Salary/Pension/Health/Housing/Soc Sec)	\$79,238.61	\$110,394.06	\$100,712.83	\$103,367.83
Pastor - Mileage	\$2,929.40	\$3,520.00	\$3,226.63	\$2,640.00
Pastor - Continuing Education & Professional Exp	\$1,420.71	\$1,707.20	\$2,048.86	\$1,848.00
Supply Pastor	\$624.17	\$750.00	\$687.50	\$750.00
New Ministry Training/Education	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Church Secretary - Salary	\$7,596.95	\$9,000.00	\$7,631.30	\$9,000.00
Church Secretary - Cont. Ed./Mil	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Custodial - Salary	\$1,778.13	\$4,000.00	\$2,375.00	\$4,000.00
Organist - Salary	\$2,310.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,150.00	\$3,000.00
Taxes-Withholding	\$894.01	\$2,000.00	\$1,006.61	\$2,000.00
Sub Total - Salaries and Benefits	\$96,791.98	\$134,371.26	\$120,838.73	\$126,605.83

OSL - GENERAL FUN BUDGET

Our Saviour's Luthearn Church-2023 Proposed Budget-continued

		2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget
	Benevolence				
36	Synod/World Hunger	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00
37	Camperships	\$-	\$1,000.00	\$250.00	\$1,000.00
38	Foreign Missionaries	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
39	Luther Park	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
40	Lutheran Social Services	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$125.00
41	Dairyland Conference	\$118.75	\$125.00	\$123.00	\$125.00
42	Misc. Benevolence (Designated offerings)	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
43	Star & Cross	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$730.00	\$500.00
44	Sub Total - Benevolence	\$4,793.75	\$5,800.00	\$5,278.00	\$5,800.00
45	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$135,321.72	\$183,071.26	\$165,234.55	\$180,255.83

REVENUE

	Contributions				
46	Christmas & Christmas Eve Offering	\$2,492.09	\$5,000.00	\$3,625.00	\$5,000.00
47	Easter Offering	\$-	\$2,500.00	\$5,503.00	\$2,500.00
48	General Fund Income (Sunday Offering)	\$93,151.26	\$136,771.26	\$84,174.60	\$133,955.83
49	Good Friday Offering	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
50	Improvement Fund/Bldg Repair (separate bank account)	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
51	Lenten Offering	\$-	\$1,500.00	\$1,362.00	\$1,500.00
52	Maundy Thursday Offering	\$-	\$200.00	\$-	\$200.00
53	Miscellaneous Income (Auction, Ins. Reimb, Memorials)	\$4,446.90	\$600.00	\$8,111.84	\$600.00
54	Memorials	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
55	Building Use Income	\$50.00	\$2,000.00	\$-	\$2,000.00
56	Simply Giving	\$41,329.83	\$25,000.00	\$43,640.12	\$25,000.00
57	Thanksgiving Offering	\$270.00	\$-	\$-	\$-
58	Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$950.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,011.00	\$1,000.00
59	Weddings	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
60	Window Fund	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	Specified Gifts				
61	Bulletin Sponsors	\$-	\$500.00	\$-	\$500.00
	Fund Raising				
62	Harvest Dinner (net = income - expense)	\$6,232.14	\$5,500.00	\$5,443.48	\$5,500.00
63	Harvest Raffle (net = income - expense)	\$2,338.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,280.00	\$2,500.00
64	TOTAL REVENUE	\$151,260.22	\$183,071.26	\$158,151.04	\$180,255.83

BUDGET SUMMARY

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Life & Growth

Life and Growth Year End Report 2022

This has been another quiet year. The team has tried to meet about every other month.

We received the Parish directory books and delivered them to members in March. Think they turned out really nice.

The Baptism banner is getting full, a good thing. We added several new names in 2022. Also presented baptism box and the Quilt given by the quilters group, to the children.

It appears that the update of the church sign has become a responsibility of Life and Growth. We have not changed much on it except for the service time for Christmas. Anyone volunteering to do this job would be greatly appreciated.

On Sunday Dec.18 the Sunday School kids presented the Christmas story . As a thank you and recognition of the kids, the Life and Growth team presented them with a Christmas gift bag.

As in years past we participated in the collection, assembly and delivery of the Lutheran World Relief Mission kits. It takes many hands to accomplish this mission.

God Bless, Life and Growth Team

Group:	Life and Growth			
Balance as of: 1/1/2022				\$694.55
	Income:			
		Donation to missions		
		Directory		\$15.00
		Trees		
		Good Gifts		\$715.00
		Soup Supper		
		Total		\$730.00
	Expenses:			
		Good Gifts - ELCA		\$715.00
		Music License/Worship		
		Christmas treats for kids		\$75.00
		Food pantry		
		WHTL		
		Postage		
		Total		\$790.00
Ending Balance as of 12/31/2022				\$634.55

MEN'S BROTHERHOOD



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The Men's Brotherhood of Our Saviour's is the group organized to assist the congregation in supporting various missions in our community, the church and the world.

Men's Brotherhood is the charter organization for Cub Scout and Boy Scouts in Whitehall. The dues paid each year are used to pay the charter fees and provide space for meetings. We provide space in Berkland Hall and the fellowship hall for meetings and storage of program supplies for both Cub and Boy Scouts. The Brotherhood is responsible for the license, insurance and maintenance of the Scouts' travel/storage trailer.

In place of the spring pancake breakfast a "Pancake-less Pancake Breakfast" was held to raise money to support the ELCA World Hunger Mission. The proceeds from this project were sent to the Northwest Synod World Hunger Mission.

We are looking at replacing the church sign. An electronic sign that will be more visible, easier to read and easier to update is planned. Fund raising is an ongoing and slow process.

Please view the financial statements for update of exact numbers on income and expenses.

Group:	Men's Brotherhood		
Balance as of: 1/1/2021		\$6,596.19	
Income:			Notes:
	Dues	\$280.00	
	Boy Scout Trailer		
	Boy Scouts		
	DMV Refund		
	World Hunger	\$600.00	
	No Pancake Breakfast		
	New sign for church	\$400.00	
	Miscellaneous	\$1,629.00	\$1324 4/3 deposit reason not noted, \$155 5/1 deposit reason not noted, \$115 6/12 deposit reason not noted, \$20 10/16 deposit reason not noted
	Total	\$2,909.00	
Expenses:			
	Postage	\$40.16	For World Hunger and dues mailing
	World Hunger	\$1,304.00	\$1054.00 ELCA World Hunger, \$250.00 Whitehall Food Pantry
	Whitehall Food Pantry	\$100.00	Food Pantry supply
	Bulk mailing permit		
	News Publ		
	Gordy's		
	WHTL		
	Cub Scouts		
	Boy Scouts		
	Insurance		
	Pastor's gift		
	Registration fee trust	\$53.00	
	Total	\$1,497.16	
Ending Balance as of 12/31/2022		\$8,008.03	

2022 Harvest Dinner

Our 16th annual Harvest Dinner was held on Oct. 9, 2022. We are thankful for all the wonderful volunteers for this family fund raising project for the General Fund of our church. It was a drive through carry-outs only again and was a success. We served 475 meals which was down about 55 meals from last year.

The congregation was very generous with many donations above and beyond the minimum of \$10. Family donations totaled \$2,559.00.

A special thank you to Randy Olson for helping us grind and mix the cranberries, rutabagas and the potatoes with his meat grinder! It made short work of these major jobs. We did get a 10% discount on the meatball mix from Pat's Meat Market.

Tony Johnson Carol Byington and Gordon Boe each gave \$200 or more towards the meat. The potatoes were donated by Curt & Sharrolet Beck, butter pats by Jamie & Darcy Goplin; many groceries by major donations (\$40 or more) from Kurt & Barb Johnson, Dan & Sheila Feltes, Vernon & Helen Vold, Randy & Jane Olson, Wendy & Rodger Herman, Emily & Mark Granlund, Wayne & Kathy Lee, Dagny Lund, Stanley & Bonnie Johnson, Quinn & Audrey Holtan, Jeff & Ellen Hauser, Eric & Michelle Herman, Ryan & Denise Lindberg, John & Shirley Mathson and Delores Coburn; the dressing flavorings and sausage by Shirley Hanson; the gravy mix donated and made by Gloria Qualley (\$140.48) & her team; the corn by Jim & Kay Nelson; cranberries & carryout supplies by Jack & Mary Speerstra; posters by Tom & Kris Matchey; and some kitchen supplies by WELCA. Our dinner profit was: \$5,443.48.

Thank you to all who worked and/or donated in any way. As we work together we are blessed with good fellowship and we work towards our goal to Share God's Love with All!! Thanks be to God for his many blessings to our congregation.

Thanks to the hard working committee members for their work and donations. We also thank Barb Mathson and Karen Witte, for their efforts conducting the raffle and thanks to all who donated to the raffle. The profits were \$2,280.00, giving us total profit of \$7,723.48, all of which goes to the General Fund of the church.

We NEED a new chairperson & committee members to join the committee. Please contact the church office. We would be glad to hear from you. We will help whoever takes over. The next Harvest Dinner should be on **Sunday, Oct. 1, 2023**. **SAVE THE DATE!** **Mark your calendar and plan on joining the fellowship and fun.**

Mike & Brenda Gilbertson
Dawn (Carl) Peterson

Kay (Jim) Nelson
Kris (Tom) Matchey

Paula (John) Powell
Mary (Jack) Speerstra

2022 Harvest Dinner - Financial

DINNER				
	Income:			Notes:
		Donations	\$2,559.00	Many in-kind donations of butter pats, potatoes, corn, dressing sausage, gravy, sugar, cranberries & kitchen supplies
		Meal Tickets	\$5,995.00	
		Sale of left-overs	\$438.00	
		Total	\$8,992.00	
	Expenses:			
		Lefse	\$199.95	
		Bars	\$1,072.00	
		Rutabagas	\$278.37	
		Groceries	\$310.70	
		Meatball mix	\$1,387.50	
		Trailer cooler rental		Waiting for invoice
		Start-up Cash	\$300.00	
		Total	\$3,548.52	
Total Proceeds: Dinner			\$5,443.48	
RAFFLE				
	Income:		\$2,280.00	
		Ticket Sales		No Expenses
		Total	\$2,280.00	
Total Proceeds: Raffle			\$2,280.00	
EVENT TOTAL:			\$7,723.48	

Board of Education

Group:	Board of Education		
Balance as of: 1/1/2022		\$1,563.61	
Income:			Notes:
	Sunday School Offering		
	Miscellaneous		
	Confirmation		
	Interest income	\$7.72	
	VBS Registration		
	Total	\$7.72	
Expenses:			
	Quilters	\$46.78	Fleece for stoles
	Confirmation		
	1st Communion		
	Sunday school building		
	Postage		
	Bovines of the Bible VBS Sail Flag		
	Fed and Forgiven - Grade 1-3 and 4-6 Learner Reso	\$100.67	
	Bibles	\$151.87	
	Total	\$299.32	
Ending Balance as of 12/31/2022		\$1,272.01	

Praise Team

	Praise Team		
Balance as of: 1/1/2022		\$649.36	
Income:			
	Donation		
	Easter flowers		
	Pointsettia sales		
	Total	\$0.00	
Expenses:			
	Cost of Easter flowers		
	Feed My People Food Bank		
	Music		
	Copyright license		
	Total	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of 12/31/2022		\$649.36	

Quilters

2022 QUILTING—STITCHES OF LOVE MINISTRY

DISTRIBUTED QUILTS:

1 QUILT FOR LUTHER PARK

3 QUILTS FOR BAPTISMS AT OUR SAVIOUR'S

6 QUILTS FOR OUR SAVIOUR'S GRADUATES

11 LARGE AND 13 SMALL QUILTS GIVEN TO WORLD RELIEF.

7 LARGE QUILTS GIVEN TO THE FOOD PANTRY.

1 QUILT TO RELAY FOR LIFE

1 QUILT GIVEN TO DONNA OATES WHO IS RESIDENT AT GRANDVIEW CARE CENTER

1 QUILT GIVEN TO FERN MOE WHO IS RESIDENT AT MEADOWBROOK CARE CENTER BLACK RIVER FALLS

4 QUILT GIVEN TO LESTER GJESTVANG, IRENE FRANSON, NORMAN AND MARION MILLER WHO ARE RESIDENTS AT PIGEON FALLS CARE CENTER

1 QUILT GIVEN TO JAMES WINDJUE WHO IS A RESIDENT OF TRI-COUNTY CARE CENTER.

2 YOUTH AND 1 SMALL QUILT GIVEN TO WESTERN DAIRYLAND FOR THEIR BIRTHDAY BOXES.

4 LAP QUILTS GIVEN TO GUNDERSON CARE CENTER.

1 LARGE AND 1 SMALL QUILT GIVEN TO THE DAIRYLAND CONFERENCE.

13 LARGE AND 22 SMALL QUILTS GIVEN TO WESTERN DAIRYLAND.

6 LARGE, 2 SMALL AND 6 LAP ROBES GIVEN TO PIGEON FALLS CARE CENTER.

2 QUILTS GIVEN TO DAWN COBURN AND MAVIS OLSON.

1 QUILT GIVEN TO RUTH PROJECT.

6 LARGE QUILTS GIVEN TO NEEDY FAMILY.

13 LARGE QUILTS GIVEN TO SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE.

Quilters

2022 QUILTING–STITCHES OF LOVE MINISTRY

–CONTINUED

A BIG THANK YOU TO MARY HERNESS AND GLORIA QUALLEY FOR PREPARING QUILT TOPS FOR US AT HOME. THIS IS GREATLY APPRECIATED. A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE WOMEN OF THE QUILTING MINISTRY FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION.

WE HOLD OUR QUILTING GROUP ON THE 1ST AND 3RD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY. 8:30 AM UNTIL NOON. ANYONE WISHING TO PARTICIPATE, COME JOIN US ON THE 1ST AND 3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH. ALL ARE WELCOME.

WE APPRECIATE ALL DONATIONS OF FABRIC, SHEETS, YARNS, FLOSS, MEMORIALS , SEWING & IRONING SUPPLIES, ETC.

WITHOUT THESE DONATIONS WE COULD NOT COMPLETE THIS MINISTRY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Quilters					
Balance as of: 1/1/2022				\$1,447.73	
	Income:				Notes:
		Memorials		\$25.00	In memory of Myrtle Olson
		Donations: WELCA			
		Bd of Education			
		Misc. Donations		\$100.00	
		Total		\$125.00	
	Expenses:				
		Quilt batting		\$302.00	
		Fabric		\$36.64	
		Sewing machine		\$249.99	
		Sheets		\$100.00	
		Supplies		\$103.30	
		Total		\$791.93	
Ending Balance as of 12/31/2022				\$780.80	

Star and Cross

STAR & CROSS FUND OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - 2022

Balance in Fund as of December 2021 2,566.89

Expenses as follows: Electric bill

February	76.04	
March	63.05	
April	62.94	
May	41.32	
December	35.56	
January	86.95	(Dec.2022)

total electric **\$365.86**

Total Expenses 2022 **\$365.86**

Deposits for 2022

Whitehall Community Fund	\$ 824.00
Church Budget 2022	500.00
Our Saviour's WELCA	100.00
Memorials/Gifts	<u>1,066.67</u>

Total contributions 2022 **\$2,490.67**

Balance in Fund as of December 2022 **4,691.70**

Fund should keep a minimum balance of 2,500 this would be in case of major damage to the structure, as our insurance deductible is 2,500. This way the church doesn't have to come up with that amount.

Star will stay lit until the Lenten Season when we would change to the Cross. There were so many people who commented on it shining on the hillside and how this gave them HOPE.

Steve Lamberson
Randall Lindberg

Kurt Johnson
bj

Dawn Sauerwien

David Loga

Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (W-ELCA) 2022

All women of Our Saviour's are members of W-ELCA. Together we can help ministries in our church, here in Whitehall and all around the world. All the generous donations from the Bakeless Bake Sale, memorials, and donations from serving funerals make it possible to continue our philanthropic efforts.

The Salad Luncheon was held in September to raise funds for our HS Senior Scholarship.

A Mitten/Hat Tree donation box was set up at church in December which collected a good amount of donations. These were donated to the Whitehall Elementary School. We also set up Christmas gift collection boxes for Pajama Gramma, New Horizons and Trempealeau County Health Care Center along with donations of \$100 to each of those 3 causes. A collection box for the Whitehall Food Pantry was in the narthex all through the year. We packed 11 boxes for Lutheran World Relief this past fall, filled with 5 quilts donated by the OSL Quilters, 45 Personal Care kits, 15 baby care kits, and 28 filled school back packs! Thank you for all your donations as we support missions here in Whitehall and in the world.

Our budget shows we continue to support Lutheran World Relief Mission Kits Project Comfort (\$100+\$220 in donations for shipping the kits), Whitehall Schools Student Weekend Food Project (\$100), WI-Nicaragua Partners (\$100), World Hunger (\$100), Quilter (\$100), Friberg missionaries (\$100), Food Pantry (\$100), Star & Cross fund (\$100), Jail Ministry (\$200), Malawi Sisiter Synod (\$100) and RIF (\$100). We also pay the General Fund \$500 per year for the telephone in the kitchen. We give financial support of \$100 each to the Dairyland Conference of W-ELCA, the Synodical Women's Organization of the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin, and the National W-ELCA.

Please join our efforts and if there are projects you think would help others or improve our church, please contact one of the officers or the church office.

We thank the many helpers that carry on the supportive work of the church: Altar Guild – Karen Witte & all the monthly volunteers, Flower Caller – Barb Johnson and all the monthly volunteers, Sunshine – Shirley Mathson, Baptismal towels- Melanie Sygulla, Funeral Service coordinators- Linda Schaefer, Bev Waldera, & Marnie Anderson. **We also thank the serving section leaders for calling their members, all who donate, and those who help serve at funerals through out the year.**

We meet monthly with Grace Lutheran for Bible Study led by the pastor and a short business meeting on the first Thursdays of each month at 1:30 pm. We will continue to rotate between the 2 churches for our monthly meetings beginning at Our Saviour's in March. We do not meet in January or February. Please come for fellowship and inspiration.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Nelson – Coordinator & treasurer

Barb Johnson – Altar Flower Caller

Nancy Lyngen - Mission Action (Quilting)

Marnie Anderson- Mission Growth (Mission Kits)

Marnie Anderson- Secretary

Karen Witte – Altar Guild Chairwoman

Shirley Mathson- Mission Community (Sunshine)

W-ELCA

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Women of the ELCA Financial Statement - 2022

Balance on hand January 1, 2022

\$ 5,386.45

Receipts

Paying members & offerings	\$ 341.00
Memorials/serving funerals	715.00
Bakeless Bake Sales	2,550.00
Salad Luncheon	556.00 (- 165.00 exp. = \$391 profit)
Mission kits	220.00
Donations/refunds	938.00 (including \$301 noisy offering donated to Am. Cancer Soc. and a \$350 canceled check)

Total Revenue = \$10,706.45

Disbursements

Basement Phone	\$ 500.00
Gifts	350.00
Kitchen expenses	39.90
Postage	231.17
Donations	2,121.96 (\$301 given to Am. Cancer Soc.)
Conference/Synod/National WELCA	347.65
Luther Park Camp	350.00
Program expenses	512.80
Salad Luncheon expenses	165.00
Misc. _____	<u>65.39</u>

Total Expenditures = \$4,683.87



Balance on hand Dec. 31, 2022 \$ 6,022.58

Treasurer Kay Nelson	Reserved for scholarship fund	-	<u>3,000.00</u>
Audited by Brenda Loga		\$	3,022.58

Noisy Offering

Noisy Offering Report - 2022—(Worship & Music Team)

Noisy Offering resumed in June of 2022. Thank you everyone, for your generous donations. It's amazing what is accumulated as we pass the Noisy Offering buckets every Sunday. Noisy Offering for January and February 2023 will go to ELCA World Hunger.

This is how your donations added up:	
• June & July-Relay for Life	\$301.00
• August-Whitehall School District RIF Program	\$202.46
• September-Whitehall Food Pantry	\$186.81
• October-ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response-Hurricane Ian	\$253.65
• November-RUTH (Rural Unity Through Hope)	\$274.19
• December-Star & Cross Fund	\$332.54
The total for seven months of collection for 2022	\$1,550.65

Thank you for your continued support, Noisy Offering Chairman-Ellen Hauser

Senior Choir

Our Saviour's Senior Choir welcomes anyone from Grade 7-Adult to join our joyful group of singers as we "Share God's Love with All!! We practice Wednesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Call Ellen Hauser, our director at 715-797-4354, to get on the email list for notification of practice dates. We would love to have you sing with us! We would welcome you to join us as we praise the Lord!

We sing a couple times a month at the 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning service. We do not practice or sing during June, July or August. We also join other area choirs and sing in the Hunger Concert. This year on April 23, 2023, at Blair Lutheran Church to raise money for the area food pantries.

We are now in need of a permanent accompanist. Please contact Ellen Hauser if you are willing to play piano for us or if you know someone that could do it. Thanks.

We thank Ellen Hauser for all her efforts in choosing beautiful music and directing us.

Kay Nelson - Treasurer

Senior Choir			
Balance as of: 1/1/2022			\$315.25
Income:			
		Memorial	
		Misc donations	
		Sale of Choir Robes to WHS	
		Total	\$0.00
Expenses:			
		Music	\$24.23
		Total	\$24.23
Ending Balance as of 12/31/2022			\$291.02
