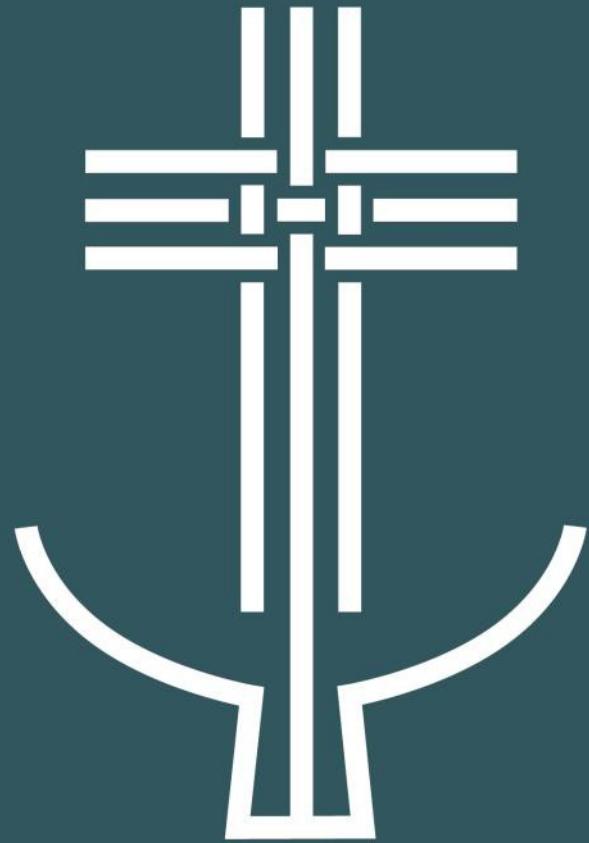


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INCARNATION

Sharing Christ's Light Daily

Annual Report of the
Congregation 2025

Lutheran Church of the Incarnation

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Sharing Christ's Light Daily

**Lutheran Church of the Incarnation
Sixtieth Annual Meeting of the Congregation
Sunday, November 16, 11:30 am
Fellowship Hall**

Mission: Sharing Christ's Light Daily

Vision: We are seeking to be an inclusive, multigenerational congregation living in the grace of God and a sanctuary that equips us for service in the community while bringing the good news to all.

Council Roster: Pr. Dan Smith, Tim Paulson, Karen Slabaugh, Kenny Doss, Kathryn Schnaible, Mark Bandstra, Ralph Holderbein, Judy Hull, Adam Zufall & Dan Walker

Opening Prayer: Pastor Dan Smith

- 1. President's Report: Tim Paulson (5 mins)**
- 2. Treasurer's Report & Presentation of 2026 Budget: Kathryn Schnaible (5 mins)**
- 3. Vote to Adopt 2026 LCI Congregational Budget of \$364,856.29 (5 mins)**
- 4. Other Reports (10 mins)**

Closing Prayer: Pastor Dan

Pastor's Annual Report to the Congregation 2025

Pastor Dan Smith

I am very grateful for my sabbatical time this past spring/summer. It was a much needed time of rest and renewal, and I am grateful to the congregation for providing it. My time on the Camino de Santiago, at the Taizé community in France, at the “Bonhoeffer Rising” conference in Berlin, and visiting colleagues all connected me to the Christian tradition and reminded me of the power of Christian community. We are grounded in God’s love for us in Christ, and it is possible to experience this in the real world, but only if we are willing to share it with others. It is a privilege to gather weekly to hear God’s Word, share in the Lord’s Supper and support one another throughout life’s challenges, whatever they are. Being on pilgrimage is about *slowing down* and adjust to *God’s pace* (not the other way around). Visiting colleagues abroad helped me see that the church is bigger than just the United States (although it also includes us), and that we can learn from each other about creative ways to share God’s love with a lost and hurting world. And re-engaging Dietrich Bonhoeffer at his family home in Berlin was a blessing – a reminder of his witness of discipleship, and of what he calls “responsible action in the world”. It is in that spirit that I return to ministry at 1701 Russell Blvd, aware of the stresses and challenges of the time we are living in, yet refreshed and renewed for a new season of ministry.

In terms of concrete work responsibilities at LCI, my focus is on shaping worship and music with our team; on preaching and teaching, and, as my letter of call states, “to speak up for justice on behalf of the poor and the oppressed”. Specifically, I intend to focus locally on building networks of support with other houses of worship and community leaders, including among others the “Davis Interfaith Association” (DIA), the Celebration of Abraham (which we hosted the past two years, but will not this year). I am interested in launching a Taizé worship service midweek (if you are interested in helping, please let me know). And as you have heard, I am planning an “every member visit”, which I would like to complete in the next year (if you haven’t heard from me yet, you will). However, please don’t hesitate to reach out if you have pastoral care needs and would like to meet sooner; I am always available for pastoral counseling, prayer, or just to chat.

Lastly, I will be supervising Regina Banks next year who will be our (part-time) intern starting in February. You know Regina as director of the Lutheran Office of Public Policy (LOPP). This will take a chunk of my time and energy, although she will need the support of the whole congregation, such as an internship committee. Please prayerfully consider whether this might be right for you. Otherwise I welcome your prayers for Regina and for us during this important time of formation, mutual learning and growth.

Please know you are in my prayers; I appreciate your hands and your hearts, and all you do to make this community alive in Christ!

Youth & Family Report 2025

2025 has been a year of rebirth and growth for some of our youth and children's programs. Last year in the annual report I mentioned the beginning of an ecumenical youth group, now named the Davis Progressive Youth Collective (DPYC). We have youth more involved in our Rooted service as well as our kids corner getting some serious use.

DPYC is growing! We had our first event in September of 2024 with 4 kids in attendance. In May of this year we had a family game night that had 34 attendees and an Escape Room in September that had 18 attendees. DPYC also brought back Vacation Bible Camp this year with 32 children and countless adult volunteers. DPYC had also welcomed St. Martin's Episcopal into the collective and are currently working with Davis Lutheran to help publicize our events. Currently we are doing monthly events for all junior and senior high students, quarterly events for 2nd-5th grade and quarterly events for all ages. You will notice in the 2026 budget, each church is pledging \$450 to the ministry of DPYC. This money will go towards supplies, food, chaperone fees, and scholarships. We are also hoping to host a weekend retreat in the Spring for junior and senior high school youth that will need to be funded. Next month DPYC will be putting on a children and youth Christmas program December 13th and 14th at DUMC. Please come and show your support.

Rooted continued this year with a focus on getting back to doing Rooted the way we designed it. Pastor Dan and I worked hard this year to focus our efforts on more interactive engaging activities and messages. We put together some skits, a science experiment, held a hunger meal and even welcomed Pastor Portia Hopkins from the Belfry to join us for a message. Our music team has introduced several new songs and treated the congregation to the Beatles' "All You Need is Love" in February. We enjoyed the addition of the brass last December for some Christmas music and continue to work with our youth (Ethan and Sophia) in the musical selections. We would love to involve more youth in our Rooted services so if you have any special youth in your life that are musicians please let us know. Ethan and Sophia continued as our assisting ministers for Rooted as well..

After some pictures online surfaced from a colleague of a kids corner in the worship space, I spoke with some of our families and the idea was warmly welcomed. Thanks to the council for approving extra funds, our kid's corner was set up about a year and a half ago. Recently we have had upwards of 3 kids using that space. This continues to be a welcomed concept by our families and visitors. I would love to add some new toys, coloring books, crayons and other "quiet" toys to the space. Please let me know if you would like to make a donation to help keep this space fresh and inviting.

Blessings,
Lindsey Burns

Hello LCI, 2025 has been a good year for us. We've grown closer as a congregation. Our relationships have grown stronger outside of our worship time through the many activities we share in the community. Our property looks better and welcoming.

These last two years I've talked about our Bill of Responsibilities. How we can take ownership and responsibility for our church property and the growth of our worshiping community. This has been evident in our commitments to each other and the volunteerism that we share with LCI and the community.

Now I would like us to look inward and identify our spiritual gifts and what we do with our gifts both within LCI and the community. How do I let others know what my gifts are, and how I might share them with others? This is the same introspection that we've done identifying our responsibilities to each other. What are my gifts? How do I share them? How do I let my light shine? Am I hiding it under a bush? Am I letting others know me? How do my gifts reflect me in my worshiping time at LCI? Am I volunteering where I can let others see my light? This is the challenge I put forth to you this year. Identify your gifts and let your light shine!

Thank you for being a member of our LCI community.

Tim Paulson
Congregation President

Member & Attendance Statistics: December 1, 2024 – November 1, 2025

Members Received, 3

John Rees & Karen Rees, Judy Hull

Baptisms, 0

Members Removed, 5

Death: 5

Carole Franti, Roberta Ranstrom, Bud Harmon, Pam Harmon, Ruth Martin

Confirmations, 0

Memorial Garden Committals, 2

Ruth Martin, Carole Franti

Average Sunday Attendance

2025 66

2024 62

2023 57

2022 41 in person, estimated 16 on YouTube

2021 47 in person, estimated 12 on YouTube

2020 50

2019 91

2018 99

Treasurer's Report & Budget Proposal Approved by Council

As of November 11, we have spent 94.4 percent of the 2025 budget. I expect our expenditures at year end to be very close to or slightly above the budget projection. The proposed budget was discussed at length by council over a series of meetings. For the 2026 budget, we have done our best to account for cost increases resulting from inflationary pressures and market conditions, particularly in certain areas. At my request, council member Adam Zufall assisted me with preparing the following contextual chart:

Context for understanding the 2026 Budget

Table 1. High-Level Budget Summary (in thousands of dollars) Year	Pledged Giving (Stewardship Drive)	Actual Income (Congregation Giving)	Church Budget (Projected Spending)	Change in Budget from previous year (amount % change)
2022	Data unavailable	320	310	Data unavailable
2023	Data unavailable	289	325	+15 +5%
2024	202	368	331	+6 +2%
2025	239	-	348	+17 +5%
2026	267	-	365	+16 +5%

Lutheran Church of the Incarnation
2026 Budget Draft

Expenses	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	Actual Jan-Oct 2025	% of budget spent thru 11/11/2025	2026 Budget	Increase or Decrease
60000 Synod						
60100 Synod Mission Support	17,325.00	19,693.00	10,000.00	50.8%	19,693.00	0.00
Total 60000 Budgeted Synod Support	17,325.00	19,693.00	0.00	0.0%	19,693.00	0.00
61000 Worship						
61200 Worship/Altar Care	1,500.00	1,500.00	532.32	35.5%	1,500.00	0.00
61202 Worship Resources	2,000.00	2,000.00	216.00	10.8%	2,580.00	580.00
61203 Rooted Service	600.00	600.00	7.22	1.2%	700.00	100.00
61213 Organ and Piano Maintenance	400.00	400.00		0.0%	0.00	-400.00
61215 Devotional Booklets	180.00	180.00	150.00	83.3%	0.00	-180.00
Total 61000 Worship	4,680.00	4,680.00		0.0%	4780.00	100.00
62000 Witness						
62300 Social Justice Committee	725.00	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!	3000.00	3,000.00
62301 Pastor Outreach	800.00	800.00	759.94	95.0%	1000.00	200.00
Total 62000 Witness	1,525.00	800.00	759.94	95.0%	4000.00	3,200.00

folded in to Worship Resources
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Gift from Moren Estate

64000 Learning						
64500 Sunday School	750.00	750.00	260.99	34.8%	50.00	-700.00
64501 Confirmation Ministry	440.00	400.00	73.65	18.4%	200.00	-200.00
64505 Membership Classes	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.0%	100.00	0.00
64502 Adult Education-Bible Studies	150.00	150.00	0.00	0.0%	150.00	0.00
65550 Internship Learning	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	500.00	500.00
64551 Youth - LCI Activities-DPYC	4,765.00	1630.00	147.94	9.1%	1590.00	-40.00
Total 64000 Learning	6,205.00	3,030.00	482.58	15.9%	2,590.00	-440.00

folded in to Youth
folded in to Youth

65000 Congregational Events						
65600 Synod Assembly	1500.00	1500.00	2,133.00	142.2%	2500.00	1000.00
65601 Council Retreat	0.00	500.00	372.19	74.4%	500.00	0.00
65603 Congregational Events	750.00	750.00	1,472.74	196.4%	750.00	0.00
65605 Hospitality	750.00	750.00	125.22	16.7%	750.00	0.00
65612 Pr. Prof Leadership	500.00	500.00	510.00	102.0%	550.00	50.00
Total 65000 Congregational Events	3,500.00	4,000.00	2,480.15	62.0%	5,050.00	1050.00

66000 Stewardship						
66000 Stewardship	0.00	0.00	0.00	#REF!	300.00	300.00
66652 Stewardship Development	500.00	200.00	135.81			
Total 66000 Stewardship	0.00	0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!	300.00	300.00

67000 Administration						
67700 Office Supplies and Equipment	7000.00	7000.00	7,786.01	111.2%	7,250.00	250.00
67701 Postage	500.00	500.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00	-500.00
67703 Social Media and Advertising	2000.00	500.00	340.00	68.0%	1,200.00	700.00
67704 Bookkeeper	5250	9000.00	7,608.46	34.0%	9,000.00	0.00
Total 67000 Administration	9,500.00	17,000.00	15,734.47	92.6%	17,450.00	450.00

folded in to Office Supplies

68000 Property General Maintenance

68750 General Maintenance/Supplies	5,800.00	5,800.00	10,285.02	177.3%	11,800.00	6,000.00	including landscaper
68751 City Services (incl. water)	12,500.00	11,000.00	8,834.58	80.3%	11,000.00	0.00	
68752 Telecommunications	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,551.43	103.4%	2,000.00	500.00	
68753 Fire System	800.00	800.00	1,330.31	166.3%	2,100.00	1,300.00	estimate including 5yr inspectio
68754 Utilities (PGE)	3,300.00	2,800.00	7,180.69	256.5%	7,500.00	4,700.00	
68755 Utilities (Solar)	4,800.00	4,200.00	3,500.00	83.3%	4,200.00	0.00	
68756 Property Insurance	7,200.00	5,333.00	5,806.00	108.9%	8,698.00	3,365.00	
68757 Cleaning Services	14,000.00	14,000.00	9,000.00	64.3%	14,000.00	0.00	
20774 & 68772 Mortgage principal & interest	36,660.00	36,660.00	19,244.58	52.5%	36,660.00	0.00	
Total 68000 Property General Maintenance	86,560.00	82,093.00	66,732.61	81.3%	97,958.00	15,865.00	

70000 Support Staff

70701 Administrative Asst Pay (net)	10,000.00	17,038.00	11,695.50	68.6%	18,478.00	1,440.00	Add 2.5% COLA
70703 Youth Director Salary (net)	17,883.60	17,903.52	14,715.00	82.2%	17,903.52	0.00	Add 2.5% COLA
70708 Church musician (net) NEW	0.00	9,125.00	8,175.75	53.0%	9,125.00	0.00	
70709 Cantor Pay	0.00	5,200.00	2,000.00	0.0%	5,200.00	0.00	
70710 Substitute Musician	900.00	900.00	500.00	55.6%	900.00	0.00	
70711 Pulpit Supply/Guests	2,450.00	3,900.00	14,100.00	361.5%	3,900.00	0.00	2025 10k Sabbatical coverage
70712 Pastoral Intern	14,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	3,000.00	3,000.00	Part-time intern
70720 Workers Compensation Insurance	2,000.00	1,600.00	1,006.00	62.9%	1,600.00	0.00	
70721 Payroll Taxes	9,000.00	10,500.00	2,854.62	27.2%	10,500.00	0.00	
70722 Payroll Service Fees	1,800.00	2,400.00	2,231.13	93.0%	2,400.00	0.00	
Support Staff Total	58,033.60	68,566.52	57,278.00	83.5%	73,006.52	4,440.00	

71000 Pastors Compensation Package

71900 Net Salary	64,834.00	64,834.00	40,433.04	69.4%	66,454.85	1620.85	2.5% COLA
71900A Elective Deductions: FSA, Pension			4,551.40				
71901/71903 Housing Allowance	44,400.00	44,400.00	33,300.00	75.0%	44,400.00	0.00	
71904 Benefits: Retirement	10,923.36	10,923.36	9,102.80	83.3%	10,923.36	0.00	
71905 Benefits: Health	0.00	0.00	0.00		5,893.56	5893.56	Offset for premium increase
71906 Benefits: Disability	1,420.08	983.16	273.10	27.8%	983.16	0.00	
71908 Books & Periodicals+Cont Ed	0.00	0.00	100.98		0.00	0.00	
71910 Benefits: Basic Group Life	983.16	873.84	182.10	20.8%	873.84	0.00	folded in to Discretionary

71911 Professional Reimbursements	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,963.00	65.4%	3,000.00	0.00
71912 Tax Offsets (Gross Up)	7,330.00	7,500.00	0.00	0.0%	7,500.00	0.00
Total 71000 Pastors Compensation Package	125,560.60	125,014.36	89,906.42	71.9%	140,028.77	15014.41
Total of 70000 & 71000	183,594.20	193,580.88	147,184.42	76.0%	213,035.29	19,454.41
Total Expenses (Budgeted or Actual)	312,889.20	324,876.88	306,540.17	94.4%	364,856.29	39,979.41



This is the 2026 Draft Budget

Balance Sheet
Lutheran Church of the Incarnation
As of November 11, 2025

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL
Assets	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
1 First Northern Bank	0.00
4 MM - First Northern Bank	69,766.78
8 First Northern Bank - operating	204,536.09
PayPal Account	0.00
Total for Bank Accounts	\$274,302.87
Total for Current Assets	\$274,302.87
Fixed Assets	
10000 Land	418,822.93
11000 Church Building	319,896.49
12000 Fellowship Hall	1,749,202.30
15000 Personal Property	60,154.11
Total for Fixed Assets	\$2,548,075.83
Total for Assets	\$2,822,378.70
Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20000 Accounts Payable	1,410.94
Total for Accounts Payable	\$1,410.94
Other Current Liabilities	
20115 Special Benevolences	0.00
20602 Lutheran Magazine	0.00
20605A Fair Trade Coffee Project	0.00
24000 Payroll Liabilities	0.00
24502A Crossways	0.00
26650 Offering Envelopes	0.00
26652A Food & Faith	0.00
Total for Other Current Liabilities	\$0.00
Total for Current Liabilities	\$1,410.94

Balance Sheet
Lutheran Church of the Incarnation
As of November 11, 2025

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL
Long-term Liabilities	
20754 Mortgage	0.00
20755 AOB Bad Debt	0.00
20769 Organ Fund	0.00
20774 Mortgage - regular	444,459.75
20775 Mortgage - Facility Renovation	0.00
27200 Other Liabilities	0.00
Total for Long-term Liabilities	\$444,459.75
Total for Liabilities	\$445,870.69
Equity	
20117 Memorial Fund	0.00
20212 Sanctuary A/V project 2022	0.00
20213 Worship/Music Reserve	3,203.44
20214 Flower Fund	-219.89
20301 Pastor's Discretionary Fund	110.96
20401 Emergency Fund	0.00
20402 Caregivers Fund	0.00
20500 Youth / Day Camp / Mt. Cross	4,276.03
20508 Day Camp Reserve Fund	0.00
20509 Nursery Supplies & Equipment	0.00
20551 Mission Trip Fund	4,233.01
20552 Youth	0.00
20614 Hospitality	1,361.36
20615 50th Anniversary	0.00
20759 Major Maintenance Reserve	80,434.10
20760 Columbarium Fund	43,525.62
20761 Columbarium Niche Purch-Exp	-234.00
20771 Facilities Renovation	0.00
20776 Sanctuary Renovation	379.65
20777 Property Infrastructure Reserve	195.00
24150 Operating Reserve	0.00
24151 Endowment Fund	30,426.51
30000 Opening Bal Equity	110.00
AMOR Scholarships	2,390.00
Banners	5,655.00
32000 Unrestricted Net Assets	2,146,637.70
Net Income	54,023.52
Total for Equity	\$2,376,508.01
Total for Liabilities and Equity	\$2,822,378.70

Profit and Loss
Lutheran Church of the Incarnation
 January 1-November 11, 2025

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL
Income	
41000 Income	253,606.99
41100 Offerings	16,944.00
41310 Rents Applegate Nursery	4,873.00
41320 Rents Other	1,969.96
41400 Other Misc Income	\$277,393.95
Total for 41000 Income	\$277,393.95
Total for Income	\$277,393.95
Gross Profit	\$277,393.95
Expenses	
61000 Worship	532.32
61200 Altar Supplies	4,100.00
61201 Pulpit Supply/Guests	216.00
61202 Music Licenses & Worship Supplies	7.22
61203 Rooted Service	\$4,855.54
Total for 61000 Worship	\$4,855.54
62000 Witness	759.94
62301 Pastor Outreach	\$759.94
Total for 62000 Witness	\$759.94
64000 Learning	260.99
64500 Sunday School	147.94
64551 Youth - LCI Activities	\$408.93
Total for 64000 Learning	\$408.93
65000 Congregational Events	372.19
65601 Council Retreat	1,472.74
65603 Congregational Events	125.22
65605 Hospitality	510.00
65612 Professional Leadership Conference	\$2,480.15
Total for 65000 Congregational Events	\$2,480.15
66000 Stewardship	235.41
67000 Administration	7,786.01
67700 Office Supplies & Equipment	340.00
67703 Social Media & Advertising	7,608.46
67704 Bookkeeper	\$15,734.47
Total for 67000 Administration	\$15,734.47
68000 Property General Maintenance	\$9,001.02
68750 General Maintenance & Supplies	1,284.00
68751 City Services	8,834.58
68752 Telephone	1,551.43
68753 Fire System	1,330.31

Profit and Loss
Lutheran Church of the Incarnation
January 1-November 11, 2025

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL
68754 Utilities - PG&E	7,180.69
68755 Utilities - Solar	3,500.00
68756 Property Insurance	0.00
68757 Cleaning Services	9,000.00
68772 Mortgage (est 2015) Interest	19,244.58
Total for 68000 Property General Maintenance	\$60,926.61
70000 Support Staff	
70701 Administrative Asst Pay	11,695.50
70703 Youth Director Salary	14,715.00
70708 Pianist/Organ Pay	8,175.75
70709 Cantor Pay	2,000.00
70711 Substitute Pastor	4,000.00
70720 Workers Compensation Insurance	1,006.00
70721 Payroll Taxes	2,854.62
70722 Payroll Service Fees	2,231.13
Total for 70000 Support Staff	\$46,678.00
71000 Pastors Compensation Package	
71900 Defined Compensation	
71901 Net Salary	40,433.04
71902 Elective Deductions - FSA, Pension	5,006.54
Total for 71900 Defined Compensation	\$45,439.58
71903 Housing Allowance	33,300.00
71904 Benefits- Retirement	10,013.08
71906 Benefits- Disability	300.41
71909 Continuing Education	75.00
71910 Benefits- Basic Group Life	200.31
71911 Professional Reimbursements	1,963.00
Total for 71000 Pastors Compensation Package	\$91,291.38
Total for Expenses	\$223,370.43
Net Operating Income	\$54,023.52
Net Other Income	
Net Income	\$54,023.52

2022 -2023	62 Giving Units	21 Estimate of Giving Forms for General Fund	\$	Time and Abilities	
2023 -2024	89 Giving Units	33 Estimate of Giving Forms for General Fund	\$16,852 per month	48 Time and Abilities	
2024 -2025	88* Giving Units	34 Estimate of Giving Forms for General Fund	\$19,928 per month	40 Time and Abilities	
2026	71 Giving Units	50 Estimate of Giving Forms For General Fund	\$22,277 per month	65 Time and Abilities	

Estimate of Giving Pledges

Our campaign began with three videos that we called “A Stewardship Moment” The participant families were Bette Meyer, Kenney and Courtney Doss and John, Jenny and Sophia Fortuna. They all did a wonderful job sharing their experiences with their time and contributions to LCI and the community. Special thanks to Abajh for filming our Stewardship Moments.

This year we chose to do a “Relay” method of reaching the membership. We had 9 Route Leaders that shepherd packets of information through the congregation in a timely matter lasting 3 weeks. Route Leaders: Mick Finn, Karen Slabaugh, Chris Bruhn, Kenny Doss, Jenny Fortuna, Judy Hull, Marcia Holmes, Carol Huegli, Joan Marquand-Willse.

On Commitment Sunday October 12 we received those commitments which included

50 Pledge cards a 47% increase over last year with a total of \$267,319. Pledged

It is of significance that of last year’s pledges 14 out of the 34 increased their pledge amount, showing their stewardship growth.

We anticipate additional financial commitments in the follow up program.

Our initial financial response for 2026 (267,319.) already exceeds last years total pledge (239,127.)

Time and Abilities

For 2026 65 Time and Abilities forms were received, which is a 63% increase over last year.

Time and Abilities will be collated for Pillar Chairs by Carol Huegli

. Follow up

A follow up program will be conducted, and a final report will be submitted by the end of the year.

Stewardship Committee:

Vernon Holmes, Marcia Holmes, Carol Huegli and Joan Maarquand-Willse.

Social Justice Annual Report 2025

Your Social Justice Committee thanks you for the opportunity to serve our community on your behalf and welcomes everyone to join our monthly meetings. Participants set the agenda so if there is a project you would like our committee or the greater LCI community to support, COME JOIN US !

Local and National Community Outreach:

In January, we gave our week of service for our unhoused by providing food for the Winter Shelter. . As a Reconciling in Christ Community, we sponsored a booth for Davis Pride Day and a book study on Transforming: The Bible & the Lives of Transgender Christians by Austen Hartke. We will continue our recent tradition of a Giving Tree Christmas program for Our Saviour's Lutheran Church after school program for under-served children in December. Members were encouraged to participate in this year's ELCA Lenten Challenge: a daily devotion and donations to a water project for a Lutheran mission in the Navajo Nation.

Interfaith Dialogue & Interfaith Projects:

Locally, we continue to reach out across religious boundaries. We hosted the annual Celebration of Abraham, a city-wide meeting that brings together the Christian, Jewish and Muslim communities as well as interested community members for an afternoon of dialogue and fellowship. We are called to reach out in love across religious boundaries. We now have a representative in the monthly Davis Interfaith meeting which encourages interfaith projects and fellowship. We also have a SJ representative participating in the newly created LGBTQ Christian Alliance.

Public Policy Advocacy and Action and Discussion of Critical Social Issues:

As we see to address the structural causes of injustice and suffering, we must first understand the factors which drive them. We continue to provide educational opportunities for ourselves and our fellow LCI members with adult forum presentations about our Ministry Partners and we facilitate monthly electronic letter writing campaigns often with the cooperation of the Lutheran Office of Public Police. We sponsored a movie viewing of "For God and Country" to initiate a conversation on Christian Nationalism and how it differs from our own understanding of our Christian faith

For 2026:

The council and the SJ committee are exploring offering the LCI campus as a 2nd site for a Safe Parking program piloted by another faith community in town. We are in the process of assessing our volunteer manpower to ensure that we have the volunteer resources required for a successful program. In the meantime, we are facilitating

participation by our members in the program currently being held in the parking lot of a companion congregation. We welcome your ideas, interests and participation as we develop our program for 2026. Contact Jill Van Zanten, Marvie Paulson, Judy Hull, Lori Martin, Vern Holmes or Ellen Kolarik for more information on how to get involved.

To: LCI Council

October 27, 2025

Fr: Christine Bruhn

Re: LCI Thursday Morning Group

The LCI Thursday Morning Group¹ have continued their ministry of making quilts for donation. The individually designed and constructed quilts are a unique gift for the recipients. This report summarizes the quilts made for donation through Oct. 27 2025 .

- 191 quilts and 19 Afghans were donated. The majority went to Yolo Crisis Nursery,² and Linus Project.³ Quilts (30) were mailed to Lutheran World Relief.
- Quilts were donated for auction outside of LCI: 3 professional society meeting to support students from developing countries, \$500, \$550, and \$600; 1 Yolo Crisis Nursery, \$1000, 1 Village Feast \$250, and Sutter Health.
- Quilts were presented to 1 LCI graduates, and 1 long-time member moving out of the area.

The quilts ranged in size from baby quilts (45X45), lap size (54X68), twin bed (56X84) or larger, to Lutheran World Relief (60X80). Some fabric is donated to LCI. Most fabric, all batting, and thread are purchased by those making the quilt (\$250-\$300 for a twin sized bed). Some quilts are professionally sewed together with a long arm machine, the fee for which varies from \$150-\$250 depending on quilt size.

We greatly appreciate the \$3000 donation from the Moren estate. These funds are being used to purchase batting, the “heart of the quilt.”

We invite people who do fiber crafts or who just want to visit to join us on Thursday morning 9-11 in the South Room for community and fellowship.

Mission Statement: Provide hand-crafted quilts to give comfort and solace to people in times of transition or need. Additionally, we celebrate baptism and high school graduation in our church family with the gift of a quilt. On occasion we make a quilt for church members when they leave the area. We offer an opportunity to be creative and resourceful while creating a valued gift.

1. This tally represents quilts made by Christine Bruhn, Kay Finn, Marcia Holmes, Bobby Koehler, Diane Machuga, Kathryn McCarthy, Jonothan Moon, and Louise Wilson.

2. Yolo Crisis Nursery: Our programs promote child safety, positive parenting, education, and mental health, and improve the healthy functioning of families. Through portfolio of programs, they provide services to over 7,000 children and 4,300 families each year.

3. Project Linus of Yolo County, a nonprofit organization that provides quilts and pillowcases to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need.

Photos of a sample of the quilts donated this year follows to illustrate the variety of designs.





