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## Annual Report—Saturday, January 18, 2020

### AGENDA—3:30pm

I. Establish a Quorum (35% of 50 Voting Members; i.e. 18 people): President Debbie Vomhof

- Call Meeting to Order
- Opening Prayer
- Appoint parliamentarian: \_\_\_\_\_
- Approval of Minutes (Jan. 26, 2019) - P. 2
- Approval of Minutes (Dec. 14, 2019) - P. 3

II. Reports:

- President's Report: Deb Vomhof—P. 4
- NALC Convocation Report—P. 5
- Pastor's Report: Dave Steffenson—Pages 6-8
- Financial Report: Pages 9-11
- Audit Committee Report: Bob Mulvihill - P. 3
- Questions & Comments?
- Approval of January 18, 2020 Annual Report

III. Action Items:

- Election of Council Members: 2-year term: Don Holtan & Barb Steffenson; & 1-year term: Judy Caudill.
- Election of Nominating Committee Members (4 needed; 1 year term): Julie Steffenson, Lee Pearce, Leitha Bothun, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Election of Audit Committee Member Don Wanek—3 year term; (Darald Bothun—2 years remaining; and Bob Mulvihill—1 year remaining).
- Election of Lay voting Member for NALC & Mission District Convocations: Judy Caudill & Deb Vomhof; Alternates: TBD.
- Approval of 2020 Mission Plan Budget (P. 11)
- Approval of 2020 Goals/Mile Markers (P. 3)

IV. Closing Announcements & Thanks

- Adjournment with Lord's Prayer
- Enjoy Church Potluck and Worship



#### MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP:

Signposts guide our way—Disciples seek to pray daily, worship weekly, grow spiritually, read & study Scripture on a regular basis, serve others, share the good news, and give & live generously.

#### The SONG in our HEART:

*"Oh Come, Oh come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel."*



# NALC

North American Lutheran Church

*"Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are praising, proclaiming, and practicing Emmanuel – GOD WITH US – in daily life!"*

## Minutes: Emmanuel Lutheran Annual Meeting – Sunday, January 26, 2019

A quorum consisting of 35 voting member was present. Namely: Darald & Leitha Bothun, David & Rachel Carl, Caudill, Judy Caudill; Gary & Julie Engle, Bob & Marcia Harms, Don & Peg Holtan, Fred Morck, Bob & Vicky Mulvihill; Arne & Samia Nelson, Lee & Judy Pearce, Karen Peterson, LeRoy & Margret Quam, Matt & Jenna Serr, Richard & Nancy Stanley, Barb Steffenson, Pastor Dave and Julie Steffenson, Richard & Janet Sunde, Larry & Deb Vomhof, Tom Vomhof, Don & Jean Wanek.

Meeting called to order by President Lee Pearce. Opening prayer given by Pastor Dave Steffenson. Darald Bothun was appointed parliamentarian by Lee Pearce.

Motion to not require standing while presenting information from the floor by Lee Pearce, 2nd by Judy Caudill. Carried Unanimously.

Agenda for 2019 Emmanuel Annual meeting: Lee Pearce

Motion to approve by Council, 2nd by Judy Caudill. Carried Unanimously.

Minutes of Saturday, January 27th, 2018 Emmanuel Annual meeting (Annual Report, Page 4)

Motion to approve by Council, 2nd by Deb Vomhof. Carried Unanimously.

President's Report (Annual Report, Page 2): Lee Pearce

NALC Convocation Report (Annual Report, Page 2-3): Julie Steffenson

Pastor's Report (Annual Report, Pages 5-8): Pastor Dave Steffenson

Financial Report (Annual Report, Pages 9-11): Judy Caudill

Audit Committee Report (Annual Report, Page 12): Darald Bothun. Audits were done in July, 2018 and January, 2019. Both audits found financial records to be in order. Official Approvals are signed and submitted.

Site Assessment Team Report (No Handout): Dave Carl

Approval of January 26, 2019 Annual Report: Lee Pearce. Motion to approve by Deb Vomhof, 2nd by Leitha Bothun. Carried Unanimously.

Election of officers, delegates and committee members. Motion to approve by Council, 2nd by Judy Caudill. Carried Unanimously. **Council (2 year term)**: Tom Vomhof volunteered for a 2-year council position. Deb Vomhof volunteered for another 2-year council position. **Council (1 year term)**: Dave Carl was nominated by Julie Steffenson but declined to accept. Barb Steffenson was nominated by Jenna Serr and accepted 1-year position. Don Holtan continues serving the 2nd year of a 2-year term. Lee Pearce has resigned from the 2nd year of a 2-year term. **Nominating Committee (1 year term)**: Leitha Bothun volunteered to serve. Julie Steffenson volunteered to serve. Bob Harms was nominated by Julie Steffenson but declined to accept. Lee Pearce was nominated by Judy Pearce and accepted. Julie Engle was nominated by Julie Steffenson and accepted. **Audit Committee (3 year term)**: Judy Caudill volunteered to serve a 1-year term (replacing Tom Vomhof). Darald Bothun volunteered to serve another 3-year term. Bob Mulvihill remains for 2 more years. **Lay Voting Member for NALC Convocation**: Primary Delegate: Deb Vomhof. Alternate Delegate: Judy Caudill. **Lay Voting Member for Iowa Mission District Convocation**: Primary Delegate: Julie Steffenson. Alternate Delegate: Jenna Serr.

2019 Mission Plan Budget (Annual Report, Page 11) as per a friendly amendment: Lee Pearce. The amendment states: "If 2019 budget income (General Fund donations) permits, the church council is authorized to give Pastor Steffenson a year-end bonus not to exceed \$5,000." Motion to approve 2019 Budget as amended, by Council, 2nd by Jenna Serr. Carried Unanimously. 2019 Goals and Mile Markers (Annual Report, Page 3): Lee Pearce. Motion to approve by Council, 2nd by Deb Vomhof. Carried Unanimously.

Gifts of thanks and appreciation: Extended to Lee Pearce & Judy Caudill. Adjournment @ 5:01pm. Followed by potluck dinner. Motion to approve by Judy Caudill, 2nd by Deb Vomhof. Carried Unanimously. Lord's Prayer by Pastor Dave Steffenson. Table grace doxology was sung in unison.

## **Minutes: Emmanuel Lutheran Congregational Meeting – Saturday, December 14, 2019**

A quorum (35%, i.e. 18 voting members) was established. 38 voting member were signed in and attended this meeting. Namely: Creig Anderson, Darald Bothun, Leitha Bothun, David Carl, Rachael Carl, Judy Caudill, Julie Edwards, Bob Harms, Don Holtan, Peg Holtan, Heather Mikesh, Rev Fred Morck, Bob Mulvihill, Vicky Mulvihill, Arne Nelson, Samia Nelson, Jeff Patzke, Elise Patzke, Lee Pearce, Judy Pearce, LeRoy Quam, Margaret Quam Matt Serr, Jenna Serr, Dick Stanley, Nancy Stanley, Barb Steffenson, Rev David Steffenson, Julie Steffenson, Rich Sunde, Janet Sunde, Joe Vomhof, Larry Vomhof, Deb Vomhof, Tom Vomhof, Sheri Vomhof, Don Wanek, Jean Wanek.

Meeting called to order by President Deb Vomhof at 7:17pm.

Dave Carl was appointed parliamentarian by Deb Vomhof.

Reading of the Resolution: “Purchase of Church Land” by Pastor Dave Steffenson. Resolution was then moved by Barbara Steffenson and seconded by Judy Caudill. Motion was on the floor for consideration. Presentation of the description of the property being considered: Don Holtan. Followed by an opportunity for questions and comments.

LeRoy Quam and Bob Mulvihill were appointed as Ballot Counters by Deb Vomhof.

Voting Results: YES, Buy the Property = 30; NO, Decline the Offer = 7; Abstained = 1.

Arne & Samia were publicly thanked for their generous offer, and then Pastor Dave led us in singing the Doxology and a closing prayer.

Motion to adjourn by Don Holtan, 2nd by Jenna Serr at 7:53pm. Carried unanimously.

### **Suggested Goals and Mile Markers for 2020:**

1. Church Land, Site Development & “Blessing of the Land” Service.
2. Signage: Place a sign on our church property.
3. Emmanuel Picnic on our Church Land (Sunday, August 2); alternate site: Vomhof’s.
4. Aerial pictures of our church land.
5. Upgrading our Church Website.
6. “S’more Singing”, monthly campfires on church land (weather permitting).
7. Neighborhood Visitation Program: Introducing Emmanuel to our Neighbors.
8. Explore Church office space & Christ-centered Hospitality Opportunities.
9. Explore Sunday morning worship in addition to our Saturday night service.
10. Growing the NALC presence in Southeastern MN.
11. Support of SEMAC Mission Trip to Dayton, Ohio (Feb. 9-21).
12. Twice Monthly worship offerings at Madonna Towers.
13. Easter Monday Bible Reading of the New Testament, growing number of participants.
14. Participation in MEGA Kids Camp (July 20-23).
15. Host an Emmanuel Table at the New Life Gala; also host a baby shower for New Life.
16. Thanksgiving Eve Worship & Pie Social at Madonna Towers (November 25).
17. Secure 12 Thrivent Action Team Grants.
18. Host a Community Event: Guest Speaker—Rosaria Champagne Butterfield.
19. Produce an Emmanuel Picture/Contact Information Directory.
20. Each One Make/Reach One: Disciples multiplying themselves.

### **Audit Committee Report**

Church Financials were reviewed by Darald Bothun and Bob Mulvihill on January 11, 2020. All records were found to be in proper order. Treasurer Tom Vomhof was present.

## **Council President's Report: Deb Vomhof**

Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Rochester celebrated another year of God's blessings in 2019. One major blessing was the approval of the purchase of 4.9 acres of land from Arne and Samia Nelson for the building of our church. This accomplished our goal set at our annual meeting in January 2018 to either buy an existing property or purchase land to begin the building of Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Rochester. After much investigation by our building committee it was found prohibitive in cost to purchase an existing building, therefore we are very excited to move forward to design and build our new church together. Thanks to all who helped achieve this goal and especially to the non-covenant member contributions.

A new event added this year was the sponsorship of a table at the New Life Gala. This allowed our church members to hear of all the wonderful things that contributed to the lives of the most innocent among us that has been accomplished. This was truly an inspiring experience.

Your financial and personal involvement and benevolence support reached far beyond our local community, with national and international impact.

- Salvation Army (local).
- SEMAC (SE Minnesota Area Christians) led by Larry Vomhof on a 10 work days mission trip to Wilmington, N.C. to help rebuild following natural disaster impact there. Larry's group also provides assistance in areas in need in Southeastern Minnesota throughout the year.
- NALC Disaster Response Team: SEMAC will work alongside the NALC Team in Dayton, OH in February of 2020.
- Cookies to Three Rochester Hospitality Houses: Hope Lodge, Ronald McDonald House and Gift of Life Transplant House during Advent with invitations to attend Emmanuel Advent worship services.
- NALC church-wide support.
- NALS (NALC Seminary) preparing grounded, orthodox pastors for God's Kingdom work.
- The Iowa Mission District.
- Adam and Michelle Morgan in Montreal, Canada.
- Samaritan's Purse; providing spiritual guidance and physical support globally.
- New Life contributions as well as hosting a table at their annual Gala for church members to attend and give further support.

I thank you for the opportunity to be your Lay Representative at the NALC Convocation in 2019. It was a true privilege to be a part of such a spiritual event and to witness the many works of God throughout the world and to visit with our National Church leaders.

I want to give my heartfelt thanks to all of you who have helped in any way to make our Mission Church a success. This includes any outreach performed throughout the year. I especially want to thank everyone for their continued prayers for our church and our world. Not everyone is physically able to help in some way, but their spiritual support is what God has asked us all to do. On a personal note: someone at our church said they prayed for my sister Gail, when she was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer and was given weeks to months to live, even though he had never met her. I know that prayer is the most powerful tool we can use. She has now celebrated 5 years on this earth (still has the cancer but thanks God for every day she has).

I'm grateful to God for the gifts of 2019, and look forward to unwrapping the many ministry opportunities awaiting Emmanuel in 2020. It is my joy and privilege to serve Emmanuel. God Bless!



## Highlights from the NALC Convocation (Indianapolis, IN)—August 7-9, 2019.

- Four members of Emmanuel Lutheran Church (Deb & Larry Vomhof, and Julie & Pastor Dave Steffenson) enjoyed a Christ-centered and Spirit-filled NALC Convocation on August 7-9. Pastor Dave and Deb served as Emmanuel’s delegates.
- More than 800 delegates & visitors gathered in Indianapolis. The theme of the Convocation was “*Walking by the Spirit with the Fruit of the Spirit.*”
- The Rev. Dan Selbo was elected as our new bishop on the fourth ballot. Pastor Selbo formerly served as pastor of St. Timothy’s Lutheran Church in San Jose, CA. His term of office began on October 1, 2019. Continue to keep Bishop Dan Selbo and his wife, Mary, in your prayers.
- New at the Convocation was the use of electronic voting devices called “Qwizdom”. Paper ballots will probably return next year.
- Bible Study Leader, Dr. James Nestigen, was grounded by fog in Denver, and unable to attend. Gemechis Buba filled in and did superbly. He reminded us that “I have 0% self-confidence, and 100% confidence in Jesus.”
- A banquet honoring Bishop John Bradosky was held during the Convocation. Bishop John is now retired and did not seek reelection. Bishop John in his sermon reminded us that “Eternal Life is NOW!” Martin Luther writes, “Why would anyone try to earn what they already have?” Faith in Christ alone gives us eternal life because it gives us JESUS, Who is eternal life. Christ is the Gospel. The Gospel is for life now, not just in the future. Bishop John also reminded us that “a one-winged bird cannot fly.” We must combine salvation with discipleship. Faith is for good works. Salvation & social ministry are a pair. We can’t just proclaim the Gospel. We can’t just care for people. We must do both, for the glory of God the Father!
- Greetings were received from our Ecumenical & Inter-Lutheran Guests, including representatives of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania, and the Ethiopian Evangelical Church *Mekane Yesus* (8.3 million members; 8500 churches).
- Water Missions, one of Emmanuel’s ministry partners, reported that around the world, 400,000 people got safe water last year. Water builds hope.
- Grace without discipleship is not grace. Bonhoeffer: “Cheap Grace is the justification of sin without the justification of the sinner.” Pew Research 2015: 38-40% of those born after 1980 have NO FAITH. In Matthew 16, Jesus asks his disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” Peter replies, “You are the Christ. The Son of the Living God.” “Now don’t tell me,” Jesus says, “Go tell the world!”
- Statistics: The NALC has 433 congregations (96 of which are dual NALC/LCMC), 669 clergy, and 142,500 members. Annual reports were submitted to the NALC by only 58% of the congregations. Good news: Emmanuel of Rochester was one of the 58%. Approximately 27% of the NALC congregations did not provide financial support to the NALC in 2018. Suggested giving to the NALC is 5-7% of a congregation’s budget. Call process: 22 full-time vacancies and 12 part-time. 125 pastors have submitted their mobility papers.
  - The 2020 Budgets were approved:
    - Operating Budget: \$2.2 Million
    - Theological Education & Seminary: \$723,000
    - Great Commission Fund: \$197,500
    - Disaster Response Fund: \$123,500
- **Future dates & locations of the Lutheran Week NALC Convocations:**
  - August 3-7, 2020 in Pittsburgh, PA
  - August 2-6, 2021 in Corpus Christi, TX

## Pastor's Report: Rev. David Steffenson — “Walking, and Leaping, and Praising God!”

I'm a Packer fan, pure and simple; born and raised in Wisconsin. I've only been to one game at Lambeau Field in Green Bay, WI. Suffice it to say, the Packers won! The Packers are the number two seed in the NFC playoffs. By the time you read my article, the Packers will be getting ready to play the Forty-Niners for the NFC Championship. Perhaps you've heard of the “*Lambeau Leap*”. A Packer's player will sometimes jump into the end zone stands after scoring a touchdown, in a celebration of their success. The *Lambeau Leap* was invented by safety LeRoy Butler, who scored after a Reggie White fumble recovery & lateral against the L.A. Raiders on Dec. 26, 1993. I'm a Packer fan, but much more importantly, I'm a Christ-follower; born again in the waters of Holy Baptism and raised to new life in Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. How is it that we Christians celebrate success and victory? We don't jump into the end zone stands, but by the grace of God, we do *walk and leap and praise* God!

Two years ago, at our Annual Meeting, Emmanuel took a leap of faith. We approved a three-year plan for our church. The plan began with 40 days of Prayer, followed by an Easter Monday public reading of the entire New Testament. The Church Council met in retreat and members of Emmanuel participated in Dinners for Eight. We prayed and shared our collective wisdom. A summary report (brochure) was prepared along with sketches of a possible two-phase church building project. Our goal was to raise \$100,000 & to find church land. A Site Assessment Team was appointed & so was a Building Team. We exceeded our goal of raising \$100,000, and by the grace of God 4.9 acres of choice land became available for purchase. Thank you Arne and Samia Nelson! Dec. 14, 2019 was a *landmark moment* for Emmanuel. We voted to take a leap of faith & to walk/leap into the future God is giving us. Papers were signed on December 27. We are now the proud owners, or shall I say stewards, of God's land. We're not exactly sure where our Good Lord is leading us, but we do know that we are *walking and leaping and praising* God. We don't have to live in Green Bay, WI to celebrate success and victory with a LEAP of Faith! Ours is **an Emmanuel Leap**.

In the Book of Acts, God's Pentecost people, filled with the Holy Spirit, are in the ministry of sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen for the forgiveness of sins. In Acts 3, we read about the evangelical work of Peter and John. It's 3pm. Peter and John are on their way to the Temple to pray. God places in their path an opportunity for sharing the Gospel. A man lame from birth is lying at the Gate to the Temple. He is asking for charity: “Alms please!”. Peter says, “Look at us! We've got no silver or gold for you. But we've got something much better. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.” You know the rest of the story. Peter took the man by the right hand and raised him up. The man, formerly lame, was healed. He went *walking and leaping and praising* God. He clung to Peter and John. He entered the Temple with Peter and John. Healed, the man practiced his salvation with worship & prayer. The man became a sign of the resurrection. On the east side of the court of Gentiles, the crowds assembled for a sermon. Peter gave them both barrels: Law and Gospel. He preached the name of Jesus—The Author of Life—and invited the listeners to repent and believe in the Gospel. For their faithfulness, Peter and John were arrested and put in custody. But the WORD of God never returns empty. “Many of those who heard believed, numbering about 5000. Yay God! Servants of Emmanuel, this is our calling: We practice the resurrection and proclaim the name of Jesus—the only name by which we must be saved (Acts 4:12). By the grace of God, we too are healed/saved; we are *walking and leaping and praising* God.

Emmanuel received **13 Thrivent Action Team grants (\$3,250)** in 2019. SEMAC received two supporting action team grants compliments of Joe Vomhof and myself. Karen Peterson

received a grant for our Fat Tuesday/Lenten Soup Suppers (M & M's in support of our Building Fund). Julie Steffenson received a grant in support of our annual Easter Monday Public Reading of the entire New Testament (April 22). I used my second grant in support of the Children's Choir from Howard Lake, MN (meal and worship on April 27). Jenna Serr received a grant in support of our Emmanuel Float in the Byron Parade (July 21). Karen Peterson used her second grant for the promotion of our church by purchasing Emmanuel Yard Signs. Julie Engle used a grant in support of National Night Out (August 6), which was hosted at three locations by three Emmanuel households. Joe Vomhof used his second grant in support of "Friendship Saturday" (October 5). Julie Steffenson used her second grant to host our second annual Thanksgiving Eve Worship and Pie Social at Madonna Towers (November 27). Jenna Serr used her second grant in support of "Get 1, Give 1" at Gage Elementary. Judy Pearce used a grant in support of holiday cookies and worship invites to area Hospitality Houses. Last, but not least, Matt Serr used his action team grant in support of an upcoming Bible Study at an area apartment complex. Thrivent action team grants allow us to grow the footprints of Emmanuel in our community. Thrivent action team grants allow us to *walk and leap and praise* God.

We have some unfinished goals from 2019 that we intend to address and complete in 2020, namely, updating our website, and producing our Emmanuel Picture Directory. We will look into added ways we can share the gospel with others by video recording and live streaming our Worship Services & Sermons, & perhaps utilizing the Rochester Public Access Channel 181. In 2019, Judy Pearce and other care givers officially launched our Emmanuel Care Team. Our greeters meet worshipers at the church doors on Saturday nights, and caregivers remember those who are suffering or celebrating with cards, flowers, visits, food and prayers. Our worship attendance and membership numbers did not increase in 2019. But God continues to grow our mission field. One can only imagine what God will do with the GIFT of land that He has sent our way. 2020 is going to be an exciting year as we unwrap the gift of land, and as we explore opportunities for Sunday morning worship, church office space and Christ-centered hospitality. Personally, I am so pleased that Emmanuel hosted a table at the New Life Gala event in 2019. I pray that we do the same in 2020. The older I get, the more I treasure the sanctity of life.

Generosity is a mark of Discipleship. Servants of Emmanuel love & live to give. For the fourth year in a row, we ended the budget year with a surplus! We continue to offer worship services to our friends at Madonna Towers twice a month, thanks to Lee & Judy Pearce, and our pianist Sharon Matzke. Last year's Lenten series was on the Psalter and this year's theme will be "Faith Stories" where laypeople share how the faith of Jesus has impacted their life. Traditions in our congregation include: Easter Monday public reading of the New Testament, Church picnic at the Vomhof's, a Reformation Sunday prayer walk, and a bell ringing 12 Days of Christmas Service. **Thanks:** Members and friends of Emmanuel, have invested in the life of Emmanuel with talents, time, and treasures. Our best years are always ahead of us! Thanks to Deb Vomhof our Financial Secretary and Council President, Tom Vomhof our Church Treasurer, Don Holtan our Council Secretary, & Barb Steffenson our Council Vice-President. It is a privilege to serve with the elected leaders of Emmanuel. They are servants of Christ, who are always faithful, and constantly leading by example. I thank God for the joy of being a shepherd to an amazing flock of sheep at Emmanuel. Thanks for "praising, proclaiming and practicing Emmanuel—God with Us—in daily life". And of course thanks to my dear wife Julie, & my beloved family, for their endless love, encouragement, and support! Together we are *walking, leaping and praising* God! **Ready for an Emmanuel Leap?**

## **Pastoral acts in 2019:**

0 Baptisms:

0 Weddings

1 Funeral:

- Nancy Lee Stanley (Dec. 7, 1935—Dec. 18, 2019). Memorial Service at the Oasis Church on Monday, December 23 (1pm). Burial at the Oronoco Cemetery.

Guest Preaching 15 times in 6 congregations + 25 times at Madonna Towers: Immanuel Lutheran, Wykoff, MN; Rushford Lutheran, Rushford, MN; Peace Lutheran in Northwood, IA; Gift of Grace, Holmen, WI; First Lutheran, St. Ansgar, IA; & St. Peter Lutheran Churches (New Richland/Otisco).

A handful of articles published in the Rochester Post Bulletin newspaper.

**Average Worship Attendance:** In 2019, Emmanuel had an average weekly worship attendance of 51. In 2018, Emmanuel had an average of 54 people in worship each week; compared to 56 in 2017 and 45-50 in 2016. We are unable to calculate how many people listen to our sermons posted each week on our website. Worship Services where Emmanuel experienced the highest number of people in worship in 2019: Easter (88), Easter II—Children’s Choir from Howard Lake, MN (93), Thanksgiving Eve at Madonna Towers (64), and Children’s Christmas Nativity (72). Lowest number in attendance was 26 (snowstorm during Lent). Thanks to our Ushers who count attendance each week and to Julie Steffenson for compiling these statistical numbers. Thanks is also offered to our Sound Technician Don Holtan, who weekly puts our sermons on our website.

### **2020 Membership Covenants Received and Approved: 60 Covenants**

The following 2020 Discipleship Membership Covenants were approved at the January 10, 2020 Council Meeting: Creig Anderson, Darald & Leitha Bothun, Jessica Brown, Jennifer Brown, David & Rachel, and Michael Carl, Judy Caudill, Julie Edwards (Mason, Gavin, Rowan), Rev. Waldemar Gies, Dan & Mary Jo Grimsrud, Robert & Marcia Harms, Don & Peg Holtan, Laura Kolden, Sharon Matzke (Emma, Elijah), Heather Mikesh (Maddie Erwin), Rev. Fred Morck, Robert & Vicky Mulvihill, Arne & Samia Nelson, Jeff & Elise Patzke (Luke), Dean & Michelle Paxson, Lee & Judy Pearce, Karen Peterson, LeRoy & Margaret Quam, Matt & Jenna Serr (Nora, Scarlett, Hope), Dick Stanley, Barb Steffenson, David & Julie Steffenson, Rich & Janet Sunde, Joe Vomhof, Larry & Deb Vomhof, Tom & Sheri Vomhof, Don & Jean Wanek, & Gloria Wiebusch. We have 50 adult voting members (age 18 and older), & 10 youth.

### **EMMANUEL DNA**

**VISION OF THE NALC** – “We are Called ... to Be, Make and Grow Disciples” – Mt. 28.

**NALC CORE VALUES:** Christ Centered; Mission Driven; Traditionally Grounded; and Congregationally Focused.

**EMMANUEL MISSION STATEMENT:** “Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are Praising (WORSHIP), Proclaiming (EVANGELICAL), and Practicing (DISCIPLESHIP) Emmanuel – God With Us – in daily life.”

**MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP:** Signposts guide our way—Disciples seek to pray daily, worship weekly, grow spiritually, read and study Scripture on a regular basis, serve others, share the good news, and give & live generously.



## 2019 Financial Summary Report: Tom Vomhof, Treasurer

**In 2015**, we forecasted a budget shortfall of \$18,000, but with second mile gifts we ended the year with a shortfall of only \$1,900. **In 2016**, we forecasted a budget shortfall of \$15,000, but due to generous giving by our members & supporters we ended 2016 with a surplus of \$9,548.37. **In 2017**, giving once again exceeded projections. Instead of ending the year with a shortfall of \$17,854 (from Reserves), we ended the year with a net gain of \$4,872.25. **In 2018**, we planned on using \$6,880.00 of our Reserves, but instead we ended the year with a surplus of \$2,477.45. **In 2019**, we budgeted for a shortfall of \$7,000, but instead ended the year with a surplus of \$8,242.42. Emmanuel is blessed with generous and faithful members, friends, and supporters. Thank you!

### Emmanuel Checking Account:

Reconciled Balance 12/31/2017:	\$78,634.42 (\$10,773.69 Designated Funds)
Reconciled Balance 12/31/2018:	\$157,984.82 (\$102,646.64 Designated Funds)
Reconciled Balance 12/31/2019:	\$29,791.28 (\$11,210.68 Designated Funds); +\$45,000 in Edward Jones CD.

### Designated Funds 2019

Beginning Balance: January 1, 2019	\$102,646.64
Ending Balance: December 31, 2019	\$38,288.15 (\$27,077.47 in Building Fund CD with Edward Jones; and \$11,210.68 in checking) +4.9 acres of church land.

### Itemization of Designated Funds—January 1, 2020 (TOTAL: \$38,288.15)

#301 Advertising:	\$50.00	
#306 Pastor's Continuing Education:	\$851.82	
#310 NALC Convocation:	\$00.00	
#311 NALC Ministerium:	\$84.00	
#351 Pastor's Discretionary Fund:	\$2,114.32	
#352 Saturday School:	\$162.07	
#353 New NALC Mission Plant:	\$1,607.00	
#354 NALC Seminary:	\$500.00	
#357 Emmanuel Building Fund:	\$289.30	(+ \$27,077.47 in Edward Jones CD)
#359 Acolyte Robes:	\$115.72	
#360 Hospitality House:	\$4,686.45	
#361 SEMAC:	\$100.00	
#362 Bible Fund	\$500.00	
#363 Women's Ministry	\$150.00	

Note: We began electronic banking in 2016 & currently offer direct deposit for our staff payroll. Members are invited to participate in E-Giving; children's offering envelopes are available to parents wishing to teach their children the joy of giving.

Thrivent Choice Dollars received in 2019: \$1,330 (\$1,284 received in 2018; \$695 received in 2017; \$1,076 received in 2016; \$1,824 received in 2015; \$4,187 in 2014; \$1,496 in 2013).

The following 4 Supporting Congregations contributed \$10,368.21 to our Budget: Immanuel Lutheran, Whitewood, S.D.; Rushford Lutheran, Rushford, MN; and Old East Paint Creek & Old West Paint Creek, Waukon, IA. Also, Pastor Ken Kimball contributed a designated gift.

Lease with Oasis Church for 2020: We are also required to assume responsibility for snow removal on Mondays. Rent for 2020 increases to \$850 per month; rent will increase to \$950 per month in July 2021.

Financial Summary for 2019			
	General Fund	Designated Funds	Combined
Jan 1 <sup>st</sup> Balance	\$55,338.18	\$102,646.64	<b>\$157,984.82</b>
Income	\$118,354.11	\$15,391.52	\$133,745.63
Expenses	<b>\$110,111.69</b>	<b>\$79,750.01</b>	<b>\$189,861.70</b>
<i>Difference</i>	\$8,242.42	<b>64,358.49</b>	<b>\$56,116.07</b>
Dec 31 <sup>st</sup> Totals	\$63,580.60	\$38,288.15	\$101,868.75
Invest @ Ed Jones	\$45,000.00	\$27,077.47	\$72,077.47
Dec 31 <sup>st</sup> Liquid	\$18,580.60	\$11,210.68	<b>\$29,791.28</b>

### Emmanuel Balance Sheet – 12/31/2019

#### ASSETS

Current Assets	
Checking/Savings/Investments	
Think Bank Checking	\$29,791.28
Edward Jones CD	\$45,000.00
Building Fund CD	\$27,077.47
Total Current Assets	\$101,868.75

#### FIXED ASSETS

Furniture/Equipment/Hymnals	\$21,585.00
4.9 acres of land (cost basis)	\$75,000.00
Donated Baby Grand Piano	\$8,000.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$104,585.00

**TOTAL ASSETS: \$206,453.75**

#### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Equity	
Balance from prior yrs.	\$157,984.82
Budget Gain:	\$8,242.42
Des. Funds Loss	<b>\$64,358.49</b>
Net Loss	<b>\$56,116.07</b>
Total Equity	\$101,868.75
Total Fixed Assets	\$104,585.00

**TOTAL LIABILITY & EQUITY \$206,453.75**

### Emmanuel Lutheran Church Profit & Loss (Accrual Basis) January through December 2019

#### Ordinary Income/Expense

##### Income

Offerings	\$118,354.11
<u>Designated Funds Income</u>	<u>\$15,391.52</u>
Total Income	\$133,745.63

##### Expense

Advertising	\$270.00
Bank Service Charges	\$180.02
Benevolence	\$6,750.00
Church Musician	\$5,400.00
Continuing Education	\$750.00
Convocations	\$1,343.43
Insurance Expense	\$1,968.31
Miscellaneous	\$00.00
Pastor's Compensation	\$53,200.00
Pastor's Continuing Ed.	\$750.00
Pastor's Housing	\$20,000.00
Pastor's Pension	\$3,600.00
Pastor's Professional Expense	\$5,050.86
Pulpit Supply	\$1,154.90
Rent Expense	\$9,000.00
Supplies	\$1,444.17
<u>Designated Funds Expense</u>	<u>\$79,750.01</u>
Total Expense	\$190,611.70

Ordinary Income Gain \$8,242.42

Net Loss **\$56,116.07**

## 2020 Mission Plan Budget

	<u>2019 Budget</u>	<u>ACTUAL YTD</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>
<b>INCOME</b>			
401 Weekly Envelope Offering	\$98,000.00	\$104,795.95	\$105,000.00
402 Moneys Returned (Insurance, etc.)		\$1,002.95	
405 Other Gifts of Support			
Rushford Lutheran	\$00.00	\$5,000.00	\$00.00
Others	\$4,855.00	\$5,368.21	\$5,000.00
406 Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$1,250.00	\$1,330.00	\$1,250.00
407 Loose Offering	\$750.00	\$849.00	\$800.00
408 Cash Reserves	\$7,000.00		* \$8,000.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$111,855.00</b>	<b>\$118,354.11</b>	<b>\$120,050.00</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>			
501 Advertising/Marketing	\$400.00	\$270.00	\$1,000.00
502 Bank Fees	\$175.00	\$180.02	\$200.00
503a Church Musician (62 Services @ \$90)	\$5,580.00	\$5,400.00	\$5,982.00
503b Organ Maintenance, etc.	\$250.00	\$00.00	\$00.00
504 Pastor's Compensation		\$73,200.00	
Pastor's Salary	\$28,288.00		\$28,288.00
Pastor's Medical	\$24,912.00		\$26,280.00
Pastor's Housing	\$20,000.00		\$20,000.00
505 Pastor's Mileage/Prof. Exp.	\$5,000.00	\$5,050.86	\$5,100.00
506 Pastor's Continuing Ed.	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
507 Pastor's Retirement *	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00	* \$8,600.00
508 Pulpit Supply/Mileage	\$1,200.00	\$1,154.90	\$1,200.00
509a Supplies (worship, office, education)	\$1,500.00	\$1,444.17	\$1,500.00
509b Care Ministry	\$500.00	\$00.00	\$500.00
510 NALC & Mission District Convocations	\$1,000.00	\$1,343.43	\$1,000.00
511 NALC Ministerium	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$00.00
520 Rent (2020 Rent - \$850 per month)	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$10,200.00
521 Snow Removal	\$400.00	\$00.00	\$00.00
530 Insurance (property/liability)	\$1,300.00	\$1,968.31	\$2,300.00
550 *Miscellaneous/Emerging Opportunities	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$500.00
560 Benevolences (Goal: 10%)			
561 NALC (Churchwide)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
562 NALS (Seminary)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
563b NALC Disaster Response	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$500.00
564 SEMAC (local)	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
565a Salvation Army (local)	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
565b Water Mission International	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
567 Morgans in Canada	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
568 New Life, Samaritan Purse, etc.	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
569 Iowa Mission District	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$400.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$111,855.00</b>	<b>\$110,111.69</b>	<b>\$120,050.00</b>

**2016 Budget SURPLUS: \$9,548.37 (plus no reserves used)**

**2017 Budget SURPLUS: \$4,872.25 (plus no reserves used)**

**2018 Budget SURPLUS: \$2,477.45 (plus no reserves used)**

**2019 Budget SURPLUS: \$8,242.42 (plus no reserves used)**

• \$3,250.00 (13 Thrivent Action Team Gifts in 2018 & 2019)

• *NOTE: General Fund 3-month CD matures in March: \$45,000*

• *Building Fund Balance: \$289.30 + \$27,077.47 (CD)      Hospitality House Fund Balance: \$4,686.45*

\* Bonus of \$5,000 given to Pastor as authorized at January 2019 Annual Meeting.