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**South Santiago Lutheran Church** 

2022 Annual Report

### **2022 Annual Meeting Minutes**

Sunday, January 23, 2022

Attendance: 35 members

- 1. Call to Order:
  - A. SSLC Council President David Darsow with Council Members present at 9:08 AM.
- 2. Open Devotions & Prayer:
  - A. Lead by Pastor Daryl asking God to help guide the South Santiago council and members to what He wants us to do to teach the word of God.
- 3. Adoption of Agenda:
  - A Motion by Walt Munsterman to adopt the agenda, second from Shelly Bluhm. Motion passed.
- 4. Approval of minutes from January 2021 Annual Meeting:

Motion was made to accept minutes. Second received. Motion passed.

- 5. Election of Council Members
  - A. Thank you to Mike Peabody, Jeff Mateyka, and Bert Robb for their time serving on the SSLC Council.
  - B. There are three 3-year positions and one 1-year positions open.
  - C. No nominations were received prior to the meeting.
  - D. David Darsow was nominated by Michelle Prokott to another 3-year term on the council. David accepted the nomination from the floor.
  - E. Ann Kooiker nominated Walt Munsterman and Bill Rogers to service as council members. Walt Munsterman declined the nomination. Bill Rogers accepted the nomination for the one-year term.
- 6. Treasurer's Report
  - A. Brad Thom made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as written. Second by Margaret Macauley. Motion passed.
- 7. Delegates to the Synod Assembly in June (can send 3 people split male/female)
  - A. Walt Munsterman and Ruth Thom volunteered to be delegates at the Synod Assembly.
  - B. Motion made to send Walt and Ruth as delegates. Second received. Motion passed.
- 8. 2022 Budget
  - A. Ruth Thom inquired about budget for library. There is \$850 in the 2022 budget for the library.
  - B. Motion made to accept the 2022 budget. Second received. Motion passed.
- 9. New Business:
  - A. Reopening of worship and church building- COVID pandemic was discussed with Sherburne County increasing in the number of cases. The council does not support closing the doors or mandating people to wear masks, but rather to do what is in each member's best interest. Will continue to broadcast the live service on Sundays. No concerns were brought forward from the congregational members.
  - B. Election results for council members-David Darsow (3-year) and Bill Rogers (1-year) have accepted nominations. Motion made to for David and Bill to be on the council. Second received. Motion passed.
    - Two 3-year terms will remain open.
  - C. Other business-No additional business or discussion of items from the floor.
- 10. Motion made by Richard Harshman to adjourn the meeting. Second by Bill Empting. Meeting Adjourned at 9:33 AM.
- 11. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

### **2023 Annual Meeting Agenda**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Opening Devotions-Pastor Allison
- 3. Adoption of Agenda
- 4. Adoption of minutes
- 5. Election of Council Members
  - A. Three 3-year positions (nominations from floor)
  - B. Two 2-year positions (nominations from floor)
  - C. One 1-year position (nominations from floor)
- 6. Treasurer's Report
- 7. Delegates to Synod Assembly (3 people split male/female) in June
- 8. 2023 Budget
- 9. New Business: A: Election results for council members
  - B: Other business
- 10. Adjournment
- 11. Close with the Lord's Prayer.

#### 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all.

There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us.

A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; to another the same Spirit gives a message of special knowledge. The same Spirit gives great faith to another, and to someone else the one Spirit gives the gift of healing. He gives one person the power to perform miracles, and another the ability to prophesy. He gives someone else the ability to discern whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages, while another is given the ability to interpret what is being said. It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have.

## **Pastor's Report**

"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven" (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

Change is inevitable and this year we have undergone a huge change. At this time last year, Pastor Daryl was sitting down and writing his annual report for you and I was at a retreat trying to define my call to ministry. In May Pastor Daryl felt God calling him to a new ministry and South Santiago Lutheran was thrust into change, into a new season. I'm sure it felt a bit disorienting to come out of Covid and then to face such a large change within the church.

Pastor Courtney stepped in to guide you through the call process, another new season, and to keep the church moving forward in all of its planning and programing. In September you chose to extend the pastoral call to me. Thank you. I am humbled and excited that you chose to entrust the spiritual care of South Santiago to me.

In the few months I have been here, you have shown nothing but grace, warmth, and welcome to Bruce and myself. Thank you. One of the reasons I considered South Santiago Lutheran was because of the wonderful lay staff we have here. Shelly, Dee, Karla, and Makayla do an outstanding job and make my job as pastor so much easier. South Santiago is such an active, vibrant church. You came back from the restrictions of Covid and you hit the ground running. Our adult, youth, and children's ministries are active and growing with new activities and plans all the time. They also are in a new season, a season of expansion.

As we head into 2023, we start off the new season with a new hymnal, again change. This coming year we are exploring a new Bible study, the youth are heading to Nashville for their mission trip this summer, and we continue to work towards establishing a new rhythm for South Santiago.

God has been good to us. God has given us what we need to remain a full, active, vibrant church. A church, a congregation whose core values seek changed lives through the power of the Holy Spirit by forming and sustaining life-long personal faith in God through Christ Jesus. We practice this by engaging in cross-generational ministry and radical hospitality as it is revealed by God's word. We do this by connecting with our congregation, the community, and the world.

God has been good to us; thanks be to God!

Pastor Allison

### Pastoral Care in 2022

#### **Baptisms:**

Emmerson Lynn Lien-Daughter of Arthur & Jordan Lien

Emerson Louis Kipka-Son of Tyler Ahrendt & Patricia Kipka

Sage Marie Kydd-Daughter of Jacob & Amanda Kydd

Hadley Darlene Ingersoll-Daughter of Eric & Bonita Ingersoll

Calum John Ingersoll-Son of Eric & Bonita Ingersoll

Sloane Bethany Leaders-Daughter of Kurt Leaders & Dayna Claassen

Raleigh Lesley Erickson-Son of Derek & Destiny Tulp

Maddilyn Jean Tulp-Daughter of Derek & Destiny Tulp

Wendle Lee Tulp-Son of Derek & Destiny Tulp

Camden James Earl Dietrichs-Son of Ethan Martinez & Kayla Dietrichs

Nathan Norbert Stang-Son of Nicholas & Shelby Stang

Lane Michael Gerber-Son of Nicholas & Samantha Gerber

Madelyn Frances Leddy-Daughter of Ben & Courtney Leddy

Sawyer Rowen Leddy-Son of Ben & Courtney Leddy

Quinn Maxwell Leddy-Son of Ben & Courtney Leddy

#### **Funerals:**

**Carol Campbell** 



## Home, Hospital, and other Visits:

Visits made by request of member or their family

## **Church Library**

The mission of the SSLC Library is to support the faith growth of SSLC members and visitors by providing print and media resources that reflect a Lutheran understanding of the Bible.

During 2022, the library committee began to sort through the library collection to remove out of date and unused materials. They also made the decision to eliminate the card checkout system and to convert to a simple lending library. Members and visitors are invited to borrow materials for as long as they choose and then either return them or share them with someone else who could benefit from them. In 2023, look for updated shelf labeling to make it easier to find books.

Ruth Thom, church librarian

### **Council President**

Greetings to our family.

My heart continues to be overwhelmed with how gracious God has been to us at SSLC, bringing us new blessings into the New Year.



Hebrews 13,1-2 says,

"Let love of the brethren continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it."

We have a task to help flourish a walk with Christ in all whom enter our doors. Even those who cannot join us. I was personally able to get out of my "comfort" zone in joining the choir finally.

Within each of us, there are talents able to help make our church community a better place. In 2023, we expect turnover on council, new blood is always welcome in Altar Guild, Building & Grounds, serving on Sundays. Please listen to your heart, as we have angels among us.

The proposed budget is largest in our history.

It envisions a sturdy staff, programs for all to enjoy, and a beautiful building to maintain. As with many common themes or last year, prices have gone up. With your support, this will continue to be your home away from home.

God has a plan for us. Our job is figuring that out, day in and day out. Our history is rich in folk giving of time and funds. Our prayer is that his blessing be upon us in this winter wonderland of 2023.

David Darsow, SSLC Council President

### **Building and Grounds Group**

#### PROJECTS COMPLETED IN 2022

- New roof for the church and garage
- New landscaping in the front of the church
- Maintenance and repairs on one of the furnaces
- Repair of the canopy before re-shingling
- Re-Painting the siding on the church

#### **UPCOMING PROJECTS FOR 2023**

- Repairs on Log Church
- Sidewalk sealing
- Repair cracks in blacktop in parking lot

A special thanks to all of the volunteers for doing tasks such as lawn mowing, changing light bulbs, snow plowing and sidewalk shoveling, prayer garden upkeep, repair work, plus many other tasks.

God's Blessings, Ralph Johnson, Building and Grounds Chairperson

Group Members: Rich Alickson, Bill Rogers, Walt Munsterman, David Darsow, Les Krei, Mark Bistodeau



### **Children's and Youth Ministry Coordinator**

2022 presented many obstacles for SSLC. Through patience and prayer we as a church was able to jump through the hurdles and come out looking better than ever. SSLC Sunday school has great teachers that show up every Sunday to teach our little minds and plant the seed of Jesus in their hearts. This past year Sunday school has:

- We have approximately 20-35 kids that come to Sunday school every Sunday.
- We have done Bible Bucks for a year now and the kids are eager to learn the verses and earn prizes.
- We were able to host two Parent Nights Out; one in February and one in December. This past
  December we had 27 kids! I had amazing help from 11 older youth who were able to deposit money
  into their family accounts.
- I had approximately 10 Sunday school kids volunteer to help do a Wednesday Lent service sermon with me.
- We sang for the Palm Sunday worship service.
- We planted a garden in 2 new raised beds (built by Danny Jergenson, Rich Alickson & Mark Bistodeau) they worked out great. We hope to build a couple more this year. All the vegetables were donated to Becker food shelf.
- We ended the year with an ice cream social.
- Several Sunday school kids (with the help of Richard Harshman) helped on mission donkey paint and stained pieces for over 20 baptismal boxes.
- Summer months we had several families volunteer to weed the garden and pick produce when the time came.
- VBS was an amazing week filled with joy, laugher, creating, worshiping, playing, and LOTS of singing.
   All the adults and youth that helped out were true blessings from God. We had approximately 40 kids enrolled.
- The start of the 2022-23 school year we purchased new curriculum that the teachers love teaching.
   Simply Loved is easy to use and easy to follow.
- We participated in Operation Christmas Child and our kids were able to pack 100 boxes to ship over seas. I was able to get a donation of \$250 from Thrivent Lutheran to purchase items for the boxes.
- Advent craft was a fun filled morning with 6 stations of many Christmas ornaments and projects to complete.
- Our Christmas program was wonderful. The kids were so eager to be a part of something big. They
  worked hard on their lines, and brought their own attitude to the characters.

I feel blessed to have been able to help guide these young children, provide them with the word of God and teach them how to praise God.

Karla Zerwas

### **High School Ministry Coordinator**

In 2022 Makayla and Karla were trying to build something that has been lost for several years. We believe EVERYONE whether they are a new baby, child, teen, young adult or the elderly deserve to be loved, cared for and valued. Our goal is to bring the life back to the senior high group and help guide them to be well adjusted adults and valued members of our congregation. By doing so we started several new activities to help build that community.

- Karaoke once a month after confirmation nights. Kids and adults have fun singing and dancing together.
- Breakfast with Bill. We have it once a month hosted by a different congregational family. All the kids bring the food, prepare and cook the food while having some wonderful conversations with our members of our congregation. We love this cross-generational piece and believe we are making life long memories and lessons here.
- Random Acts of kindness was our last Wednesday of the year. We had 5 groups go out into the
  community of Becker and spread kindness by giving them small gifts. SSLC provided \$500 to use to
  purchase items for this outreach of faith building. Many lives were impacted with love and kindness
  that evening.
- We ended the school year with a bon fire, sang songs, worshiped by the camp fire, and played a fun game of kick ball.
- Mission Rockford, Illinois we brought 20 students and 7 adults along. We physically worked hard by
  doing a lot of outside work, worked at a food bank, help clean up a school that help at risk kids in the
  community and meet and help at Ms. Karly's homeless food program. Ms. Karly's story of her life
  alone was a trip in itself. We all took something away from that day to help each one of us be
  better people.
- We partnered with Faith in Action in August and approximately 10 kids/youth/parents helped a widowed lady clean up her yard from spring storms and clean flower beds from over growth.
- We partnered again with Faith in Action in October in a city wide Rake the Town event. We helped 2 elderly families with raking the leaves and disposing of them.
- 7th-12th grade spent one Wednesday evening collecting food shelf items and donated much needed supplies to Becker food shelf and The C.R.O.S.S. Center in Foley.
- Our caroling event and Christmas party was cut due to weather but look forward to it next year.
- SSLC hosted 2 mission trip groups through Service Learning Camps, one from Kansas City, and one from Grand Forks.

I started in January by calling and emailing around the St. Cloud area for work projects these 2 groups could partake in. They were able to work with Catholic Charities, Hands across America (reading to kids in rough areas), help out the C.R.O.S.S. Center and help 2 of our own congregation members. Makayla helped meet them in the evenings and direct them to fun activities. We all enjoyed meeting them and listening to their stories.

We have several more activities planned for the rest of this 2022-23 school year.

Karla Zerwas Makayla du'Monceaux

### **Adult Ministry Coordinator**

Looking back on the last year, there are many blessings to be grateful for but I am especially grateful for everyone who is part of our Adult Ministry at SSLC.

- Adult Bible Study continues with the men's group meeting on a weekly basis and our women's group
  meets twice a month. This year we added a six week Bible Study on Wednesday evenings and on
  Sunday mornings. The High School Ministry Group joined us on Wednesday evenings. It was a great
  mix and we had some excellent conversations as we worked our way through "Making Sense of The
  Christian Faith" Series by David Lose.
- New Member Orientation is offered three times each year and has been well attended. We had
  excellent participation from new members, staff and the congregation.
- Ash Wednesday Worship Kits were prepared and distributed to those not able to attend Ash Wednesday Worship. This was well received and a great outreach to our members.
- It's a Girl Thing Event resumed this year. It is an annual Women's Ministry event for women of all ages. We gather to listen to a motivational speaker over lunch and fellowship.
- SSLC Blood Drive was held in June and we met our goal for donations.
- We hosted many special fellowship times as we said goodbye to Pastor Daryl, got to know Pastor Courtney and welcomed Pastor Allison.
- The Sunshine Group meets monthly and continues to reach out to members during eventful times in their lives via cards, calls, visits and prayer.
- Our Women's Ministry continues to graciously provide and serve meals at funerals as needed.
- All Church Reunion was well attended and brought together old and new members and pastors, an amazing presentation on the history of SSLC and so much great conversation!
- Meal Ministry continues to provide meals and connect with members as needed.
- Coffee & Conversation is a joint effort with Adult, High school and Youth Ministry in effort to encourage attendance and help members get to know more about each other through conversation ( & coffee) between worship services.
- An all church mission project involved painting two houses at the Lange Home this year. All of our ministries worked together to accomplish this project.
- Annual Craft & Bake Sale was a success with record attendance and participation.
- The Quilting Ministry continues to make beautiful quilts for our graduating high school seniors and this year made many quilts that were donated to our Veterans through the VA in St. Cloud.
- The Altar Guild prepares communion and maintains our sanctuary for use by God's family.
   In addition they prepare for Lent, Easter, Christmas, Baptism, wedding and funeral services.

I am honored to continue to work in the wonderful environment of SSLC and can't wait to see where God leads us this year.

Dee Punton

## **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer's Report		
	1/1/2022	12/31/2022
ASSETS		
Petty Cash	\$300	\$0
Checking-Frandsen Bank	\$95,355	\$53,787
Money Market –Frandsen Bank	\$77,357	\$126,225
Mission Investment Money Market	\$10,402	\$11,652
Buildings & Grounds	\$1,646,643	\$1,646,643
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,830,058	\$1,838,307
LIABILITIES	0.500.054	<b># 450 000</b>
Mission Investment Fund Mortgage	\$508,074	\$479,299
Accrued Expenses	\$11	\$11
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$508,085	\$479,311
FUND BALANCES		
General Fund	\$175,953	\$159,998
Building Fund	-\$14,683	\$0
Local Benevolence Fund	\$2,654	\$1,055
Net Fixed Assets/Equity Fund	\$1,138,295	\$1,167,069
Jr & Sr High Youth Fund	\$16,775	\$27,221
Mission Scholarship Fund	\$2,460	\$3,460
Altar Guild Fund	\$192	\$192
BackPack Buddies Fund	\$326	\$0
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$1,321,973	\$1,358,997
TOTAL LIABILITES & FUND BALANCES	\$1,830,058	\$1,838,307

### **Noisy Offerings for 2022**

Every fourth Sunday we collect a Noisy Offering (loose coin, bills thrown into a metal pot to make noise) for a specific area of need. With the check that we send, we send a letter with the following statement explaining our donation.

"We are a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. An important part of our mission is following Christ's call to witness to the whole world. Part of our outreach includes receiving a "noisy" offering of coins on the fourth Sunday of every month which is then designated for a mission/outreach beyond the walls of our own church.

Many years ago, our church was lost to a horrible arson fire. In the aftermath of that event, we received a shower of blessings of churches and individuals that helped us regain our ministry. From that day, we determined that generosity, outreach and hospitality would be first priorities for our congregation."

January	Quiet Oaks Hospice house, St. Augusta	\$201.97
February	ELCA Hogs N Kisses	\$130.28
March	C.R.O.S.S. Center, Foley	\$93.66
April	ELCA-Ukraine	\$2,102.69
May	Hillside Hope Through Hooves, Ramsey	\$79.82
June	Christian Aid Ministries, Atwater chapter	\$109.30
July	Ken Jerrick Toledo—Children International sponsor child	\$94.19
August	Foley C.A.R.E.	\$48.69
September	Pockets of Hope, Sartell	\$106.32
October	Operation Christmas Child	\$311.29
November	Eagle's Healing Nest, Sauk Centre	\$310.90
December	Can Do Canines, New Hope	\$160.36























## Women of the ELCA 2022

Balance Forward	01/01/2022	\$6,105.92
Income		
Funeral donations	100.00	
Fall Offerings	\$1,375.00	
Craft & Bake Sale	\$2,931.00	
It's a Girl Thing	\$470.00	
Cookbook	\$5.00	
Total	\$4,881.00	
Available Funds		\$10,986.92
Expenses		
Quilting Supplies	\$821.27	
Gifts & Donations	\$3,200.00	
Craft & Bake Sale supplies	\$787.60	
It's a Girl Thing	\$952.64	
Postage	\$12.00	
Total	\$5,773.51	
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Ending Balance	12/31/2022	\$5,213.41

## **Cemetery Board 2022**

Opening Balance	01/01/2022	\$3,366.57
Deposits		
Interest	\$85.96	
Cemetery lots	\$4,500.00	
Monument marking	\$46.96	
Total	\$4,632.92	\$7,999.49
Expenses		
Youth Mission Trip	\$250.00	
Brush removal-Justin Houle	\$100.00	
Monument marking	\$46.96	
Centra Sota weed spraying	\$50.00	
Total	\$446.96	
Ending Balance	12/31/2022	\$7,552.53

## **2023 Proposed Budget**

	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget
INCOME			_
General Fund Income	\$225,000	\$214,036	\$225,000
Building Fund Income	\$52,852	\$31,900	\$52,860
Other Fund Income	\$6,000	\$9,122	\$11,000
Total Income	\$283,852	\$258,058	\$288,860
EXPENSE			
Total Pastor Expense	\$91,574	\$75,189	\$79,536
Total Salary	\$51,644	\$75,934	\$81,383
Total Payroll Taxes	\$5,537	\$7,343	\$7,749
Total Lay Expense	\$1,250	\$0	\$1,250
Total Music Expense	\$10,485	\$6,985	\$8,535
Total Utility Expense	\$12,964	\$11,173	\$12,159
Total Building Maintenance	\$20,875	\$21,024	\$31,872
Total Administration	\$9,810	\$9,328	\$10,760
Total Youth Expense	\$6,240	\$6,555	\$6,740
Total Education	\$1,401	\$1,400	\$1,540
Total Worship Expense	\$14,810	\$11,103	\$12,017
Total Outreach Expense	\$13,980	\$16,553	\$21,900
Total Loan Expense	\$52,852	\$52,852	\$52,860
Total Expenses	\$293,422	\$295,439	\$328,301
Difference	-\$9,570	-\$37,381	-\$39,441

### **SSLC Statistical Information**

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Young Adults Confirmed	13	10	12	6	17
Baptized	12	15	3	12	15
First Communion	10	23	12	15	12
Member Funerals	5	5	2	4	0
Graduates	12	14	13	10	8
New Members Received	18	8	0	10	15
Transfers Out	13	3	0	0	0
First (Kinder. & 5th grade) Bibles	30	25	0	14	15
Member Weddings	3	1	1	0	0

### **Committees/Groups for 2023**

### All are welcome to be part of any group.

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS** 

David Darsow Denise Fowler Ralph Johnson Mark Swanson Walt Munsterman SHARING MEALS MINISTRY

SW MN SYNOD CONFERENCE

Roberta Bistodeau Dee Punton WOMEN OF SSLC

Nancy Alickson Jeanette Harshman Barb Marsh

Marilyn Humble

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\*\*Delegates Needed

LANGE HOME LIASON—Dee Punton

**CEMETERY BOARD** 

Sexton: Bill Rogers

Treasurer: Jeanette Harshman Members: Rich Alickson

Richard Harshman Sandy Empting Bill Empting Danny Jergenson **LIBRARIAN**—Ruth Thom

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Brad Thom, Mark Swanson

**HISTORIAN**—Holly Klinker

LIBRARY GROUP

Ruth Thom
Denise Fowler
Ann Kooiker
Shelley Peterson
Teresa Zehnder
Jakki Kydd Fidelman

Sheri Haus Jordan Mateyka Kaylee Waters

**BUILDING & GROUNDS** 

Walt Munsterman Rich Alickson Ralph Johnson Bill Rogers David Darsow Mark Bistodeau Les Krei

FUNERAL COORDINATOR
Dee Punton & Church Office

ALTAR GUILD—Paulii Temple

**PRAYER GARDEN**Tammy Miller-Hess

**HEAD USHERS** 

Dani Priebe Ryan Johnson Richard Harshman Rich Alickson Bert Robb

Bert Robb Mark Swanson Danny Jergenson

MONEY COUNTERS

**GRADUATE QUILTERS**Shelly Bluhm

MISSION QUILTERS
Shelly Bluhm

Donna Pozorski

**CHOIR DIRECTOR**—Heidi Lecy

**RELAY FOR LIFE CANCER WALK** 

FAITH CHEST GROUP

David Darsow
Mark Bistodeau
Scott Bursch
Ralph Johnson
Dani Priebe
Denise Fowler
Mark Swanson
Lance Barthel
Mike Punton
Greg Prokott

Ben Leddy

Roger Anderson

Nancy Alickson

Barb Marsh

Mark Swanson

Tammy Miller-Hess

Ralph Johnson

Sarah Rathlisberger

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Dee Punton

Barb Marsh

Marilyn Humble

Lonnie Christopherson

Carla Suckert

Sarah Rathlisberger Carla Sucl Holly Klinker

Lyn Peterson

## **MEMORIES OF 2022**































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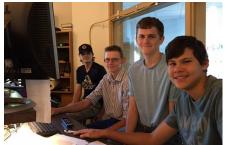
















### Thank you to all those who served this year:

- \*Buster Graning, Scott Ulsby, Mark Bistodeau and all others for snow removal:
- \*Rich Alickson, Jeff Bluhm, Mark Bistodeau, and Ralph Johnson for snow removal;
- \*Jakki Fidelman, Dee Punton, and Stacey Swedahl for donating books to the library, and to all those who placed orders to support the library book fair fundraiser;
- \*Buster Graning, Justin Houle, Jeff Bluhm for snow removal, and all who helped with sidewalk snow removal;
- \*Bill Rogers and Ralph Johnson for assembling the Bible Bucks cabinet;
- \*Rich Alickson, Jeff Bluhm, Ralph Johnson, and Dennis Stang for snow removal:
- \*Rich Alickson, Buster Graning, Justin Houle, Ralph Johnson, and Dennis Stang for snow removal;
- \*To all families who supported our Relay for Life team with cookie tray purchases, they raised \$1,000! Thank you!
- \* Buster Graning, Justin Houle, Mark Bistodeau, David Darsow for snow removal;
- \*Jeff Mateyka, Bert Robb and Mike Peabody for their service on Church Council;
- \*Mark Bistodeau and Justin Houle for snow removal:
- \*Natalie Pozorski for singing with Pastor Daryl;
- \*All who helped with Parents Night Out;
- \*Scott and Becky Bursch for hosting the youth breakfast;
- \*Buster Graning, Jeff Bluhm, Rich Alickson,

Dennis Stang, Ralph Johnson for snow removal;

- \*Karla Zerwas and Kayla du' Monceaux for decorating the bulletin boards;
- \*Dee Punton for organizing and serving Cinnamon Roll Sundays:
- \*All families who donated food and for serving for Ash Wednesday Soup Suppers;
- \*Bill Empting, Ryan Johnson, Richard Harshman, David Zehnder, Buster Graning, Justin Houle, Kristin Forner and Ralph Johnson for snow removal;
- \*Ralph Johnson and Justin Houle for snow removal;
- \*Gary Hammer and Rich Alickson for building maintenance;
- \*Melody and Helen Swanson for leading songs for Lent worship:
- \*Berta & Mark Bistodeau, David Darsow, Dee Punton and Pastor Daryl for assembling the art mural;
- \*Greg Prokott and his employee, Mark Bistodeau, David Darsow, Rich Alickson for hanging the art mural.
- \*All families who donated food and served for Wednesday Lent supper;
- \*Natalie Pozorski and Helen Swanson for leading songs for Lent worship;
- \*Joy Hurd for making labels for the Faith Chests;
- \*All families who donated food and served for Wednesday Chili Cookoff:
- \*All families who donated food and served for Palm Sunday Breakfast with Bill;

- \*All families who purchased cookie trays in support of our Relay for Life team:
- \*All members of the choir for their moving performance of the Cantata:
- \*The Confirmation 9th grade students for packing and hiding eggs for the Easter Egg hunt;
- \*The Faith Chest crew for making 12 chests!;
- \*Rich Alickson, Les Krei, Buster Graning, and Mark Bistodeau for storing the worship hut;
- \*Jennifer Werner for making Easter bookmarks for the Kingdom Kids;
- \*Pastor Daryl and Jennie Thul for bringing pastries for Easter Sunday;
- \*All families who helped with reading, Communion, foot washing and other helpers for Holy Week worship;
- \*Mark Bistodeau for tilling the kids garden;
- \*Dee Punton, Berta Bistodeau, Barb Marsh, and all who helped organize and plan for "It's a Girl Thing":
- \*Karla and Makenna Zerwas for packing all items for
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To all un-named helpers for 2022, thank you for all your faithful service, it is very appreciated!





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#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Sunday at 8 & 10 a.m. Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

#### **Wednesday Youth Activities**

Youth 7- 12th Grade at 6:30 p.m.

Looking forward to a great year in 2023!

We look forward to new opportunities

to step out in faith, service to our

neighbor, and a renewed mission

for the year.