Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church Annual Meeting Agenda
Sunday, January 30, 2022

Call to Order & Approve Electronic Format (Voting in chat for those on digital devices, *6 unmute, *9 raise hand on phones) – Mindy Birk, Council President

Gathering Prayer – Pastor Tari

Minutes of January 2010 Meeting (included in annual report)

Review of Mission Statement *Loved by God, loving others. Fed by God, feeding others.*

How have you felt involved in the ministry at SOV? How have you felt disconnected? How have you reached out to others?

Pastor's Report (included in the Annual Report) – Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey

Council President's Report – (included in the Annual Report) – Mindy Birk

Treasurer's Report – (included in the Annual Report) – Gail Fenumiai

Adoption of Budget

Other Committee Reports (included in the Annual Report):
- Stewardship – Eileen Hosey
- Scholarship – Michelle Weaver
- Worship and Music - Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey
- Fellowship – Mindy Birk
- Property Management – Theresa Ross
- Parish Education – Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey
- Columbarium – Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey
- Social Concerns – Eileen Hosey
- Communications & Social Media – Becky Corson
- Summer Lunch – Hannah Harvey

Family Promise Update (1/9/22-16, 3/27/22-4/3, 8/7/22-8/14, 9/25-10/2, 11/27-12/4)
Coordinators: Eileen Hosey, Becky Corson, and Pastor Tari

Election of Council: Dan Corson, Linda Landvik, Julie Jenkins

Election of Treasurer & Financial Secretary – Gail Fenumiai and Teresa Kissel

Election of Nominating Committee - Gail Fenumiai and Jim Wilson

Synod Assembly Delegates

Announcements

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church Annual Meeting Minutes
Sunday, January 31, 2021

Present: Macey Fredenberg, Lori and Virgil Fredenberg, Meagan Hinton, Eileen Hosey, Helen Mehrkens, Jeff and Julie Jenkins, Amy Witt, Elmer and Nadine Marx, Dan and Becky Corson, Alice Gates, Sue Trivette, Scott Hinton, Michelle Weaver, Cindy Spanyers, Kristin and Bob Wright, Heather, Theresa and Maya Ross, Andrea Peterson, MJ Hinman, Cheryl Jebe, Kristina Abbott, Glenn Mitchell, Linda and Steve Landvik, Xandor Beck, Judy Marshall, Nancy Davis and Dean Rasmussen, Willie Anderson, Marie Kanan, Paul and Philis Beran, Gail Fenumiai, Katherine Andrews, Kirt Stage-Harvey, Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey, Chuck and Corinne Orsborne, Kristin Wright, Jim Wilson, Judy Gustafson, Deb Etheridge, Elfrida Nord, Annette Granger

Mindy Birk called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m. Mindy gave instructions to members on how to participate in this annual meeting over zoom. Attendance was taken over chat and screen shot. Voting will be through chat.

Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey led the gathering prayer.

The minutes from 2020 meeting
Katherine motion to accept minutes as written. Glenn seconded. No discussion. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Review of mission statement
Pastor Tari asked for comments or thoughts on the mission statement. The congregation was asked to memorize the mission statement: “Loved by God, loving others. Fed by God, feeding others.”

App, website, and database introduction
Pastor Tari discussed the various techie sites that were created this year:

- The website is for your computer or phone. It contains information about the church, zoom links, latest news, give button on website, food pantry help. The website contains a link for downloading the app, which is for the phone only. When you click on give, you can create an account. You can give on your credit card or through your bank account. There are fees on the credit card.
- The app is for your phone only and is much like the website.
- The private site contains elvanto in the name –sovlutheran.elvanto.net. This site contains the member directory. Do not share this website. You can edit your profile and the information that you share with the church.
- There is also a site for shoppers of the food pantry. They create a sign-in and they can put inventory in their cart and select what food they want to have.

Pastor's Report - Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey
Please read her report. Pastor Tari's highlights:

- Small groups – zoom groups meet almost every day of the week.
- Pastoral care has been intense. Our community is suffering and there is a great need for mental health care during this pandemic. People are asking deep questions. Do we need other tools?
- Pastor is missing being in person with people.
- Pastor Tari is planning on taking a sabbatical this summer. Pastor Carl will be here for part of the time.

Council President's Report - Mindy Birk
Please read her report.
Despite a difficult year, we have worked together, stayed connected, and continued to serve in various ways with food, clothing, shelter, and providing a Safe Space for School.

Treasurer's Report - Gail Fenumiai
Pastor Tari gave Gail appreciations for all her additional work on Safe Space for Schools. Gail said thank to PT for finding the grant money to fund the Safe Space for Schools. The mortgage will be paid off in 18 months.

Adoption of Budget for 2021
Please review the proposed budget. Budget highlights: proposed budget is in line with other years. Increase in benevolence, PT's compensation with a raise in retirement contribution, Becky's salary. Heat pumps are starting to pay off.
Total proposed spending for 2021 is $200,913.
Katherine made a motion to approve the budget as presented.
Amy Witt seconded the motion.
No discussion.
Budget for 2021 approved without dissent.

Other Committee Reports

Stewardship – Gail Fenumiai
Gail appreciated the funding that members provided for special projects and regular operations.

Scholarship Fund – Jim Wilson
No activity in the scholarship fund during 2020.
Current balance: $3,413.50. Jim suggested that members donate to the fund as a birthday gift.

Worship and Music – Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey
Learning how to worship over Zoom has been interesting. We are now using an Episcopal liturgy. We will soon be moving to a Lenten liturgy. Missouri Smythe has been providing recordings of piano and voice. Not sure how we will transition to live music at this point.

Presentation of In-Person Worship Plan: We are limiting to 20 in person. First come, first served.

Fellowship Committee – Mindy Birk
Fat Follies was the last event of 2020 in February due to the pandemic. This year's Fat Folly event will be in the parking lot on February 16.
Thanks to Karen Owen, Sue Trivette, Kristina Abbott for sending cards for birthdays and other events. Please join up with the Fellowship Committee and have fun with us.

Property Management – Steve Landvik
Thanks to Theresa and Michael Ross, who did a lot of projects around the church. Steve Landvik reported that we hired PDC Engineers to design a fix for the truss problem above the sanctuary. We spent $5000 for this engineering design. The sanctuary will need to be empty to do the work.

Discussion on how to pay for the work:
PT: We need to have a bid with a clear budgeted amount. Can ask for a "do not exceed" bid that does not exceed $5000?
Elmer Marx: We should not postpone this work since it is a safety issue.
Willie Anderson: Suggested $10,000 spending cap.
Alice Gates: How many bids are we seeking?
Elmer Marx: Could our insurance cover this?
Chuck Orsborne: Could you please explain the repair?
PT: Our insurance would not cover this repair.
Steve Landvik: Repair includes cutting holes in ceiling as well as entering the attic space. Repair joints of trusses.
PT: The work is scheduled for mid-February.
Michelle Weaver: Are we looking for bids from multiple companies?
Elmer Marx: This is a safety issue. The trusses are pulling apart. This should be about time and schedule rather than money. A contract that is for time and materials is not uncommon.
Willie made a motion to spend up to $20,000 to repair the trusses.
Gail seconded the motion.
The motion carried.

Columbarium – Eileen Hosey
Eileen presented information about the proposed columbarium. She reviewed the survey data gathered by the committee. The face place was shown.

Parish Education – Amy Witt
Please read the report. Amy: This has been a strange year and people have really stepped up and made education work.

Social Concerns – Becky Corson
Please read the report. Becky appreciates how flexible everyone has been. The food pantry upgrade with software has been great and is something that we can use in the future. The Souper Bowl of Caring challenge this year is bring $1 or a can for each mask you have in your household. Dan has noticed a big uptake in food pantry use in the month of January. 107 orders were filled in January. Food pantry donations, volunteers, and drivers are welcome. There is a food pantry hotline, 500-3588, for those who do not have computer access to the database.

Communications and Social Media – Becky Corson
Please read the report. Appreciations to PT for all her hard work on this new technology.

Summer Lunch - Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey
It was a weird summer, but we figured it all out. We have one more year of federal funding. We were audited by the state this summer.

Family Promise Update
People are staying overnight at Chapel by the Lake. We hope to host overnights in September.

Election of Council
Three nominees: MJ Hinman, Eileen Hosey, Glenn Mitchell
Mindy asked for nominations. None given.
Motion to approve new members given. New members approved unanimously.
Thank you to the Nominating Committee for their work.

Election of Treasurer and Financial Secretary – Gail Fenumiai and Teresa Kissel
Thank you to Gail and Teresa for their hard work.
Motion to approve new members given. Gail and Teresa were approved unanimously.

Election of Nominating Committee
Nominations: Meagan Hinton, Becky Corson, Willie Anderson, Michelle Weaver
Two of these council members will be going off: Mindy, Nadine, Theresa
The four nominations to the nominating committee were approved unanimously.

Synod Assembly Delegates
3-day tele-meeting for the Alaska Synod Assembly, April 23-25, 2021. PT will get more information. Looking for volunteers.

Announcements
Pastor Sue is taking the Wrangell church next month.
Thank you to Mindy for her leadership as Council president.

Adjourning
The meeting was adjourned at 11:42.

Respectfully submitted,
Nadine Marx

Pastor's Report

Psalms 90:12
So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

I turned 50 this year and my husband surprised me with cards from friends affirming what my life has meant in their lives. It's nice to do this at times other than funerals so I greatly appreciated the boost. Some would consider this mid-life, but people rarely live to 100 so I'll just call it another day of life. I appreciate the advice in Psalm 90 where we count every day as precious not as a race to finish a bucket list or make it matter, but as an opportunity to grow a wise heart.

I'm thankful for a sabbatical this year to rest my brain, body, and heart. I hope the time with Karl and Kelly was helpful for the congregation and leadership. It's good in relationships to keep checking in to who we are together and who we are apart. I appreciated being able to return to the changing dynamics of ministry with more energy. We had some great adventures and experiences this year.

Ministry Opportunities:

In Person Activities - Having people physically in worship has been tremendous. I have realized that much of what witnesses to God's grace and love happens between the words and actions of worship. How we adjust to each other's singing and presence is where we learn to grow in community. Church is about learning to love not as an idea but in the flesh. It's not easy doing hybrid, but we are figuring out how to make this a meaningful experience for those physically and virtually present.

Small Groups - Vibrant small groups have long been a goal and we are experiencing that in many ways. We have two small groups who meet weekly led by Chris Wallace and Becky Corson. We also enjoy Holden Evening Prayer on Wednesdays and there was a Bible study on meals in the fall. Book club has been a rich experience. We meet monthly at Forbidden Peak, and it includes several folks who are not "church-goers".

Devotions - Shepherd of the Valley continues to raise up theologians. I appreciate your input in the devotions. We had a series on "Living Faith" where you shared what you believe about God and how you live that out. We'll continue to ask questions and encourage all to be active instead of passive believers.

Life Transitions - We baptized Jacob and Norman Carls into the faith as well as Peyton, Katherine, and McKinley. We also welcomed Heather Robertson, Cheryl Jebe, Bob & Connie Williams, Julie, Jeff and Braden Jenkins, and the Duvall family as new members. Adella Dihle, Shaelynn Newport, Corbin Corson, Elijah Harvey, and Kennedy Love all affirmed their faith. There were no funerals, but we said good-bye to Karen Owen, Nancy Davis and Dean Rasmussen and Kristina Abbott and family as they moved.

Safe Space for Schooling, Summer Lunch and Camp - We continued to run Safe Space for Schooling until school opened in March. This led to $9000 from the congregation filling the gap of funding. The grant for Safe Space covered most of the utilities for the time we hosted. Summer Lunch was more normal this year and we are blessed to have such an amazing leadership team. Both Karl and Kelly mentioned how impressed they were. Camp was also more normal, and it was exciting to see Hannah Harvey, Rosemary Kiessling and Ezrie Anderson lead it.

Relationship with Nigeria - Lisa Wallace worked with Nuwayina to furnish the learning center for community health workers. We are working on a partnership to sponsor youth for school fees in 2022.

Family Promise - I have now worked with Family Promise for over seven years. I run into families we've worked with on a regular basis, and I know this program makes a significant difference to the community. I bring some gifts to the leadership of this program that have been helpful through these formative years, but I know the healthy thing is to start transitioning out. The goal is for me to be out of all financial and leadership roles by June, but it is a slow process.

Learning - I love to learn and I spent some time over sabbatical in a virtual class with Vancouver School of Theology that got my brain working again. I got to discuss theology with Rabbinical Student Max Antman in a Facebook Live event (where I totally messed up the Zoom) but loved the lively conversation. One of the interesting new experiences was coordinating a Faith and Blue event that brought different religious leaders and JPD together to talk about justice. It wasn't groundbreaking but felt like a step.

Challenges -
There are the obvious challenges, but here are some surprises:
Technology is not our enemy and I'm learning how to better use it, but I really needed a break from it. We're now working on a plan for less invasive equipment so we can continue to have virtual worship as well as in person.
I don't want to work on building stuff. I've been incredibly thankful to the property committee for leading much of the work.

Goals for 2022:

Read more and take another class

Work less on stuff that doesn't excite me

Be open to what new ministries may come

Respectfully submitted - Pastor Tari

President's Report 2021
Submitted by Mindy Birk

A couple of years ago, as COVID-19 brought our lives to a halt, our world was turned upside down, and we scrambled to keep out of harm's way and keep ourselves and those around us as safe as possible. At times it felt like life would never be the same.

As I look back at 2021, I see the challenges we faced and the progress we made. We were encouraged as the COVID-19 vaccines rolled out to the public in January. Our hope began to return as we saw the glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel. Restrictions eased up, and we began to make plans that would bring us closer to the normal we remembered.

We tentatively decided to begin safely meeting in-person in limited numbers for Sunday morning service if we were vaccinated and wearing a mask, while also streaming on Zoom for those who were not comfortable with public gatherings yet or unvaccinated.

Pastor Tari was able to take her sabbatical during the summer months of 2021, and during her absence, we were blessed by Karl Hanf in June, and Kelly Marciales in July, as they came to fill in on Sunday mornings.

We held outdoor services and special events around bonfires and at park outdoor shelters, that anyone could safely attend. We had a COVID conscious summer lunch and Day Camp program that safely served a total of 2,025 meals and provided social activities for our neighborhood children. Then, in the fall, provisions were put into place for faith formation classes to be in person for the kids after Sunday morning service, and senior high group to meet in person once a week for planned activities.

We still provided meals and gifts to AWARE families, cooked and served meals at the Glory Hall, provided financial assistance to our dear friends in Nigeria, and provided food to Juneau families in need through our online ordering with the food pantry. We made significant progress on our Columbarium, clearing plans with the city, placing the order, and selling niches.

We are still looking forward to the day when we can have in-person food pantry, and Saturday morning breakfasts, and special occasion brunches and coffee fellowship after Sunday services. We still have our masks, social distancing, and hand sanitizer, but life is slowly returning to some semblance of what it used to be.

I am so grateful to be a part of this church family and know there is no other place Rog and I would rather be. I look forward to 2022, and all the things we can accomplish together as we work to spread the love and hope we have through Christ Jesus to the world around us.

Treasurer's Report 2021

What a year 2021 was in so many ways. SOV was beyond blessed with your continued faithfulness. We ended the year with a**ll** our 2021 expenses paid and carried forward into 2022, $10,921.68 in general fund. There was also a deposit of $13,000 made in December of 2021, which is a pledge for 2022.

In addition to ending the year with no bills and even with the continuing saga of COVID, great things still happened – summer lunch, day camp, safe space for schools, food pantry, AWARE, Glory Hall, Nigeria, and sanctuary truss repair - just to name a few. Member donations, non-member donations and grants contributed to these.

The 2021 other benevolence included items such as donations for projects in Nigeria, ELCA disaster relief, scholarships, Larry Rorem memorial, AWARE and thank you to Pastor Tari. These were paid with a mixture of designated and general funds.

Expenses for world hunger, youth, summer lunch, day camp, trips, columbarium niches were paid strictly with designated funds. Expenses for other benevolence, family promise, telephone/internet, fellowship, camp, safe space for schools, maintenance, oil, water/sewer, electricity, garbage, snow removal/driveway and columbarium were paid for with a mixture of general and designated funds.

Below is the balance of designated funds. $12,233.45 in designated funds will be carried forward into 2022 for items such as altar guild, youth/education, food pantry, building maintenance, oil/snow removal and mom's group (identified with an asterisk).

Designated Funds Balance, 12/31/2021		
Altar Guild	$	510.80*
Youth/Education	$	795.73*
Food pantry	$	5,899.82*
Building/Maintenance	$	2,738.33*
PFD Oil Drive	$	1,906.02*
Camp	$	4,687.46
Pastoral Care	$	25.00
Lunch program	$	12,802.88
Glory Hall	$	1,260.00
Trips	$	17,509.37
Organ	$	24.00
Playground Set	$	320.00
Mom's Group	$	382.75*
AWARE baskets/food	$	124.21
Columbarium Donations	$	8,587.50
Columbarium Niches	$	9,000.00
Christmas Eve	$	59.19
TOTAL	**$**	**66,633.06**

Our mortgage balance is $8,066.71. The loan maturity date is 8/1/2022! Only 7 more months!!

There is $2,818.62 in the sabbatical fund, $2,572.24 in the scholarship fund and $5.07 in the raffle fund.

The 2021 PFD oil drive/heat/snow removal received $1906.02. Please review the electric and oil comparison to see how the heat pump installation.

Thank you for your generous contributions to the ministries and upkeep of SOV.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Fenumiai
Treasurer

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY UTILITY COMPARISION
2019-2021

2019 Electric	Kilowatts	Cost	2020 Electric	Kilowatts	Cost	2021 Electric	Kilowatts	Cost
11/14-12/14/2018	1747	204.74	11/17-12/16/2019	1696	245.14	11/16-12/16/2020	3,247	397.31
12/14/2018-1/14/2019	1848	265.06	12/16/2019-1/15/2020	2930	422.41	12/16/20-1/17/2021	3,908	493.4
1/14-2/13	1699	238.44	1/15-2/16/2020	3,123	448.43	1/17-2/16/2021	4,540	568.61
2/13-3/15	1721	241.48	2/16-3/16/2020	2,375	347.87	2/16-3/17/2021	3,351	427.04
3/15-4/16	1492	226.88	3/16-4/17/2020	2,345	338.33	3/17-4/18/2021	3,031	387.29
4/16-5/16	1259	195.88	4/17-5/18/2020	1,248	193.33	4/18-5/18/2021	2,281	298.38
5/16-6/17	1194	161.34	5/18-6/17/2020	1,393	180.42	5/18-6/19/2021	2,003	219.52
6/17-7/17	1060	145.53	6/17-7/19/2020	1,547	180.14	6/19-7/19/2021	1,653	176.39
7/17-8/19	1333	176.52	7/19-8/18/2020	1,368	162.54	7/19-8/18/2021	1,710	181.51
8/19-9/17	982	139.29	8/18-9/16/2020	951	121.6	8/18-9/19/2021	1,685	179.26
9/17-10/19	1415	178.67	9/16-10/18/2020	2,051	214.26	9/19-10/19/2021	2,060	211.94
10/19-11/17	1492	219.42	10/18-11/16/2020	3,329	406.63	10/19-11/18/2021	2,465	304.59
TOTALS	**17242**	**2393.25**		**24356**	**3261.1**		**31934**	**3845.24**

2019 Oil Fill Up Date	Gallons	Cost	2020 Oil Fill Up Date	Gallons	Cost	2021 Oil Fill Up Date	Gallons	Cost
1/15/2019	435.4	1306.2	1/20/2020	392.9	1198.35	1/17/2021	345.3	783.83
2/15/2019	475.3	1425.9	3/11/2020	486.4	1483.52	2/16/2021	298.2	676.91
3/19/2019	425.6	1319.36	4/21/2020	323.3	898.77	4/2/2021	238.1	693.6
5/8/2019	360.3	1170.98	7/29/2020	123.4	283.82	6/9/2021	228	615.6
8/28/2019	320.9	1001.21	10/19/2020	301.1	677.48	10/19/2021	311.3	927.67
10/23/2019	292.9	878.7	12/3/2020	325.5	722.61	12/1/2021	347.2	1069.38
12/10/2019	545.6	1636.8						
TOTALS	**2856**	**8739.15**		**1952.6**	**5264.55**		**1768.1**	**4766.99**

12/13/2021

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
2021 Budget Actuals Thru 12-31-2021 and Proposed 2022 Budget

Income	2019 Actuals	2020 Actuals	2021 Proposed	2021 Actuals		2022 Proposed
General Fund Carry Forward	$ 5,630.30	$ 11,735.94	$ 17,072.08	$ 17,072.08		$ 23,921.68
General Offering	$ 172,249.27	$ 185,186.37	$ 154,991.27	$ 195,912.76		$ 170,939.87
Designated Funds Carry Fwd	$ 6,724.03	$ 6,944.47	$ 19,449.65	$ 19,449.65		$ 12,233.45
Sunday School	$ 226.90	$ 3.00	$ -	$ -		
Other	$ 947.91	$ 1,668.49	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,022.05		$ 1,000.00
Designated Offerings	$ 135,890.27	$ 230,935.07	$ -	$ 109,482.27		
World Hunger	$ 491.41	$ 302.10	$ -	$ 796.88		
User Fees	$ 6,150.00	$ 4,030.00	$ 6,000.00	$ 5,850.00		$ 6,000.00
Building Fund	$ 5,200.00	$ 6,200.00	$ 1,200.00	$ 3,352.63		$ 1,200.00
PFD/Winter Heat	$ 1,110.66	$ 410.00	$ -	$ 1,906.02		
Newsletter Adoption	$ 300.00	$ 852.00	$ 1,200.00	$ 601.00		$ 1,200.00
Total Income	**$ 334,920.75**	**$ 448,267.44**	**$ 200,913.00**	**$ 355,445.34**		**$ 216,495.00**
EXPENSES						
ELCA Benevolence	$ 15,555.00	$ 15,855.00	$ 16,100.00	$ 16,100.04		$ 17,100.00
Lutheran Magazine	$ 609.96	$ 618.93	$ 650.00	$ 592.61		$ 650.00
TEAM	$ 500.00	$ 500.00	$ 500.00	$ 500.00		$ 500.00
Total Benevolence	**$ 16,664.96**	**$ 16,973.93**	**$ 17,250.00**	**$ 17,192.65**		**$ 18,250.00**
World Hunger*	$ 652.31	$ 669.01	$ -	$ 1,024.88	D	$ -
Other Benevolence*	$ 1,066.00	$ 3,535.12	$ -	$ 13,792.70	M	$ -
Family Promise	$ 1,408.92	$ 3,939.94	$ 500.00	$ 2,720.70	M	$ 500.00
Total Designated Benevolence	**$ 3,127.23**	**$ 8,144.07**	**$ 500.00**	**$ 17,538.28**		**$ 500.00**
Salary	$ 28,000.00	$ 28,000.00	$ 28,000.00	$ 28,000.00		$ 28,000.00
Pension/FSA	$ 13,433.74	$ 13,701.32	$ 15,667.00	$ 15,915.23		$ 17,000.00
Housing Allowance	$ 37,500.06	$ 37,500.03	$ 37,500.00	$ 37,500.00		$ 37,500.00
Supply Pastor	$ -	$ -	$ 500.00	$ 125.00		$ 500.00
Pastoral Outreach	$ -	$ 44.41	$ 500.00	$ 64.60		$ 500.00
Loan						$ 15,000.00
Total Pastoral Ministry	**$ 78,933.80**	**$ 79,245.76**	**$ 82,167.00**	**$ 81,604.83**		**$ 98,500.00**
Continuing Education	$ 1,200.00	$ 974.04	$ 2,000.00	$ 931.26		$ 2,000.00
Sabbatical	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00		$ 2,000.00
Meeting Expenses	$ 200.00	$ 75.00	$ 200.00	$ -		$ 200.00
Pastoral Travel - Mtgs/Cont. Ed	$ 993.76	$ -	$ 1,000.00	$ -		$ 1,000.00
Conventions/Meetings - Lay	$ 2,232.40	$ -	$ 2,000.00	$ -		$ 2,000.00
Secretary Wages/Benefits	$ 7,253.19	$ 7,181.15	$ 11,856.00	$ 10,328.18		$ 15,000.00
FICA - Secretary/Janitor	$ 1,721.01	$ 1,455.20	$ 1,700.00	$ 1,335.14		$ 1,400.00
Office Supplies	$ 1,105.45	$ 1,618.93	$ 1,500.00	$ 3,033.46		$ 2,800.00
Postage	$ 1,325.70	$ 1,298.50	$ 1,300.00	$ 1,552.80		$ 1,400.00
Telephone/Internet	$ 1,860.78	$ 3,035.23	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,274.38	M	$ 3,000.00
Office Mach. Repair	$ 856.88	$ 856.88	$ 857.00	$ 856.88		$ 857.00
Office Equipment	$ -	$ 2,012.47	$ 1,000.00	$ -		$ 1,000.00
Total Parish Admin.	**$ 20,749.17**	**$ 20,507.40**	**$ 28,413.00**	**$ 23,312.10**		**$ 32,657.00**
Supplies	$ 2,191.48	$ 3,277.02	$ 2,500.00	$ 4,664.67		$ 2,500.00
Organist	$ 2,375.00	$ 3,200.00	$ 2,600.00	$ 3,300.00		$ 3,000.00

1/10/2022

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
2021 Budget Actuals Thru 12-31-2021 and Proposed 2022 Budget

Choir	$ 350.00	$ -	$ 1,000.00	$ 300.00		$ 1,000.00
Total Worship Supplies	**$ 4,916.48**	**$ 6,477.02**	**$ 6,100.00**	**$ 8,264.67**		**$ 6,500.00**
Fellowship**	$ 353.57	$ 67.56	$ 300.00	$ 458.97	M	$ 300.00
Evangelism/Publicity	$ 597.00	$ 570.00	$ 600.00	$ 492.92		$ 600.00
SundaySchool/Adult Ed.**	$ 799.29	$ 457.95	$ 600.00	$ 458.99		$ 600.00
Youth Group	$ 1,352.83	$ 112.45	$ 500.00	$ 341.18	D	$ 500.00
Stewardship**	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -		$ -
Social Concerns**	$ 97.75	$ -	$ -	$ -		$ -
Glacier Bible Camp	$ 4,766.45	$ 3,151.71	$ 500.00	$ 2,559.01	M	$ 500.00
Website Support	$ -	$ -	$ 300.00	$ -		$ 300.00
Summer Lunch Program	$ 19,418.10	$ 24,026.49	$ -	$ 19,062.68	D	$ -
Day Camp	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 8,768.92	D	$ -
Trips	$ 56,825.22	$ 2,675.30	$ -	$ 4,165.97	D	$ -
Food Pantry	$ 3,550.80	$ 26,612.17	$ 4,500.00	$ 7,241.88	D	$ 4,500.00
SSS		$ 128,974.64	$ -	$ 19,039.51	M	$ -
Total Program Support	**$ 87,761.01**	**$ 186,648.27**	**$ 7,300.00**	**$ 62,590.03**		**$ 7,300.00**
Mortgage	$ 28,460.93	$ 23,682.96	$ 23,683.00	$ 23,682.96		$ 15,788.00
Maintenance**	$ 4,319.68	$ 13,765.41	$ 5,000.00	$ 29,565.49	M	$ 5,000.00
Energy Efficiency Projects	$ 35,178.33	$ 11,931.76	$ -	$ -		$ -
Roofing/Stain	$ 37,418.28	$ -	$ -	$ -		$ -
Janitor	$ 457.17	$ 2,152.02	$ 2,500.00	$ 1,173.12		$ 2,500.00
Oil	$ 8,608.05	$ 6,901.35	$ 8,000.00	$ 4,766.99	M	$ 6,500.00
Water/Sewer	$ 1,506.94	$ 1,598.97	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,387.40	M	$ 1,500.00
Electricity	$ 2,411.69	$ 3,658.41	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,447.93	M	$ 3,400.00
Garbage	$ 2,070.38	$ 2,094.00	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,104.61	M	$ 2,100.00
Snow Removal/Driveway	$ 7,147.50	$ 6,897.50	$ 7,000.00	$ 4,625.00	M	$ 7,000.00
Insurance	$ 6,519.50	$ 9,833.00	$ 6,500.00	$ 9,026.00		$ 9,000.00
Columbarium	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 8,062.50	M	$ -
Columbarium Niches	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 18.70	D	$ -
Total Center for Ministry	**$ 134,098.45**	**$ 82,515.38**	**$ 59,183.00**	**$ 87,860.70**		**$ 52,788.00**
Total Expenses	**$ 346,251.10**	**$ 400,511.83**	**$ 200,913.00**	**$ 298,363.26**		**$ 216,495.00**
General Fund balance	**$ 23,921.68**	NOTE: This includes a $13,000 pledge deposited in 2021 to be used for calendar year 2022.				
(non obligated funds+carry forward)						
Designated Fund CF	**$ 12,233.45**					
Remaining Des. Fund	**$ 54,399.61**					
TOTAL Des. Fund Balance	**$ 66,633.06**					
***D indicates expenses paid for with designated funds.**						
***M indicates expenses paid for with general and designated funds.**						
**** Does not include the significant out of pocket expenses paid by members for Glory Hall,**						
food pantry and repairs.						

1/10/2022

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
2021 Stewardship Committee

"I slept and I dreamed that life is all joy. I woke and I saw that life is all service. I served and I saw that service is joy."
Kahlil Gibran

Our stewardship is not all about money, but a way of deciding how one lives their life. Through our stewardship we support and serve those causes dear to our hearts and our mission.

How we chose to serve differs greatly but why we serve gives a glimpse into our congregation's commitment to continue many wonderful ministries.

Here are the many areas in which we support and serve through our ministry at Shepherd of the Valley:

Glory Hall meals – dinner for 60 to 70 people, served with love and compassion.
Summer Lunch – outreach to many kids every day during the week. Food and laughter.
Food Pantry – a lifeline against food insecurity for so many.
Worship and Music – sound systems, Zoom, beautiful hymns, piano accompaniment!
Safe Space for Schoolkids – outreach and internet – a great combination.
Building maintenance – keeping our building beautiful and functional.
Family Promise – helping families find a home, what could be better!
AWARE gifts and food – outreach to those vulnerable and hurting who know we care.
Glacier Bible Camp – getting together with nature and so much fun.
Faith Formation – hearing, discussing, and living the Word. Available to all of us.

The commitment of time and treasure was not dampened during this second Covid year.
For 2021, the general offerings were $195,912.67, with designated offerings of $109,482.27 for the programs outlined above.

Many of you have transitioned to Tithely, which is easy and convenient. Please feel free to contact Theresa Kissel if you would like more information or if you would like to move to this form of regular giving. Thank you for your dedicated giving and support.

Another form of giving to consider is Legacy Giving. Your life is a light in this world. With a planned gift in place you can continue to support the ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Are you ready to leave your Legacy for future generations? This is a wonderful opportunity for you to leave a gift to the church or other non-profit so that continued support of a mission you value can occur. You can talk to Pastor Tari or Gail Fenumiai for details.
Eileen Hosey
Council Representative

SOV Scholarship Fund
Submitted by Michelle Weaver

Thank you to Erin Wallace and Braden Jenkins for their applications for the SOV Scholarship for Christian Service. Both wrote thoughtful reflections on how they will serve Christ and the scholarship committee decided to award them both a $500 scholarship (for one year we had zero applications). Thank you to Dean Rasmussen and Joy Will for serving with me on the committee.

The scholarship is offered annually and any post-high school student, involved in their congregation, and continuing their education with a vision of Christian service, is eligible to apply. Donations may be made to the scholarship fund on-line or with a check designated for "scholarship" in the memo.

The current balance is $2572.24 invested in an ELCA Mission Investment Fund.

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Music and Worship

The choir made me cry on Christmas Eve. Missouri Smyth has been an incredible gift to us this year as she transitioned from recording music to being in person and then directing choir. She was so good at figuring out how to blend voices and find a place for everyone. Music teaches us so much about how to be a community.

We're still figuring out how to worship together safely, but it's so good to see people in person. We added a 10:45 am worship for young people that has been beautiful. I forgot how much I missed little ones. We have a parade, read scripture, and then do an activity. This takes about 45 minutes. Hopefully the time is coming soon when we can mix the generations again.

We got to gather around the bonfire for Easter and that was a highlight. The Christmas Eve bonfire was cold and windy, but definitely a new tradition. Wednesday evening Holden Evening Prayer has been a delightful way to gather and better attended than when we did it in person.

Thank you to those who have served as worship servants, to Bob Williams for all the great children's sermons, and to the altar guild (Katherine Andrews, Alice Gates, Kristin Wright, and Roger and Mindy Birk) for continuing to maintain the church. More volunteers are always helpful.

Respectfully submitted - Pastor Tari

Fellowship 2021

2021 started out with the promise of receding COVID-19, and vaccinations. We all had high hopes life would return to normal.

One of the main services the Fellowship Committee provided until COVID hit was working together to organize the coffee/snack time each Sunday morning between services. Other occasions we plan for each year are Fat Follies pancake extravaganza, Easter Sunrise Breakfast, Father's Day Breakfast, and Graduation celebration brunch. We have also catered weddings, baby showers, and memorial services when asked.

Fat Follies was the only fellowship activity that was canceled due to icy weather. We had planned to celebrate in the church parking lot in February of 2021 with bonfires and s'mores.

In March, we held a going away party for Karen Owen at the Lena Beach large shelter. It was so windy and freezing cold (the icing on the cake froze), but we managed to huddle around the fires, cook some hamburgers, eat some frozen cake, and enjoy Karen's company one last time.

May brought the Mother's Day brunch at Auke Rec Shelter. A huge thank you to the men of SOV, especially Scott Ranger for providing food and charcoal.

Father's Day we celebrated with grilled brats and root beer floats under the tent in the parking lot. Fun was had by all, as we honored our father's and father figures and ate brats and all the other good food that was provided by our church family.

The 4th of July again brought out the fire pit and s'mores after Sunday service.

In December, the Fellowship committee planned the bake exchange which resulted in 12 participants exchanging breads, cupcakes, cookies, and other yummy sweets and treats.

Sue Trivette continued to send out birthday and sympathy cards to members of the congregation on behalf of SOV. A huge thank you to Sue for spearheading that project. It is very much appreciated!

A big thank you to Sue Trivette, Alice Gates, MJ Hinman, Sharon Mitchell, Katherine Andrews, and Mindy Birk for being willing to serve on the 2021 fellowship committee.

Stay tuned for possible 2022 fun fellowship activities, as well as possible committee meeting dates and times. Both men and women are welcome, and we are always looking for new faces and fresh ideas. If you love food and/or party planning, and are trying to find a place to join in at SOV, this committee might just be the opportunity you've been looking for.

Respectfully submitted by Mindy Birk

Property Management Committee Report

We have been able to meet regularly which has been nice. We have a few small concerns that we are addressing in the church building. We would like to replace faucets in the bathrooms and add a railing for easier access to the pulpit area.

We are also in the process (electricians wait list) of addressing our exterior lighting. When we had the new parking lot lights installed it caused the exterior building lighting to become inoperable. The electrician believes this is an easy fix and will address it when he is able. He does have fixtures in stock but is backlogged with work.

We have acquired a shed through a donation, Thank you Tventen Construction. The shed has been placed off the corner of the building along Loop Road. This spring we are planning on constructing a ramp to access it and then remove the old shed.

Thank you to Lori Sexton and Kennedy Love for their work as SOV custodians. We are also thankful for the volunteer time contributed by Jon Gates on Wednesdays. He vacuums the church on Wednesdays.

Hired Specialty Renovations to shovel off the sanctuary roof. Concerned about the weight of the snow when water is added.

The following are more long-term projects with short narratives as to where we are at. Thank you, Steve Landvik, for the updates.

Land Swap- John Bean, the surveyor has completed drawings to be included in the engineer's submission for the CBJ conditional use permit.

Lowpete is currently the landowner. He is required to sign on the CBJ permit. He had been traveling and is back in town now. He will be selling home at the end of the month. He has volunteered to draft an agreement that goes with the sale of the home the homeowner will sign as well all and Lowpete. This agreement will need to be in place before the home closes. Now that he is back in town, I will continue to push Lowpete along.

Thank you,

Theresa Ross

Property Management Committee

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY DRIVEWAY RELOCATION

JUNEAU, AK

PREPARED FOR:

SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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PROJECT LOCATION MAP
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SHEET INDEX

SHEET NO.	DESCRIPTION
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2	SITE PLAN OVERVIEW
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4	DRIVEWAY ABANDONMENT PLAN

GENERAL NOTES

1. CALL 586-1333 BEFORE YOU DIG FOR UNDERGROUND POWER, TELEPHONE AND CABLE. CALL 811 ALASKA DIGLINE BEFORE YOU DIG FOR UNDERGROUND ACS & GCI. LOCATIONS AND ELEVATION OF EXISTING UNDERGROUND WATER, SEWER, POWER, TELEPHONE AND CABLE TELEVISION SHOWN ON THE PLANS WERE DERIVED FROM CBJ AS-BUILTS AND FIELD LOCATES. THE ACTUAL LOCATION OF UTILITIES MAY VARY FROM THOSE SHOWN.
2. THE ESTIMATED TOTAL AREA OF DISTURBANCE RESULTING FROM THESE IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE LESS THAN 1 ACRE.
3. FINISHED GRADE AND ALIGNMENT ARE SUBJECT TO MINOR REVISIONS BY THE ENGINEER.
4. PROPERTY LINE LOCATIONS USED IN THESE PLANS ARE DERIVED FROM RECORD PLATS AND DO NOT REPRESENT BOUNDARY SURVEY.
5. CONTRACTOR SHALL REFERENCE ALL EXISTING PROPERTY CORNER MONUMENTS (I.E. BRASS CAP MONUMENTS, REBARS, CONCRETE NAILS, CHISELED X'S) PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION AND REMONUMENT AFTER SURFACING IS REPLACED. EXISTING SURVEY MONUMENTS MAY NOT BE SHOWN ON THE DRAWINGS. ALL WORK SHALL BE DONE BY, OR UNDER THE DIRECTION OF, AN ALASKA REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR.
6. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOT STORE MATERIALS OR EQUIPMENT, OR OPERATE EQUIPMENT WITH ITS TRACKS OR WHEELS PLACED ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, WITHOUT THE WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE PROPERTY OWNER.
7. ALL ITEMS DESIGNATED TO BE REMOVED SHALL BE DISPOSED OF OFF-SITE BY THE CONTRACTOR/APPLICANT.
8. A GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION WAS NOT PERFORMED AS PART OF THIS DESIGN. GROUNDWATER, LARGER BOULDERS, BEDROCK, STUMPS, LOGS AND ORGANICS MAY BE ENCOUNTERED AT VARIOUS DEPTHS DURING CONSTRUCTION.

ABBREVIATIONS

CB	CATCH BASIN
BD	BOTTOM OF DITCH
CONC	CONCRETE
CBJ	CITY & BOROUGH OF JUNEAU
EL	ELEVATION
EX	EXISTING
FG	FINISHED GRADE
INV	INVERT
LT	LEFT
MTE	MATCH TO EXISTING
NTS	NOT TO SCALE
PVC	POLYVINYL CHLORIDE PIPE
RT	RIGHT
ROW	RIGHT-OF-WAY
STA	STATION
STD	STANDARD
TG	TOP OF GRAVEL
TYP	TYPICAL

LEGEND

DESCRIPTION	EXISTING	REMOVE	PROPOSED
ASPHALT	EDGE OF ASPHALT		
BUILDING			
CONCRETE			
CURB & GUTTER			
DITCH			
GRAVEL			
LIGHT POLE			
PROPERTY LINE/EASEMENT			
SAWCUT & MTE LIMITS			
STORM DRAIN CATCH BASIN			
STORM DRAIN PIPE			
UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC			

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COVER SHEET

SHEET NUMBER 1 OF 4

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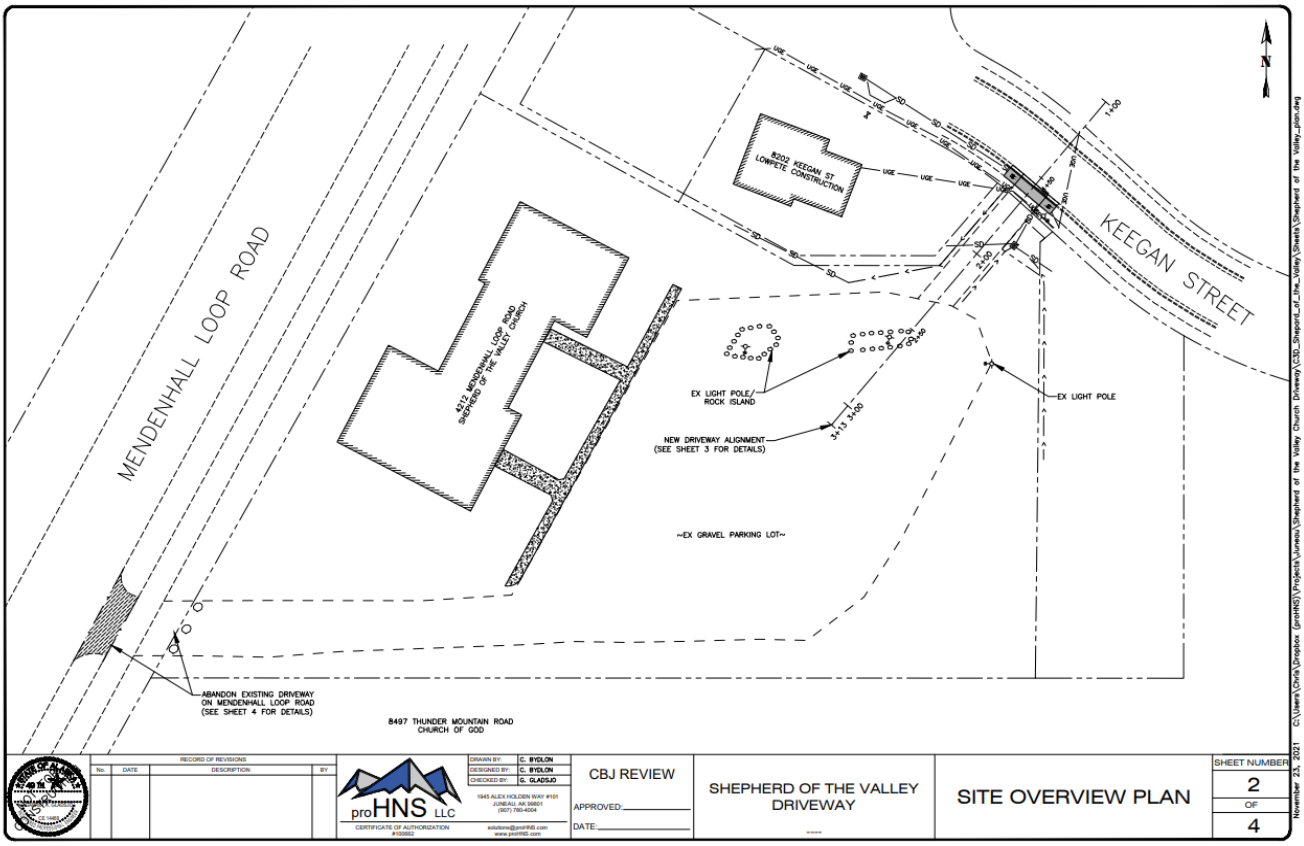

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SITE OVERVIEW PLAN

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Parish Education

There are over twelve volunteers who help with parish education in a normal year. This has not been a normal year, but we have figured out ways to keep growing.

The middle schoolers and high schoolers have tried to be in person throughout the year. A big thank you to Glenn Mitchell and Mark Kiessling for making that possible. One of the highlights was getting to do the Ropes Course and an overnighter with the Senior High and middle schoolers. This was a great chance to bond and encourage each other after a long time of not seeing one another.

The younger ones meet with Pastor Tari at 10:45 on Sundays. There are lots of gaps and we will continue to struggle to keep kids involved, but we are blessed with a great group of youth.

One of the surprises with Zoom was the opportunity to gather post-high youth together. They get together once a month to check-in.

There was a Bible study on meals in the Bible and a new in person study will begin in January on forgiveness.

Thank you to Virgil and Lori Fredenberg for getting a Thrivent grant to help with the Advent activities and to Eileen Hosey for leading the Zoom study during Advent.

Columbarium

Thank you to the columbarium committee for their hard work (Glenn & Sharon Mitchell; Julie, Chuck & Craig Orsborn; Elfrida Nord; Steve Landvik; Katherine Andrews; and Eileen Hosey).

The columbarium has been ordered and seven companion niches and two single niches have been sold. We donated a niche for Pastor Larry and Laura Rorem.

The order form and policies are attached to this report. Niches will remain at $1250 (companion) and $750 (single) until February 1 when we will open orders to Resurrection Lutheran congregation and raise the price to $1500 for companion and $1000 for single.

The budget is as follows:

Expenses:
Columbarium from Armento $16,000 + $4000 shipping (paid $8062.50 - remaining $12,000)

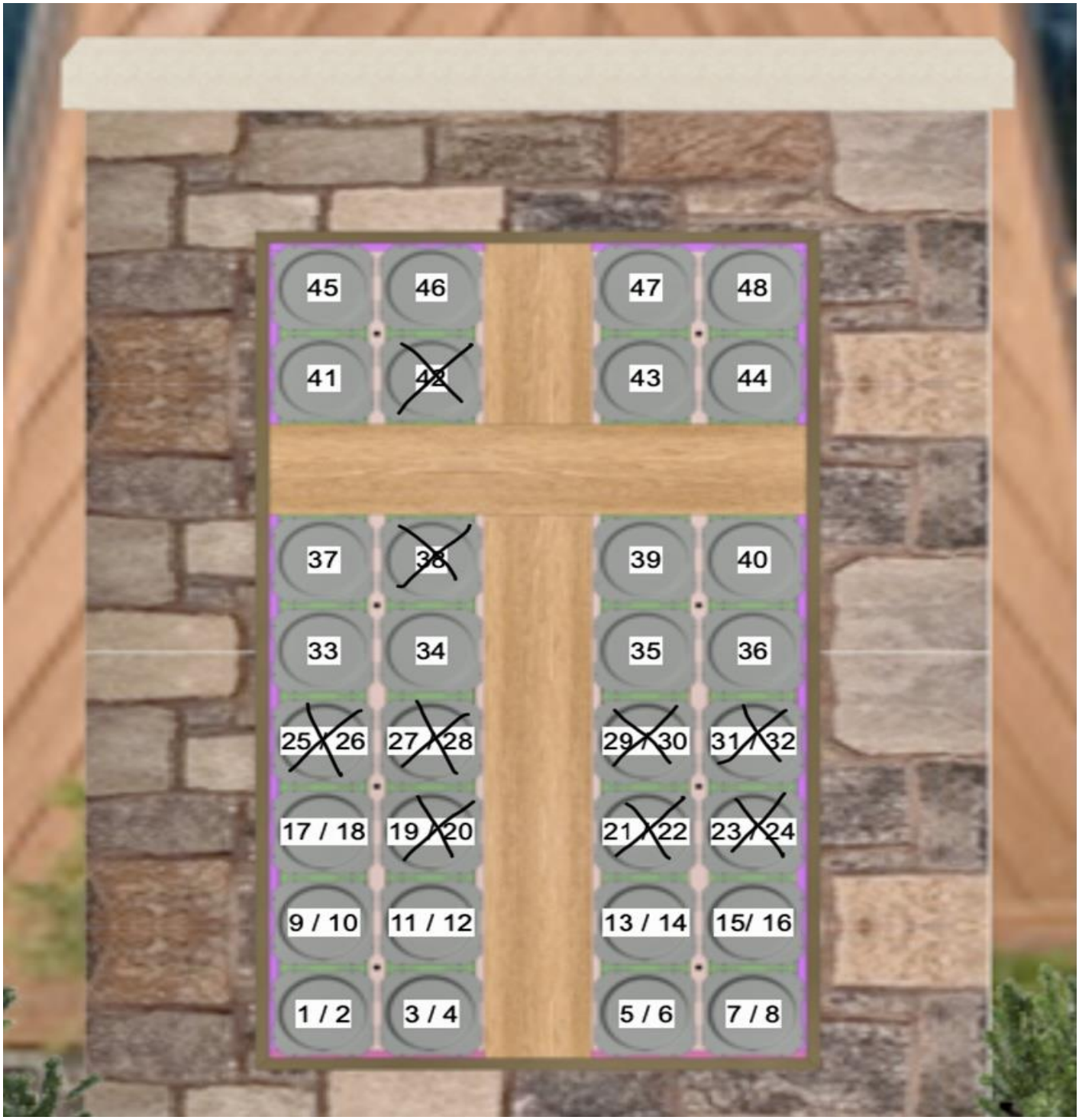
Site Work	$10,000
Total:	$30,000

Income:

Loan from SOV	$8000
Donations	$8525
Purchases	$9000 (+$1250 for Rorem deducted from loan)

The columbarium committee would like to request a $5000 donation from the congregation (this amount removed from loan). The columbarium would still owe the congregation $1750 and need $4475 more in donations or sales to break even. The shipping and site work are estimates.

Columbarium Reservation Chart



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Pastor Tari Stage-Harvey
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COLUMBARIUM AGREEMENT FORM

Date:_____

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____City _____, State _____

Zip_____ Phone: _____E-Mail _____

Next of Kin: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail _____

Names of those to be interred is a separate form

I, the above named APPLICANT(S), do hereby tender payment in full for the reservation of:

_____ Single Niche Spaces ($750) or

_____ Companion Niche Spaces ($1250)

I have received and have read the Policies of the Columbarium of Shepherd of the Valley. In consideration of the review and acceptance of my APPLICATION by the Columbarium Committee of *Shepherd of the Valley*, I agree to abide by all the aforesaid policies as the same exist now and as they may be amended from time to time.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____

Requested location in COLUMBARIUM (See attached): _____

Shepherd of the Valley seeks to keep the columbarium an affordable option. Most niches in town are $2500+. Donations are appreciated to help with the site work, regular maintenance and financial aid.

Donation amount: _____ Payment for niches: _____

Enclosed check made payable to and mail to:

SOV (Columbarium in memo)
PO Box 34859
Juneau, AK 99803

NICHE NUMBER ASSIGNED_____ (Office Use)

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
2021 Social Concerns Committee

We all have concerns about our fellow travelers on this planet, and here at Shepherd of the Valley we have an active and vital partnership of support and involvement in several programs.

Food Pantry:
We have reorganized and smoothed out the automated twice-weekly grocery ordering system this past year and it has proven to be successful and handy. We do miss the one-on-one camaraderie of the past but are reassured that we have been able to meet the needs of many families during these difficult times.

Numbers really show some surprising facts: for instance, we collected and distributed 1,322 orders between November 2020 and December 2021, serving a total of 1,126 people. The use of the Smart Choice software program made it convenient for people to choose from our inventory what types and quantities of food for themselves and their families.

As an added service, we can offer limited food delivery in the valley up to the Lemon Creek area for those without transportation or who are homebound.

The new sign-up system for baggers and delivery people seems to be working nicely and has resulted in less stress about who will be manning the fort on Wednesday afternoons or Saturday morning. Thank you to our many volunteers, and thank you to Becky Corson for scheduling the volunteers using this terrific e-mail system.

Safe Space for Schooling:
This provides a welcome environment for children to complete their schoolwork and have access to the internet in conjunction with their studies. We also were able to provide support for home schoolers in IDEA and Home Bridge.

Family Promise of Juneau:
We continue to strongly support this program to find permanent housing for families. Many volunteers helped provide financial support, meals, and shelter. When families find permanent housing not only are they blessed, but our community benefits as well.

AWARE:
Lots of folks plucked feathers from the paper turkey again this year and we were able to provide full and generous Thanksgiving boxes to several families at AWARE so they could join in the annual day of Thanksgiving.

Glory Hall:
Our monthly delicious meal at the Glory Hall continued in 2021 and we were able to begin cooking at the new Shelter. Many thanks to Roger and Mindy Birk for their dedicated leadership with this service.

World Hunger:
In early December we launched an online art auction of donated items, and the profits were sent to ELCA World Hunger. I believe about $600.00 was collected. Again, our many thanks to our intrepid Becky Corson for all her work and coordination of this, and thanks to all folks who donated such lovely items.

As we enter 2022, our commitment to these issues and causes remains strong. We are planning to have an event for Nigerian schoolchildren during Lent and the high school youth are working on putting things together. We will have more information forthcoming.

It's said that many hands make light work and that is certainly the case with our Social Concerns outreach and service to the community and world. We welcome your ideas and comments as we move into the New Year, and we're always interested to hear of any concerns and causes that become aware to you. So many of you have stepped up and reached out a hand of friendship and service to those in need.

Eileen Hosey
Council Representative

Shepherd of the Valley 2021 - Communications and Social Media

Our use of technology to stay connected is a necessity and is a blessing!

Tithely/Elvanto Platform – Giving, Data Base, Website, and App

We have improved our use of this new platform by leaps and bounds over the past year. Through this platform we coordinate giving, our data base, the website, and the app. Pastor Tari almost has the new data base exactly where she wants it to be. Having the church data base updated on a regular basis has proven to be very useful in keeping us better connected. We use it for all our mail correspondence, as well as for our regular emails and to schedule our pantry and worship servant volunteers. It's also useful for keeping track of everyone who participates in summer lunch. Everyone is encouraged to set up their own account with Tithely, so you can access the online directory and keep your own information updated (addresses, phone numbers, etc.) We also hope you have used the website www.sovlutheran.org and loaded the app on to your mobile device.

Website

We do our best to keep the website updated. It's the best place to go to find Zoom links and information about events, as well as SOV news. www.sovlutheran.org

App

If you don't yet have the app on your mobile devices, please consider loading it on them. Look for "Church App - Tithe.ly" in your devices' app store. Once you have it loaded, when directed to do so, you search for Shepherd of the Valley and set up a free account.

Church Email

We continue sending one or two emails from the church office each week. The number of emails sent each week is dependent on how much we have going on at church at the time, but we try not to send more than two.

These emails include general announcements, both from within SOV and some from the Juneau community. If you would like an announcement included in an SOV email, feel free to send it to the church office at sov@alaska.net.

We do our best not to fill up your email inboxes. Pastor Tari does send specific emails on an occasional basis about topics and events at church.

Church Email Addresses

The preferred church office email address is sovjuneau@gmail.com. Our long-time address sov@alaska.net is still functional, but we will soon discontinue use of that address.

Instagram

SOV has an Instagram account to make it easier to share photos and messages with our youth.

Zoom

Many of us quickly went from never even hearing of Zoom to practically becoming experts at it. We find it to be a valuable tool for worship and small groups.

Facebook

Pastor Tari and Becky use Facebook as a tool to share church events and other relevant information with SOV's Facebook friends. It's a good way to reach folks who may not be on our email list and/or folks who are on our email list but use Facebook as their primary method of "social" communication. We also post photos of church events on the Facebook page.

If you have not "liked" SOV on Facebook, please do so. From your Facebook page just search for "Shepherd of the Valley Juneau." Our profile photo is of the church.

Click share. To help us further spread the word about SOV events and reach more people, when you receive an SOV post on your news feed, simply click "share" to share the post with your friends too.

Other local Lutheran Facebook pages to "like" include:
SE Alaska Cluster ELCA
Alaska Synod

The Shepherd's Voice – Our Monthly Newsletter

Thank you to Lewis and Alice Gates for getting our monthly newsletter in the mail; to Pastor Tari for providing content to Becky; and to Becky for being the editor.

If your address changes, you want to be on the mailing list, or taken off the mailing list for the newsletter – please let us know in the church office.

The newsletter is available on our website too, if you'd like to read it online.

Blessings,
Becky Corson
SOV Office Manger

Summer Lunch 2021

This summer we served 2206 meals to 161 different youth with 19 staff members and 20+ volunteers. It was a fabulous summer.

It was also the year of trying new things!

I think our biggest challenge (and gift) this year was moving everything online that we had previously been doing on paper and using the Elvanto system and our trusty iPads. There was a learning curve, but when we got everything worked out, we were able to streamline the process of registering and checking kids into the program and the database automatically created comprehensive data summaries which ended up being super helpful.

This year we also tried out a new Day Camp program for a smaller number of kids with more focused activities. With the resources we were able to utilize thanks to a generous grant, we led the kids in a variety of neat activities that we would not have been able to do through summer lunch. A highlight (and special challenge) was busing the kids out to Eagle Beach to set off the rockets they built. Often, the kids that joined us for day camp were those who needed a little bit of extra stimulation and attention they weren't getting from summer lunch but that we were able to provide in a smaller group. Now that we have a feel for what we can do with Day Camp, I think it's a program that holds a lot of potential and value for the future.

For me, an overall highlight was participating in the forum on community food insecurity with various local and organizational leaders. It was interesting to connect the work we do at summer lunch to the larger state and federal programs related to child food insecurity. As always, I loved getting to know all the kids and learning all their names and unique personalities. Stepping into more of a supervisory position this year was a valuable experience for me, even with all the challenges that naturally came with it. Also, a huge thanks to everyone who helped with summer lunch this year, we appreciate all your hard work!

Hannah Harvey