



# Vang Lutheran Church

## Annual Report 2021

Sunday, February 6th

# Vang Lutheran Church Annual Meeting

## February 6, 2022

### Agenda

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Call to Order

Jim Swiggum, Council President

Opening Prayer

Pastor Paul Graham

2021 Annual Meeting Minutes

Nicole Monroe

President's Report

Jim Sviggum

Pastor's Report

Pastor Paul Graham

SEMN Synod Report

Bishop Regina Hassanally

WELCA Treasure's Report

Kari Flom, WELCA Treasure

Care Team Report

Creation Care Team Report

Jennifer Eggum

Family Ministry Report

Amanda Flom

Sunday School Treasurer Report

David Wood

Intern Report

Intern Al Aarke

Stewardship Team Report

Brian Koester

Lutefisk Report

Pam Enfield

Growing Connections Garden Report

Larry Enfield

Financial Secretary Report

Jen Eggum

Treasure's Report

Paul Ramig

Joint Treasure's Report

Betsy Messner

2022 Readers, Greeters and Acolytes

Building Committee Report

Rene Koester

Cemetery Memorials/Account

Clyde Eggum

Nominating Committee

Clyde Eggum

Synod Assembly Delegates

Old Business:

New Business:

Adjournment

The Lord's Prayer

The Vang Church 2020 Annual Meeting was held on February 28, 2021. This meeting was held both in person and Zoom due to COVID 19 precautions.

The meeting was called to order by President, Don Kottke.

Pastor Paul opened with a devotion, and intern Lucas led us in prayer.

2019 Annual minutes were read by Jennifer Eggum. Ken Vesledahl made a motion to accept the minutes as read, and second by Steve Schmidt. Motion passed.

President's report was read by Don Kottke.

1. Council was thanked for their hard work this past year. There were many serious discussions regarding services and the well-being of our church members.
2. The re-entry team, due to COVID, met with Don via Zoom many times during the year to give guidance for safely re-opening the church. Please thank the members of this team!!
3. Vang's financial health is very good. Thanks to all for your extra giving.
4. Special thanks to Pastor Paul for his flexibility and positive attitude.

Pastor Paul gave a written report, and also spoke about how different this year was, but yet how well we navigated our way through it, and how many positive outcomes came from the challenges given to us. He thanked Denise Olson and Nicole Monroe for the great job they do each week, and Betsy Messner for being an amazing office manager.

SEMN Synod submitted their report, to be read on your own.

WELCA checking and savings report was submitted by Kari Flom to be read on your own. Kari stated that we hosted a Christmas Sharing family this year, and due to extra donations, we were able to host two additional families.

Amparero report: Paul Ramig spoke about his trip to the border and the impact it has had on him. He has made a 6 minute video, and is continuing to share his experience with several churches.

Church Safety Team report was submitted by Marcia Maring to be read on your own.

Care Team report was submitted by Pastor Paul to be read on your own.

Creation Care Team report was submitted by Jen Eggum to be read on your own.

Family Ministry Team report was submitted by Amanda Flom to be read on your own.

Sunday School Treasurer Report was submitted by David Wood to be read on your own.

KAIC Annual report was submitted by Larry Enfield to be read on your own.

Internship report was submitted by Lucas Shurson to be read on your own.

Stewardship Team report was submitted by Brian Koester to be read on your own.

Lutefisk Committee report was submitted by Pam Enfield to be read on your own.

Growing Connections Garden report was submitted by Larry Enfield to be read on your own.

Financial Secretary report was submitted by Kristi Maher to be read on your own.

Treasurer's report was submitted by Paul Ramig. Steve Tralle made motion to accept the report as read. Brian Koester second the motion. Motion passed. Dick Sviggum made motion to approve the 2021 budget of \$154,763.00, which includes a salary increase for Pastor Paul, and Lori Ramig second the motion. Motion passed.

The Joint Treasurer's report was submitted by Betsy Messner to be read on your own.

2021 Readers, Greeters, and Acolytes schedule by Phil Maring is pending.

The Vang Building Committee report was submitted by Steve Tralle to be read on your own.

Steve added that Larry Flom donated his time to plow the church parking lot, and Vinny Rauk donated his time to mow the lawn at the church. Please thank them when you see them.

The Cemetery/Memorials report was submitted by Clyde Eggum to be read on your own.

The Nominating Committee listed a ballot of 2 Church Council members, 5 Memorial members, 1 Head Usher, and 4 Nominating members. Jen Eggum made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot, and second by Paul Ramig. Motion passed.

New Business: If you are interested in volunteering for the SE Synod Assembly, please speak with Pastor Paul. Ann Sviggum gave an update about the Kenyon Care Center. Motion was made by Paul Nygaard to have a Lutefisk Supper for 2021. Nicole Monroe second the motion. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Lori Ramig to adjourn, and second by Steve Tralle.

Closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Eggum

Fellow Vang Parishioners -

I inherited the Church Council President position when Don and Lorna Kottke moved to be closer to family. I would like to thank Don for all of his hard work and dedication to keeping our congregation strong. Don did a great job leading our church council and giving direction to our congregation. We miss Don and Lorna immensely, but wish them the best in their new location and are grateful for the time they served with us at Vang.

Unfortunately, Covid continues to disrupt our lives. We all hope and pray that the infection numbers will continue to decline and that the light at the end of this long tunnel will soon be in sight. While we may never return to all of our pre-Covid routines, we would all love to be able to get back to more of what we have known as "normal". I am sure that many of you would love to be back in our beautiful church and worship together in our Lord's House. I hope and pray that soon we will all be able to gather for worship and fellowship with each other with no concerns of the pandemic

The Vang Church Council consists of a busy group of people. Our congregation is blessed to have people that are so talented and dedicated to the work of this church. Their donation of time to serve on Council is greatly appreciated. If you have not already, please thank them when you have a chance!

Anytime you try to list all of the wonderful contributions that are made to our church by so many it is inevitable to leave someone out - so in advance, I apologize as I'm sure I have missed some.

The Cemetery Board does a wonderful job and provides such a valuable service to our church. Many thanks to Denise and Nicole for their tireless work in keeping our church looking beautiful. Betsy as our church secretary, Worship livestreaming volunteers, Sunday School coordinators, Family Ministry Team, Lutefisk Committee, Decorating Committee, Garden Workers, Stewardship Committee, Building Committee, Care and Creation Team, Worship Committee, Care Team - there are so many people that give time and talents in order to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus - Thank you! And to all of the others that I have missed to list - Thank you!

Our church is an amazing building. Many talented people put in hours of labor and service to keep our building in great shape. We do have some current problems with the steeple. The Building Committee is working diligently to rectify that problem. There is a possibility of applying for a grant to help with the repair costs and that is being pursued. There will definitely be more to come as we explore the necessary work that will need to be done, so stay tuned.

Thank you to Pastor Paul for the many roles and responsibilities he fills. We are grateful for the time and many talents he shares in our congregation to do the Lord's work. In closing, thank you to all of the Vang Community. Your hard work, financial contributions, and service all help to make Vang Lutheran Church an amazing and wonderful place to share in doing the Lord's work!

Sincerely,

Jim Sviggum - Council President

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but all of them are from the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. I Corinthians 12:4-6. >

*“There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12: 4-6)*

The people of this community of faith make Vang and Dennison Lutheran Parish a special and unique community. So a big thank to all the people that make up this community of faith. Thank you for your generosity in sharing your time, talents and treasure. As St. Paul writes, “to each is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.” Thanks to all who shared their gifts for the common good in 2021, and thanks in advance to all those who will do so in 2022.

Thank you to our office manager, Betsy Messner. She jumped right in and is doing a great job. Thank you to Vang’s janitors, Denise and Nicole. They work hard and care about what they do. Thanks also to Nicole for running the live stream. Her work on that is a huge gift. Thanks to our musicians who share their musical gifts in leading worship.

2021 was a year filled with joys and challenges for all of us. But through the highs and lows, as the psalmist sings, “The Lord is gracious and compassionate, and abounding in steadfast love.” This community of faith has been innovative and is learning new things. This community of faith has been generous, as seen in the generosity of time, talents, and giving in 2021. This community of faith has been active and serving in the community.

Some highlights from 2021 include:

- Adult Ed/Faith formation – We had two wonderful adult ed opportunities – Engaging Scripture and Contemplative prayer. Pastoral Intern Lucas helped lead these events. I was grateful for these times together.
- Use of technology – Church council decided to livestream every Sunday service for the foreseeable future. Through the live stream we offer another option for worship and reach people who can not be with us physically. We are making more use of our Facebook page, which is currently up to 236 members. We look forward to other opportunities to use technology in sharing the love of Christ.
- Internship Supervisor – I was the supervisor for pastoral intern Lucas Shurson in 2021. It was a joy and a privilege to accompany him on his internship year. The internship program is a great example of a ministry we can provide through collaboration with other churches.
- COVID innovations – COVID is certainly not a highlight, but our responses showed creativity and adaptability. For instance, we altered some worship practices, and established a safety team to help deal with the on-going covid challenges.
- Conversations on Race and Culture – We had a number of conversations on race and racial justice in 2021. We used resources such as the ELCA Social Statement entitled “Race, Ethnicity, and Culture,” “A Good Time for Truth” (essays written by Minnesota authors,) and had Lenten forums. I am encouraged by how these difficult conversations went.
- Dennison’s Outreach Vision – Shelved for a time with the onset of the pandemic, Dennison began enacting pieces of an outreach plan in 2021, including establishing two innovative worship opportunities – Songs of My Life and Taize evening prayer. Next steps include continued outreach, and seeking ways to host more community events at DLC.
- Family Ministry – The Family Ministry team has been working hard in the midst of challenging times, and has been having good conversations about what family ministry can look like in the midst of a changing culture. I also learned how many people love bingo!
- ELCA Youth Gathering – We currently have 16 people signed up for the ELCA Youth Gathering this summer in Minneapolis. This is very exciting! In addition, there will be 3 youths attending a pre-gathering event called MYLE (Multicultural Youth Leadership Event) which empowers young people of color. Be looking for future fundraising activities.
- We have served in the community in a variety of ways, including the Growing Connections garden, the availability and distribution of homemade meals, and several community service activities at Christmas time, including the Christmas Sharing program and a generous gift given through ELCA Good Gifts.

- Ministry in the community – I am grateful for opportunities to serve in the community, including participating in a pen pal program for people in ICE detention through an organization called “Conversations with Friends,” and participating in a mentorship program through the KW schools.

Of course, amid highlights there are also challenges. Challenges of course include on-going covid challenges and concerns. Worship and Sunday school attendance seems to be not as high since the onset of the pandemic. And there is always on-going discernment about where God is calling this community and how we can best witness to the love of Christ.

There is much to look forward to in 2022. Some focuses I will be bringing into 2022 include: Providing adult ed/faith formation opportunities (including contemplative prayer practices,) youth and family ministry, continued conversations on race and culture, and getting a worship team established to assist with creative worship planning.

As we look back at 2021, I hope we can celebrate the ways that the Spirit moves in and among this church. As we look ahead to 2022, I pray we can listen together for where the Spirit is leading.

## **Pastoral Acts: Dennison and Vang Lutheran Parish 2021**

**Baptisms:** Rose DuFresne, Kailey Ehn, Kathleen McGinnis, Harrison Treblehorn

**Funerals:** Dan Braithwaite, Suncha Buchta, Duane Buchta, Granville Grant, Theodore Lorch, Stan Nord, Norma Sands, Susan Thompson, Chuck Wells

**Weddings:** Leif Olson and Jessica Ginter

**Confirmations:** Erika Nesseth, Rachel Ryan, Lili Wood

**New (Or Renewing) Members:** We did not have an official new member welcome in 2021, due to COVID and other factors. We will be having a new member evening in February with 9 people invited.



# 2021 SYNOD MINISTRY REPORT



**Southeastern Minnesota Synod**  
*of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*



I am often asked what my vision for the synod is, and my reply is always the same: that we would be a people walking together for the sake of the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ. I know that how we live into that proclamation in our particular communities and congregations will change with the resources we have and the context in which we serve. How we proclaim is nuanced, but what we proclaim (the gospel!) is unified and unchanged.

It seems fitting to pause, reflect upon, and give thanks for all the ways the Spirit has invited us into this holy vocation of proclamation in 2021.

For the first time ever, the Southeastern Minnesota Synod hosted a one-day digital Synod Assembly. We learned some things along the way. Overall, the Assembly was a success: we accomplished necessary business, heard from ministry partners, celebrated some milestones, and cast our sight toward the coming year. It is our hope and plan to meet in person for Synod Assembly in 2022. We will, of course, make adjustments as necessary.

As COVID ebbs and flows, so too has our ability to gather in person. We have continued to take full advantage of all digital and hybrid options, and, as we have been able, we've had in-person gatherings, too. 2021 allowed us to host gatherings for pastors and deacons new to the synod, retired rostered ministers and spouses, and candidates for ordained ministry.

Pastors, deacons, and church professionals were able to gather for a few days this fall to explore together the theme of Embracing Sabbath. The learnings that happened during that retreat are already being shared in congregations across the synod.

While our ability to physically visit our global partners has been hindered, our connections with them remain strong. We have continued regular conversation and partnership with our siblings in Colombia, South Sudan, Tanzania, and ministries at our southern border.

The greatest joy of 2021 has been being present with congregations again. The Office of the Bishop staff and I have delighted in worshipping with you on Sunday mornings, enjoying outdoor fellowship and festivities over the summer months, and sitting around meeting room tables as we discern the work of God together.

It is my fervent hope that in 2022 our ability to gather together will only increase and that we will continue on the road of gospel proclamation together.

In Christ,

*Rev. Regina Hassanally*  
Bishop Regina Hassanally

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Checking					
Starting Balance					
#3016 1/21	J.Page 2020 Lefse 15doz	\$165.00		12/23 Lorch Funeral	\$75.00
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#3017 4/5	B.Sviggum Easter Family	\$100.00		Ending Balance	\$1,340.89
	4/7 Transfer from Savings		\$500.00		
	5/24 Donation		\$140.00		
#3018 7/15	World Day of Prayer	\$15.00			
	8/25 Beets - Sold		\$12.00	Savings	
#2881 8/7	World Day of Prayer offering	\$50.00		Starting Balance	\$6,530.37
	12/13 Transfer from Savings			3/31 Interest	\$1.47
#3019 12/15	Christmas Family	\$650.00	\$3,000.00	4/7 Transfer	\$500.00
	12/23 Christmas Family			6/30 Interest	\$1.51
	12/23 Offering		\$677.00	9/30 Interest	\$1.52
#3020 12/20	Intern Al	\$50.00	\$20.00	12/13 Transfer	\$3,000.00
#3021 12/20	Pastor Paul	\$100.00		12/31 Interest	\$1.36
#3022 12/20	Kenyon Internship Program	\$100.00		Ending Balance	\$3,036.37
#3023 12/20	Kenyon Sunset Home	\$120.00			
#3024 12/20	Hope Coalition	\$150.00			
#3025 12/20	Ruth's House	\$150.00			
#3026 12/20	Good Earth Village	\$100.00			
#3027 12/20	Vang Cemetery	\$500.00			
#3028 12/20	Belivet	\$100.00			
#3029 12/20	ELCA Good Gifts	\$300.00			
#3030 12/20	Organist	\$50.00			
#3031 12/20	Organist	\$50.00			
#3032 12/20	Organist	\$50.00			
#3033 12/20	All Seasons	\$200.00			
#3034 12/20	WELCA SE Synod	\$250.00			
#3035 12/20	WELCA SE Synod Offering	\$250.00			
#3036 12/20	WELCA SE Synod Convention	\$10.00			

## **Dennison and Vang Care Team Annual Report**

The Dennison and Vang Care team provides caring outreach in our community, especially with people unable to attend worship. Caring outreach is provided through things such as visits, sending cards, phone calls, dropping off meals, and providing respite care.

Goals of the care team for this year include providing more respite care, and providing training for people to bring communion to people unable to attend worship.

If you would like to be part of the care team, or would like to provide caring outreach, please contact the church office or Pastor Paul

The Creation Care Team is comprised of three members: Jen Eggum, Nicole Monroe, and Amaya Monroe.

Projects for 2021 included a variety of trees given to church members for Earth Day. The trees were purchased from the Goodhue Soil & Water Conservation District, and members were able to plant their tree, care for it through the Fall season, and hopefully enjoy the growth and budding branches this coming Spring season.

The Lutfisk Committee found ways to cut down on waste products and be more environmentally aware for the 2021 Lutfisk Supper. They found different, more environmentally friendly, take-out boxes, and planned their purchasing so that there were not a lot of containers remaining at the end of the night.

Our committee hosted a Nor-Wex party in November. Our hostess, Linda Rowan, gave a wonderful demonstration of the environmental benefits of using Nor-Wex products and towels. Sales from the party qualified us for \$179.00 in product for church cleaning, and Linda personally donated \$150.00 toward the steeple repair project.

The Creation Care Team will meet again in March to plan our 2022 year. If you would like to be a part of this group, or have project ideas, please reach out to us. We would love to have more members join in our effort to live a more environmentally aware life.

Submitted by Jen Eggum  
Creative Care Team member

## Family Ministry Report

The mission of the family ministry team reads: *"Through family ministry at Vang and Dennison Lutheran Parish, we seek to grow faith, build relationships, and serve together."*

The Family Ministry team worked hard in 2021 to provide family ministry during changing and challenging times. Primary duties of the family ministry team include providing leadership for ministries such as Sunday School, community events, and milestone ministry. The Family Ministry Team also provides input on confirmation and high school ministry. Highlights from 2021 include being with the kids in Sunday school, celebrating faith milestones such as giving bibles to our young people, Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation, and graduation, and hosting monthly community events such as Bingo Night and the Christmas Dinner and Play.

Serving on the Family Ministry team is Amanda Flom, Rachel Johnson, Jodie Olson, Lori Ramig, Molly Ryan and Louise Starr, and Missy Sviggum. All are welcome to be a part of this ministry team, or to help out with family ministry in any way. The Family Ministry team meets on first Monday of the month at 6:00 PM

Looking ahead, we hope to continue to discern what works best in providing faith growth opportunities for kids and families, and to provide support for the upcoming ELCA Youth Gathering.

# 2021 Vang/Dennison Sunday School Annual Report

Prepared by David Wood the Vang/Dennison Sunday School Treasurer (507)-259-3914 (Cell) 507-789-5589 (Home)

Account	Date	Transaction	Checking	Savings	Checking Balance	Savings Balance	Total
Vang Sunday School Account	1/1/2021	Starting Balance			\$1,405.36	\$1,644.62	\$3,049.98
Vang Sunday School Account	2/26/2021	Donation Deposit	\$1,405.36		\$1,405.36	\$1,654.62	\$3,059.98
Vang Sunday School Account	3/31/2021	Interest		\$10.00	\$1,405.36	\$1,655.24	\$3,060.60
Vang Sunday School Account	5/21/2021	Easter Breakfast Deposit		\$0.62	\$1,405.36	\$2,005.24	\$3,410.60
Vang Sunday School Account	6/30/2021	Interest		\$350.00	\$1,405.36	\$2,005.91	\$3,411.27
Vang Sunday School Account	9/30/2021	Interest		\$0.67	\$1,405.36	\$2,006.63	\$3,411.99
Vang Sunday School Account	12/31/2021	Interest		\$0.72	\$1,405.36	\$2,007.36	\$3,412.72
Vang Sunday School Account	10/27/2021	Sunday School Supplies (Chk#1086)		\$0.73	\$1,350.63	\$2,007.36	\$3,357.99
Vang Sunday School Account	12/13/2021	Sunday School Supplies (Chk#1087)			\$1,323.50	\$2,007.36	\$3,330.86
Vang Sunday School Account	12/23/2021	Dinner and Play Deposit for Farm Gift			\$1,851.50	\$2,007.36	\$3,858.86
Vang Sunday School Account	12/23/2021	Sunday Special Offering for Buying Farm Gift.	\$528.00		\$1,991.50	\$2,007.36	\$3,998.86
Vang Sunday School Account	12/23/2021	Year End	\$140.00		\$1,991.50	\$2,007.36	\$3,998.86
Account	Date	Transaction	Checking	Savings	Checking Balance	Savings Balance	Total
Vang Youth Fund Account	1/1/2021	Starting Balance			\$655.03	\$797.00	\$1,452.03
Vang Youth Fund Account	12/23/2021	Noisy Offering Deposit	\$655.03		\$655.03	\$1,208.10	\$1,863.13
Vang Youth Fund Account		Year End			\$655.03	\$1,208.10	\$1,863.13
Account	Date	Transaction	Checking	Savings	Checking Balance	Savings Balance	Total
Meals Account	1/1/2021	Starting Balance			\$16.80	\$70.00	\$86.80
Meals Account		Year End			\$16.80	\$70.00	\$86.80
Account Totals		Meal Funds	\$3,998.86	\$1,863.13	\$2,663.33	\$3,285.46	\$5,948.79

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I grew up attending Christ The King Lutheran Church in Onalaska, WI—which merged with another church is now called Journey Lutheran Church. I studied History at Luther College where I met my wife Kari. I worked in the planetarium and we met when she attended one of my shows. I graduated college in 2019 and then matriculated into Luther Seminary three months later. In the summer months I enjoy canoeing and fishing—the winter brings me inside and usually to carve or work on furniture. I can proudly say that I can both weave a cane seat and marble wood but will probably never do it again! I am always looking for a new skill to learn.

Here on internship I am enjoying fellowship with everyone here—community is a blessing and to get to enjoy such a strong community here warms me beyond words. The chance to preach on a regular basis has also been exciting—it feels good to practice what I have been learning at the Seminary. I haven't brought my Hebrew into a sermon but there is still time!

Kari and I are busy figuring out how to be a married couple which has brought joys and surprises—truly I can think of no better place to do such a thing than in rural Minnesota. We both hope to continue to walk with others and bear witness to the Gospel of Christ Jesus while we do.

I trust that the new year will bring new opportunities for Vang to serve the community as well as guidance from the spirit.

Intern Al & Kari

## Annual Vang Lutefisk Report 2021

	2021	2020	2019
<b>income - tickets and donations</b>	\$19,816.20	\$18,616.11	\$28,418.27
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<b>expenses</b>	-\$8,388.24	-\$9,894.32	\$15,038.16
			-
<b>to Vang Church</b>	-\$9,427.96	-\$7,521.79	\$11,014.36
<b>to Vang WELCA - given to Missions</b>	-\$2,000.00	-\$1,200.00	-\$2,365.75
<b>balance</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

### A Note from Vang Lutefisk Committee

Vang WELCA thank you all for your generous monetary donations and donated time and energy the day's leading up to and the day of our Annual Fund-raising Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner. We have a unique group of folks here.

Sincerely,  
Kari Flom, Pam Enfield, Ann Sviggum, Kathy Whipple

Here are the numbers:

Drive Through Meals	476	479
Delivery Meals	221	212
Worker Meals	77	79
<b>Total Meals Served</b>	<b>774</b>	<b>770</b>



2021 was a great garden year. Thanks very much to everyone who helped, especially those who watered during this very dry year!

Vegetables were given to both Kenyon and Northfield food shelves. Over 800 pounds were given and once again the potato crop provided abundantly.

A special thank you to Nicole and Jenn for their help organizing weekly garden help.

Please plan to help again this year if you are able.

Larry Enfield

## Vang Lutheran Church Financial Secretary Report 2021

A total of 84 boxes of envelopes were given out in 2021. An additional 10 families donated without having a box. For all donations 94 families or individuals contributed to our church in the past year. The offerings were received in the following pattern:

Average Weekly Gift Given on Sunday	Number of Donars 2018	Number of Donars 2019	Number of Donars 2020	Number of Donars 2021	Yearly GiftTotal Range
\$60.00+	5	5	5	9	\$3120+
\$50.00+	3	3	0	3	2600-3119
\$40.00+	6	0	1	5	2080-2599
\$30.00+	5	6	3	10	1560-2079
\$20.00+	10	7	12	7	1040-1559
\$15.00+	7	6	5	7	780-1039
\$12.00+	8	6	2	2	624-779
\$10.00+	4	1	4	5	520-623
\$8.00+	6	2	2	3	415-519
\$7.00+	1	2	4	3	364-414
\$6.00+	0	2	1	0	312-363
\$5.00+	4	0	2	2	260-311
\$4.00+	3	4	3	1	208-259
\$3.00+	1	3	2	3	156-207
\$2.00+	1	4	3	2	104-155
\$1.00+	8	11	4	4	52-103
Less than \$1.00	19	26	31	18	0-51
<b>Totals</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>84</b>	

<b>2021</b>	<b>\$ 114,160.25</b>
2020	\$68,117.75
2019	\$75,048.47
2018	\$90,712.01
2017	\$85,526.00
2016	\$79,307.00
2015	\$81,314.00
2014	\$79,318.00
2013	\$85,254.17
2012	\$86,343.54
2011	\$78,483.00
2010	\$ 69,750.00

<u>2021 Summary</u>	
\$ 109,160.00	Envelope General Funds
\$ 1,778.25	Cash/anonymous donations
<b>\$ 110,938.25</b>	<b>Sunday Offerings for 2021</b>
\$ 3,222.00	Special Date Offerings for 2021
<b>\$ 114,160.25</b>	<b>Total Offerings for 2021</b>

**This is a summary of all money that Vang took in for**  
**2021**

<b>Category</b>	<b>All Deposit Amounts</b>	<b>Savings</b>	<b>Checking</b>
Sunday Envelope Offerings	\$ 86,163.25		\$ 86,163.25
Sunday E Giving	\$ 24,775.00		\$ 24,775.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 660.00		\$ 660.00
Lent	\$ 525.00		\$ 525.00
Easter Offering	\$ 1,015.00		\$ 1,015.00
Thanksgiving Offering	\$ 60.00		\$ 60.00
Christmas Eve Offering	\$ 962.00		\$ 962.00
Beacon Subscription	\$ 55.00		\$ 55.00
Use of Church	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00
Grinnell Mutual Insurance			
Ag Partners Equity Distribution	\$ 208.84		\$ 208.84
Thrivent Financial Choice Dollars	\$ 10,763.50		\$ 10,763.50
National Financial Services	\$ 70.39		\$ 70.39
Building Fund	\$ 22,595.38	\$ 22,595.38	
Edwards Jones/Retirement Dist.			
Truck Receipts	\$ 14,203.78	\$ 14,203.78	
Ivy Mid Cap Growth A IRA			
Lutefisk Dinner			
United Way			
Memorial No Designation	\$ 285.00	\$ 285.00	
Memorial - piano/organ tuning	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 163,092.14</b>	<b>\$ 37,534.16</b>	<b>\$ 125,557.98</b>

# VANG TREASURERS REPORT FOR 2021

Submitted by Paul Ramig, Treasurer

## CHECKING ACCOUNT:

Balance January 1, 2021		\$14,001.19
Plus Deposits	\$172,975.57	
Minus Expenses	\$169,272.06	
Balance January 1, 2022		\$17,704.70

## DEPOSITS

	\$172,975.57
Weekly Deposits	\$107,819.98
Vanco Payments	25,481.59
Transfer from Savings	39,000.00
Thrivent For Lutherans	674.00
SBA PPP Program	0.00

## EXPENSES

		<u>Budget 2021</u>	<u>Proposed Budget 2022</u>
	\$169,272.06	\$154,763.00	\$158,505.00
Joint Expenses	\$96,000.00	\$96,000.00	\$96,000.00
Pastoral Base Compensation		68,000.00	70,000.00
Pastoral Additional Costs		15,000.00	15,000.00
Portico Benefits		8,578.00	9,680.00
Organists		6,000.00	8,000.00
Pulpit Supply		750.00	4,500.00
Family Ministry		500.00	500.00
Synod Assembly		700.00	700.00
Joint Office Costs		16,030.00	15,855.00
TOTAL	\$0.00	\$115,558.00	\$124,235.00
Ministry & Worship			
Intern Program	\$4,100.00	3,200.00	3,600.00
Cannon River Conference	155.00	175.00	175.00
Envelopes	537.58	525.00	525.00
Organ / Piano Maintenance	643.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Banners / Decorating	0.00	250.00	250.00
TOTAL	\$5,435.58	\$5,150.00	\$5,550.00
Education			
Mission Trips	\$0.00	500.00	500.00
Youth Retreats	0.00	500.00	500.00
Family Ministry	0.00	150.00	150.00
TOTAL	\$0.00	\$1,150.00	\$1,150.00
Benevolence			
Southeast MN Synod Missions	\$9,640.00	\$9,600.00	\$9,600.00
Kenyon Sunset Home	1,680.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
Kenyon Food Shelf	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Good Earth Village	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	0.00		
	0.00		
	0.00		
TOTAL	\$11,320.00	\$14,300.00	\$14,300.00

Building			
Insurance	11,674.01	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Custodians	\$8,200.80	8,300.00	8,300.00
US Treasury (SS & Medicare)	1,358.64	1,400.00	1,400.00
Propane	7,245.10	5,000.00	8,000.00
Electricity	1,785.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Phone	1,953.03	1,700.00	2,000.00
Bottled Water	0.00	0.00	0.00
Supplies	19.32	250.00	250.00
Waste Disposal	363.51	360.00	375.00
Lawn Mowing	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Snow Plowing	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fire Extinguishers	136.25	175.00	175.00
Pest Control Treatment	280.00	300.00	300.00
Well	0.00	0.00	0.00
Furnace	70.32	250.00	250.00
Septic System	300.00	600.00	500.00
Lift Maintenance	566.00	500.00	600.00
Bldg Repairs / Improvements	415.99	1,500.00	1,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,367.97</b>	<b>\$36,735.00</b>	<b>\$40,050.00</b>

Unbudgeted Capital Expenditures

Flowers / Memorials	\$0.00
Doors	4,886.00
Steeple Repair	5,701.51
Parking Lot	11,355.00
	0.00
	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,942.51</b>

Other Miscellaneous

Dennison Office Rent	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
RE Taxes	166.00	148.00	175.00
Thrivent Custodial Fee	0.00	40.00	40.00
Corporate Registration	40.00	40.00	40.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$206.00</b>	<b>\$1,428.00</b>	<b>\$1,455.00</b>

**SAVINGS ACCOUNT:**

<b>Balance January 1, 2021</b>		<b>\$191,009.13</b>
Plus Deposits	\$44,430.63	
Minus Disbursements	\$39,000.00	
<b>Balance January 1, 2022</b>		<b>\$196,439.76</b>

**OTHER SAVINGS:**

	1/1/2021	1/1/2022
Certificates of Deposit:		
Certificate 4321	\$7,530.00	\$7,576.25
Certificate 3423	\$7,340.80	\$7,345.38
Mission Investment Fund	\$8,230.31	\$8,407.27
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$23,101.11</b>	<b>\$23,328.90</b>

# DENNISON VANG JOINT COMPENSATION AND BUDGET

	2021			2022		
PASTOR PAUL BASE COMPENSATION	Budget	/month		Budget	/month	Actual
Salary	\$48,000.00	\$4,000.00		\$50,000.00	\$4,166.67	
Housing	14,500.00	1,208.33		14,500.00	1,208.33	
Social Security	5,500.00	458.33		5,500.00	458.33	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$68,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,666.67</b>		<b>\$70,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,833.33</b>	
<b>Additional Compensation</b>						
Insurance	\$8,400.00	\$700.00		\$8,400.00	\$700.00	
Mileage	6,000.00	500.00		6,000.00	500.00	
Phone	600.00	50.00		600.00	50.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,250.00</b>		<b>\$15,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,250.00</b>	
<b>Total Compensation</b>	<b>\$83,000.00</b>	<b>\$6,916.67</b>		<b>\$85,000.00</b>	<b>\$7,083.33</b>	
Minus Pretax Savings	16,320.00	1,360.00		16,320.00	1,360.00	
<b>Net Compensation</b>	<b>\$66,680.00</b>	<b>\$5,556.67</b>		<b>\$68,680.00</b>	<b>\$5,723.33</b>	
<b>Portico Benefits</b>						
Retirement	\$6,800.04	\$566.67		#VALUE!	?	
Disability	1,020.00	85.00		#VALUE!	?	
Basic Group Life	476.04	39.67		#VALUE!	?	
Supplemental Life	282.72	23.56		#VALUE!	?	
Pretax Savings	16,320.00	1,360.00		#VALUE!	?	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$24,898.80</b>	<b>\$2,074.90</b>		<b>\$26,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL PASTORAL COSTS</b>	<b>\$91,578.80</b>	<b>\$7,631.57</b>		<b>\$94,680.00</b>	<b>\$7,890.00</b>	
<b>JOINT BUDGET ITEMS</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>		<b>2022</b>		
Continuing Education	\$800.00	\$1,241.71		\$800.00		
Pulpit Supply	750.00	537.00		4,500.00		
Secretary	4,000.00	3188.84		3,500.00		
US Treasury	750.00	299.00		300.00		
Organists	7,000.00	7775.00		8,000.00		
Copier	4,500.00	5324.33		5,500.00		
Phone	600.00	664.29		675.00		
WIFI	455.00	455.16		455.00		
Postage	1,200.00	447.90		1,200.00		
Augsburg Fortress	2,100.00	500.00		1,200.00		
SE MN Synod Assembly	700.00	240.00		700.00		
Family Ministry	500.00	0.00		500.00		
Soup Supper	100.00	0.00		100.00		
Advertising	600.00	104.00		250.00		
Supplies	1,000.00	210.47		750.00		
Misc	1,000.00	25.00		500.00		
Bank Charges	25.00			25.00		
Vanco	600.00	428.00		600.00		
<b>TOTAL JOINT BUDGET COSTS</b>	<b>\$26,680.00</b>	<b>\$21,440.70</b>		<b>\$29,555.00</b>		
<b>TOTAL ANNUAL JOINT BUDGET</b>	<b>\$118,258.80</b>	<b>\$8,550.00</b>	<b>Vang</b>	<b>\$124,235.00</b>	<b>\$8,000.00</b>	<b>Dennison</b>
		88.14%	12.89%	86.49%	13.51%	

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EXPENSE	ACTUAL	<u>Budget 2021</u>
US Bank/Coordinated	\$5324.33	\$4,500.00
Century Link Phone	\$664.29	\$600.00
Northfield WIFI	\$455.16	\$455.00
Secretary	\$3,188.84	\$4,500.00
Postage	\$447.90	\$1,400.00
US Treasury	\$205.53	\$500.00
1517 Media	\$502.64	\$2,000.00
Pastor Paul salary	\$68,000.04	\$68,000.00
Portico Benefits	\$24,898.80	\$25,000
SE MN Synod	\$250.00	\$700.00
Organist	\$7,775.00	\$6,000.00
Vanco (offering fees)	\$428.37	\$600.00
Family Ministry/Conf.	0.00	\$500.00
Lent/Soup Supper	0.00	\$100.00
Advertising	0.00	\$250.00
Supplies	\$581.36	\$1,000.00
Misc.	\$25.00	\$750.00
Pulpit Supply	\$537.00	\$750.00
Bank Charges (Checks)	0.00	\$25.00
Continued Education	\$1,241.71	\$800.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$114,525.97</b>	<b>\$118,430.00</b>

In 2021 we had a number of projects that were worked on:

The large wooden doors on the west side of the church had deteriorated and needed to be replaced. The doors were rebuilt by Nerstrand Custom Cabinets. The original metal parts and glass were reused and the doors were also able to be installed in the church without changing the door casing or hinges. The original doors were taken to their shop and copied with some changes in glass insulation to keep water from getting into the wood layers of the door. The Sviggum's and Maring families donated the cost of the doors. The doors are presently stained and varnished on the outside, but in the future the outside may need to be painted.

The parking lot has been needing to be resealed and repaired for a number of years. In the fall we were able to get Seykora Company from Owatonna, Mn to remove some deteriorating asphalt and seal the rest.

We have lost some of the pine trees around the church. Dee Larson is developing a plan for the church landscaping and grounds, so we have a list of the kind of trees and location that will serve us best in the future. A memorial tree from the Warner Family was planted on the southeast side of the church.

The church steeple will continue to be our major problem. Planning for work on the steeple started in 2019 when major leaks occurred. In 2020, a couple of projects were done. L and M construction rebuilt the cricket between the steeple and the church roof and increased the pitch to get water away faster. Later it was found that water was also coming in from higher up on the steeple. Emery Maher donated time and materials to repair some holes they found in the steeple window sills and other miscellaneous leaks. There were still more leaks to be found and repaired. In the summer and fall of 2021 contractors did not have time to do repairs. Late in the fall we were able to get River City Builders of Nerstrand who came and made temporary repairs to try and keep water out this winter and during early spring rains. The costs to date on the steeple are: in 2020 \$3,523.00, in 2020 \$7,500 (donated), and in 2021 \$5,707.00. We are trying to obtain some proposals to cover the problems we have. We are looking for grants and are keeping a separate account of steeple donations we receive.

Rene Koester



**VANG CEMETERY ANNUAL REPORT 2021**  
**CHECKING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS**  
**Treasurer Clyde Eggum**

**Checking Balance 01/01/2021** **18668.05**

**Income:**

C.D. Interest	734.10
Checking Interest	10.65
Memorials	5645.00
Memorial Day	880.00
Up Keep	4160.00
Burial Fees	<u>300.00</u>

**TOTAL: Income Checking:** **11729.75**

**Savings Balance 01/01/2021** **7878.25**

**Income:**

Savings Interest	<u>7.88</u>
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**TOTAL: Income Savings:** **7.88**

**Expenses Checking:**

Quamme Lawn Service (Mowing)	3730.00
Sviggum Insurance (Liability)	205.00
Steve Rauk (water at cemetery)	<u>100.00</u>

**TOTAL: Expense Checking:** **4035.00**

**Total Income 2021:** **11737.63**

**Total Expense 2021:** **4035.00**

**+ 7702.63 net gain**

**Checking Balance 12/31/2021:** **26362.80**

**Savings Balance 12/31/2021:** **7886.13**

**+ 34248.93 available funds**

**Perpetual Fund:**

C.D. - 60 Month maturity date 07/02/2025	1.25%	22842.52
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C.D. - 60 month maturity date 09/07/2026	1.00%	39000.00
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Perpetual Savings Account		406.54
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**The Vang Cemetery Board would like to Thank everyone that remembered Vang Cemetery in their Memorials this past year. It is truly appreciated.**