

2012 ANNUAL REPORT
TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
204 First Street Northwest, New Richland, Minnesota 56072

Trinity's Mission Statement: "We strive to become strong and faithful in the Gospel, so we can care for each other by sharing the Good News in our daily lives, remaining faithful to the Scriptures, and living in peace."

2012 ANNUAL MEETING
January 27, 2013

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2012 OFFICERS AND STAFF OF TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Congregation President.....Terry Hansen (12)
Congregation Vice-President Dale Bayerkohler (12)
Congregation SecretaryJennifer Johnson (12)
Congregation Treasurer/Financial Secretary Mary Berg

PROPERTY AND MANAGEMENT

Jeff Jessen (12)
Tim Raimann (14)
Bob Wenzel (14)

EDUCATION AND YOUTH

Jennie Johnson (12)
Amy Ferber (14)

WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM

Dale Bayerkohler (12)
Gail Schmidt (13)

STEWARDSHIP

Terry Hansen (12)
Larry Goehring (13)

Pastor..... Paul Andree
Organist Rhonda Andree
Sunday School Superintendents.....Jennie Johnson and Jodie Wayne
Sunday School Choir Director..... Laina Rajala
Junior Luther League (F.I.S.H.) Advisors..... Pastor Paul Andree and Julie Routh
Trinity Kids Advisor Pastor Paul Andree
Church Custodian..... David Purdie
Parish Secretary Julie Routh

2012 OFFICERS OF THE TRINITY WOMEN OF THE ELCA

President Theresa Reese
Vice President Barb Solberg
Secretary Avis Rugroden
Treasurer Pam Goehring
Altar Guild Chairperson Diane Matthies
Serving Chairpersons LeAnn Buendorf and Margaret Anderson
Dining room Chairpersons..... Dawn Halgren and Marcia Berg
Clean-up ChairpersonsGordon and Donna Hansen

**Minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting of
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church**

President Jeff Jessen called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM on January 15th, 2012, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Pastor Paul stated devotions were held in church earlier. Pastor stated, "Our doors are always open; we are helping out our community."

Motion was made by Dean Buendorf and seconded by Pam Goehring to approve the agenda. Motion carried. Motion was made by Terry Hansen and seconded by Larry Goehring to approve the minutes of the 2010 Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

Jeff Jessen asked for all to review the reports as they were printed and feel free to ask any questions or state any concerns they had regarding them.

Audit report was given that everything was looking fine. Big thanks to Mary Berg for the great job that she does. A motion was made by Dean Buendorf and seconded by Larry Goehring to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Nominating committee reported that Bob Wenzel, Tim Raimann, and Amy Ferber would like to be nominated for council. Motion was made by Barb Solberg and seconded by Marie Querna to approve. Motion carried. Jennie Johnson and Geoff Jessen agreed to stay on council for another term. Council would stand with Jeff Jessen, Jennie Johnson, Dale Bayerkohler and Terry Hansen serving until 2012; Larry Goehring and Gail Schmidt serving until 2013; and new three members until 2014.

Endowment Fund reported to be at \$28,958.85 with discussion that the Endowment Fund was set up for Lutheran College grants for the members. Nothing more was reported at this time.

Cemetery report was given by Larry Goehring that they were working on improvements this spring doing roadway edge, markers on the rows, and hoping to work on a walking path.

Stan Herbst also reported regarding the Avenue of Flags. At this time we needed to consider getting some new flags. Stan gave report on a flag he was trying out at his home.

Old Business: It was discussed that a motion was made and seconded at the 2010 annual meeting to hold the annual meeting on the fourth Sunday of January but this was forgotten this year. It will be put on the calendar and remembered in the future.

New Business: It was discussed that the church is looking into a sound/video system, replacing the doors on the church, updating the parsonage, and looking into what needed to be done to the bell tower.

Jeff Jessen presented the budget for 2012 with the correction of Building, Grounds, & Equipment should be \$3,000.00, making total budget \$137,700.00. A motion was made by Shirley Tappe with a second by Scott Routh to approve. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Gene Dodge with a second by Julie Routh. Motion carried. Those assembled closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Jennie Johnson, secretary

PASTOR PAUL'S REPORT - 2012

I see our annual meeting as an opportunity for celebrating what God has done in, with, and through you and me this past year and to anticipate what God will be doing in, with, and through us in the year ahead. Because of what God did in, with, and through you this past year, three children were welcomed into God's family through the sacrament of Holy Baptism, two couples were united in marriage, and three saints were commended to God's eternal care.

Because of what God did in, with, and through you this past year, over 60 worship services were held, including the joint Thanksgiving service and the Farm City Days service. Because of what God did in, with, and through you this past year, God's care and grace was extended to our sick and shut-in through visits from myself. These included services at Country Neighbors, Royal Villa, New Richland Care Center and Whispering Oaks at Ellendale.

Because of what God did in, with, and through you this past year, our ministry extended beyond these walls. You helped children receive winter wear at the NRHEG Elementary School, mosquito netting with the Malaria Campaign, shoes with the Green Sneakers Project, animals with God's Global Barnyard, help the hungry people eat through the New Richland Area Food Shelf, purchase supplies for health kits through ink jet and cell phone recycling, develop communities of faith through the Southeastern Minnesota Synod, victims of disaster, both here and abroad find relief and restoration through Lutheran Disaster Response, warm the hearts and bodies of poor people around the world with quilts sent to Lutheran World Relief, and ease the hunger of thousands and prevented malaria through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

You opened this building to community groups, supporting their ministry in the community, such as the Girl Scouts, 4-H, and the American Legion Auxiliary, the New Richland Area Food Shelf and NRHEG (testing).

Because of what God did in, with, and through you this past year, over 20 children grew in faith through Sunday School and over 20 did so through Vacation Bible School. Six young people affirmed their baptism through the Rite of Confirmation. Because of what God did in, with, and through you this past year, families and individuals were supported in prayer through the prayer chain, prayer shawls, the prayers of the church.

Because of what God did in, with, and through you this past year, we've been able to support and appreciate our staff people who are a good resource for mission and ministry in this congregation. David Purdie is our custodian, who does a good job keeping our building clean. Julie Routh is our secretary. She edits and prints the newsletter, edits and prints the bulletin, maintains all of our records, and assists WELCA. Mary Berg, who is the Treasurer/Financial Secretary, does a wonderful job keeping the books. Rhonda Andree has filled the organ bench for many years. Her enthusiasm is contagious and her desire is to have our worship be the best possible to sustain our faith and give glory to God. Our staff are dedicated people who do their job very well, and the contributions they make to the mission and ministry of Trinity are greatly appreciated. The staff deserve the increase in compensation we are asking you to support this next year.

Because of what God did in, with, and through you this past year, ministry happened. Many volunteers contributed hours and resources to make known God's love and grace to our community and the world. Many of you are mentioned in the annual report, and rightly so. For those that aren't, I wish I could name you all, but I don't dare because I don't want to forget you. Even so, your contributions to God's work here is not only known, but also appreciated. However, I want to mention one group. I want to thank your elected leadership, the church council, for its dedication to guiding the mission and ministry in this place.

Annual meetings should be celebrations about what God has done in, with, and through us the past year, and I hope you will read the Annual Report in that light, thanking God as you read each testimony to God's faithfulness and presence. Annual meetings are also about looking ahead, seeing where God is calling us for mission and ministry in the coming year. I want to describe some areas that God seems to be placing on our heart as a congregation. They are:

- Increase congregational support and excitement about Family Ministry through awareness, communication, and education.
- Explore opportunities for families to participate in worship.
- Explore ways to welcome the community to worship.
- Explore whether there is sufficient desire for alternative worship formats.

- Increase the participation of families of Trinity in mission, both in the congregation and outside our doors.
- Grow towards giving at least 10% of ourselves away.

With these goals in mind—and gratitude to God for the gift of this wonderful church—let us continue the journey and answer the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Pastor Paul Andree

PASTORAL ACTS 2012

BAPTISMS

Peyton Everett Neegaard	February 12, 2012
Trygve Iverson	May 13, 2012
Graham Scott McNaughton	November 11, 2012

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (CONFIRMATION) May 6, 2012

Katelyn Christianson	Kelli Harrington
Jordan Harrington	Jennie Kaupa
Bianca Kohnert	Hailey Schuller

WEDDINGS

Mindy Floden and Marcus McDonough	June 9, 2012
Cassie Johnson and Tony Schlaak	August 11, 2012

FUNERALS

Jay Anderson	January 15, 2012
Lenore Finseth	October 11, 2012

TRANSFERS IN

Tom and Sue Pautsch	March 7, 2012
Cassie Johnson Schlaak	March 7, 2012
Craig Eustice	March 7, 2012

TRANSFERS OUT

Lacey Peterson	July 12, 2012
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MEMBERSHIP	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Baptized	511	509	504	511	511	511
Confirmed	392	386	386	394	389	394

MUTUAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE REPORT 2012

Current members of the Mutual Ministry Committee are Dean Buendorf, Barb Solberg, Jennifer Johnson and Elroy Boelter.

The purpose of the Mutual Ministry Committee is to monitor the quality of the relationship between Pastor Paul and the congregation.

- To be a support group for Pastor Paul.
- Foster and facilitate open communications between members and Pastor Paul.
- Give attention to concerns raised by members of Trinity.
- To “take the pulse” of Pastor Paul and the congregation.
- Provides a mechanism for us to touch base with Pastor Paul and his needs.
- Help find or identify respite, retreat, and refreshment opportunities for Pastor Paul.

The Committee meets four times a year and brings forward any concerns that members may have and discusses items that Pastor Paul may have either about himself or the congregation.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact any of the Committee members.

Respectfully submitted, Dean Buendorf

CHURCH COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT 2012

The Church Council would like to thank all the members of Trinity for their support in 2012. It is truly amazing to see all the work that goes on behind the scenes to make Trinity a welcoming Worship Center. Many times, meeting the budget is how we measure the year’s success. At Trinity, I think success is more accurately measured by how many children come up for the children’s sermon and how many families are attending church on Sunday; the increased attendance at Bible School; the number of families served by the Food Shelf; or the new faces that have joined our congregation. In these areas and many more, we have truly had a successful year.

Thank you again, to all that have contributed to this success.

Terry Hansen, President

WORSHIP AND EVANGELISM COMMITTEE REPORT 2012

The Worship and Evangelism Committee would like to express our gratitude to all those who participate in fulfilling the responsibilities of providing the quality of each and every service as we worship the Lord our Savior.

Worship

This past year another flat screen and DVD player was added. These have been put in our freshly painted and decorated media room for the Sunday School and Confirmation youth upstairs at the end of the hall. This room will be used for youth gatherings for music, education, etc. A beautiful wall painting of a cross and verse was recently painted by Theresa Langlie of Ellendale. We welcome you to check that room out as we continue to add the little touches needed to make it a friendly and warm room for our youth gatherings. We thank those who have donated their ideas, paint, and time improvements to this room.

As reported last year, the council continues to fine tune our sound system in the sanctuary and research options that best meet the needs, while being conscientious of the cost. Because sound and visual plays an integral part in the quality of our church services, a handout has been provided for your review and possible participation in making this happen. Please review this handout and provide your input.

Another improvement this past year was the purchase of new hymnals to replace both the outdated green hymnal and the blue hymnal. This new hymnal has eliminated going back and forth between the two hymnals and seems to provide our service family with all we need to express our praise to the Lord our Savior. Thank you for your patience as we all get used to the liturgy options available.

Our purpose and mission is always to welcome guests, new members and families to worship with us. We thank the Lord as we pride ourselves in the beauty and comfort of our sanctuary, along with the inspiration that the message, music and visual can and does provide for a spiritually uplifting experience to everyone who attends our services. *Our vision continues to be this; "a community of loving disciples, growing in spiritual maturity, following Jesus by actively sharing in God's mission to transform the world" Learn, Serve and Share.*

Evangelism

As our mission states: *"We seek to be an instrument of the Holy Spirit by sharing God's love and grace, guiding people to God, and developing fully devoted followers of Jesus."*

In order to follow our mission, Pastor Paul is using his business cards as he reaches out to others outside of our congregation, and a brochure has been designed and is available at the back of the sanctuary. Our plan is to put them on display at various locations throughout the community for others to view. Our hope is that this will highlight our strengths and services here at Trinity. A post card has been added this past year as a tool for Pastor Paul to use to reach out to members from time to time as well. The web site and Facebook page continue to have improvements made to them by adding pictures of our church activities, updated information, etc., for anyone to view and be kept up-to-date with what we do and offer here at Trinity.

Another tool we have talked about this past year was On-Line Giving. Our thought is we could give those who may not be able to join us for worship another opportunity to give to Trinity, maybe college students, those who used to worship here or had a family member here, or just anyone that would like to contribute. This would be an added option to the traditional way of giving we already have. We will continue to research this and keep you up-to-date on the progress.

Through all of these tools we hope to continue to accomplish our vision and mission and to be the quality community of disciples that we are. *Welcome, Equip and Serve.*

Respectfully submitted, Gail Schmidt & Dale Bayerkohler

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT 2012

Trinity Lutheran Church's operations and activities are funded by the generous and kind financial support of the congregation. There are ongoing costs as well as the cost of the usual things used in the services and Sunday School classes. Because of your generous support, Trinity is able to function and continue to be the spiritual force for good. The church council thanks you for your generous offerings.

Thank you for your generous support.

Respectfully submitted, Larry Goehring and Terry Hanson

EDUCATION AND YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT 2012

Sunday School has been going great since we made the change that the children stay in church the first Sunday of each month to be a part of communion. They leave the worship area following the children's sermon. They then have 45 minutes of education time the remaining Sundays in the month. We are still doing a rotating teacher schedule that seems to be going well. The number of children attending is up and that is great.

Vacation Bible School was held in late summer with St. Peter Lutheran Church. The attendance was great and the children seem to really enjoy themselves. We were able to get some materials and supplies from another local church, and made a small donation to them for allowing us to use their stuff.

The Christmas program was "Twas the Night Before" and held December 16th. We had a dinner to follow. The children had a wonderful time taking part, and it was great to see the large number of people here to watch.

We have done a facelift to the south room in the education area. We have painted it (thanks to Jodi Wayne, Susie Routh, Gail Schmidt, and Candice Eads), we have put carpet in, and had a mural painted on the wall. There is a new large screen TV in there along with the docking station so the youth of our congregation can enjoy this new "theater room." Confirmation is held in there on Wednesday evenings.

The Confirmation students have been taking part in extra things this year, one included going to FCA night out in Waseca. They are also planning a canoe trip this summer.

We have had a group of youth take part in the Holy Communion class thru Faith Steps.

There is a very active youth group being lead by Barb Morgan in conjunction with the other area churches. Pastor Paul is leading the Men's Bible Study group which meets the second Saturday of the month.

We look forward to another great educational year here at Trinity and thank all those who give their time to lead and teach our youth, for our children are our future and we need to teach them the way.

Respectfully submitted, Jennie Johnson, Chairperson

PROPERTY AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT 2012

Our main project this year was replacement of the entry doors to the church. This improvement makes our building much more secure as well as more energy efficient.

Dale Bayerkohler made some upgrades to the sound system in the church which have made quite a difference, and certainly adequate for our needs for the time being. A number of people have been working on a redo of the media room in the Education Wing. We have great Sunday School participation this year, and this will enhance the students' learning experience.

A walk-through of the parsonage revealed a long list of improvements that need to be done. We need to have a serious discussion with our membership about our options and how to proceed.

Thank you to everyone who has helped out this year. Your participation makes such a difference! Many hands make light work.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Jessen



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2012 MINISTRY REPORT OF THE SOUTHEASTERN MINNESOTA SYNOD, ELCA
“Come, let us sing to the Lord; let shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.” (Psalm 95)

Giving...

- \$188,160+ to the ELCA World Hunger Program
- \$76,000 to our companion synod in Tanzania; \$20,000 to Colombia
- \$80,000 for the support of ELCA missionaries around the world
- \$27,000 for theological education at Luther Seminary
- \$40,000 for ministry with students at Lutheran Campus Ministry
- Sabbatical gifts totaling \$18,000 for pastors and their congregations
- A \$14,000 seminary scholarship for a synod candidate, and \$11,250 towards debt retirement for new pastors in our synod, all from the synod endowment fund
- \$13,500 for deaf and blind students through Christ Through Hands Ministry in Faribault
- \$80,000 toward our 2015 \$200,000 goal for the ELCA Malaria Campaign
- \$980,000 for the ministries of the church wide ELCA

Supporting...

- 29 candidates across 7 of our seminaries, including 5 new students
- Over 300 congregational leaders with a “toolkit” of workshops at Council as Leaders
- 200 rostered leaders with the annual theological conference
- 53 congregations in the midst of pastoral change
- Our first Sudanese seminary graduate, a second being entranced
- 100 congregational communicators in their congregational settings
- 100+ congregations in children, youth and family ministry
- 45 congregational representatives serving as mission interpreters for the ELCA
- Over 50 congregations having conversation about mission at 4 “Excelling in Mission” events
- 15 leaders on a yearlong “Journey to Wellness”
- 2 Young Adults in Global Mission serving in Malaysia and Hungary
- 2 leaders from our synod in Tanzania teaching 43 evangelists
- 6 newly ordained pastors, 1 commissioned Associate in Ministry, 1 consecrated Diaconal Minister, 1 installed Synodically Authorized Lay Minister
- Ongoing training for clergy coaching and leadership development
- 550 voting members to the annual synod assembly

The Southeastern Minnesota Synod, ELCA: 176 congregations in mission practicing joy. Thank you!

Shalom, Bishop Harold Usgaard

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Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2012

	Dec 31, 12
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
CD - State Bank of New Richland	
CD 21302 - Lorraine Pierce	5,854.45
Total CD - State Bank of New Richland	5,854.45
Endowment Fund	
Ameriprise Financial	124,783.03
CD 21589	2,801.15
Money Market	7,564.76
Nelson Money Market	43,841.24
Thrivent for Lutherans	209,527.29
Total Endowment Fund	388,517.47
Mission Investment Funds	
CD 3000022239	15,116.73
Total Mission Investment Funds	15,116.73
State Bank of New Richland	
General Fund	4,559.30
Dedicated Account Fund	
Air Conditioner	2,334.20
Banners	395.18
Bell Choir	1,481.24
Bell Tower	520.00
Chimes	120.00
Christmas Tree/Decoration	650.00
Dining Hall Upkeep	7,601.52
Elevator	598.30
Endowment Interest	1,718.00
God's Global Barnyard	138.32
Hearing Aid	391.37
Library & Media	3,866.13
Mission Starts	176.00
Organ/Piano Fund	1,038.89
Pastor Discretionary Fund	300.00
Quilting	2,004.11
Sunday School	834.56
Thrivent Choice	3,948.00
Windows	2,272.64
Youth Activities	159.46
Total Dedicated Account Fund	30,547.92
State Bank of New Richland - Other	179.61
Total State Bank of New Richland	35,286.83
Total Checking/Savings	444,775.48
Total Current Assets	444,775.48
TOTAL ASSETS	444,775.48

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Income-Expense
 January through December 2012

	<u>Jan - Dec 12</u>
Beginning Balance 12-31-11	4,385.20
General Fund Income	
Adult Coffee Transfer	70.00
Endowment Fund Income	4,000.00
Envelope Income	90,823.53
Interest Income	179.61
Loose Plate Income	27,433.85
Memorial to General	90.00
Mission Calendar Income	290.00
Mission Investment Interest	669.99
Pierce CD Interest	21.91
Rent Income	585.00
Total General Fund Income	<u>128,549.09</u>
Total Income	132,934.29
General Fund Expense	
Endowment Fund Expense	4,000.00
Total General Fund Expense	<u>4,000.00</u>
Education Ministry	
Adult Education	0.00
Bible School	313.02
Confirmation	302.15
Delegate Expense	500.94
Sunday School	993.58
Youth Camperships	200.00
Total Education Ministry	<u>2,309.69</u>
Ministry of Church Building	
Building, Grounds & Equipment	7,081.53
Custodial Salary	6,615.00
Custodial Supplies/Maintenance	454.82
Electricity	2,770.82
Elevator Contract	845.20
FICA/Medicare	1,023.45
Garbage	28.97
Gas	4,193.79
Insurance	6,693.00
Organ Contract	470.00
Telephones	1,512.78
Water & Sewer	966.97
Work Comp Insurance	870.00
Total Ministry of Church Building	<u>33,526.33</u>
Parsonage Ministry	
Parsonage Repair/Upkeep	<u>0.00</u>

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Income-Expense
 January through December 2012

Total Parsonage Ministry	0.00
Pastoral Ministry	
Auto Allowance	3,387.18
Continuing Ed/Job Related	500.00
Housing Equity Allowance	8,584.92
Parsonage Utilities	3,027.94
Pastor's Salary	34,305.00
Pension & Insurance	16,399.76
Social Security Allowance	3,137.00
Total Pastoral Ministry	<u>69,341.80</u>
World Mission	
ELCA	625.00
Hunger Fund	2,105.00
Lutheran Social Service	1,050.00
Mission Sponsorship	2,790.00
MN River Conference	0.00
SE MN Synod	565.00
Total World Mission	<u>7,135.00</u>
Worship & Service	
Financial Secretary-Treasurer	866.00
Miscellaneous	27.82
Offering Envelopes	46.90
Office Supplies & Equipment	2,902.27
Organist Salary	2,955.60
Secretary Salary	3,116.87
Visiting Paster	525.00
Worship & Music Supplies	1,621.71
Total Worship & Service	<u>12,062.17</u>
Total Expense	<u>128,374.99</u>
Net Income	<u><u>4,559.30</u></u>

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Dedicated Accounts
As of December 31, 2012

		Balance
Dedicated Account Fund		
Adult Coffee Fellowship		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	0.00	
Donations	70.00	
Expenditures	-70.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		0.00
Air Conditioner		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	2,334.20	
Expenditures	0.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		2,334.20
Altar Guild		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	0.00	
Donations	835.00	
Expenditures	-835.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		0.00
Banners		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	395.18	
Ending balance 12-31-12		395.18
Bell Choir		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	1,530.89	
Expenditures	-49.65	
Ending balance 12-31-12		1,481.24
Bell Tower		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	520.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		520.00
Care Package		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	95.64	
Expenditures	-95.64	
Ending balance 12-31-12		0.00
Chimes		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	120.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		120.00
Choir		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	531.11	
Expenditures	-531.11	
Ending balance 12-31-12		0.00
Christmas Tree/Decorations		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	650.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		650.00

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Dedicated Accounts

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Dining Hall Upkeep		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	5,601.52	
Donations	2,000.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		7,601.52
Elevator		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	423.30	
Donations	175.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		598.30
Endowment Interest		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	2,400.00	
Expenditures	-682.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		1,718.00
God's Global Barnyard		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	0.00	
Donations	138.32	
Ending balance 12-31-12		138.32
Hearing Aid		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	391.37	
Ending balance 12-31-12		391.37
Library		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	3,367.13	
Donations	499.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		3,866.13
Mission Starts		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	176.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		176.00
Organ/Piano Fund		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	1033.89	
Donations	5.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		1,038.89
Pastor Discretionary Fund		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	0.00	
Donations	1000.00	
Expenditures	-700.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		300.00
Quilting		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	1,541.34	
Donations	2181.00	
Expenditures	-1718.23	
Ending balance 12-31-12		2,004.11

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Sunday School		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	2,749.32	
Expenditures	-1914.76	
Ending balance 12-31-12		834.56
Sunday School Offerings		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	1.00	
Donations	2.00	
Expenditures	-3.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		0.00
Thrivent Choice		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	0.00	
Donations	3,948.00	
Ending balance 12-31-12		3,948.00
Windows		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	2,272.64	
Ending balance 12-31-12		2,272.64
Youth Activities		
Beginning balance 1-1-12	580.96	
Donations	234.25	
Expenditures	-655.75	
Ending balance 12-31-12		159.46
Total dedicated funds		30,547.92

ENDOWMENT FUND REPORT 2012

The Endowment Fund CD had a beginning balance of \$2,713.50. Interest earned was \$87.65 leaving an ending balance of \$2,801.15.

The Endowment Fund Money Market Account had a beginning balance of \$6,563.32. There was a distribution to Trinity for doors and with contributions and interest gained the ending balance is \$7,564.76.

The Thrivent Endowment Investment Fund had a beginning balance of \$176,376.22. The Thrivent Money Market account, which earned no interest or dividends, was distributed to the other Thrivent Funds. With the dividends and interest, the ending balance is \$209,527.29.

The total Endowment Fund balance is \$219,893.20.

Respectfully submitted, Dawn Halgren

ST. OLAF CEMETERY REPORT 2012

In 2012, projects that were conducted was removal of 4 trees, planted 6 spruces, edging around stones, and spraying for weeds. In the beginning, nature was good for the cemetery but, of course, deep summer struck and no rain. No rain meant many trips transporting water for the new trees. After October, we have prayed that the new trees will survive. The cemetery looks forward to spring and, hopefully, sufficient rain fall. Thanks to all volunteers that helped at the cemetery and to Scott Routh for the use of the water cart.

Plans for updating the cemetery in 2013 will be the efforts to eliminate weeds and grow a great green lawn, edging around markers and driveway, and putting in an area for wild flowers. Stay tuned to additional beautification.

Efforts continue to keeping lawn mowing at a low cost, and there is an ongoing effort to keeping decorations off the ground. Thanks to everyone who have read and follow the rules of the cemetery.

During the year there were 3 burials and 6 plots were purchased.

Balance forward (State Bank of New Richland)		\$3,740.26
Income		
Sale of plots	\$ 2,200.00	
Memorials	\$57,363.75	
Income from perpetual care	\$ 500.00	
Donations for operation	\$ 400.00	
Other income/safe reimbursement	\$ 499.00	
Grand Total of Income	\$60,912.75	\$64,653.01
Expenses		
Lawn mowing	\$ 1,984.80	
Lawn care	\$ 3,428.64	
Tree removal/replacement	\$ 3,786.30	
Safe	\$ 899.99	
Equipment	\$ 69.97	
Snow removal	\$ 150.00	
Volunteer help refreshments	\$ 153.06	
Ameriprise investments	\$35,000.00	\$45,472.76
Grand total of expenses		
Balance brought forward for 2013		\$19,180.25
Funds in reserve:		
Mission Investment Fund Account # 20000003726		\$ 5,144.42
Mission Investment Fund Account # 20000005068		\$ 1,279.17
Mission Investment Fund Account # 20000005069		\$ 1,371.25
Ameriprise Investment		\$36,144.10
Total investment balance		\$43,939.94

Respectfully submitted, Larry Goehring

AVENUE OF FLAGS REPORT 2012

Balance on hand January 1, 2011 **\$1,478.69**

Receipts:

Interest at bank \$.73
Memorials \$5.00
Total receipts.....\$5.73

Balance on hand December 31, 2011 **\$1,484.42**

Respectfully submitted, Stanley Herbst

F.I.S.H. (Fun In Serving Him) REPORT 2012

This group is for fourth through sixth graders. We usually meet the third Wednesday of the month from 3:30-5:00 PM at the church. We have a snack, devotions, play games and put together health kits for LWR. These kits require a new, bath size towel; 2 bars of bath size mild soap; a nail clipper w/file; a wide tooth comb; and a toothbrush. We appreciate your contributions of supplies or money, as well as ink jet cartridges, cell phones, and aluminum cans for recycling. We assembled 69 health kits in 2012.

Balance on hand, January 1, 2012 **\$ 750.15**

Deposits:

Recycling \$ 38.70
Sunday School Christmas Program meal \$ 794.05
Total deposits..... \$ 832.75

Expenses:

Snacks for meetings \$ 51.89
Lunch for Christmas program..... \$ 794.05
Total expenses..... \$ 845.94

Balance on hand, December 31, 2012 **\$ 736.96**

Thank you for supporting our projects. Sincerely, Pastor Paul Andree

TRINITY KIDS REPORT 2012

Balance on hand, January 1, 2012 **\$1,550.21**

Deposits:

Urban Immersion Mission Trip \$1,605.00
Boundary Waters Canoe Trip 2013..... \$400.00
Care Packages \$95.64
Total deposits..... \$1,900.64

Expenses:

Urban Immersion Mission Trip \$1,700.00
Purchase checks \$16.05
Care Packages \$96.25
Boundary Waters Canoe Trip 2013..... \$400.00
Meetings \$159.30
Confirmation suppers to be reimbursed \$104.00
Total expenses..... \$2,475.60

Balance on hand December 31, 2012 **\$ 975.25**

Respectfully submitted, Pastor Paul Andree

Trinity Kids (continued)

- Eight youth along with Carol Raimann and Pastor Paul went to the cities in July for an Urban Immersion Mission Trip.
- We have monthly meetings at church with supper/discussion/games.
- A Community Luther League was started this fall that meets once a month.

On behalf of the Trinity Kids Luther League, I say thank you for your support. Pastor Paul Andree

NEW RICHLAND AREA FOOD SHELF REPORT—2012

In keeping with the mission statement for New Richland Area Food Shelf - - “To serve those who need food assistance,” 2012 remained busy. It was another year of economic stress for our community. The Board members and volunteers worked diligently to make sure the shelf remained well stocked and financially stable to be able to serve our neighbors and friends in need. We believe that no one in the community should have to go hungry.

Again in 2012, we were awarded for the third year, the award for Best Food Shelf Fundraising Campaign during the March FoodShare Campaign. Thanks to all of our performers in the Hero Sandwich gig

The NRAFS Board and the entire community were deeply saddened by the death of board member Sue McDonough in July 2012. She was an enthusiastic supporter of NRAFS and worked diligently to promote the food shelf. She is missed beyond words.

There were other changes to the Board of Directors; we said farewell and thank you for your service to Karen Ausen, Lynda Lynne, and Pastor Paul Andree. We said hello to Kathy Vokoun of Cross of Glory and Pastor Steve Thompson of Vista Covenant.

The Board of Directors would like to say THANK YOU to all our donors, contributors, volunteers and supporters. Without your enthusiasm and graciousness our shelf would not be able to sustain the work it has set out to perform.

2012 Statistics (vs. 2011)

- 6,059 people served, an increase of 981 or 19.32%
- 76,080 pounds of food distributed, an increase of 11,231 pounds or 17.32%
- NRHEG Elementary School Backpack Program for school year 2011-2012:
 - *3,240 students served, a decrease of 74 students, or 2.23%
 - *Food distributed in the backpacks totaled 8,914 pounds, a decrease of 318 pounds or 3.44%
- The Santa Anonymous program provided gifts for 112 children.

Fundraising for 2012

MN FoodShare March Campaign	\$13,081.42
March FoodShare Grant	\$ 1,980.99
Alan Feinstein Foundation Grant	\$ 297.93
Farm City Day Parade	\$ 178.56
Vista Covenant Party in the Park	\$ 1,110.30
Harvest Hunger Run	\$ 2,325.00
Hunger Solution Grant	\$ 3,467.48
FFA Corn Drive	\$ 1,700.00
Ladies Day Out & Santa Anonymous	
by NR Liquor	\$ 510.00
Spaghetti Dinner	\$ 1,925.22
Spaghetti Dinner Santa Anonymous	\$ 548.00
Fresh produce local gardeners	1,052 pounds!!

Respectfully submitted, Larry Goehring, President, Board of Directors

TRINITY WELCA REPORT 2012

The Trinity Church Women of the ELCA held 12 regular business meetings in 2012. President Theresa Reese opened the meetings with prayer. After the business meetings, we had the Bible study group. The circles met after lunch was served. In July, we participated in the 5 area church WELCA gathering at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Otisco. In December, the Carol Reese dancers performed for us after our lunch at Blondie's Café.

Arlys Edwards was the pianist for the year.

We delivered Meals on Wheels in March, July, and November. The circles also delivered bulletins to Royal Villa and the Care Center each week.

In **May**, we sent the following to the Lutheran World Relief ingathering at First Lutheran Church in Albert Lea:

- 325 quilts
- 18 school kits
- 69 health kits
- 103 bars of soa

In **October**, we sent:

- 126 quilts
- 56 school kits
- 1 box of bar soap

We had the meatball dinner in September, and the Christmas bazaar in December.

TWELCA Officers for 2013

President—Theresa Reese Vice President—Barb Solberg
Secretary—Avis Rugroden Treasurer—Pam Goehring
Altar Guild—Diane Matthies
Outreach Coordinator—Julie Routh
Serving Chairpersons—LeAnn Buendorf and Margaret Anderson
Dining Room Chairpersons—Dawn Halgren and Marcia Berg
Clean-up Chairpersons—Gordon and Donna Hanson
Pianist—Arlys Edwards

Respectfully submitted,
Avis Rugroden, TWELCA Secretary

TWELCA TREASURER'S REPORT 2012

Balance brought forward January 1, 2012 4,597.37*

Receipts:

Synod offerings Circles 1 and 2	\$251.00
Thankoffering.....	\$461.00
Meatball dinner.....	\$3,025.25
Christmas bazaar	\$1,850.15
Circle 1	\$90.00
Total receipts.....	\$5,677.40

Disbursements:

Synod offerings, Circle 1 & 2	\$251.00
Thankoffering.....	\$461.00
Shirley Tappe-expense reimbursement.....	\$20.00
Gather magazine subscription	\$12.00
MN River Conference.....	\$25.00
First Lutheran Church, Albert Lea-shipping quilts & kits to LWR	\$75.00
St. Peter Lutheran Church, Otisco for 5 area-church gathering	\$20.00
Gambles Do-It-Best-vacuum for church janitor.....	\$248.98
NRHEG Star Eagle-ad for meatball dinner.....	\$51.60
LeAnn Buendorf-meatball dinner supplies	\$181.06
NRHEG Star Eagle-bazaar ad.....	\$23.80
First Lutheran Church, Albert Lea-shipping quilts & kits to LWR	\$75.00
LeAnn Buendorf-bazaar food expense	\$48.72
State Bank of New Richland-NR Bucks by WELCA	\$100.00
Lutheran Campus Ministries by WELCA.....	\$200.00
NR Area Benevolence Fund by WELCA	\$500.00
NR Area Food Shelf by WELCA	\$200.00
Good Earth Village by WELCA.....	\$100.00
Peace and Power by WELCA	\$100.00
Global Health Ministries by WELCA	\$100.00
LWR by WELCA	\$300.00
TLC quilters by WELCA.....	\$500.00
TLC Altar Guild by WELCA.....	\$500.00
TLC Altar Guild by Circle 1	\$15.00
Gideons International by Circle 1.....	\$25.00
TLC Dining Hall upkeep.....	\$2,000.00
Total disbursements.....	\$6,133.16

Balance on hand December 31, 2012..... \$4,141.61

Respectfully submitted, Pam Goehring, WELCA treasurer

ALTAR GUILD REPORT 2012

The Altar Guild would like to thank all those who shared flowers, plants, and gifts of money in memory or in honor of loved ones.

The Altar Guild provided three baptism candles and towels this year. The towels were made by Barb Solberg and Bernice Himmerich.

Altar flowers were provided for Confirmation Sunday, and a boutonniere and stole was given to each confirmand. The stoles were made by Diane Matthies.

Special thanks to Barb Finseth for having winter silk flower arrangements made for the altar in memory of her mother, Lenore Finseth.

Diane Matthies, chairperson

Marie Querna, secretary/treasurer

Balance on hand January 1, 2012		\$ 811.85
Receipts:		
WELCA	\$ 515.00	
Circle 2 in honor of shut-ins Pearl Anderson, Joyce Dombroske, and Marie Querna	\$ 15.00	
Total receipts	\$ 530.00	
Memorials:		
Eugene Parrish	\$ 33.00	
Sharon Reed	\$ 30.00	
Lenore Finseth	\$ 250.00	
Total memorials	\$ 313.00	
Disbursements:		
Cup of Faith	\$ 142.30	
Diane Matthies	\$ 208.40	
Ben's Floral	\$ 100.00	
Total disbursements	\$ 450.70	
Balance on hand January 1, 2013		\$1,204.15

TRINITY CIRCLE # 1 REPORT 2012

Circle # 1 met 12 times for Bible study led by Pastor Andree. Our meetings were held after Bible study. We served lunch after Bible study 6 times. Members delivered church bulletins and monthly Contacts to Trinity members at Royal Villa and New Richland Care Center for 6 months. We served for two funerals: Jay Anderson and Lenore Finseth. Members of our circle furnished 22 pies for the meatball dinner and 4 desserts for the bazaar. Some members of our circle delivered Meals on Wheels as needed. Some helped make quilts and school kits to send to LWR. Carnations were delivered to shut-ins for Valentine’s Day by members who visited them.

Balance forward on January 1, 2012 \$488.52

Receipts:

Funerals served.....	\$200.00
Birthdays and donations.....	\$80.00
Worship offering	\$278.00
Total receipts	\$558.00

Disbursements:

1/2 worship offering to WELCA.....	\$139.00
Flowers for shut-ins	\$28.86
School bags/supplies.....	\$127.00
Gideons International.....	\$25.00
LWR	\$100.00
Altar Guild	\$15.00
Total disbursements	\$434.86

Balance on hand December 31, 2012..... \$611.66

Bernice Himmerich, Secretary-Treasurer

TRINITY CIRCLE # 2 REPORT 2012

Circle 2 met 12 times in 2012. We had lunch at Blondie's in December and returned to the church for the remainder of the meeting. We donated several boxes of soap for Lutheran World Relief. We donated \$15.00 to the Altar Guild at Christmas in honor of our 3 shut-ins, Joyce Dombroske, Pearl Anderson, and Marie Querna. We delivered church bulletins and Contacts to members of Trinity at Royal Villa and the New Richland Care Center for six months. Several of our members donated pies for the meatball dinner and desserts for the Christmas bazaar. Some of our members also delivered Meals-On-Wheels and some helped with quilting.

Balance on hand January 1, 2012	\$217.88
Receipts:	
Worship offering.....	\$224.00
Birthday donations.....	\$40.00
Total receipts	\$264.00
Disbursements:	
1/2 worship offerings	\$112.00
Altar Guild.....	\$15.00
Total disbursements	\$127.00
Balance on hand December 31, 2012	\$354.88

Phyllis Shurson, Secretary-Treasurer

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Profit Loss Budget Performance

January through December 2012

	<u>Jan - Dec 12</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>Budget 13</u>
Education Ministry				
Adult Education	0.00	100.00	-100.00	500.00
Bible School	313.02	300.00	13.02	300.00
Confirmation	302.15	500.00	-197.85	500.00
Delegate Expense	500.94	400.00	100.94	500.00
Sunday School	993.58	1,000.00	-6.42	1200.00
Youth Camperships	200.00	750.00	-550.00	750.00
Total Education Ministry	2,309.69	3,050.00	-740.31	3,750.00
Ministry of Church Building				
Building, Grounds & Equipment	7,081.53	2,000.00	5,081.53	3000.00
Custodial Salary	6,615.00	7,154.00	-539.00	7512.00
Custodial Supplies/Maintenance	454.82	800.00	-345.18	800.00
Electricity	2,770.82	4,500.00	-1,729.18	4500.00
Elevator Contract	845.20	1,114.00	-268.80	1114.00
FICA/Medicare	1,023.45	1,100.00	-76.55	1300.00
Garbage	28.97	400.00	-371.03	400.00
Gas	4,193.79	7,000.00	-2,806.21	7000.00
Insurance	6,693.00	7,000.00	-307.00	7000.00
Organ Contract	470.00	735.00	-265.00	735.00
Telephones	1,512.78	2,000.00	-487.22	2000.00
Water & Sewer	966.97	1,000.00	-33.03	1000.00
Work Comp Insurance	870.00	1,000.00	-130.00	1100.00
Total Ministry of Church Building	33,526.33	35,803.00	-2,276.67	37,461.00
Parsonage Ministry				
Parsonage Repair/Upkeep	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	1000.00
Total Parsonage Ministry	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	1000.00
Pastoral Ministry				
Auto Allowance	3,387.18	4,500.00	-1,112.82	4500.00
Continuing Ed/Job Related	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
Housing Equity Allowance	8,584.92	9,014.00	-429.08	9197.00
Parsonage Utilities	3,027.94	3,200.00	-172.06	3200.00
Pastor's Salary	34,305.00	34,305.00	0.00	35000.00
Pension & Insurance	16,399.76	18,350.00	-1,950.24	17860.00
Social Security Allowance	3,137.00	3,137.00	0.00	3350.00
Total Pastoral Ministry	69,341.80	73,006.00	-3,664.20	73,607.00
World Mission				
ELCA	625.00	625.00	0.00	625.00
Hunger Fund	2,105.00	2,105.00	0.00	2105.00
Lutheran Social Service	1,050.00	1,050.00	0.00	1050.00
Mission Sponsorship	2,790.00	2,790.00	0.00	2790.00
MN River Conference	0.00	55.00	-55.00	55.00
SE MN Synod	565.00	565.00	0.00	565.00
Total World Mission	7,135.00	7,190.00	-55.00	7,190.00
Worship & Service				
Financial Secretary-Treasurer	866.00	866.00	0.00	1150.00
Miscellaneous	27.82	200.00	-172.18	200.00
Offering Envelopes	46.90	200.00	-153.10	200.00
Office Supplies & Equipment	2,902.27	3,000.00	-97.73	3500.00
Organist Salary	2,955.60	3,143.00	-187.40	3300.00
Secretary Salary	3,116.87	5,142.00	-2,025.13	5142.00
Visiting Pastor	525.00	1,000.00	-475.00	1000.00
Worship & Music Supplies	1,621.71	1,100.00	521.71	1500.00
Total Worship & Service	12,062.17	14,651.00	-2,588.83	15,992.00
Totals	124,374.99	136,700.00	(12,325.01)	139,000.00