

THE ANNUAL REPORT for 2012

**ANNUAL REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION
OF
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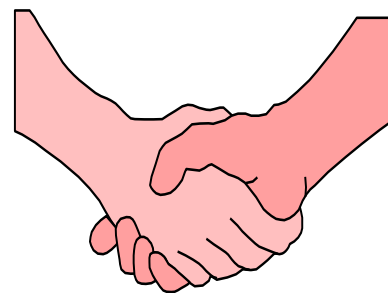
Year of 2012

Dear Friends in Christ,

Here we are at the end of another year of ministry at Christ Church – AND at the beginning of a new year of ministry as well. Time flies more quickly as the years grow older, and this year is no different. I am always amazed at how much happens in our congregation between annual reports. What a gift it is to have a report like this to review what God has given us in the past year to do for his kingdom.

You will see my ministry report following this letter. Together, our congregation has been busy for the Lord – and that is a powerful, eternal gift we in which we get to participate even now. May God continue to bless and grow us!

In addition to thanking YOU for your sharing in the kingdom of God at Christ Church, I also want to lift up in joy the new partnership we have with Grace Lutheran Church in Point Township. Our journey into the transformational ministry process in 2013 is also a blessing we will share. Where has God led us in the past? Where are we now? Where is God leading us into the future? Those are wonderful questions we will ponder as sisters and brothers serving the Lord in two parts of Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. As your pastor, I give thanks for the opportunity to walk this newest journey with all of you. In worship, we find weekly strength from God's Word and his holy Sacraments. In ministry partnership, we find strength in each other and the gifts God has given us to offer and share. Our mutual ministry team has just begun its work, reflecting and observing how we can continue to grow God's mission in both our communities.



So give thanks as you read this report and reflect on God's leading in the year 2012. As you read, you will be well into the year 2013, and who knows what surprises God may be preparing for us in the months ahead?

See you in church...God bless you!

Pastor Pat ☺



“We are called by God to follow Christ's example and teachings through worshipping, witnessing, learning, supporting one another, and reaching out to others.”

Pastor's Report – January 1 – December 31, 2012

Stewardship of Call:

Worship and Teaching:

45 Sunday services and 44 sermons
(Jan. 8 worship led by Rose Handy
when I was sick)

2 services @ Trinity, Milton

32 Bible studies

44 Wednesday services

(assisted by Pr. Keith when I was sick)

24 sermon studies

Blessings/Recognitions:

Council Installation (1/29/12)

Fields (5/6/12)

Veterans (5/27/12)

Graduates (6/3/12)

Mission Team Sending (6/10/12)

Healing (7/8 & 7/18; 10/3 & 10/7)

School Year (8/5/12)

Sunday School & Sunday School

Staff/Students (8/19/12)

Labor (9/2/12)

Blanket Sunday (10/7/12)

Dedication of Epiphany banner in

Memory of Laurie Lee (Yost)

Fisher (11/18/12)

17 Sundays participation in Sunday School
(includes 5 Gerasene Team meetings)

6 Bible Buddies events (includes Easter egg
hunt)

5 Goggy-PC (senior youth) meetings

3 worship services @ Rockwell Center/Kramm's

3 First Communion classes

Regular participation in choir

Regular participation in knitting group

2 Ash Wednesday services

4 Lenten services & meals

Youth overnight (Fri. evening & Sat. breakfast)

Youth McDonald's Day

3 Holy Week services & 2 sermons

2 worship services @ ELCMA Assembly

5 days Vacation Bible School

1 member party

1 Christmas Eve service

1 Christmas Day service

1 wedding, 1 rehearsal, 1 reception:

Ashley Yost (member) & Jason Fox
(5/12/12)

Growing Disciples:

Austin Mitch (2/26/12 – 1st communion & 1st grade Bible)

Alissa Bartlett (begin Sun. School – 5/27/12)

Ryder Cipriani (begin Sun. School – 5/27/12)

Ana Doyle (first grade – 5/27/12)

Kaila Bartlett (first grade – 5/27/12)

Skyler Harrington (first grade – 5/27/12)

Paul Rohland (first grade – 5/27/12)

Tatum Brittingham (acolyte – 5/27/12)

1 Adult Baptism:

Evelyn Christine Campbell (4/15/12)

1 Youth Baptism:

Anastasiya Rae Doyle (5/27/12)

8 Funerals and 5 family visitations:

Bessie Ellen Hartzel (member – 2/20/12)

Stanley Todd Beck, Sr. (member – 3/9/12)

Gary Lee Drum (member – 6/18/12)

Timothy A. Walsh, Jr. (member – 7/22/12)

Earl O. Dye, Jr. (member of Zion, Turbotville – 7/19/12)

3 member transfers:

Glenn & Ida Snyder (to St. Andrew's
United Methodist – 5/9/12)

Jessica S. Yost (to First Baptist,
Bellefonte PA – 12/19/12)

Thomas Earl Haupt (member – 9/1/12 @ Christ’s United Lutheran Church, Millmont)
 Mae Elizabeth Keefer (member – 9/6/12)
 Dorothy Anna (Baker) Snyder (member – 11/13/12)

Home/Office and Hospital Visits:

201 regular visits	1213 visits by phone or written note	29 counseling visits
33 home communions	31 hospital visits	

Meetings/Events:

Congregation

Meeting with new missionary coordinators; 11 Church Council meetings; led devotions for 1 Council meeting; 10 Spiritual Growth meetings; 7 Stewardship meetings; 3 Christian Education meetings; 2 VBS planning meetings; VBS set-up; 1 Bible Buddies planning meeting; 2 Botto award/selection planning meetings; May event planning meeting; visitation survey prep meeting; helped w/ Souper Bowl prep; Souper Bowl meal; 2 meetings w/ Grace, Point Township; March 11 annual meeting; 2 Staff Support meetings; Easter Day potluck breakfast; helped w/ Mission Trip fundraiser meal; 5/20 congregational meeting; helped set up and worked yard sale for May event; 4 meetings w/ church music director; Nominating Team initial meeting; acolyte training meeting; new member meeting; 3 Christ/Grace purchase of services discussion meetings; lunch meeting w/ member; meeting w/ Growing Disciples coordinators; Nguyen family potluck; missionary potluck; 1 Sunday School planning meeting; 2 meetings w/ Witness chair; Christ/Grace Joint Executive Team meeting; September 14-15 yard sale; Mutual Ministry seminar in Mohnton PA; wore my robe/stole backwards for birthday celebration goal; volunteer recognition luncheon; 1 Mutual Ministry meeting; organ recital; November congregational meeting; Advent play; meeting w/ Red Cross leaders

Community

Opening prayer for Little League opening day; MHS graduate awards ceremony; Harvest Festival Junior Princess Pageant; Masonic spaghetti dinner; Night of Music @ Grace; Milton Community Band concert

Synod/Wider Church Community

Annual Bishop’s Day; synod interim ministers’ meeting on transitioning congregations; meeting with Bishop; 2 Buffalo Valley Conference meetings; VBS workshop in Williamsport; Spaghetti supper @ Holy Spirit, Turbotville; Spaghetti supper @ Follmer Lutheran Church; ELCMA worship planning meeting; ELCMA Assembly; Synod Assembly; Northern Lights picnic/hayride; meeting @ synod office re: purchase of services follow-up; Advent activity, Live Nativity, & Christmas program @ Trinity, Oak Grove; Pine Street Lutheran Church: 3 youth fundraiser meals, lasagna fundraiser meal, W/ELCA Lenten breakfast “Welcoming the Stranger,” chicken & waffle dinner, family dinner, pig roast dinner, summer festival (helped w/ yard sale), Fall Arts & Crafts festival, Blessing of the Animals; W/ELCA Christmas party

Administration:

bulletins & newsletter preparation with Lorei	12 Pastor’s reports for Council
Pastoral recordkeeping in Shepherd’s Staff & One License	Annual Report to Bishop
membership records updates	Christ Church Annual Report
	ELCA Annual Report
Letters: endowment gift letters; camp applications; May event prayer request; May event prayer request thank you’s; acolyte training & scheduling; nomination committee invitation; ALWL enduring letters request; youth event invitations; Pastor Sumo donation; missionary covenant; 2 discretionary; 2 transfers	
Prepared missionary covenant	2 times ordered Sun. School materials
Ash Wednesday preparation	Researched banners for Witness ministry
Staff Support planning	prepared banner donation sheets

4 deliveries to Food Bank
 Prepared & distributed Botto award criteria
 Dealt w/ computer reformatting & down time
 Custodian interview
 Delivered Easter flowers to 6 members
 3 deliveries for ELCMA Assembly
 Ordered 3 banners
 Set up church for Easter
 prepared contemporary worship bulletin draft
 Prepared new telephone prayer chain list

5 times mailed Caps for Creation
 Finalized VBS schedule
 Prepared Camp Mt. Lutheran birthday cards
 & display
 2 yard sale pick-ups
 Graduation gifts pick-up & preparation
 Prepared contemporary worship bulletin
 Prepared Children's Day bulletin

Prep for school year blessing
 Ordered banners for narthex

Prepared Reformation bulletin
 coordinated Red Cross scheduling issue
 Set up church for Advent

Prepared Christmas Day bulletin

prep for youth events
 prepared visitation survey & letters
 1 pick-up for Bible Buddies
 prepared 2 funeral bulletins
 returned palms container to Andree's
 3 pick-ups @ Kathryn's Kloset
 organized tables in narthex
 set up geraniums for Pentecost
 1 pick-up @ Knoebel's for children's day
 recycled yard sale items; 3 clean-up/delivery
 days
 prepared VBS schedule
 missionary visit preparation
 prepared growing disciples gifts & certificates
 set up sanctuary for season after Pentecost
 covered 5 times for local pastors
 Sunday School planning/research
 Growing Disciples planning/research
 ordered supplies for Staff Support & Christian
 Ed
 prepared bulletin for celebration of Christian Ed
 prepared admin items for VBS 2013 &
 Friendship Ministry
 Assisted offering counters 1 Sunday

 set up homebound poinsettias & delivery
 schedule

Continuing Education: cumulative: 12 days/59 hours (includes 2 Sundays)

1 day, 6 hours: Kirby-Smith Associates, Stewardship seminar, Elizabethtown PA, various
 stewardship leaders – June 22, 2012

5 days, 20 hours: personal study of the book of Joel and professional reading time – Wardensville
 WV– July 11-13, 15-16

2 days, 14 hours: reading/preparation for Advent – Wardensville WV – November 21 & 27

4 days, 19 hours: reading/preparation for Lent & January Bible studies – Wardensville WV-
 December 30 & 31, January 2 & 3, 2013

Membership Statistics at End of 2012:

Baptized Members who are active	171	(down 51 from 2011 – adjusted to reflect # of inactive members)
Confirmed Members who are active	150	(down 39 from 2011 – adjusted to reflect # of inactive members)
Confirmed Members who communed and contributed (voting members)	124	(down 20 from 2011)

# baptized & associate members	
actively involved	
in worship in 2012:	171 (down 11 from 2011)
Average Weekly Worship Attendance	63 (down 15 from 2011)
Average Sunday School Attendance	14 students, 6 teachers (23/8 in 2011 – decreased # reflects average instead of highest attendance day)
Vacation Bible School Attendance	22 students, 12 teachers (19/9 in 2011)

(Keeping accurate records is important but not easy. Our computer records and memory do not agree; people have been here whose attendance and contributions have not been recorded. Voting members are those whose communion and contribution during the current and/or preceding year are on record. We have 124 voting members; requiring 31 voting members in 2013 as a congregational meeting quorum. You must fill at least one offering envelope each year and record your communion on a pew pad at least once to be considered a voting member.)

Below is listed those Christ Lutheran members who were received, confirmed and/or baptized in 1962 (50 years ago).

Members at Christ Lutheran Church received 50 years ago:

Leroy Hauck – 4/15/1962 Jack Aunkst – 4/22/1962 Kellie Brouse – 4/22/1962
Dianne Perrin – 4/22/1962

Members at Christ Lutheran Church confirmed 50 years ago:

Sandra Buck – 4/15/1962 Rose Deaner – 4/15/1962 Karen Lubrecht – 6/1/1962

Members at Christ Lutheran Church baptized 50 years ago:

Jack Aunkst – 4/22/1962 Kellie Brouse – 4/22/1962 Dianne Perrin – 4/22/1962
Donna Spear – 4/22/1962 Steven Ishler – 11/11/1962

Stewardship of Self:

Hours worked: 2111 (52 wks) Goal: 45/week (40 hours + 5 hours tithe)
 Weekly average (46 work weeks): 45.9
 Beginning August, 2012: weekly average 8.3/Grace; 37.6/ Christ
14 medical visits 15 family visits (includes vacation/holidays)
Vacation: 24 days (includes 4 Sundays) Sick Days: 9 (includes 1 Sunday)
Holidays: 6 (January 2, Memorial Day, July 4, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Day after Thanksgiving, December 26 & 27)
voted in primary election; attended presentation of “Jonah” @ Sight & Sound theatre, Lancaster
Special personal blessings: marriage of my niece, Kelly Dillon, to Jordan Zander, on July 14, 2012
Days off schedule: normally Friday afternoons & Saturdays (usually varies with ministry needs)
 Goal: 2-4 full days per month with NO work agenda # Days off—January–December: 43

We have the joy of sharing in ministry with faithful, dedicated leaders of Christ Church. I give thanks for these folks who helped us all do the Lord’s work in 2012:

Staff:

Lorei Comerer, Office Manager
 Ruth Greenly, Financial Secretary
 Donna Spear, Webmaster
 Trisha Long, Custodian
 Jimmy Spear, Payroll

Bob & Debbie Greenly, Groundskeepers
 Brett Hosterman, Organist
 Rose Deaner, Treasurer
 Nancy Walters, Director of Church Music

Council:

Don Fisher, President
 James Bartlett, Vice President
 Debbie Greenly, Secretary

Ed Coup
 Nancy Mensch
 Rose Deaner, Treasurer

Roger Watts
 Barry Yeager
 Sharon Randolph

Ministry Leaders:

Rose Bolich, Witness
 Nancy Mensch & Brenda Bartlett, Christian Education
 Kay Dunn, VBS Director
 Susan Albert, Staff Support
Need volunteers for Youth Ministry
 Betty Morgan, Hospitality
 Roger Watts, Endowment
 Don Fisher, Stewardship Ministry Coordinator

Kellie Brouse, Worship
 Donna Spear, Social Ministry
 Don Fisher, Finance
 Roger Watts, Property
 Don & Tiara Shipe, Missionary Communicators
 & Growing Disciples Coordinators
 James Bartlett, Spiritual Growth Ministry
 Coordinator

Authorized Lay Worship Leaders

Rose Bolich

Kellie Brouse

Ed Coup

God bless you! ☺

Respectfully and Faithfully Submitted,
 Your Partner in Mission and Ministry,

The Rev. Patricia A. T. Pittsnogle ☺
 January, 2013

Webmaster Report

The design, development, and maintenance of the church website has been under my direction since October of 2005. The cost of hosting a website for our church is \$56 per year, which I continue to donate along with my time in maintaining it.

The website is updated each week with the church bulletin, weekly events, the pastor's sermon, the prayer page, photos, and other pertinent changes.

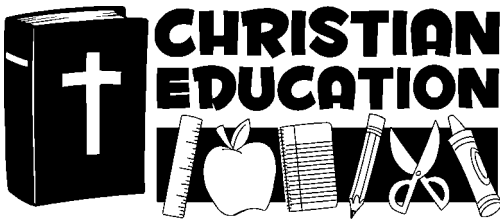
A Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Facebook page has been established and is maintained by James Bartlett. Our church website and the Facebook page are linked

together. The Facebook page continues to grow and draw online visitors. The Facebook page can be found at: <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Christ-Evangelical-Lutheran-Church/211337771270>.

I enjoy doing this work for the church and am open to suggestions for additions and changes to our church website. You can view the church website at: <http://www.christlutheranmpa.org>.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Spear, Webmaster

Christian Education Annual Report



Once again we are faced with poor or no attendance in children's Sunday School.

Bible Buddies, which is held on Friday night once a month, is alive and well because of all the help and donations of time, food, and service of parents, teachers, and friends. We could use more people to volunteer for Bible Buddies. Please become involved if you can.

We have been fortunate to have the best teachers possible for our children again this year. We all have been trying very hard to come up with answers to improve Sunday School attendance.

We give our heartfelt thanks to all who gave us support in our efforts to improve:

Brenda Bartlett, for taking an active role in Christian Ed and teaching a Sunday class and Bible Buddies;
Kay Dunn, who is the Director of Vacation Bible School, teaches a Sunday class and Bible Buddies;
Sharon Karchner, for coming up with really good crafts for Sunday classes and Bible Buddies. The kids love them!

Kim Mitch, who took on the task of putting on the Advent Play – a daunting task!

Kellie Brouse, for being here to teach the Young Adult Sunday School class;

Rose Handy, for teaching the Adult Sunday School class and her help with Bible Buddies;

James Bartlett, for being available to take over for Rose if she needs him. Also being involved with children's Sunday School;

Pastor Pat, for all she does to help keep us going in all endeavors and teaching Bible Buddies and youth group.

We have Bible Study on Thursdays, weekly, at 2 p.m. Sunday night Bible Study is once a month at 7 p.m. Spiritual Growth meetings are on the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. We have a new Mutual Ministry Team, which meets several times a year with Grace Lutheran Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Mensch

Worship and Music

(No report submitted.)



Worship Committee

Social Ministry

The Social Ministry Group meets on the last Monday of each month as a part of the Spiritual Growth Ministry Team. The mission of the social ministry group is to "reach out to others" and spread the Good News in fun, caring, and loving ways.

The Souper Bowl of Caring, Sunday, February 5, 2012, featured Chicken Noodle and Ham and Bean soups prepared for either eat-in or take-out lunch. Total meals served were 86. All proceeds were given to the Milton Food Bank. The total proceeds for this event were \$547.10. Our Endowment Committee approved matching funds for this event.

Each Wednesday during the season of Lent a free meal was served before our mid-week worship service. The meal was open to the whole community.

The May event was a success featuring a main meal of chicken, baked beans, and macaroni salad, a food stand, bake sale, drinks sale, yard sale, and fishing game for the kids. With matching funds from Endowment, ten organizations each received \$500.00 to continue their ministry and service to the wider community.

Holiday meal baskets were prepared and given to families in our community for both Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Through the Summer and Fall, a food drive was held to collect items for the Milton Food Bank. The food drive will continue through the Summer of 2013.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Spear, Chairperson
James Bartlett, Spiritual Growth Chairperson



Hospitality Ministry Group

The women of the Church served at the following events:

Supper and snacks for Vacation Bible School
Refreshments following the Organ Recital
Funeral meals for Mae Keefer and Tim Walsh, Jr.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Morgan



Altar Guild Ministry Group

Altar Guild Ministry Group is the faithful, behind the scene, group of 20 people who care for our chancel area in preparation for the worship service. Their responsibilities include:

- setting up for communion
- supplying bread for communion
- cleaning up after communion
- displaying proper paraments for the various church seasons
- filling candles for worship
- care of baptismal font
- care of altar items used in worship
- care of assistant robes



We have members of all ages and males as well as females. The members of this ministry are grateful servants of God, servants of God's people, servants of the liturgy, and servants of the worship space. They faithfully fulfill their responsibilities with very little recognition and yet they are a very vital part of God's ministry. It is a great privilege to work with such dedicated and faithful servants. We appreciate and thank you for your ministry to this congregation.

ALTAR GUILD

Those dedicated and faithful servants for 2012 were:

Jennifer Suarez
Mae Jones
Rachael Spear

Linda Bastian
BeBe Bolich

Kim Herr
Connie Mensch
Anna Mae Harpster
Betty Morgan

Kim Mitch
Sharon Karchner
Ruth Greenly
Penny Ulmer
Kay Dunn
Charlene Francis
Nancy Mensch
Deb Greenly
Penny Coup
Ed Coup
Laura Beck

Respectfully submitted,
Rose Handy, Chairperson

Witness Ministry Group

The Witness Ministry Group members have faithfully continued to carry out Christ's ministry in 2012. I report with great joy that the group has joined together with Christian Education, Worship & Music, Youth, Hospitality, and Social Ministry to form the Spiritual Growth Ministry and share working together to witness God's love and grace in this church, community and the world. Witnessing has taken place in many forms throughout 2012 by the faithful servants of these ministry groups as well as support and witnessing from others in our congregation. The Lord, Pastor Pat, and I thank you for your service, commitment and dedication. The following projects were sponsored in 2012; not all projects were sponsored by the Witness Ministry Group, but all involved witnessing and should not be overlooked:

- Publicized worship times and events in the local newspapers and church sign
- Inspiring and challenging messages on our church sign
- Visitor's table with coffee mugs and info for distribution to visitors
- Bulletins sent to shut-ins
- Fabulous church web page
- Sponsored "Christ in Our Home" devotionals
- Sunday morning greeters
- World Hunger Calendar Project
- Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter baskets for the needy
- St. Patrick's Day Congregational Dinner
- May Yard Sale Event
- Mission trip to Springfield, MA

Friendship Ministry:

- On-going communication through calls, cards, direct contact and prayers with church members

Homebound Communion Ministry:

- Distributed monthly communion to a small group of shut-ins

Prayer Team Ministry:

- Sponsored Sunday morning Prayer Ministers
Assigned Ministry member prayed for the congregation before each worship service. Also they conducted prayer with service participants, choir, organist, and Pastor before Sunday service begins.
- Sponsored "Prayer and Events" card inserts in weekly bulletins
- Sponsored worship service prayer writing for Sunday and special worship services

Prayer Chain Ministry:

- Sponsored prayer and passing special prayer requests from one prayer chain minister to another

We ask you to please pray for all our ministry groups, and if the Spirit moves you, please don't hesitate to join us. All are welcome to participate in the Lord's ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Rose M. Handy, Chairperson



Staff Support and Parish Relations Ministry Group



(No report submitted.)

Prayer Chain Members

Mae Jones	742-7570
Joanne Seidel	742-4678
Betty Baumer	523-1179
Evelyn Campbell	742-6071
Sharon Karchner	742-3652
Pam Walsh	742-3528
Barbara Gray	568-0022
Mary Steeley	742-7746
Rose Handy	568-8433



Email prayer chain: Pastor Pat, Kay Dunn, Alice Ann Parsons



The Endowment Committee was formed by Resolution at the Nov. 18, 2007 Congregational Meeting for the purpose of evaluating requests, from members of the Congregation, for funding of Charitable Projects and if approved, forwarding the request to the Church Council with a recommendation for funding from the Endowment portion of the Church's Thrivent Investments. See Summary of Thrivent Investments & Withdrawals for available funds.

Summary of Thrivent Investments and Withdrawals from 01/01/06 to 12/31/12

	Yearly. Total.	Gen. Fund	Investment	Endowment	Property	Housing
Total Checks Written 2006	\$26,153.13	\$25,254.81		\$898.32		
Total Checks Written 2007	\$69,178.53			\$63,078.53	\$6,100.00	
Total Checks Written 2008	\$141,841.71	\$32,621.00		\$7,584.50	\$101,636.21	
Total Checks Written 2009	\$37,938.24			\$1,363.01	\$30,575.23	\$6,000.00
Total Checks Written 2010	\$17,935.61	-\$9,403.18	\$9,909.67	\$11,429.12		\$6,000.00
Total Checks Written 2011	\$24,882.38			\$24,882.38		
Total Checks Written 2012	\$83,465.01	\$9,031.75		\$38,007.26	\$29,100.00	\$7,326.00
Total of All Checks Written 2006 – 2012	\$401,394.61	\$57,504.38	\$9,909.67	\$147,243.12	\$167,411.44	\$19,326.00
Funds Invested 01/01/06	\$250,736.23					
Funds Invested 04/20/06	\$100,000.00					
Funds Invested 02/08/07	\$551,000.00					
Funds Invested 10/24/07	\$14,800.00					
Funds Invested 12/31/10	\$3,587.51					
Funds Invested 12/31/11	\$7,810.09					
Funds Invested 12/31/12	\$6,970.53					
Total of All Checks Written 2006 – 2012	-\$401,394.61					
Return on Investment 2006 – 2012	\$147,818.24					
Total Funds Invested with Thrivent 12/31/12	\$681,327.99	\$68,521.82	\$232,208.15	\$207,419.44	\$55,036.17	\$118,142.41

- App. #62 Submitted 12/11/11 Approved 01/24/12 – Community Meals on Fri. during Lent 2010 - \$44.64
- App. #63 Submitted 01/23/12 Approved 01/24/12 – Souper Bowl Fundraiser for Hungry - \$1000.00
- App. #64 Submitted 01/23/12 Approved 01/24/12 – Funding to Support Kathlyn’s Closet - \$2000.00
- App. #65 Submitted 01/23/12 Approved 01/24/12 – Mount Luther 50th B-Day Candle - \$9000.00
- App. #66 Submitted 01/24/12 Approved 01/24/12 – Display Banners for the Narthex - \$1535.68
- App. #67 Submitted 01/27/12 Approved 01/30/12 – Ministry Support for LOVE, Inc. - \$2000.00
- App. #68 Submitted 02/26/12 Approved 02/28/12 – Scholartships to Camp Mt. Luther - \$718.25
- App. #69 Submitted 02/27/12 Approved 02/28/12 – MS Walk matching support - \$500.00
- App. #70 Submitted 03/05/12 Approved 03/27/12 – Knoebel’s Tickets for Children - \$400.00
- App. #71 Submitted 03/26/12 Approved 03/27/12 – Steve Ishler Family Hardship - \$2400.00
- App. #72 Submitted 04/13/12 Approved 04/24/12 – Mission Trip to Springfield MA - \$750.00
- App. #73 Submitted 04/15/12 Approved 04/24/12 – Relay for Life - \$1490.38
- App. #74 Submitted 05/08/12 Approved 05/29/12 – Augment May Event Fund Raiser - \$3362.70
Supports 10 Local Charities at \$550.00 ea.
- App. #75 Submitted 08/22/12 Approved 09/25/12 – Mutual Ministry Training Christ & Grace - \$150.00
- App. #76 Submitted 08/27/12 Approved 09/25/12 – Faith Chests fo Newly Baptized Members - \$828.00
- App. #77 Submitted 08/22/12 Withdrawn – Bibles for Sunday School Connect Program - \$0.00
- App. #78 Submitted 10/04/12 Approved 10/23/12 – Christmas Gift Cards for Needy Families - \$1250.00
- App. #79 Submitted 10/04/12 Approved 10/23/12 – Christmas Gift Cards for Staff - \$750.00
- App. #80 Submitted 10/23/12 Approved 10/23/12 – Liberian Pastor Sumo Transportation Fund - \$500.00

App. #81 Submitted 11/07/12 Approved 11/27/12 – Christmas Gift for our Missionaries - \$400.00

Funds were also disbursed for other Thrivent Investment Accounts, they are as follows:

- Property Fund – Keith Erb Roofing – Re-Roof Fellowship Hall - \$29,100.00
- Gen. Church Funds Memorials – Atlantic Equipment Specialists – Dishwasher for Kitchen - \$6,795.00
- Gen. Church Funds Memorials – Norman E. Buck & Sons – Install Plumbing for Dishwasher – \$1,060.00
- Gen. Church Funds Memorials – I. Ray Zimmerman Electrical Contr. – Electrical Installation for Dishwasher - \$875.25
- Gen. Church Funds Memorials – Church Banner Purchase in Memory of Laurie Fisher - \$329.50

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church									
Thrivent Investment Performance 2012									
		Investment Total Value 12/31/12 -	\$681,327.99	#####	12/31/11				
Four Segments to these Invested Funds									
Fund Name	Acct. Number	12/31/2011 Beg. Value	Expenses	Fund Minimum	Income	Fund Gain / (Loss)	12/31/12		
<u>The money used from this portion does not have a specific designation.</u>									
Investment Portion ***	465-990144179 **	#####	\$ -		\$ -	\$20,899.03	\$224,828.64		
Invest Money Market	91-990144179	\$ 7,379.51	\$ -		\$ -	\$0.00	\$7,379.51		
		#####					\$232,208.15		
<u>The money used from this portion except the Principal of \$104,000.00 must be approved by the Endowment Committee.</u>									
Endowment Portion****	465-990144183	#####	\$ 33,000.00	#####	\$ 4,331.53	\$20,085.85	\$200,878.13		
Endowmt. Money Market	91-990144183	\$ 15,117.62	\$ 80,276.31		\$ 71,700.00	\$0.00	\$6,541.31		
		#####					\$207,419.44		
<u>The money from this portion is approved by the Property Committee.</u>									
Property Portion	465-990144187	\$ 78,504.30	\$ 30,000.00		\$ -	\$6,531.87	\$55,036.17		
<u>The money from this portion is used for the Pastor's Housing Allowance.</u>									
Housing Allowance	465-990144191	#####	\$ 7,326.00		\$ -	\$11,280.33	\$118,142.41		
<u>The money in this Fund is comprised of six Church dedicated use sub-funds listed below.</u>									
Gen. Church Funds	465-990144195	\$ 67,595.80	\$ 8,700.00		\$ 2,639.00	\$6,987.02	\$68,521.82		
Emergency Reserve Fund					64.4299%		\$44,148.54		
Kitchen Fund					3.8664%		\$2,649.33		
Pleibel Flower Fund					5.6207%		\$3,851.41		
Library Fund					9.3525%		\$6,408.50		
Church Vocations Fund					9.4627%		\$6,484.01		
Memorials					7.2678%		\$4,980.03		
					100.00%		\$68,521.82		

* A portion of the Funds allocated to the Endowment Fund were from the Leiby Trust. This amount is \$104,000.00. The Principal is not to be touched and the Return on this amount only may be used which means this Fund may not drop below \$104,000.00.

** \$7037.00 was borrowed from Investment Funds by the Congregation Oct. 6, 2009. This loan was used for the purchase of the new copier which was to be repaid back into the fund with interest and was a budgeted general fund expense. Debt forgiven by Council at Dec. 6, 2011 meeting.

*** Only the earnings from this fund may be used. The initial investment of \$200,267.00 may not be spent. This fund shall have a a money market account.

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Respectfully Submitted,
Roger E. Watts, Endowment & Property Chairperson

Report of the Annual Congregational Meeting – March, 2012

(No Minutes submitted.)

Report of the Congregational Meeting – November 11, 2012

Don Fisher, President of Council, opened the meeting telling the Congregation that Roger Watts and Barry Yeager agreed to stay on Council for another term. Rich Handy is the new nominee for the open position. Rose Deaner motioned to have Rich Handy fill the position. James Bartlett 2nd the motion. Motion was approved.

Everyone received a copy of the budget. Don went over each category. Brenda Bartlett made a motion to take out Line #80 the Synod Congregation Commitment in the amount of \$4000.00. James Bartlett 2nd the motion. At that time Pastor Pat spoke stating how she felt we need to support our Synod. There were numerous people that spoke up on how they were against the motion. Don Fisher then asked that the congregation vote for the budget as it stood with the Synod Congregation Commitment left as is. The ballots were counted and the budget passed.

Nancy Walters also spoke to the Congregation as to how much our Organ is in need of repair/maintenance. It was agreed to bring this recommendation to Council.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Deborah Greenly, Secretary

Church Council Highlights

(No report submitted.)

THE CHURCH STAFF - 2013

The Reverend Patricia A. T. Pittsnogle	Pastor	570-768-6705
Lorei Comerer	Church Office Manager	570-742-7473
Nancy Walters	Director of Church Music	570-742-4924
Brett Hosterman	Organist	570-713-5813
Donna Spear	Webmaster	570-742-2117
Trisha Long	Custodian	570-768-1291
Bob & Deb Greenly	Groundskeepers	570-742-3277
Rose Deaner	Church Treasurer	570-524-9944
Ruth Greenly	Financial Secretary	570-742-9825

OFFICERS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL - 2013

PRESIDENT	James Bartlett
VICE-PRESIDENT	Barry Yeager
SECRETARY	Deb Greenly
TREASURER	Rose Deaner
FINANCIAL SECRETARY	Ruth Greenly

THE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL - 2013

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TELEPHONE #</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Pastor Patricia A. T. Pittsnogle	768-6705	
James Bartlett	939-1471	2013
Edward Coup	428-4444	2013
Nancy Mensch	742-7841	2013
Rose Deaner	524-9944	2014
Debbie Greenly	742-3277	2014
Sharon Randolph	568-0385	2014
Rich Handy	568-8433	2015
Roger Watts	713-0011	2015
Barry Yeager	742-7002	2015
Ruth Greenly	742-9825	