

# December 2022 Newsletter Bethany Lutheran Church



## **Bethany Lutheran Church**

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Pastor Susan Dollinger

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### **Sunday Morning Worship Time**

9:30 Worship  
10:30 Coffee Hour



*Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. Matthew 1:18*

Shhh. Do you hear the quietness? Do you hear the stillness of the season? It whispers behind the hustle and bustle. It shows up in unexpected places, like in front of a crackling fire or with the first snow. The peace of the season shows up with the last of the fall leaves dropping to the ground.

Advent is a special season of waiting in the church. For mainline Christians, our bodies respond to two calendars, the one we have on the wall, which marks holidays, and daily chores, and also the one of the church year which marks the ebbs and flows of the liturgical seasons. We are now in Advent, a hushed time of waiting. The tension in the world is palatable; we wait for better times, and we wait for the Messiah to be born.

Our church year ended with Jesus on the cross, and our new year begins in November with readings of the end times and also to prophecies. We flow into a new beginning of life, a baby born in the manger.

We are called to be shepherds who come to see the baby. We are called to be shepherds to proclaim the birth of Christ.

We celebrate the Advent season by lighting candles, each one holding meaning; the traditional meanings are hope, peace, joy, and love. May the light of these candles be a blessing to you and yours this Advent season.

With much love,  
Pastor Susan



## SUNDAY'S MINISTRIES DECEMBER 2022

DECEMBER 4, 2022

**Sunday Service**

**Communion/Neighbors/Small Seeds & Sprouts**

Greeter: Ruth Sieler  
Ushers: Small Seeds & Sprouts/Chris Engebo  
Reader: Small Seeds & Sprouts  
Communion Asst.: Pam Van den Driessche  
Communion Setup: Ardyth Loewen  
PowerPoint: Dan Lane  
Financial Sec. Barbara Price  
Coffee Hour: Blair/Newton

**\*\*Please find a substitute if you can't volunteer for that Sunday.\*\***

DECEMBER 11, 2022

**Sunday Service**

**Communion**

Greeter: Joyce Croy  
Ushers: Harry & Dorothy Blair  
Reader: Lee Limpach  
Communion Asst.: Barb Wilson  
Communion Setup: Ardyth Loewen  
PowerPoint: Rick Loewen  
Financial Sec. Pam Van den Driessche  
Coffee Hour: Lane/Loewen

DECEMBER 18, 2022

**Sunday Service**

**Communion**

Greeter: DiAnn Foslien  
Ushers: Dave Foslien & Bill Zimmerman  
Reader: Bill Zimmerman  
Communion Asst.: Karen Langworthy  
Communion Setup: Dorothy Blair  
PowerPoint: Don Wallin  
Financial Sec. Susan Shiu  
Coffee Hour: Thompson/Utto

DECEMBER 24, 2022 **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 4pm**

**Communion**

Greeter: Ruth Sieler  
Ushers: Bob & Pat Reistroffer  
Reader: Duane Thompson  
Communion Asst.: Pam Van den Driessche  
Communion Setup: Carol Thompson  
PowerPoint: Carol Thompson

DECEMBER 24, 2022 **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 11pm**

Reader: Renee Pelster

DECEMBER 25, 2022

**Sunday Service**

Ushers: Pelster Family  
Reader: Chris Cotten  
Financial Sec. Barbara Price

## Bethany's Corner



Shelly Limpach is our prayer chain contact. You may contact her with your prayer concerns through email at. If you have an urgent prayer request, please call the church office.

### Continued Prayers & Healing

Takko family Custer family Gilchrist family  
Thibodeau family Dana Hughes Pastor Les Foss  
Krista Croy Kim Isakson Tracie Gonsolis  
Sarah Hancock Pratt family



### DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

20 Duane & Carol Thompson

23 Leonard & Cheryl Bean

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

03 Betty Olson	11 Sandra Hubert-Smith	21 Kendra Zandi
04 Emily Engebo	13 Duane Scott	28 June White
05 Barbara Wilson	Elden Alexander	
Clarence Newton	16 Kim Isakson	

### Soap and Water Smell Great!

Several people in the congregation are very sensitive to scents.  
Please consider not wearing a fragrance on Sundays.

# FYI

## Small Groups Christian Fellowship Next Month!

As a part of the Council goal to get members to know each other better and to reach out to non-members to share the faith, we would like to have small potluck dinners in attendees' homes. One dinner in January for four Bethany people to get better acquainted and then in February the four would invite two to four people outside of Bethany to get acquainted and share—so those two months it would be six or eight as we reach out. Please sign up as soon as possible so we can find hosts and also people who would like to participate but don't feel they can host. Participants will be notified and then hosts can connect with their guests to set a date for lunch or dinner and plan the potluck dishes.

## 60th Anniversary & Smorgasbord Dinner



Join us on **Sunday, December 4th at 5pm** for our annual Smorgasbord!

There will be drinks and appetizers and then we are once again gifted with the voices of the Castle Rock Men's Choir who will



be performing. Following the program we will join together in a delicious smorgasbord dinner!

If you are interested in volunteering to help with this event please contact members of the Hospitality Team!

## Holiday Schedule

**Office Closed- December 22nd through January 3rd**



## Ministry of the Month!

Thank you to our Hospitality team! Thank you for sharing your gifts of care and hospitality with our church and our community. From dinner events to special Sundays, thank you for all that you do!

## Coffee Hour

First of all thanks to all who do Coffee Hour and provides us with yummy goodies. FYI to all who do it, new members and seasoned members.

Duties of Coffee Hour Hosts:

1. turn on the dishwasher when you arrive. Directions are on the wall.
2. Place plates, napkins and or cups out for service
3. wash all tables off after coffee Hour
4. make sure all dishes are cleaned and put away
5. sweep floor in kitchen and fellowship hall
6. take out all the garbage. Put new bages in them. Bags are in cabinet by glass doors
7. clean out all coffee pots
8. wash out all sinks and clean out the dishwasher. Directions are on the wall
9. take home any wet towels & dish rags and dirty tablecloths that need to be laundered
10. turn off all lights.

Bob Baldwin & Rick Loewen will be making coffee. There may be times when they are gone. So check when it's your turn.



We would like to fill our altar with poinsettias for the holidays! If you would like to help, bring a poinsettia and place it with the others. After the holidays are over, you are welcome to take yours home. Thank you!

## Coming up in December...

December 4th—5:00 Smorgasbord  
December 7th— 5:30 Soup/Supper Advent Service  
December 14th - 5:30 Soup/Supper Holden Evening Prayer  
December 21st—6:00 Comfort & Hope Service  
December 24th @ 4 & 11pm—Candle Light Christmas Eve  
December 25th—9:30 Christmas Morning Worship Service



# Growing in Faith & Knowledge

## Online Worship

Sundays at 9:30am, Streaming on Facebook, and Zoom. Uploaded to YouTube the following Tuesday.

## **Zoom – Video & Phone**

Using Zoom, you can login to worship with us via your computer, phone, or even by calling in to listen. Join the call as early as 15 minutes prior to our worship start time for fellowship with your Bethany Family.

Join Zoom Meetings:

<https://zoom.us/j/6153119848>

Or to call in:

+1 253 215 8782 US

Meeting ID: 615 311 9848

Password: 2900

## Small Seeds and Sprouts

This year we will have Small Seeds and Sprouts meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month from 1-3pm at Bethany. This is a fun-filled time of learning for our children and youth at Bethany. This is a great opportunity to invite other children, and bring grandchildren to our program. Confirmation material will be incorporated this year. Please pray for the youth as they enter into a new phase in their faith education. The meeting will be meeting on December 3rd, 2022. with Small Seeds & Sprouts Sunday, December 11th.

## Women's Bible Study

We will meet in the Faith room and on Zoom on Tuesday, December 6th & 13th at 10:30 Join us 15 minutes early for fellowship and conversation.

You may download the study for free at  
[www.gathermagazine.org/biblestudy](http://www.gathermagazine.org/biblestudy)



Feel free to join in on Zoom:  
contact Kathy Newton to be on the update list.

## Annual Meeting

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, January 22nd for our Annual Meeting after our church service. Members need to plan to attend and help us make decisions for the 2023 year--we need a voting quorum--we need YOU!! The agenda and handouts will be distributed on Sunday, January 15th at service.

Friends of Bethany are welcome to attend (without voting) so you will be informed on everything that is happening! Join us for the potluck brunch and meeting.

Committee and Event Reports are due by December 18th.  
Budget requests are due December 11th.

## New Members Update

On November 27th we welcomed Lynne Dalleck and Susan Nance as new members. Their contact information will be in the new directory. If you need to reach them prior to then, please call the church office. Welcome them to Bethany!

## Mutual Ministry

Did you know that there is a mutual ministry team?

It is for the purpose is for problem-solving when needed. Pastor Susan is always available for conversation and private matters which are held confidential. This team is to help with conflict among the Bethany community or with difficult matters that may require different perspectives.

The Biblical way of handling conflict is – if possible, approach the person you have a conflict with and talk with them first. If that does not work bring someone with you as a witness to talk with the other person. If that does not work then you bring it to the church (the mutual ministry team) for mediation. While this way is encouraged. We understand that it can not always work out this way and you may come to the mutual ministry team at a different interval.

This team is to help the balance and harmony at Bethany.

God's peace.



## **Bethany Planning for the Future!**

We still need more volunteers. Please pray about ways that you can help. It is also important to invite people as we can. The events for the year focus on activities that can easily include an invitation to a neighbor or friend. Thank you so much.

### **Quarterly Meeting Coming January 12th ~ 5:30 ~Fellowship Hall**

This is our regular meeting of all members who wish to attend to share ideas! If you are thinking of a new project or have something to share, here is the place to come! This is a great time to hear the plans for upcoming events as well.

*ALL committees should bring a list of active members and a list of dates for the next four months. After our discussion items, we will be doing the calendar.*

## **Columbia Heights Box Tops**

We are collecting Box Tops with this logo. If you would put your clipped tops in the box decorated with pansies on a table in the narthex by the Faith Room, it would be appreciated. The school PTO "buys" wonderful items for the school with these items, your participation is appreciated.



## **FISH**

At this time, we are stopping potato meal boxes, rice meal boxes, and pasta meal boxes. Kraft Mac'n Cheese is still one of our staples.

We will continue to provide canned chili, spaghetti sauce, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dish soap, laundry soap, sugar, oatmeal, top ramen, feminine hygiene products, diapers (all sizes), and flour.

All contributions gladly accepted.

Our next date is Friday January 6th and we appreciate your continued support for Bethany's FISH program.

# **FYI**

## **December Emergency Fund**

*"...for all of them have contributed out of their abundance..." Luke 21:3-4*

As we delivered the checks to Lexington and Columbia Heights Elementary School before Thanksgiving for their family food boxes, I was reminded of this verse. Thank you to each Bethany member who has given out of their abundance to support these families in need.

December brings us the other opportunity to feed different families at the two schools. December 4 and 11 we will collect your Emergency Fund donations and bring the schools their percentage of the proceeds as well as the amount that goes into the Pastor's Discretionary Fund for her use in serving Bethany. Christmas vacation is a long break without food at the schools for these children.

In order to consolidate our giving, the council made the Emergency Fund for November and December for our families at our partner schools. Before COVID, we did the Angel Tree, the donated food with fresh groceries added, and the Emergency Fund—all separately. This has been reduced to two giving opportunities this year. Please give council your feedback.

### **Angels on the Tree ~~ Please be God's Angel!**

The Angel Tree in our narthex contains tags for the two families at Lexington Elementary, two families at Columbia Heights, and the homeless children at Family Promise. Your Youth and Service Committee has met with the administrators, collected the information on the most urgent children's needs, and created this opportunity for you to give as you are able.

**Directions:** Please take the tag(s) you wish to get—or pair with a friend to purchase the item(s).

Bag or wrap the gift. *Make sure you get a gift receipt for clothing items at the store, staple it to the tag, and secure it to the gift wrapped package or bag.* This allows the school to see if it needs to be exchanged for a different size, etc. One gift of a toy not to exceed \$25 and one clothing item goes to each child. (If you need a personal shopper to do the shopping for you, please let Barb Clausen know and she will help you!) ALL items must be back under the tree by **Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** so they can be delivered prior to school vacation. Thank you for your service!!

## Emergency Fund ~ FIRST SUNDAY

Your council (with input from the Quarterly meeting) has selected a flexible list for the Emergency Fund donations. 20% each month will go to Pastor Susan's discretionary fund to help neighbors and members in need. The remaining will be distributed to the selected agency on the list. This month we are featuring and doing *second-mile* giving to the Thanksgiving Boxes for Lexington and Just put your check or cash in the separate basket at the back of the sanctuary and the check will be sent at the end of the month. If you are mailing in your donation, please write Emergency Fund on the Memo line.

**December-** Columbia Heights & Lexington Elementary Christmas Food Boxes

### **November Emergency Fund:**

The Emergency Fund giving for the Thanksgiving Food Boxes for Columbia Heights and Lexington Elementary totaled \$342.20 and a check for \$226.51 was given to Lexington PTO and \$115.69 was given to Columbia Heights on November 17th. Thank you, Bethany, for your generous second-mile giving.

## Longview Grocery Outlet Share Program

Did you know Longview Grocery Outlet donates 5% of your purchase to Bethany Lutheran? I was reminded last week when I went to pick up the check. And it's so easy too! We have cards that you would hand to the cashier prior to your items being rung up. They will scan the card and give it back to you and give Bethany 5% of your purchase amount. If you don't have a card, call the church office and we will mail one to you. Forgot your card? You can just let them know you would like to support Bethany Lutheran Church and they can type in the code. Please call the office if you have any questions.

Our Brothers and Sisters of Bethany,

We wish to extend our most sincere thanks for the warm welcome we received on November 27, 2022, as we formally joined the Bethany family. We are pleased and blessed to be part of such a loving and Faith-filled family!

Peace, Blessings and Love to you All!

Lynne Dalleck and Susan Nance

*Thank  
you!*

## Serving with Bethany

Throughout our newsletter you can see upcoming events and opportunities for service, fellowship, worship, and more. As we continue to grow, we recognize how important it is to invite others into service with us.

We are also always looking for new ways to serve our Lord and our neighbor together, if God has put a project on your heart, fill out an event proposal!

Many of the upcoming events and opportunities you can read about are still in need of volunteers for planning, and for the day of the events! We invite you to pray about the ways God might use you to serve our Lord and serve our neighbor together!

### **Upcoming Service Opportunities:**

- FISH Food Pantry Distribution  
Contact Pam Van den Driessche
- Duct Tape Maintenance Volunteering (Thursdays 9am-12pm)  
Contact Rick Loewen or Dave Foslien
- Office Help Volunteering (Thursday Mornings)  
Contact Kim Moran
- Caring Ministries (Cards, Phone Calls, Visits)
- Church Council, Committees, and Finances  
Contact Pastor Susan, Tori Gosch, or Barb Wilson



### Breakfast Group

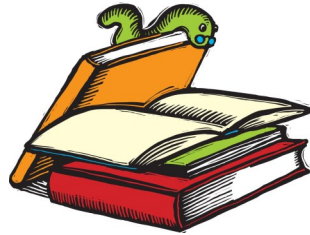
Our Breakfast Group is meeting on Tuesday morning at 8:00am at the Corner Cafe located at 796 Commerce Ave. Suite 103 in Longview. What a great opportunity to enjoy good food and fellowship!



# Serving with Bethany continued...

## Upcoming Youth Opportunities:

- TBD  
Contact Pastor Susan



## Upcoming Education

### Opportunities:

- Every Tuesday...Women of Bethany Bible Study at 10:30 am. All are welcome.  
Contact Kathy Newton.



## Upcoming Worship Opportunities:

- Praise Team (Sunday mornings)
- Worship Ministries (Ushering, Reading, Communion assisting/setup, PowerPoint, etc.)  
Contact Ardyth Loewen

**Do you have your own idea for an exciting ministry God is putting on your heart?** Let us know! Event proposal forms are available in the office or on the bulletin board.

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
Nov	TOTAL
6	55
13	51
20	46
27	46
Avg	50

## HELP WANTED

### Duct Tape Crew

The Duct Tape Crew meets on Thursday mornings at 9am and are the "fix it" crew at Bethany. This group of men and women repair, clean, install, mow and do many other things to keep our church beautiful and up and running. If you have ever used duct tape and like donuts, you are highly qualified.

### Communion Preparation People Needed

*We are needing some people to help on Sundays with communion preparation. It involves coming early to prepare the bread and the wine and bring it to the sanctuary before service and washing the communion cups after service. We appreciate your help with this important task.*

### Family Promise

Bethany Lutheran is seeking volunteers to be liaisons between our church and the Family Promise leaders. For now we will only be helping with meals, but we need people to organize and deliver them. If you would be interested in helping in this way, please contact a member of church council.

### Kitchen Coordinator Needed

Bethany Lutheran church is in need of a person who would be willing to be in charge of the kitchen for the next year. Duties would include...

- Making sure we have clean towels.
- Contacting Duct Tape if something needs repair.
- Coordinating volunteers for regular kitchen cleaning.

If you are interested in helping in this way, please contact a member of Hospitality.

# November Council Minutes

## **Bethany Lutheran Church**

**Council Meeting Minutes – November 10, 2022 5:30p.m.**

### **Faith Room**

**Attendance:** Pastor Susan Dollinger, Barb Clausen, Tori Gosch, Joyce Croye, John Pelster, Phyllis Cavens, and Beth Grambo. Absent: Steve Smith

**Devotions and Prayer** – Pastor Susan

**Call to Order and President's Report** – Barbara Clausen - Called to order at 5:33pm

Decisions made between Council Meetings:

Agenda Changes (Added Exec. Session, Evacuation, Directory Update, & Cold Weather procedure)

Devotions for Dec.15 - Beth Grambo

Christmas gathering Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 pm at Croy

**Secretary's Report** – John Pelster

Approve October minutes as printed

**Treasurer's Report** – Barb Wilson

Emergency Fund Report \$105 ; check for Salvation Army October \$84

Attendance average for October -55

Note to committees to give their financial requests by Dec. 11

Review of expenditures and account status

**October 2022 Financial Report of Expenses and Income:**

October 2022 budget expenses of \$10,596.59 exceeded budget offerings of \$7,650.00 by \$2,946.59. The Church loan balance as of October 31 is \$37,008.23 and Designated Funds / Savings as of October 31 are \$42,499.11.

October 2022 YTD offering of \$117,163.97 exceeded YTD expenses of \$108,324.44 by \$8,839.53. October 2021 YTD offerings were \$104,335.09 which exceeded YTD expenses of \$82,808.02.

**Ministry Reports** –

**Hospitality** –

o Elks Lodge Breakfast Club – 8:00am Tuesdays

o 60<sup>th</sup> Ann. Smorgasbord - Dec. 4th, 2022 5:00 pm CR Men's Choir & Potluck

Friendship Force - Dec. 9th, 2022 facility request

**Memorial** – No requests

**Worship/Music** – The worship and Music team meets on Nov. 06.

Reformation was a combined service with the other ELCA churches in the area. It was a fun, upbeat service with trumpets and the organ; the youth of Bethany helped with the children's message and also served as acolytes.

# Council Meeting Minutes Continued

Holiday worship committee plans:

- Church Decorating Sunday, Nov. 27 at 5:00 pm - Bring a snack
- Bishop Jaech Confirmed for Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> worship service
- Advent Soup & Service Nov. 30, Dec. 7 and 14<sup>th</sup> – Kathy Newton WOB
- Communion Christmas Eve 4 and 11:00pm, Christmas Day Carol Service
- W/M approved purchase of Christmas and Easter bulletins from budget;

**Youth/Service** – Small Seeds/Sprouts - Sunday will be November 20th, Saturday is November 5th at 1:00 pm;

- o FISH Report & Next- Next set up Nov. 27 and distribution Nov. 28;
- o Collecting money for family food boxes and preparing angel tree for family gifts; 2/3 1/3 split of donations between Lexington and Columbia Heights.
- o The Confirmation youth of Bethany served as acolytes in the Reformation service! They led the entire procession.
- o We had our first Small Seeds Saturday and had a great pet blessing the next day. The kids enjoyed blessing the pets that came in.
- o Fundraiser for Longview SD Christmas family food boxes: Ashtown Brewery Dec. 7-9th 6-9pm bingo donation buckets

Tim Yore temple talk on 11/20/2022 to give thanks for Bethany's support of Lexington Elementary

**Duct Tape Crew** – Rick Loewen

- o Submitting both budget requests for exterior painting - 1st quote submitted.
- o Lawn care quotes still pending.

New issues: there is a bulge in the FH floor and the sanctuary thermostat out

**Stewardship:**

Rummage Sale — Clean-up of portable - Barb Wilson

Churchwide Stewardship Report Pledge Totals to Date-Barb Wilson

Only 20 pledge cards have been returned, please get late pledge cards returned to the church.

**Mutual Ministry**- Summarized in Exec. Session

**Minister's Report** – Pastor Susan

Work/Life Balance: Last month was tough, with four out of five Saturdays taken and the Stewardship class falling in on a Monday. Had a blessed time on vacation in mid-October. November marks a busy month as well, with a lot of moving parts, including a First-Call Conference, Small Seeds, All Saints Sunday, a graveside service on Sunday as well, Veterans Sunday, Christ the King Sunday, Advent Sunday,



## Council Meeting Minutes Continued

and the first Wednesday of Advent.

**Other:** The Moments by the Lake group enjoyed bonus weeks outside. We will now move to Bethany until the sun comes out again.

**Women's Bible Study** Dates Nov.1, 8, and 15; Dec. 6, 13;

**Education** - Book Study – Thursday, Nov. 03 completion.

### **Unfinished Business:**

**Sound System Improvements** - Barb C have asked Seth Burns to advise the church;

**Living Lutheran Congregational Possibility** - Phyllis Cavens has had Kim order;

**Emergency Policy** - Barb C - Emergency Plan has been submitted for review. First usher training session will be on Dec. 11th and Jan. 8th, practice drills in January: Fire (Jan. 15th), Lockdown (Jan. 22th) Discussed Bishop's memo.

### **New Business:**

**January Planning Draft** - Barb Clausen

**Jan. 3, Tuesday noon Executive Committee Zoom** (salaries)

**Jan. 3, Tuesday 4:00 Faith Room Council** (Budget Building)

**Jan. 3, Tuesday 5:30 Council Meeting - Pizza Dinner** (budget rec., agenda approval, immediately following the Budget Meeting)

**Jan. 5, Thursday Letter** (annual meeting notice mailed)

**Jan. 15, Sunday Annual Meeting Booklet** (distributed one per family at service)

**Council Christmas cards to members** – We will address them at the Dec. meeting

**Nomination Committee** - Elected: Pat Reistroffer, George Obermeyer, Suzanne Arnts (+2 council appointed) **Moved, seconded, and approved to appoint Tori Gosch and Barb Clausen to the nomination committee.**

**New Member Sunday Nov. 27:** Susan Nance and Lynn Dalleck - Pastor Susan

**Directory Update** - Barb Clausen will call current members listed in the directory to update membership status as needed.

**Move, seconded, and approved** the revised vacation schedule for Pastor Susan - Nov. 23, Dec. 25 27, 28, 29 & 30

**Staff Report** – Kim Moran

**Facility Use** – Friendship Force - Dec. 9th, 2022 – Pastor Susan will need to call Church Mutual and get more clarification on requirements on external facility use vs. member sponsored events. **Moved, seconded and approved Friendship Force event without insurance rider due to the late approval.**

**Copy Machine** – reminder submit budget request

## Council Meeting Minutes Continued

**Announcements & Adjournment** – Barb Clausen - adjourned at 7:16 pm

### **Next Scheduled Meetings:**

**Executive Committee** – Wednesday, Dec. 7 – 12:00 pm

**Council** – Thursday, December 15, 2022 – 5:30 pm



## **Advent** WORD SCRAMBLE

1. YJO

2. OVEL

3. APCEE

4. OEHJPS

5. EOHP

6. REIECJO

7. BVEEEIL

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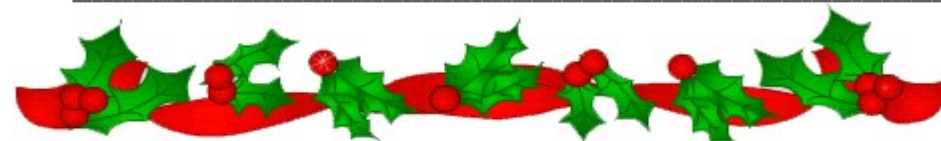
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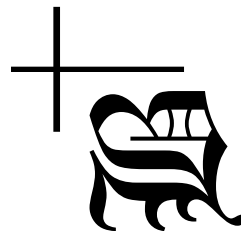
Offering to date (October)	
2021	2022
\$104,335.09	\$117,163.97
Expenses to date (October)	
2021	2022
\$82,808.02	\$108,324.44

*Newsletter articles must be submitted before the 20th of the month prior in order to be published.*

*While all efforts are made to keep original submissions, article submissions are subject to editing for accuracy, spelling, grammar and formatted to fit in the space allowed.*

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**DECEMBER 2022**



**God's Blessings to . . .**