Augustana Lutheran Church

2019 Annual Impact Report

Operations

Augustana Financial Notes & Numbers

2,159 Number of baptized members

38 Number of new members received

17 Number of baptisms

10 Number of weddings

17 Number of deaths

60 Number of full and part-time staff

428 Number of Giving Plans received

$1,393,840 Value of Giving Plans

20 Percent of Giving Plans shared with the ELCA and our local mission partners

174 Number of families that made their financial gift through automatic withdrawal or online

58 Number of families that made their financial gift through a stock transfer, Donor Advised Fund, or IRA

We continue to be faithful stewards finishing fiscal year 2019 in the black for the 15th consecutive year, thanks to faithful completion of Giving Plans and careful expense management. Year-end surplus funds are transferred to dedicated reserve and dedicated benevolence accounts.

The Harvest Fund (Augustana's endowment fund at InFaith Community Foundation) increased in value during 2019 from $2,762,804 to approximately $3,227,734 (preliminary value). This excludes short-term funds held in Augustana's dedicated account prior to distribution to the Foundation.

The Balance Sheet, Income Statement/ Budget, Dedicated Funds Statement, and Harvest Fund Report are available at the Information Center.

Financials

Statement of Activities	Fiscal Year January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019
Income	
Member Commitments and other offerings	$ 1,616,751
Program Ministries (including Preschool)	$ 91,964
Other Operating Income	$ 29,803
Total Income	$ 1,738,518
Expenses	
Benevolence	$ 280,168
Program Ministries (including Preschool)	$ 97,397
Administration	
Salaries and Benefits	$ 982,315
Other Administrative expenses	$ 130,716
Facilities and Utilities	$ 105,980
Total Expenses	$ 1,596,576
Net Income	$ 141,942
Transfers from Surplus	$ 141,942
Net Income less transfers	$ -

Dedicated Funds Statement	Income
Program Funds	$ 32,021
Administration (including Reserves)	$ 460,073
Benevolence (Global & Local Missions & other benevolence)	$ 339,687
Individual Memorials	$ 114,144
Total Income	$ 945,925
	Expense
Program Funds	$ 45,848
Administration (including Reserves)	$ 412,270
Benevolence (Global & Local Missions & other benevolence)	$ 301,587
Individual Memorials	$ 53,103
Total Expenses	$ 812,808
Total Change in Dedicated Funds	$ 133,117
Dec 31, 2018 Balance in all Dedicated Funds	$ 1,232,579
Dec 31 2019 Balance in all Dedicated Funds	$ 1,365,696

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Look through this report and let the pictures and numbers illustrate the impact Augustana Lutheran Church had in our local community and in the world in 2019. The numbers tell a powerful story about our beliefs, mission, and values. As a faith community, we are committed to following Jesus and living out the two great commandments: to love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Throughout 2019, your strategic planning design team worked hard to distill hundreds of comments and ideas about Augustana's past, present, and hoped-for future into visioning statements that will guide Augustana into the next 5-10 years. After a period of discernment, prayer, and reflection, the design team will share these vision statements with the congregation for approval.

Our goals for 2020 are simple and direct: continue to expect the unexpected from God as we live out our faith in daily life, share 20% of our Giving Plan dollars with the greater church [ELCA and St Paul Area Synod] and local mission partners, and finalize the vision statements which will guide Augustana into the future God has planned for us.

Your staff is dedicated to equipping you with a faith so strong that you have the ability to be resilient no matter what life brings your way. Augustana is a remarkable church and I know God will use each one of us to shine the light and share the love of Jesus as we serve our neighbors.

I am grateful for your partnership in ministry and mission.

Blessings and Peace,

Pastor Aune

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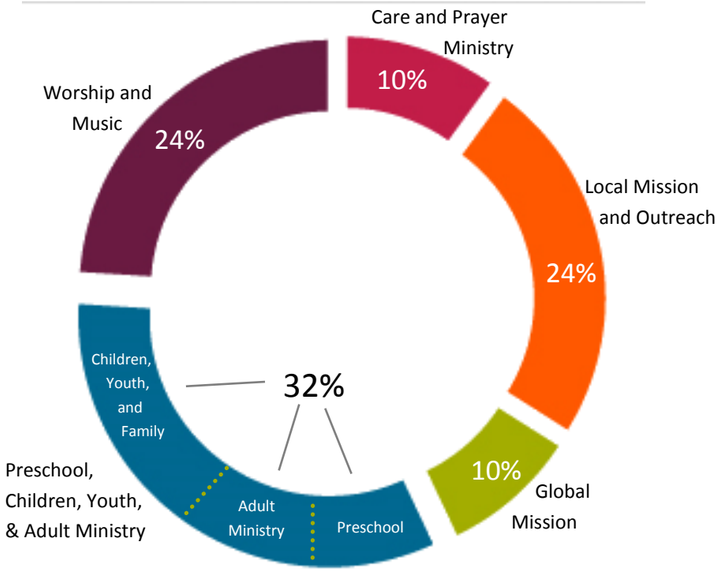
Allocating Our Annual Resources



Notes

All numbers contained in this report are from fiscal year January 1 through December 31, 2019.

The amounts allocated to each category do not reflect offsetting program revenues. They do include:

- a percentage of the pastoral and administrative salaries
- a relevant portion of building, maintenance, and grounds
- administrative expenses

Share the Good News

797 Number of Bible verses read in worship in 2019.

121 Anthems sung and rung by the Augustana choirs in worship during the program year.

240 Hours of choir rehearsals to prepare worship music.

32 Number of adults and youth that visited our companion congregations in Tanzania and Guatemala.

$84,865 Global Mission offering received to share the good news with our Global Mission partners.

5,800 Visitors to the new Augustana website since it was launched in July 2019.

10,021 Communion wafers served throughout 2019.

Prayer, Care, and Compassion

100 Percent of worship services in which we pray for our Global and Local Mission partners.

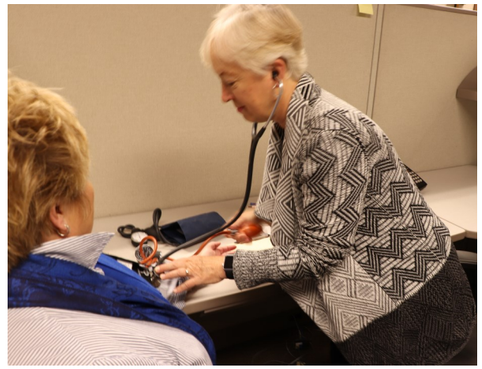
418 Hours volunteers dedicated to caring for families saying goodbye to a loved one at Augustana funerals.

1,222 People anointed at Healing worship services.

79 Cards sent to hospitalized members by the Augustana Card Ministry.

780 Hours of respite that caregivers received from The Gathering ministry.

147 Blood pressure screenings completed on the third Sunday of each month in the church office to promote health awareness.



Educate, Grow, and Empower

756 Books used in preschool classrooms in 2019.

282 Hours invested in Confirmation, Youth Forum, and Senior High Sundays.

$17,000 Updates and improvements to the audio visual system in the Jerusalem room to enhance adult education events.

183 Average weekly Facebook views for the new Children's Ministry program, Bedtime Bible Stories.

3,600 Number of resources including books, CDs, and DVDs available for check out in the Augustana Library.

$6,850 Investment to provide quality speakers for adult education.

$540 Amount to provide chocolate for Adult Ministry events. It's easier to think with chocolate!

Care for God's Creation

4,900 Pounds of organics diverted from the landfill in Augustana's first year of collecting compost.

4,085 Hours Augustana custodians cared for our building, grounds, and monitored the safety of all who enter.

15 Campers attended Augustana's first Environmental Camp. Campers are making a difference at Augustana by assisting members on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings to responsibly dispose of their waste products.

100 Percent of Styrofoam eliminated from the church.

12 Articles published in the Augustana newsletter by the EarthKeepers Committee to build awareness of how we can all care for God's creation.

Address Homelessness & Hunger

700 Number of safe-shelter bed nights provided at Augustana in partnership with Matrix Housing Services.

33,496 Dollars and pounds of food collected in March to support MN Foodshare and local mission partner, Neighbors Inc.

94 Bags of groceries collected for Union Gospel Mission's "Hope Begins with a Meal" Thanksgiving emphasis.

600 Volunteer hours for Habitat for Humanity in 2019.

$8,400 Gifts Augustana members donated to the Neighbors Inc. Adopt-a-family holiday program.

Strengthen Families & Communities

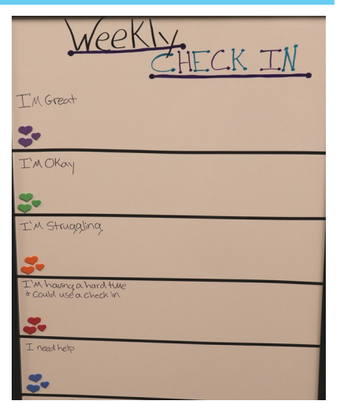
18,280 Cups of coffee served extending hospitality and building community.

90 Number of mental health "family check-in boards" Confirmation families and small groups made as a tool to engage in conversation about how family members are feeling and to seek and provide support on a weekly basis.

56 Events hosted by Augustana to raise awareness of mental health issues.

157 Pounds of lettuce used for Wednesday night congregational dinners.

960 Prizes given out to children at Fall Festival.

545 Hours of nursery care provided so parents can attend worship or events at Augustana.

27 Preschool visits to the Augustana library to check out books to take home and read with their families.