

**CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH** – Provost, Alberta  
ANNUAL MEETING – January 19, 2020

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13. Adjournment followed by Hot Potluck Lunch

**CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – JANUARY 20, 2019**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Gerry Motta	Linda Aker Paulgaard	Antionnette Erasmus
Irene Motta	Paul McCormick	Wenona McCormick
Darlene Downing	Carol Paulgaard	Ove Aasen
Deon Erasmus	Diana Kroesctch	Melanie Hilt-McGowan
Elton Paulgaard	Alyssa Rab	Andrew Rab
Kim Larson	Arvid Paulgaard	Diana Kroetsch
Dawn Paulgaard	Willem-Jan De Flamingh	Violet Larson
Susan McElhinney	Melody De Flamingh	Sherrilyn Spencer
Nicole Backstrom	John Sullivan	Brenda Sullivan

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Antionnette called the meeting to order at 10:59 AM / quorum was confirmed and there were no special housekeeping announcements.
2. **OPENING DEVOTION & PRAYER:** Pastor Paul opened with devotion by reading from 1Timothy 6, Hymn # 654 was sung and had opening prayer which was written on the back of the report cover.
3. **CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA:** Kim motioned that the agenda be accepted as presented. Susan second/ carried.
4. **MINUTES OF THE PRECEEDING MEETING:** AGM 2018 minutes – Deon moved they be accepted / Willem-Jan second. Carried.
5. **OLD BUSINESS:**
  - There was no old business to report.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

- Bishop's letter as found in the report on pg. 4
- Synod Council Retreat Talking Points on page 6

**7. REPORTS:**

**A. COMMITTEES**

1. Mission & Outreach -- (page 8) -- There were no questions or concerns.
2. Worship & Music -- (pages 9 -14) -- There were no questions or concerns.
3. Property -- (page 15) -- There were no questions or concerns
4. Education & Youth -- (page 16) -- There were no questions or concerns
5. Cemeteries -- Skyline (page 18) / Our Saviours (page 19) -- No questions or concerns

**B. TREASURER'S REPORT** -- (page 20) -- There were no questions or concerns.

**C. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** -- (page 23

**D. PASTOR'S REPORT** -- (page 24) -- There were no questions or concerns.

-Susan made a motion to accept the reports as presented/ Deon second. Carried.

- 8. 2019 BUDGET** – (page 25) Darlene made the motion to accept the 2019 budget as presented/ Gerry second. Carried.

**9. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

- New Council Members – Brenda Sullivan, Deon Erasmus, Donna Paulgaard-Johnston, Melanie Hilt-McGowan

**10. NEW BUSINESS:**

A. MODEL CONSTITUTION UPDATE – Willem-Jan made the motion that we update our constitution in accordance with the model constitution update suggested by the church synod and present it at the next AGM in January of 2020. Melanie second. It was carried.

B. BASEMENT PAINTING PROJECT – Deon made a motion that we paint the basement during this next year. Kim second. Carried.

C. DATE OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING – Melanie made the motion that the date for the next AGM will be January 19, 2020. Gerry second. Carried.

- 11. CLOSING DEVOTION:** From the report cover. Hymn # 669

**12. LORD'S PRAYER**

- 13. MEETING ADJOURNED:** Antionnette adjourned the meeting at 11:20 AM. We sang Table Grace and went down stairs to enjoy a hot potluck dinner and fellowship.

January 2020

Dear Beloved in Christ,



***May grace and peace be yours in abundance (1 Peter 1:2a).***

I send you greetings in the Name of the One who is the light of the world, Jesus our Lord, as you gather for your Annual General Congregational Meeting. When you gather together, know that I am filled with gratitude to God for you; that I am thankful for our partnership in the gospel; and, that you continue to be in my prayers as I know I remain in yours.

Since being called to serve as your bishop, October 2012, my prayer has often been the following:

*O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go forward with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

One of the reasons I love this prayer is because it is realistic but encouraging, honest but hopeful. It doesn't deny difficult truths, but neither does it succumb to sterile pessimism. It was written in the first part of the twentieth century by a Church of England priest named Eric Milner-White. Like many good prayers from another time and place, it sounds like it was tailor made for us here and now.

*O God, you have called your servants....* When you meet together, you will be making decisions about your priorities for ministry. You will be adopting budgets that enable ministry that joins in God's mission of reconciliation in the world. You will be supporting your partners in ministry – the rostered ministers of this Synod, and especially those who serve among you as they, first and foremost, seek to equip you for the work of ministry: the building up of the Body of Christ.

Joining God's mission means that your ministry is among the people with whom you live and move and have your being. Your ministry is done each day in the living out of your baptismal identity as God's beloved children through your service in word and deed. Ministry continues beyond the neighborhood and congregation through the many faces of the Church and many facets of its ministries: our Synod and its staff, our National Church expression, the Lutheran World Federation, *En Misión con El Salvador: In Mission with El Salvador*, and our Companion Synod – The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Colombia.

*O God, you have called your servants....* Since 2012, at Conference/Area Gatherings, in conversations and sharing during Synod Conventions, and two synod-wide Participating in Hope gatherings, Synod Council has been and continues to intentionally listen and to learn. We have gathered these learnings into four statements:

- We are hearing you are desiring connection and relationship to experience God's love among us all.
- You are eager to risk and test new ways but are concerned about how, and want to ensure we keep our essentials.
- You want practical help in discerning what God is up to because you sense God is at work and present in so many ways.
- This sense of God's acting presence is creating renewed desire to be communities of God's hope-filled people.



Perhaps at this year's Annual General Meeting you might reflect on these four statements and our partnership together, as well as name and give thanks for the gifts and mission into which God has invited you and your congregation. Consider taking a few moments in small groups to listen to each other and then share with all gathered reflections on the following (I would be pleased to receive your comments in writing to forward to Synod Council):

- 1) In what way(s) do these four statements reflect our community of faith?
- 2) If we could make three wishes for the future of our Synod what would they be?
- 3) Share about a time or situation when you or your congregation experienced God's love.
- 4) What resources do you have within your community? Share three gifts God has given you.

*O God, you have called your servants....* As you meet, I ask you to prayerfully consider forwarding a tithe (1/10th) of your annual income as a congregation as your minimal offering for Benevolence for the ministry of the Synod and through the Synod to the wider Church. Some congregations have exceeded this mark already, but I would encourage all congregations to set this goal.

*O God, you have called your servants....* As you gather be sure to join others across the Synod in reviewing the Synod's 2020 Narrative Budget which follows this correspondence. This is our first attempt to present the Synod's Budget to you in a narrative format. I would be pleased to receive your comments in writing to forward to Synod Council. Please note that at the Fall 2020 Congregational Life Event, October 17, in Red Deer opportunity will be provided to equip congregational treasurers and leaders to prepare a narrative budget for your own congregational context.

*O God, you have called your servants....* I have seen so many signs of hope in these few years of serving as your bishop, not just in projects and initiatives and ideas, but in our people:

- in the faithful and dedicated rostered ministers, who are a gift to us all;
- in the diligent and committed staff and officers of the Synod, who it is a joy to work with on a daily and weekly basis, who love the Synod and serving it;
- in the lay leaders of this Synod, serving in various and multitude capacities;
- in the faithful people who hold no particular office or position, but who form the faithful backbone, week after week, that is the body of Christ in the ABT Synod.

You are all not only living, breathing signs of hope, but you also have my profound thanks for all that you do, and it is my privilege to serve with and among you.

*O God, you have called your servants....* My prayer is that your gathering will be a recital of gratitude and praise to God for the signs of the Holy Spirit at work in, through, around, and among you.

***The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit (Romans 15:13).***

In Christ Jesus-  
Shalom,

+The Rev. Dr. Larry Kochendorfer, Bishop  
Synod of Alberta and the Territories  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

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# Central Lutheran Church

## Mission and Outreach

January 2020

### **Free Community Garage sale:**

*On Friday, Sept 6/19 we had our fourth Community Garage Sale with hot dogs, juice and good fellowship. It was a lovely day and with the support of our church members and Provost community we had our tables full. Many community members and church members went home with some new to them needed articles. The leftovers Items were packed up and Thanks to Pastor Paul who delivered to Candy Cane Lane in Provost after the garage sale was over. Many hands make light work. Thank you to all who donated, organized, helped the day of the sale, had connections to a hot dog machine, kept the juice coming and prayed for a successful day.*

### **Silent Auction**

*On Sunday Nov 17/19 we had our other annual event-a silent auction after church services with a potluck dinner. In between good visits and good food we raised 1776.00 that was allocated by donor of item and purchasers of item. The three choices were LCBI or CLWR or our own VBS program. Thank you again for all the support- delicious food provided, supplied items for the auction, interested buyers to bid and again the many hands doing all the behind the scene contribution to make it another blessed day.*

*Respectfully submitted*

*Verna Hoff and Janie Crawford.*

# Worship Committee report 2020

Thank you to all the faithful and willing servants for your time and dedication, you have not gone unnoticed. Those who prepare the bulletin, alter guild, organists, pianists, VBS and Sunday school teachers. Our many thanks to them and those that served as ushers, readers, communion hosts, and those who keep our church clean.

Each one of us is given special gifts from God and we are blessed by so many who are willing to use these gifts.

Our special thanks to Pastor Paul, for his continued dedication and preparation for worship services, special church events, Bible studies, personal contributions, and for bringing so much joy to our community and to our congregation.

We ask that you would continue to support one another with your action and prayers as we serve the Lord in our congregation and community.

Respectfully submitted

Susan McElhinney  
Melanie Hilt-McGowan

*1 Corinthians 12: 12 "The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up only one body. So it is with the body of Christ".*

## Church Attendance 2019

<u>Sundays</u>				
Jan 6 - 44	Jan 13 - 62	Jan 20 - 45	Jan 27 - 51	
Feb 3 - 44	Feb 10 - 59	Feb 17 - 43	Feb 24 - 50	
Mar 3 - 48	Mar 10 - 47	Mar 17 - 54	Mar 24 - 67	Mar 31 - 59
Apr 7 - 69	Apr 14 - 53	<b>Apr 21 - 115</b>	Apr 28 - 54	
May 5 - 61	May 12 - n.r.	May 19 - 44	May 26 - 56	
Jun 2 - 101	Jun 9 - 41	Jun 16 - 28	Jun 23 - 38	Jun 30 - 31
Jul 7 - 32	Jul 14 - 40	Jul 21 - 32	Jul 28 - 35	
Aug 4 - 35	Aug 11 - 36	Aug 18 - n.r.	Aug 25 - 51	
Sep 1 - 34	Sep 8 - 50	Sep 15 - 68	Sep 22 - 57	Sep 29 - 59
Oct 6 - 46	Oct 13 - 63	Oct 20 - 59	Oct 27 - 64	
Nov 3 - 64	Nov 10 - 52	Nov 17 - 83	Nov 24 - 62	
Dec 1 - 94	Dec 8 - 76	Dec 15 - 112	Dec 22 - 47	Dec 29 - n.r.
	<b>2019 avg. - 55</b>	2018 avg. - 62	2017 avg. - 66	2016 avg. - 69
<u>Midweek - Lent</u>				
Mar 13 - 18	Mar 20 - 24	Mar 27 - 23	Apr 3 - 21	Apr 10 - 20
	<b>2019 avg. - 21</b>	2018 avg. - 27	2017 avg. - 30	2016 avg. - 30
<u>Midweek Festival</u>				
Ash Wednesday	Good Friday	Easter Vigil Sat.	Christmas Eve (Tuesday)	
Mar 6 - 21	Apr 19 - 72	Apr 20 - no svc	<b>Dec 24 - 190</b>	
<u>Christmas/Easter</u>	2019	2018	2017	2016
Easter Sunday	115	119	101	130
Christmas Eve	190	200	259	191

# CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - SERVANT & READER LIST

## 2020

Date	Servant	Reader	Date	Servant	Reader
Feb 2*	Brad & Cindy Pylypow Deon & Antoinette Erasmus	Brad Pylypow	Jun 7*	Elton & Linda Paulgaard Stephan & Wilma Malan	Linda Paulgaard
Feb 9	Kim & Deb Larson Callie Larson	Darlene Downing	Jun 14	Ken & Diane Berg	Ken Berg
Feb 16*	Kim & Deb Larson Callie Larson	Vivian Baier	Jun 21*	Brent & Tylene Appel Mills Family	Tylene Appel
Feb 23	Gary & Donna Johnston	Donna Johnston	Jun 28	Lorne & Julie Olson	Lorne Olson
Mar 1*	Tom & Diana Kroetsch Erick & Carol Landmark	Diana Kroetsch	Jul 5*	Ed & Connie Masson Dick & Elaine Brouwer	Dick Brouwer
Mar 8	Melissa Swanson Melanie McGowan	Susan McElhinney	Jul 12	Leonard & Avis Youse	Avis Youse
Mar 15*	Stephen & Karen Paulgaard Dwayne & Jacquie Paulgaard	Stephen Paulgaard	Jul 19	Ken & Diane Berg	Ken Berg
Mar 22	Vivian & David Baier	Vivian Baier	Jul 26	Stephen & Karen Paulgaard	Stephen Paulgaard
Mar 29*	Dick & Elaine Brouwer Darlene C, Kathy & Kellie-Ann	Dick Brouwer	Aug 2*	Elton & Linda Paulgaard Debbie Clarke	Linda Paulgaard
Apr 5*	Brent & Tylene Appel Trevor & ML Provick	Tylene Appel	Aug 9*	John & Brenda Sullivan Patti Thirsk, Melanie M.	Brenda Sullivan
Apr 12*	Lorne & Julie Olson Brent & Carrie Olson	Lorne Olson	Aug 16*	Darlene Downing Andrew & Alyssa Rab	Darlene Downing
Apr 19*	John & Brenda Sullivan Melanie M, Debbie Clarke	Brenda Sullivan	Aug 23*	Deon & Antoinette Erasmus Norris & Ruth Pahlke, Sherrilyn Spencer	Deon Erasmus
Apr 26	Chloe Mills, Danielle Provick, Sarah Swanson	Susan McElhinney	Aug 30*	Tom & Diana Kroetsch Val Paulgaard	Diana Kroetsch
May 3*	Darlene Downing Andrew & Alyssa Rab	Darlene Downing	Sep 6*	Stephen & Karen Paulgaard Vivian & David Baier	Vivian Baier
May 10	Tom & Diana Kroetsch	Diana Kroetsch	Sep 13	Stephan & Wilma Malan Susan & Nicole McElhinney	Susan McElhinney
May 17*	Vivian & David Baier Susan & Nicole McElhinney	Vivian Baier	Sep 20*	Brad & Cindy Pylypow Brent & Carrie Olson	Brad Pylypow
May 24	Leonard & Avis Youse	Avis Youse	Sep 27	Chloe Mills, Danielle Provick, Sarah Swanson	Susan McElhinney
May 31*	Gary & Donna Johnston Patti Thirsk	Donna Johnston	Oct 4*	John & Brenda Sullivan Darlene C, Kathy & Kellie-Ann	Brenda Sullivan

# CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - SERVANT & READER LIST

## 2020

Date	Servant	Reader	Date	Servant	Reader
Oct 11	Melissa Swanson Melanie McGowan	Donna Johnston	Dec 6*	Stephen & Karen Paulgaard Erick & Carol Landmark	Stephen Paulgaard
Oct 18*	Brent & Tylene Appel Stephan & Wilma Malan	Tylene Appel	Dec 13	Brad & Cindy Pylypow	Brad Pylypow
Oct 25	Dick & Elaine Brouwer	Dick Brouwer	Dec 20*	Darlene Downing Rod & Joanne Paulgaard	Darlene Downing
Nov 1*	Lorne & Julie Olson Susan & Nicole McElhinney	Lorne Olson	Dec 27	Ralph & Janie Crawford Susan & Nicole McElhinney	Susan McElhinney
Nov 8	Ed & Connie Masson	Ed Masson	Jan 3* 2021	Elton & Linda Paulgaard Melanie McGowan	Linda Paulgaard
Nov 15*	Brad & Cindy Pylypow Erick & Carol Landmark	Brad Pylypow	Jan 10	Dick & Elaine Brouwer	Elaine Brouwer
Nov 22	Norris & Ruth Pahlke Sherrilyn Spencer	Ruth Pahlke	Jan 17*	Deon & Antoinette Erasmus Leonard & Avis Youse	Deon Erasmus
Nov 29*	Deon & Antoinette Erasmus Debbie Clarke, Melanie M.	Antoinette Erasmus	Jan 24	Vivian Baier Susan & Nicole McElhinney	Susan McE
			Jan 31*	Trevor & ML Provick	Trevor Provick

**the \* indicates Communion Sundays**

**If you are unable to serve for the period assigned, please trade or find a replacement. Let the church office know before the Thursday of that week so that the bulletin can be updated.**

### **SERVING GROUPS - 2020**

#### **Group 1**

Carol Landmark  
Susan McElhinney  
Brenda Sullivan  
Linda Paulgaard  
Jody Paulgaard  
Vivian Baier  
Karen Paulgaard  
Brenda Olson  
Kathy Kazakoff  
Antoinette Erasmus  
Nicole McElhinney  
Claire Lavigne  
Melissa Swanson  
Cindy Pylypow

#### **Group 2**

Carol Paulgaard  
Julie Olson  
Cheryl Bouma  
Avis Youse  
Darlene Downing  
Jenna Whidden  
Tylene Appel  
Norma Paulgaard  
Wilma Malan  
Melanie McGowan  
Sherrilyn Spencer  
Wenona McCormick  
Janie Crawford  
Alyssa Rab

#### **Group 3**

Joyce Larson  
Dawn Paulgaard  
Val Paulgaard  
Ruth Pahlke  
Donna Johnston  
Carol Johnston  
Debbie Larson  
Joanne Paulgaard  
Diana Kroetsch  
Connie Masson  
Elaine Brouwer  
Diane Berg  
Patti Thirsk  
Kari Kostiuk

**UPDATED January 9, 2020**

\*\* serving group list is for serving potluck/funerals

\*\*\*For those not on a group PLEASE feel free to offer your help  
whenever you are able

\*\*\*\* If you wish to be added or removed from the list, please contact  
Susan McElhinney or Diane Berg



## Sunday School Superintendent Report 2019

The 2019-2020 Sunday School year has started with 21 children on the roster, supported by 8 teachers and 2 substitute teachers. This year, the students were divided into 2 classes – one class for children ages 3 to grade 2 and one class for children in grades 3-6. Besides 20 lessons throughout the year, there are 5 craft Sundays, a Christmas pageant and a year-end celebration. Sunday School continues to be held during the church service. Lessons started on Sept. 15, 2019 and will conclude on May 24, 2020.

This year we continue to use a Sunday school curriculum by Spark House called “Holy Moly”. This is the curriculum that was introduced for the first-time last year. In this 2<sup>nd</sup> year, students have started and will continue to complete 12 lessons from the New Testament as well as 4 lessons for Advent and Christmas and 4 lessons for Holy Week and Easter. Each “Holy Moly” lesson introduces kids to a specific Bible story by watching an animated Bible story video, having them hear the story from their storybooks (primary class) or bibles (gr. 3-6 class) and then participate in a hands-on activity in their leaflet.

On June 3, 2019, we celebrated our year-end in conjunction with Confirmation Sunday. The Sunday School students, their families, and the congregation were invited to participate in a potluck dinner and then swimming to celebrate the end of the Sunday School year. The pool was privately rented from 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. but swimmers were welcome to stay for the public swim that followed. We had a great turn out this year, with approximately 30 members enjoying a swim.

Once again, our VBS program, held August 19-23, 2019, was amazing, with over 100 children pre-registered with many more arriving throughout the week. There were many dedicated adult and youth volunteers that ensured this week is a “roaring” success. “Roar” filled the church with music, interactive activities, crafts and games for ages 4 to 12. An evening program was held on the Thursday and Dirk Brouwer Photography took our annual VBS photo again this year. It was an exciting and fun filled week, and an outstanding opportunity for our congregation to provide christian outreach for children in our community.

The Christmas pageant was held during the church service on December 15, 2019, and was followed by a potluck and fellowship. Under the direction of Donna, Darlene, Diana, and Stacy, Sunday school and confirmation students combined script and songs to share the Christmas message through the eyes of Christmas ornaments. This year, practices were held during Sunday School throughout November and December, and a dress rehearsal took place on December 13.

After the repainting of the basement including our classrooms, we were able to go through the Sunday school materials that were stored in the classrooms and send home bibles to our Sunday school families. The remainder of the bibles, that are no longer needed for the Sunday school program, were then offered to the congregation.

We continue to be grateful for the support of so many people who contribute to making the Sunday School Program successful, to the great benefit of our children. We would not be able to offer such an engaging and diverse program without our talented and dedicated teachers, helpers, parents, students, VBS coordinators, Christmas pageant organizers, and volunteers who plan and prep each craft Sunday. Through the efforts of so many, each child has the opportunity to learn the word of God in a variety of ways while witnessing the love of God through these volunteers. We are also truly thankful for Pastor Paul’s guidance, support and knowledge, and for the support and prayers of council and the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherrilyn Spencer  
Candace Swanson  
Sunday School Superintendents



## **Property Committee Report – 2019**

**This year, in the church, the following projects were completed:**

- 1. Painted downstairs, including Sunday School rooms**
- 2. Replaced parsonage water softener**
- 3. Reshingled parsonage roof**

**Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee:**

**Deon Erasmus**

**Trevor Provick**

## **Cemeteries 2019 Report**

Central Lutheran has now taken over the maintenance of the grounds and the sale of burial plots at Our Saviour's Cemetery and Skyline Cemetery. We had 2 interments at Skyline this year - Gaylene Scammell and Ragna Paulgaard, and none at Our Saviour's. We are contracting Stacey Lakevold to do the grass cutting at Skyline and will be looking for someone to do likewise at Our Saviour's in the spring.

Submitted by Ruth Pahlke

## Skyline Church Historical Society Annual Report – 2019

Skyline Church Historical Society (SCHS) hired Stacey Lakevold to mow the grass and maintain the cemetery grounds at the Skyline Cemetery for 2019. He has submitted an invoice for his maintenance hours directly to the Provost Central Lutheran Church.

There were two burials at Skyline Cemetery during 2019: Gay Scammell (June) and Ragna Paulgaard (September). In accordance with the Provost Central Lutheran Church Cemeteries Bylaw #7 all plot purchases and record keeping were handled by the Provost Central Lutheran Church and Gregory's Funeral Home.

There were no purchases of repair supplies for the Skyline Church building. However, Wayne & Brenda Lakevold repaired the window panes broken in the July 30 hail storm and the leaning steeple was pulled back and secured to the main building.

SCHS has been scheduled for a Red Deer casino event during Oct/Nov/Dec 2020. The exact casino date will be randomly selected in May 2020 and SCHS Casino Chairperson (Jody Paulgaard) will be notified of the date. Volunteers will be needed to work at the 2 day casino event.

Thanks to the continuing work and dedication of Iris Larson and Janet Paulgaard all known burials at Skyline Cemetery are recorded on the website [findagrave.com](http://findagrave.com) and most headstones have been photographed. A short history of Skyline Cemetery is also on this website. Janet Paulgaard has updated the burial list to include the 2019 burials.

SCHS is a registered Alberta Society and is governed by a four person executive. Current executive members are:

Chairperson	Ove Aasen
Vice – Chair	Darwin Berg
Treasurer	Joan Olson
Secretary	Jody Paulgaard

Submitted by:  
Jody Paulgaard  
Secretary  
Skyline Church Historical Society (SCHS)

## **OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH COMMITTEE REPORT 2019**

The Committee consists of former members of the congregations.

A board of trustees elected for a term of 3 or more years.

This board consists of:

**Chairman:** Andy Paulgaard

**Trustee:** Jeff Paulgaard, Daryl Thompson, Dwayne Peterson

**Sec./Tres:** Bonny Peterson

### **RECEIPTS:**

**Donations:** \$ 0  
**Acct Frwd:** \$4092.21  
**Interest:** \$ 22.45  
**TOTAL:** **\$4114.66**

### **DISBURSEMENTS:**

**Bank Fees:** \$ 7.50  
**Acct Frwd:** \$4059.91  
**Maintenance:** \$47.25  
**TOTAL:** **\$4114.66**

This is to date as of December 31, 2019.

Bonny Peterson

**CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Financial Statement**  
**January 1 – December 31, 2019**

Income

Current Envelopes			\$ 120,086.00
Synod Benevolence			
Benevolence/Alberta	\$ 4,330.00		
CLWR	11,412.50		
LTS	405.50		
HLLBC	300.00		
Campus Ministry	65.00		
LCBI	<u>1,294.50</u>		17,807.50
Loose Offerings			1,855.55
SS & VBS Offering			3,245.85
Other:			
Interest	\$ 11.67		
Funeral Lunches	1,050.00		
Choir Income	667.88		
Lent	686.75		
Youth Donation	3,297.89		
Music Sale	140.00		
Girl Guide Donation	500.00		
Paulgaard Reunion Donation	1,800.00		
Fest. Janitor Reimbursement	<u>100.00</u>		8,254.19
Donations to:			
Christmas/Building	\$ 2,243.00		
Paint	1,589.50		
Silent Auction	1,336.00		
Garage Sale	276.35		
Our Saviour's	620.00		
Skyline Plot	500.00		
Food Bank	1,150.00		
Skyline Cemetery	<u>90.00</u>		7,804.85
Honorariums			250.00
Hub Capital: Skyline Yard			990.00
Memorials:			
M. MacLean	\$ 560.00		
C. Paulgaard	300.00		
G. Scammell	<u>420.00</u>		1,280.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>			<b><u>\$ 161,573.94</u></b>

## Expenses

Salary/Receiver General			\$ 64,484.23
Health & Dental			5,724.00
Pension, Group Benefits, CEP, & Book Allowance			10,327.47
Car Expense			1,465.08
Parsonage Repair & Maintenance			5,524.83
Parsonage Utilities:	EPCOR	\$ 1,751.66	
	DERS	1,055.32	
	Telus	1,094.89	
	Water	<u>748.80</u>	4,650.67
Synod:	Benevolence/AB	\$ 4,330.00	
	CLWR	11,142.50	
	LTS	405.50	
	HLLBC	300.00	
	Campus Ministry	65.00	
	LCBI	<u>1,294.50</u>	17,807.50
Janitor/Yard			3,650.00
Sunday School			773.32
Vacation Bible School			4,769.70
Church Utilities:	Telus	\$ 792.96	
	EPCOR	5,826.68	
	DERS	2,544.59	
	Water/Garbage	<u>911.85</u>	10,076.08
GST Paid			1,706.82
Repair & Maintenance (Paint-\$6,000 approx.)			8,665.42
Office Supplies			4,582.77
Other:	Canada Lutheran	\$ 92.80	
	Envelopes	277.89	
	Advertising	648.50	
	Conference Dues	447.00	
	Kitchen Supplies	1,561.49	
	Music	907.52	
	Miscellaneous	<u>574.05</u>	4,509.25
Insurance			5,275.00
Skyline Yard Maintenance			990.00
Invest in Hub Capital/Worship Enhancement			2,740.00
Donations to: Ministerial Food Bank			<u>1,150.00</u>

### **TOTAL EXPENSES**

**\$ 158,872.14**

### **BANK RECONCILIATION – 2019**

December 31, 2018 Balance Forward	\$ 24,684.95
Plus: 2019 Income	<u>161,573.94</u>
	186,258.89
Less: 2019 Expenses	<u>158,872.14</u>
Balance at December 31, 2019	<u>\$ 27,386.75</u>

Respectfully Submitted,  
Donna Paulgaard-Johnston, Treasurer

## **TD Funds**

### **December 31, 2019**

#### TD FUNDS (Worship Enhancement)

2018 Balance Forward	\$ 4,271.08
2019 Interest	952.40
2019 Memorials	860.00
2019 Honorariums	<u>250.00</u>

*TD Fund Balance at December 31, 2019*

\$6,333.48

#### **Skyline Cemetery Fund**

2018 Balance Forward	\$ 2,149.00
Plot Sale	500.00
2019 Donation	90.00
2019 Yard Maintenance	(990.00)
2019 Memorials	<u>420.00</u>
<b>Balance</b>	<u><b>\$ 2,169.00</b></u>

#### **Our Saviour's Cemetery Fund**

2018 Balance Forward	\$ 360.00
2019 Donations	<u>620.00</u>
<b>Balance</b>	<u><b>\$ 980.00</b></u>

## Pastor's Report for 2019

*But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 2 Timothy 3:14*

It's that time once again when we reflect on and evaluate our ministry of the past year - and plan and prepare to answer the question, "What are the best ways to grow the Kingdom of God in this place and at this time?" Highlights from this past busy year in ministry together include:

### Outreach:

Our premier outreach event was our Vacation Bible School "ROAR!" which had an impact on 155 children over the week of August 19-23! We held our fourth Free Garage Sale on Friday September 6, and it was a success from the standpoint of number of items, number of people, and small quantity of material to the landfill. Our Silent Auction on November 17 raised almost \$1800 for LCBI, CLWR, and our VBS expenses, compared to \$2100 in 2018. We continued to offer the use of our building to groups, including vocal students, Girl Guides, and the Provost Daycare Society. And we continued to excel in hospitality at funeral luncheons, serving for the families of Art Cazes, Emelia Murphy, and Mary Borgstrom.

### Wider Church:

Our National Convention took place in Regina on July 11-13, and I attended as an elected delegate from the Alberta Synod.

Our East Central Area Gathering was held on October 19<sup>th</sup> in Wetaskiwin, and I was the only attendee from our congregation, as formal delegates are no longer required.

### Education:

Thanks to our Sunday School superintendents, teachers, and volunteers for their efforts in executing our "Holy Moly" Sunday School curriculum, and thanks for all the many hours spent preparing the Christmas pageant, picnic, craft and regular Sunday activities. Confirmation class currently has 2 second year students and 1 first year student working through the Small Catechism and we celebrated the confirmation of 6 students this past year. Bible study at Hillcrest Lodge and the nursing home has looked at Revelation, Ecclesiastes, and Colossians, and we continue in 2020 to work through 1 & 2 Peter. The curriculum for Marriage Preparation, updated in 2018, was used successfully with 6 couples in 2019.

### Worship:

Average Sunday morning worship attendance decreased versus 2018, from 62 to 55. Our Lenten sermon series was on "The 'Toxic' Masculinity of Jesus" - a reminder of how Jesus modelled traits that we need desperately in our church today, and average attendance for the Wednesday evening soup supper and services was 21. We celebrated the addition of Ava Olson, Ahnia Provick, Scarlett Mohr, Reagan Taylor, and Oaklyne Power to God's family through baptism, and we celebrated the weddings of Lonnie Hoberg to Shaelyn Eggins, and Levi Paulgaard to Joelle Burnstad. As part of the National Church's *Living Our Faith* initiative, we are sending home a copy of the prayer list each week until September 2020, with the goal of developing intentional prayer habits and accountability.

### Property:

Several issues were addressed in the church this year, including painting the downstairs areas. Linda Paulgaard has taken over the janitorial duties from Claire Lavigne. At the parsonage, the roof was resingled, and the water softener was replaced.

### Personal:

Thanks for making it possible for me to attend the following events: National Convention in Regina (and the meeting to prepare as Alberta synod participants in Red Deer), Area Gathering in Wetaskiwin, and weddings in Round Hill and Wainwright. And thanks for your support of my time involved with the Provost Ministerial (and food bank), and for providing shelving for the food bank storage room!

### Outlook:

If National Convention is any indication, the majority of churches around us see it as their Christian mission to prevent "climate change" and fight for the rights of self-identified oppressed minorities. This is very distressing, and according to our bishop, our voice speaking out against this trend is still useful. But our focus needs to be as a local church - continuing to be about proclaiming the powerful Word of God in our words and actions, instead. May God guide us in 2020, such that His grace and truth communicate through everything we do, to everyone we encounter...

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Paul McCormick

# **Central Lutheran Church**

## **Proposed 2020 Budget**

<b><u>Expenses</u></b>	<b><u>Actual '19</u></b>	<b><u>Budget '19</u></b>	<b><u>Proposed '20</u></b>
Salary	\$ 60,531.00	\$ 60,531.00	\$ 61,917.50
Car Expense	1,465.09	2,000.00	2,000.00
Receiver General	3,953.23	4,000.00	4,200.00
ELCIC Pension & Benefits	9,227.47	9,250.00	9,700.00
CEP	600.00	600.00	600.00
Book Allowance	500.00	500.00	500.00
Pulpit Supply	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Conferences & Convention	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Parsonage	5,524.83	5,000.00	5,000.00
Parsonage Utilities	4,650.67	6,000.00	6,000.00
Dental & Medical	<u>5,724.00</u>	<u>5,724.00</u>	<u>5,724.00</u>
	\$ 92,176.28	\$ 95,605.00	\$ 97,641.50
Janitor	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Telephone	792.96	1,000.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies	4,582.77	3,000.00	5,000.00
SS & VBS	5,543.02	6,000.00	6,000.00
DERS	2,544.59	4,000.00	4,000.00
EPCOR	5,826.68	7,000.00	7,000.00
Water, Sewer, Garbage	911.85	1,200.00	1,200.00
Canada Lutheran	92.80	200.00	100.00
Repair & Maintenance	8,665.42	6,000.00	6,000.00
Conferences & Convention	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Church Envelopes	277.89	300.00	300.00
Insurance	5,275.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
Advertising	648.50	1,000.00	1,000.00
Choir Music	907.52	1,500.00	1,500.00
GST	1,706.82	1,000.00	1,000.00
Conference Dues	447.00	500.00	500.00
Miscellaneous	574.05	1,000.00	1,000.00
Educational Supplies	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Mission/Outreach	0.00	500.00	500.00
Kitchen Supplies	<u>1,561.49</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
	<u>\$44,008.36</u>	<u>\$ 46,200.00</u>	<u>\$ 50,100.00</u>
	<u>\$ 136,184.64</u>	<u>\$ 141,805.00</u>	<u>\$ 147,741.50</u>



## Nomination Report 2019

### Church Council

Terms expiring at this meeting (all ineligible for re-election):

Verna Hoff  
Susan McElhinney  
Ruth Pahlke  
Linda Paulgaard

Terms expiring in January 2021:

Darlene Downing  
Kathy Kazakoff  
Melanie McGowan  
Trevor Provick

Terms expiring in January 2022:

Janie Crawford  
Deon Erasmus  
Donna Paulgaard-Johnston  
Brenda Sullivan

Thanks to our departing and ongoing Church Council members for all their work in 2019!

These members have agreed to let their names stand for Church Council election, with terms expiring January 2023:

Brad Pylypow  
Kim Larson

Further nominations will be solicited during the Annual Meeting. Unless two additional members are identified at the meeting, we will begin the new council year with vacancies. Please make sure when nominating that you have the permission of the person nominated, thanks!

Compiled by Paul McCormick