



# ANNUAL REPORT 2022



Evangelical  
Lutheran Church  
in America

# A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDING BISHOP ELIZABETH EATON



Dear friends in Christ,

We have seen many changes throughout the years and throughout the world. Sometimes we've been left yearning for the days when things didn't feel so complicated. Other times, we have seen something new happen and have asked, "Why did this take so long?" The church has been through its own changes as well. Some of these have left us wishing for simpler times while others have us waiting for even more to come about.

But, dear church, God still is unchanging. God's love is still the foundation on which the church was built. While we have seen many changes, both in the world and at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the eternal love of God and the good news that dwells with Christ's death and resurrection continue to provide hope for everyone. This is why our mission remains steadfast, whether that is through our traditional mission work in places near and far or from new ventures and visions that encourage us to think of different ways to reach even more people.

The writer of Hebrews reminds us: "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God" (13:16). That could not be truer in the work we have been doing in each expression of the church. Your gifts continue to benefit the good work of spreading the good news throughout your communities, your synods and the whole church. We are all answering the call to continue to do good work with the help of your support, whether that is through your resources, your time or your talents.

I am grateful for your generous support of each expression of the church. God calls all of us to continue to do the good work, and you continue to answer that call. We also continue to join you in that call and will remain true to looking toward God's unchanging promise. There is still much change and learning that will come before us, but God's steadfast love energizes us for the work God is still doing in the world through this church.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth A. Eaton".

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton  
Presiding Bishop  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God”

(Hebrews 13:16).

# ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

## OPENING LITURGY

### Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Recognizing that our faith is a living, busy, active and mighty thing, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with each of you.

**And also with you.**

Teach us to love you with all our heart, soul, mind and strength.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Descend on our hearts, that we may love others in the ways Jesus loves us.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Empower us to be enthusiastic in pursuing your vision for our congregation.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Move us to engage issues in our community in Christlike ways, and to pursue deep and authentic relationships with those with whom we serve and partner.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Strengthen us to face the barriers we encounter in doing your work, learning to work with others amid disagreement.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Give us the ability to adapt to the cultural, economic and social changes that occur in the neighborhoods we serve.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Guide us to be a healthy congregation that learns from its failures as well as its successes and offers wisdom to others.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

As we strive to become the church that we proclaim to be, raise up leaders who focus on the gospel of freedom, forgiveness and reconciliation as given to us through God's indescribable act of love in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Renew us daily in our baptism, that we may discover vitality in our relationships with you, each other and those we serve in the world.

**Amen.**

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of four systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: 1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart; 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies, 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King; 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love. wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move; no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay; all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind? one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame: stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part, no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies; I see your cross: there teach my heart to cling, the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove. and make me love you as I ought to love, but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way. Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find! my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780-1860

Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841-1897

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**Our Saviors Lutheran Church**  
**Annual Meeting Agenda**  
**Sunday, January 22, 2023**

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  - G. Trust Fund Representative
  
- V. Unfinished Business:  
Loran
  
- VI. New Business
  
- VII. Budget Approval
  
- VIII. Closing Prayer

Annual report 2021 corrections:

Vital Statistics correction – Lukas Alan Reinhold was inadvertently omitted from the list of confirmands

Attendance correction – 2021 avg attendance regular service 40 adult, 12 youth.  
Special service 51 adult, 14 youth

# Our Savior's Lutheran Church Annual Meeting Minutes – January 23, 2022

**Members Present:** Gordy Peterson, Kevin Nelson, Kim Nelson, Ramona Vageline, Allen Belyea, Colleen Belyea, Derek Muir, Robin Pifer, Mary Godsey, Stephanie Johnson, Sue Rankin, Gary Rankin, Ray Johnson, Marilyn Johnson, Mike Johnson, Naomi Eggl, Roberta Stover, Julie Mutch, Loran Larson, Charles Gillespie, Dave Voight, Shelly Voight, John Aamodt, Jenn Aamodt, Mitch Tupa, Betty Lebrun, Marv Jemtrud, Lois Jemtrud, Sue Lang, Paul Sandstrom, Jeff Trosen, Wayne Knudson, Pastor Rena Peterson, Sherry Norman, Robert Stover, Camilla Stover, Wally Lang, Lori Reinhold, Teresa Welder

**Call to Order/Announcements:** Wally called the meeting to order at 10:46 am. Wally announced moving agenda item "V. Unfinished Business" ahead of agenda item "IV. Elections."

**Devotions:** Pastor Rena led devotions with the Annual Congregational Meeting Opening Liturgy

**Approval of 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes:** Wally read a few highlights from his president's annual report. **Motion made by Camilla Stover to approve minutes as written with corrections as stated below. Jeff Trosen second. Motion carried.**

**CORRECTION TO MINUTES:** Kim Nelson was incorrectly listed in the meeting minutes as being on the Trust Fund Committee. Josh Nesdahl, John Aamodt, and Gary Rankin were the 2021 Trust Fund Committee members.

**Reports:** Motion made by Kevin Nelson to approve reports as written. Mitch Tupa second. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business:** Ratification of amendment to reduce council size from 11 to 9 members. **Motion made by Ray Johnson to accept the ratification of the previous motion. Camilla Stover second. By a unanimous vote with a show of hands, motion carried.**

## **Elections:**

A. Church Council Members: Roberta Stover accepted a second term on church council. Wally Lang and Derek Muir will be going off church council. **Motion made by Sue Lang to accept council member presented by nominating committee. Lori Reinhold second. Motion carried.**

B. Nominating Committee: **Camilla Stover, Kim Nelson, and Kevin Nelson**

C. Delegates:

1. EaND Synod Assembly: Derek Muir volunteered himself (and his wife, Deidre). Ray and Marilyn Johnson, alternate.
2. Red Willow Bible Camp: Robert and Camilla Stover. Julie Mutch, alternate.

3. Park River Bible Camp: Robin Pifer and Paul Sandstrom, via Zoom meeting. Sherry Norman, alternate. Pastor Rena shared that Rebecca Kjelland needs one new board member at Park River Bible Camp. Anyone who is interested in this position is asked to contact Pastor Rena or Sherry Norman.
4. Northwood Deaconess: Mary Amundson and Sherry Norman. Camilla Stover, alternate.

D. Historians: Camilla Stover and Teresa Welder

E. Auditing Committee: Paul Mutch, Kim Nelson, and Paul Sandstrom

F. Outreach Coordinators: Lori Reinhold and Julie Mutch

G. Trust Fund Representatives: In need of one new person to serve a 3-year term. Ray Johnson nominated Gordy Peterson. Gordy accepted the position.

**Motion made by John Aamodt to accept all nominations. Mike Johnson second. Motion carried.**

**New Business:**

- Camilla Stover shared that OSLC now has a missionary, and the information will be posted in the Narthex.
- Ray Johnson thanked Loren Larson, Diane Rudolf, and Joel & JoAnn Knudson for the upkeep of the lawns and flowers at the church; thanked David Bakke, Paul Mutch, Ray Johnson, and Mike Johnson for their snow removal services.
- Loren Larson commented about the speakers and microphones. Discussion ensued, Mike Johnson and Kevin Nelson weighed in on possible ways to remedy the volume and clearness of the microphones.

**Budget Approval: Motion made by Sue Lang to accept the 2022 budget. Jeff Trosen second.**

**Discussion:** Jenn Aamodt brought up the reconfigured benevolences, asking to know the conversations that brought on the change. Our benevolences are based on offerings, because we had less than projected offerings, the decision was made to reduce our benevolences. Jenn also noted the significant difference in benevolences between the bible camps, Red Willow having a smaller percentage than Park River. It was shared that Red Willow was on the verge of closing with constant turnover of staff and management. In fact, Park River was asked to take over Red Willow. Request voiced to keep Park River and Red Willow support equal, but because the future of Red Willow was uncertain, the decision was to more heavily support the bible camp that is doing well and thriving to ensure it remains open for the future. John Aamodt asked why Christus Rex (UND campus) was at zero percentage; answer was reprioritization of benevolences. Request voiced by Camilla Stover that if Christus Rex is supported, then Crossroads (NDSU campus) needs equal representation. Council's goal was to share benevolences with more local missions. Question asked if members could designate their gifts to a certain organization; answer was yes. **Motion carried.**

**Adjourn: Motion made by Loren Larson to adjourn the annual meeting. Gordy Peterson second. Motion carried.** Annual Meeting closed with the singing of table grace, *Be Present at our Table, Lord.*

*~Respectfully submitted by Lori Reinhold*



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*Our Savior's Lutheran Church*  
*Reorganizational Meeting -January 23,*  
*2022*

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Members present: Roberta Stover, Naomi Eggl, Mitch Tupa, Teresa Welder, Dave Voight, Lori Reinhold, Wayne Knudson, Julie Mutch

**ABSENT: Nancy Smith**

Staff: Sherry Norman

Nominations for Roles: **Roberta** nominated Wayne for president, Teresa second. Wayne accepted.  
**Lori** nominated Dave for vice president, Teresa second. Dave accepted  
**Dave** nominated Lori for council secretary, Naomi second. Lori accepted.  
Sherry Norman will continue as treasurer/financial secretary.

Committees:

Education: Julie Mutch, chair. Nancy Smith

Stewardship: Mitch Tupa, chair. Naomi Eggl

Worship report: Roberta Stover, chair. Teresa Welder

Property & Management: Dave Voight, chair. Lori Reinhold

Nominating Committee Representatives: Nancy Smith and Dave Voight

Adjourn: Motion made by Dave to adjourn. Mitch second. Motion carried.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

*~Respectfully submitted by Lori Reinhold*

# OSLC President's Annual Report

1/1/2023

As the new year gets started I would like to look back at some highs and lows from the past year;

As work continues on our city's infrastructure our water froze up last winter at the church. We were able to hook up to water from our next door neighbor for a few hours on Sunday mornings so we could have church and Sunday school until our neighbors water froze up as well. We struggled along for a few more weeks until the weather warmed up enough and the workers put temporary water lines on top of the ground and work could resume rebuilding the infrastructure again.

We had a very successful and productive Spring cleanup. Leaves were raked, flower beds cleaned and bushes trimmed around the church and parsonage. The inside of the church was dusted and cleaned as well.

About the middle of May a windstorm blew a lot more shingles off a few more areas on the church and it was time to have the roof resingled. Our congregation responded generously and along with an insurance claim we were able to have the work finished without a loan.

Unfortunately as work continued the streets around the church were dug up and we had to relocate Sunday services to the Senior Center for a month or so and were finally able to move back to the church in early September when Sunday school and all other church activities resumed.

As winter approached the streets were patched up enough so they are somewhat useable. A new waterline from the main under the street to the church was dug in and should alleviate any more water issues.

The past year with it's many challenges has passed and our church and it's works are ready for 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Knudson

## 2022 Property Management Annual Report

1. This past Summer the church roof's shingles were replaced. I want thank all who contributed to this project.
2. A special thank you to Ray and Les for all their hard work on the frozen water pipes and other water issues that plague us last Winter and Spring.
3. The HVAC system in the parsonage has been acting up. The heater is over 15 years old and will likely need replacement within a couple of years. Ray Johnson has been nursing it along but he can only put so many Band-Aids™ on it.
4. The parsonage roof has an intermittent water leak, likely from the whirlybird vent, I have been over to inspect but can't locate the source definitively. I have left a ladder over there and will investigate when the leak is active.
5. The upstairs bathroom window hand crank at the parsonage has broken. Trying to locate a replacement.
6. The shelf material for the church's internet router is purchased. I will get it installed when I can get it painted.
7. The west side windows are currently braced up and should be OK until Spring. The latest bid for replacement was considerably higher than expected. We will continue to seek additional contractor(s) to install new windows.
8. Snow removal is currently being done by a couple of members. I would like to get a feel from other members on a sign-up system to help spread the labor out.
  - a. Folks sign-up for a week, Monday to Sunday.
  - b. If it doesn't snow that week, congrats.
  - c. The church does own a snowblower that can be used around the church.
9. Lawn care for the upcoming season will be offered to Garrett Eggl, the church council approved a \$25 per mowing. Pending his acceptance.
10. Spring cleanup was again well attended, thanks for all that helped.

## 2022 Stewardship Committee Report

The Stewardship Committee has the responsibility to establish programs and initiatives to enhance fundraising and parishioner participation.

By far our largest project in years, we replaced the shingles on the church this Summer. The cost was \$48,000.00. Through all of your generous donations and insurance monies, we were able to pay it off immediately upon completion. We still have approximately \$13,500.00 to shift to the parsonage roof repairs when needed.

Another large project coming up is the replacement of the 5 windows on the West and South side of the church. In my annual report last year, we had hoped to get the project completed this past summer. Unfortunately, the price for the window replacement has ballooned to over \$26,700.00. We have collected over \$11,250.00, but have had a hard time getting estimates to install them. We have also looked at doing work on the stained-glass windows. We received an estimate of approximately \$42,000.00. Prices have definitely skyrocketed since the pandemic and all its aftermath.

This year's noisy offering has collected more than \$1,076.00. We have and will distribute the funds to these various causes: caps/mittens, missionary, vacation bible school, flowers/landscaping, Sunday school, and food pantry.

We have done spectacularly on large projects, but our week-to-week offerings have been down quite a bit. For many of you that have served on the church council, you know that we quite often have to borrowed money from our savings account to meet our weekly and monthly bills. Over this past year, we have borrowed nearly \$20,000.00 from our savings account to meet our bills. Please keep in mind to keep up with your weekly offering they are very important.

We started Operation Christmas Child again this year. We collected a total of 5 boxes and they were brought to Hope Church in Grand Forks, which was a collection site. I encourage you to look up the web site of Operation Christmas Child and see what a difference these boxes make to the children of less fortunate countries.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you for your generous donations of time, talents, and offerings. It takes the whole congregation to keep the wheels turning of our church and its outreach. I hope all of you have a bountiful and happy new year, and that God provides you with good health and many blessings.

Respectfully submitted,

Mitch Tupa  
Naomi Eggl

## 2022 Education Committee Report

Sunday school and confirmation continues to be the cornerstone of education at our church. We thank these individuals for working with our children in so many ways: Naomi Eggl, Janesa Vageline, Jenn Aamodt, Dee Muir and Paul Mutch. Julie Mutch was the music leader.

After Christmas break, Sunday school resumed on January 9. Also in January, Bibles were given to second graders Blake Nesdahl and Sophie Landis as well as third grader Lauren Madsen.

In the spring, we celebrated the graduation of one senior, Levin Robbins. Levin was given a lovely quilt made by our quilters and we enjoyed cake in his honor!

Noah's Ark was the theme for vacation Bible school, May 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. The 25 or so students enjoyed many activities while learning the familiar story. A special thank you to Janessa Vageline for her creative art projects.

Our junior and senior high youth had a busy year. Confirmation classes for seventh and eighth graders resumed in January as well. Pastor Rena was the teacher. Three young ladies were confirmed on April 10<sup>th</sup>: Maddie Meiers, Molly Knutson, and Alexandra Cole. Nine seventh graders also participated in confirmation class.

The youth have been actively volunteering at our church. They helped with yard work in both the spring and fall. They served meals for our Lenten suppers. They assisted at the food pantry, sorting and stocking. In preparation for the upcoming youth gathering, they had a pancake dinner on Holy Humor Sunday that they cooked and served. Another fundraising event was a bake sale in December. A special thanks to the Reinhold family for their many contributions!

In December, the younger children prepared for their Christmas program. With so many snowy days, it was a challenge! Thank you to Sue Lang for altering costumes. On December 18<sup>th</sup>, "The Crippled Lamb" was presented during morning worship. The play reminded us that God has a plan and purpose for everyone. We are blessed to have a loving Savior! The kids did a wonderful job!

Respectfully Submitted,

Education Committee

Julie Mutch (Chairperson) and Nancy Smith



# **2022 Worship Committee Report**

For a lot of us, change is a scary word. But when God is in our lives—worship becomes a big part of that. Thereby, change becomes inevitable. When we grow physically (taller, and in age) we change and evolve—to some degree. When we went to school: HS and maybe college, we grew in knowledge, and by default we change. It is the same way in our spiritual life and our own personal walk with God. We grow and change every day. Otherwise, our spiritual life becomes stagnant, and we stop growing and changing in Christ. We become like a plant with no life-giving water.

Each Sunday we unite as one to worship the Lord with prayer, praise, thanksgiving, and worship. God has blessed us and continues to bless us every day in so many different and unique ways as Our Savior's continues to grow. **The attendance at 47 regular, Sunday worship services was: 2,361 people (including both adults and youth) for an average of 39 adults and 11 youth per service. The attendance at 12 Special Services (which included: Ash Wednesday, 4 Lenten services; Palm Sunday, Maundy-Thursday, Good Friday, Easter, Thanksgiving Eve Service, Sunday School Program Service, and Christmas Eve Service) was 759 people (including both adults and youth) for an average of 47 Adults, and 16 Youth per service. *\*not including services that were canceled.* For all 59 services (regular and special services) the total number of adults and youth was: 3,120, for an average of 53 people per service. Based on that same information, the average number of adults per service was: 41; and youth per service was: 12.**

The Working Worship Committee met and continues to meet periodically throughout the year to select hymns for all of the upcoming worship services. In the Summer, six of our church services were held at the Larimore Senior Center due to the work being done on the Larimore streets. We also added a Thanksgiving Eve (special) service, and invited the community and the community churches to join us in worship—making the Thanksgiving holiday a little more meaningful as we gave our thanks and praise to God!

Thank you to Naomi Eggl for being our church's wedding coordinator/consultant. She attends every wedding at OSLC and is there to assist the wedding party and families with any questions, and issues that may arise—such a great asset for our church!

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## **From the Wedding Coordinator Report**

We were lucky enough to have 3 weddings this year. I don't think that has happened in many years or not at all.

The first wedding Maddie Johnson to Aric Berg on April 30, 2022

The Second Wedding was Aaron Nelson and Holli Lee June 25, 2022

The Third Wedding was Courtney Knudson and Nathan Horter November 12, 2022

Overall, I think all the weddings went off pretty well.

A few little things. But it all worked out.

Wedding Coordinator

Naomi Eggl

1/2023

Thank you to our PA System Techs: Mike Johnson and Kevin Nelson! Without you, no one would know what is going on during church service—your knowledge and willingness to serve is invaluable!

We are grateful for all those who serve using their gifts and talents to enhance our worship services in many different ways! Thank you, to Camilla Stover and Julie Mutch, who play the organ and keyboard—without your gifts, our services would be very dull! Thank you, also, to those who are willing to share special music with us! Thank you to the Reinhold family for changing the paraments and hanging the beautiful banners we see in the nave each time the seasons change! Thank you to those who put up creative bulletin boards! Thank you also to the WELCA for all the ways they contribute in-front of and behind the scenes—you are the oil in the cogs that help to keep things running so smoothly! And last, but definitely not least, Thank you to our fierce prayer warriors!

*Thank You!!!*

## **Soli Deo Gloria** (To God be the Glory!)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Teresa Welder,  
Roberta Stover, Chairman

WHERE "U" ARE NEEDED...  
Author Unknown

- The words in the parentheses are my own.

"U" are needed in Bible ST\_DY, but not in IGNORANCE. (We have an active Adult Bible Study that meets at the same time as the Sunday school at 9:00 and everyone is welcome).

"U" are needed in S\_PPURT, but not in NEGLECT. (Support means financially too, remember electricity costs money at God's house too).

"U" are needed in \_NITY, but not in DIVISION. (When we work as a team we get a lot more done).

"U" are needed in D\_TY, but not in IRRESPONSIBILITY. (Everyone IS responsible for their neighbor and anyone else that needs to hear and see the Word of God in Action).

"U" are needed in B\_ILDING, but not in TEARING DOWN. (When you think of building it is not such the structure they are talking about).

"U" are needed in CH\_\_RCH!! (More now than ever).

We are a good congregation, healthy in many ways that other churches dream about. 2022 was a pretty big year for us. We final got back to a schedule again. However, there have been turns and twists that have made some people upset and others pleased. This is all part of being healthy and you have to be healthy if you want to stay alive. I tell you Our Savior's Lutheran you are blessed congregation and a blessing to others.

Blessings All Ways.

Pastor Rena



**Our Saviors Lutheran Church**  
**Giving Statement**  
 January - December 2022

	Total
<b>Income</b>	
Budget Offering	111,512.19
Fellowship Offering	827.86
Lent Offering	1,075.00
Miscellaneous Offering	5,032.96
Sunday School Offering	55.56
<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>\$ 118,503.57</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Altar Supplies	217.96
Campership	725.00
<b>Charitable Contributions</b>	
ELCA - Eastern ND	2,979.00
Food Bank	374.00
Good Sam	374.00
Larimore Food Pantry	700.56
Missionary Support	899.92
Northland Rescue Mission	448.00
Northwood Deaconess	596.00
PRBC	1,117.00
RWBC	149.00
Seminary Fund	149.00
World Vision	243.00
<b>Total Charitable Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 8,029.48</b>
Conferences	1,182.80
Devotions	342.50
Education	307.43
Fellowship	528.30
Insurance	8,061.25
Misc Designated Expense	2,579.14
<b>Office/General Administrative Expenses</b>	580.85
Bank Charges & Fees	616.51
Office Supplies & Software	4,209.16
Other Business Expenses	299.23
<b>Total Office/General Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 5,705.75</b>
<b>Pastoral Expense</b>	
Continuing Education	215.00
Mileage	1,909.82
Pastor's Defined Compensation	57,838.34
Professional fees	960.00

Total Pastoral Expense	\$	60,923.16
Payroll Expenses		
Custodial		5,184.81
FICA Employee		4,566.92
FICA Match		3,322.34
Organist		3,268.25
Pulpit Supply		200.00
Taxes		420.00
Treasurer		4,247.95
Workers Comp		250.00
Total Payroll Expenses	\$	21,460.27
Repair & Maintenance		51,455.68
Supplies		42.00
Taxes & Licenses		93.64
Utilities		
Electric/Water		8,793.10
Heating / Fuel		15,242.79
Phone / Internet		1,182.46
Total Utilities	\$	25,218.35
Total Expenses	\$	186,872.71
Net Operating	-\$	68,369.14
Other Income		
Monies raised for roof		48,000.00
Total Other Income	\$	48,000.00
Net Income		<b>(\$20,369.14)</b>

For the 2022 year, the church borrowed \$21,600 from the savings account to cover our operating expenses. As of 12/31/2022, we have borrowed a total of \$34,983.04.

**Our Saviors Lutheran Church**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of December 31, 2022

	Total	Sub Account
<b>Bank Accounts</b>		
Bremer Main Checking	12,208.00	
Youth Checking	7,962.38	
Money Market	44,908.36	
Bremer Main Savings	53,350.64	
<b>Savings Sub Accounts</b>		
Altar Fund		1,685.93
Building Fund		45,578.41
Camperships Savings		974.73
Discretionary Fund		845.17
Grounds Savings		-4.82
Hymnals		187.50
Interest Savings		4,778.10
Kitchen repair savings		22.28
Music Savings		1,227.44
Noisy Offering		2,112.64
PA System/Tape Fund		408.39
Parish Nurse		145.00
Parsonage Fund		2,376.55
Quilters		0.00
Roof Savings		13,541.97
Tax Assessment		981.68
Undesignated general		6,011.56
Undesignated Gifts		15,993.67
Youth & SS Savings		1,392.80

**Our Saviors Lutheran Church  
Youth Checking  
January - December 2022**

Date	Transacti on Type	Name	Memo/Description	Amount	Balance
Beginning Balance					2,917.04
01/16/2022	Deposit	Youth Gathering Deposit, donation		220.00	3,137.04
01/23/2022	Deposit	Envelopes		284.00	3,421.04
01/30/2022	Deposit	Pizza		394.55	3,815.59
02/27/2022	Deposit	Skiing		-50.00	3,765.59
03/05/2022	Check	Frostfire		-750.00	3,015.59
03/06/2022	Deposit	Skiing		236.00	3,251.59
03/13/2022	Deposit	Skiing, Envelopes		247.00	3,498.59
03/20/2022	Deposit	Youth Gathering refund		132.00	3,630.59
03/20/2022	Transfer	Envelopes		900.00	4,530.59
04/03/2022	Deposit	Envelopes		23.00	4,553.59
04/10/2022	Deposit	Envelopes		12.00	4,565.59
04/24/2022	Deposit	Envelopes		23.00	4,588.59
04/25/2022	Deposit	Silent Auction		921.00	5,509.59
04/25/2022	Transfer		deposit correction	250.00	5,759.59
04/25/2022	Deposit	Pancake Breakfast		675.00	6,434.59
05/01/2022	Deposit	Envelopes, Silent Auction		597.00	7,031.59
05/08/2022	Deposit	Envelopes, Silent Auction		51.00	7,082.59
08/21/2022	Deposit	Envelopes		57.00	7,139.59
09/29/2022	Transfer		campership	-30.21	7,109.38
11/30/2022	Deposit			116.00	7,225.38
12/20/2022	Deposit	Bake Sale		737.00	7,962.38
<b>Balance of Youth Checking</b>					<u><u>\$7,962.38</u></u>

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Noisy Offering 2022

Noisy Offering

	Beg Bal	Collected	Balance	Disbursed
A. Caps/Mittens	256.83	228.47	485.3	
B. Backpack	280.33		280.33	
C. Warm Clothes	91.14	0	91.14	
D. VBS	508.44	135.09	643.53	
E. Feed children				
F. Lutheran Disaster	0			
G. Food Pantry	0	313.88	89.62	224.26
H. Youth Trip	0		0	
I. Flowers/Landscape	0	122.72	122.72	
J. Miscellaneous			366.9	
K. Parsonage			0	
J. Missionary		153.92	0	153.92
K. Windows			0	
L. Sunday School		122.72	122.72	
Total Noisy		1076.8	<u>2079.54</u>	

2022 THRIVENT FINANCIAL

A life insurance policy was established by Fern Haugen through Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, for which she designated Our Savior's Lutheran of Larimore as beneficiary.

BEGINNING BALANCE 1/1/2022 \$66,146.17

ENDING BALANCE 12/31/2021 \$66,136.07

MEMORIALS TO OSLC 2022

JANUARY	JEAN FISHER	50
FEBRUARY	FRANCIS OPHAUG	50
	FRANCIS OPHAUG	20
	JEAN FISHER	50
MARCH	FRANCIS OPHAUG	25
	FRANCIS OPHAUG	25
	JEAN FISHER	50
	HOWARD DREWLO	50
APRIL	HOWARD DREWLO	75
	JEAN FISHER	50
	DAVID LEE	50
	DAVID LEE	30
	DAVID LEE	20
	MARCIA	10
	ROGER JACOBSON	20
	KIP MCCOY	70
	HOWARD DREWLO	100
	ROGER JACOBSON	150
MAY	DAVID LEE	20
	JEAN FISHER	50
	DAVID LEE	50
JUNE	DAVID LEE	30
	DAVID LEE	30
	JEAN FISHER	50
JULY	JEAN FISHER	50
	JULIE MUTCH FATHER	50
AUG	JEAN FISHER	50
SEPT	DAVID LEE	70
	JEAN FISHER	50
	BYRON TUPA	50
OCTOBER	SANDRA ENGBRETSOI	50
	JEAN FISHER	50
NOVEMBER	BYRON TUPA	10
	SEVERT KVAMME	400
	JEAN FISHER	50
DECEMBER	WADE TUPA	20
	WADE TUPA	50
	JEAN FISHER	50

## TRUSTFUND COMMITTEE REPORT

The trust fund is being held in a CD at Bremer Bank. The amount of the CD is \$45,606.68. It earns an interest rate of .30% annually. The CD matures on 02/13/2023. When it matures there will be an interest payment of \$79.33.

The rate & return are very low. It is recommended that we investigate opportunities for better returns when the CD matures. Interest rates are much higher now than when the CD was issued.

## 2022 WELCA TREASURER'S REPORT

(Women of the ELCA)

Balance on hand, 12-31-21 \$9,078.71

### INCOME:

Worship Offering	\$180.00
Souper Fun Day	621.00
Funerals	1,050.76
Holy Humor/Raffle	545.00
Cheerful Giver	2,010.00
Lenten Suppers	666.00
Quilt Sales	200.00
Marty's Party	659.00
Happy Harvest	600.00
Memorials & Misc.	<u>103.00</u>

Total Income: \$6,634.76

### EXPENDITURES:

Groceries	\$705.68
Quilters	752.59
WELCA/Conference/Kits/Misc	422.13
Disbursement of Funds:	5,367.43
(do not include \$500 being held for Quilters)	
Missionary (from Lenten Suppers)	666.00
Camperships	<u>211.45</u>

Total Expenditures: \$8,125.28

Balance on hand, 12-31-22 \$7,588.19



## 2022 WELCA TREASURER'S REPORT, continued

(Women of the ELCA)

### DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS:

Northwood Deaconess Hosp. & Home		\$200.00
Good Samaritan Society - Larimore		100.00
Red Willow Bible Camp		100.00
Park River Bible Camp		100.00
Northland Rescue Mission		200.00
Larimore Food Pantry		500.00
Women's Pregnancy Center - GF		200.00
Community Violence Intervention Center - GF		200.00
Our Savior's Quilters		500.00
Our Savior's Projects:		<u>\$3,767.43</u>
Window Fund	\$2,076.40	
Special Assessments	925.23	
Bulletin paper	104.00	
Organ & Piano Repair	661.80	
<b>Total Disbursements:</b>		<b>\$5,867.43</b>

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth Ann Sweeney  
WELCA Treasurer

## 2022 LWR Quilting Report

LWR Quilting completed 69 quilts for 2022.

### Donations:

- Red Willow Bible Camp (6)
- Park River Bible Camp (6)
- Lutheran World Relief (35)
- Northlands Rescue Mission (6)
- Graduation (Levin Robbins) (1)

### Income

Beginning Balance	\$103.44
WELCA	400.00
Personal sales	<u>200.00</u>
	703.44

### Expenses

3 fillers/fabric/6 sheets \$82.04

WELCA Allowance \$500.00

**Beginning balance for 2023 \$370.85**

Martha Mutch and Alden Lieberg secured grants from Thrivent for \$250.00 each. These funds provided sheets for backing. Mike and Stephanie Johnson also purchased sheets. Many good used sheets have been donated. Thank you! We also thank the faithful quilters who give of their time and talent. Thanks also to those who make deliveries. As always, thanks to Ray Johnson for turning up the thermostat as needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Jemtrud  
Quilting Chairperson

# OSLC MEN'S CLUB TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2022

		BALANCE
<b>BEGINNING BALANCE (01/01/2022):</b>		<b>\$ 559.35</b>
<b>CREDITS:</b>		
<b>Mother/Daughter Banquet proceeds</b>	<b>\$ 850.00</b>	
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$ 850.00</b>	
<b>DEBITS:</b>		
<b>Mother/Daughter Banquet expenses</b>	<b>\$ 413.21</b>	
<b>Donation to youth camperships</b>	<b>\$ 211.45</b>	
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>\$ 624.66</b>	
<b>ENDING BALANCE: (12/31/2022)</b>		<b>\$ 784.69</b>

Respectfully Submitted  
Wally Lang  
Treasurer



## Pastor's Vital Statistics Report

### BAPTISMS

Adelaide Mae Boe	John & Meredith Boe	January 16, 2022
Alexandra Marie Cole	Brad & Maria Cole	April 10, 2022
Sloane Raile Rudolf	Jon & Sheryl Rudolf	September 18, 2022
Bode Brandon Berger	Eric & Rachel Berger	October 19, 2022

### CONFIRMATION

Alexandra Marie Cole	April 10, 2022
Mollie Rose Knudson	
Madison Ann Meier	

### WEDDINGS

Madison Johnson & Aric Berg	April 30, 2022	
Jessica Georgson & Jordan Pachel	May 21, 2022	back-up setting
Cheryl Triske & Robert Schultz	May 26, 2022	blessing of union
Holli Lee & Aaron Nelson	June 25, 2022	
Courtney Knudson & Nathan Horter	November 12, 2022	
Matthew Pernat & Michelle Madsen	November 25, 2022	

### FUNERALS

Francis Ophaug	January 2, 2022
Howard Drewlo	January 25, 2022
David Lee	April 8, 2022
Sandra Norgard	August 25, 2022
Eunice Rosenberg	September 26, 2022
Lois Peterson	October 26, 2022
Wade Tupa	December 4, 2022

December 31, 2022  
Pastor Rena Peterson

**NOMINATING REPORT**

**2022-2023**

**These are the candidates for the positions on church Council.**

**Wayne Knudson- agreed to seek a second Term**

**Derek Muir- Three-year Term**

**Les Canaar- Three-year Term**

**Gordy Peterson- Three-year Term**

**Respectfully submitted by: Nominating Committee**

**Kevin and Kim Nelson**

**Julie Mutch**

**Roberta Stover**

**Camilla Stover- Chair**

To: Area and Owner Churches of Northwood Deaconess Health Center

Greetings from everyone at NDHC. I am pleased to provide you with this annual report.

Covid 19 has not gone away. There have been some changes that have helped. Guidelines have been loosened some. Masks aren't as prevalent as they once were in parts of the building. Testing is no longer routine, but for symptomatic staff and residents only. We continue to advocate for relief from some of the burdensome parts related to covid 19, much of it paperwork and reporting related.

Switching gears, let me update you on exciting building project news. We are expanding and remodeling our Larimore Clinic. This started in the fall with an anticipated completion date early 2023. We will double our exam rooms, improve handicap accessibility with a new entry, improve covid screening capabilities, and provide more "elbow" room around the building. We received some grants to assist with the cost and are funding the rest out of reserves.

On a significantly larger level, we have design plans in place for our Northwood campus. Here are the highpoints:

1. 9 new hospital rooms
2. 16 new nursing home rooms
3. Remodeled and additional rehab services space
4. New east side entrance
5. New emergency entrance
6. New outpatient procedure and emergency room

All rooms will be significantly larger to meet updated building standards as well as provide more comfortable living and care services. There are so many exciting features. One I would like to point out is that all rooms will be built to hospital standards. Here is the scenario. You are a patient in a nursing home room, and your medical condition changes where you need hospitalization. You will stay in your room (your home if you will) to receive those hospital services.

Staff shortages are seen all across the country. Healthcare and NDHC are no exception. Aggressive recruiting efforts have been made with some success. Our professional nursing area is fully staffed. We are still recruiting certified nurse aide positions. We have had to restrict admissions to our nursing home and hospital at times due to shortages of staff. Spread the word, NDHC needs certified nurses aides.

The medical staff remains stable and clinic schedules steady. The addition of Dr. Stein in 2020 has helped drive increased hospital business, both in and outpatient. Additionally, we continue to do more outpatient services with visiting physician, Dr. Mike Page. Rehab services continue to grow.

As you can see, much is happening and will continue in 2023. The organization is led by the governing board of directors that has accomplished much in the past year. The current board is: Keith Groven, Bob Bilden, Joan Thompson, Judy Engen, Gary Rankin, Lonney Eastvold, Patrick Askew, Cynthia Pic, and Greg McMahon. As it is with many things, when you need something done, you ask the busiest people and they come to serve. Thank you board members for your guidance and direction.

A small organization can be challenging at times. Without question, the rewards far outweigh the challenges. We love that we were founded by area churches. They remain the ownership of the corporation. They delegate their responsibility to the board of directors representing those churches.

Here is some big news if you haven't heard. There will be new leadership at NDHC. The board of directors hired Brock Sherva as their new CEO. Congratulations Brock on your new position!!

There are other changes in the management team as well. Lindsey Braaten has been hired as the Manager of Activities replacing the retired LuAnn Stevens. Thank you LuAnn for your many years of service excellence. Doris Cooper has been hired as Manager of Marketing and Human Resources. She has provided much need guidance and leadership in these areas. She completed a revised website in 2022. You can find it at [www.ndhc.net](http://www.ndhc.net). Branding and marketing are large scale initiatives that she has been working on as well.

I will remain on staff in a part time role to include accounting, legislative, construction oversight, and a few other duties. To conclude, I want to thank you for your support over my career. While my role will change, my passion for NDHC will remain. The work continues in the year ahead. We look forward to serving those that choose us for their care.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to stop in or give us a call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pete Antonson, CEO". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Pete Antonson, CEO

Northwood Deaconess Health Center

# Our Savior's Lutheran Church

## Election Page for January 22, 2023 Annual Meeting

### Term ends Jan 2023

Wayne Knudson  
 Julie Mutch  
 Lori Reinhold  
 Mitch Tupa

### Term ends Jan 2024

Dave Voight  
 Teresa Welder  
 Nancy Smith  
 Naomi Eggl

### Term ends Jan 2025

Roberta Stover

### Council Member Nominees

3 yr term-ending 1/2026 (3 needed)

1. Wayne Knudson (agreed to 2nd term)
2. Derek Muir
3. Les Canaar
4. Gordy Peterson

### Nominating Committee

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Congregation Rep #1	Camilla Stover	<hr/>
Congregation Rep #2	Kevin Nelson	<hr/>
Congregation Rep #3	Kim Nelson	<hr/>
Council Rep #1	Dave Voight	<hr/>
Council Rep #2	Nancy Smith	<hr/>



Organization Delegates

	2022	2023
EaND Synod Assembly (June 2,3)	Derek Muir	
	Dee Muir	
	Ray Johnson (Alt)	
Red Willow Bible Camp	Robert Stover	
	Camilla Stover	
	Julie Mutch (Alt)	
Park River Bible Camp	Robin Pifer	
	Paul Sandstrom	
	Sherry Norman (Alt)	
Northwood Hospital & Home	Mary Amundson	
	Sherry Norman	
	Camilla Stover (Alt)	
Historian	Camilla Stover	
	Teresa Welder	
Auditing Committee	Paul Mutch	
	Kim Nelson	
	Paul Sandstrom	
Outreach Coordinator	Paul & Julie Mutch	
	Lori Reinhold	
Trust Fund	Gary Rankin	term ends Jan 2023
	Josh Nesdahl	term ends Jan 2024
	Gordy Peterson	term ends Jan 2025
		term ends Jan 2026

# Church Council Officers

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	2022	2023
President	Wayne Knudson	
Vice President	Dave Voight	
Secretary	Lori Reinhold	
Treasurer	Sherry Norman	
Financial Secretary	Sherry Norman	
Education Committee	2022	2023
Chairperson	Julie Mutch	
	Nancy Smith	
Property & Mgmt. Committee	2022	2023
Chairperson	Dave Voight	
	Lori Reinhold	
Stewardship Committee	2022	2023
Chairperson	Mitch Tupa	
	Naomi Ettl	
Worship Committee	2022	2023
Chairperson	Roberta Stover	
	Teresa Welder	

**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH 2023 BUDGET**

	2022				2023		
	Alloc	Budget	Actual	% Total	Alloc.	Budget	%Total
<b>Benevolences</b>							
1 END/ELCA	40.0%	\$4,357	\$2,979	2.1%	40%	\$2,979	2.0%
2 Missionary Support	10.0%	\$871	\$746	0.5%	10%	\$745	0.5%
3 PRBC	15.0%	\$697	\$1,117	0.8%	5%	\$372	0.3%
4 Northland Rescue Miss	6.0%	\$523	\$448	0.3%	6%	\$447	0.3%
5 Great Plains Food Bank	5.0%	\$436	\$374	0.3%	0%	\$0	0.0%
6 Northwood Hospital	8.0%	\$436	\$596	0.4%	9%	\$670	0.5%
7 Good Samaritan	5.0%	\$436	\$374	0.3%	9%	\$670	0.5%
8 RWBC	2.0%	\$174	\$149	0.1%	5%	\$372	0.3%
9 Christus Rex	0.0%	\$174	\$0	0.0%	2%	\$149	0.1%
10 Seminary Fund	2.0%	\$174	\$149	0.1%	2%	\$149	0.1%
11 United Way Larimore F	4.0%	\$174	\$298	0.2%	9%	\$670	0.5%
12 World Vision	2.9%	\$240	\$243	0.2%	3%	\$240	0.2%
13 <b>Benevolences Subto</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$8,692</b>	<b>\$7,472</b>	<b>5.25%</b>		<b>\$7,463</b>	<b>5.1%</b>

	2022				2023		
	Alloc.	Budget	Actual	%Total	Allow.	Budget	%Total
<b>Salary Expenses</b>							
14 Pastor's Comp.	73.7%	\$70,000	\$57,838.34	40.60%	71.3%	\$70,000	47.96%
15 Pastor Cont. Ed.	0.7%	\$700	\$215.00	0.15%	0.7%	\$700	0.48%
16 Professional Expense	1.0%	\$960	\$960.00	0.67%	1.0%	\$960	0.66%
17 Mileage	3.2%	\$3,000	\$1,909.82	1.34%	3.1%	\$3,000	2.06%
18 Secretary	0.5%	\$500		0.00%	0.0%	\$0	0.00%
19 Custodial	5.9%	\$5,627	\$5,184.81	3.64%	6.0%	\$5,908	4.05%
20 Organist	3.9%	\$3,715	\$3,268.25	2.29%	3.8%	\$3,715	2.55%
21 Treasurer	4.9%	\$4,645	\$4,247.95	2.98%	5.2%	\$5,145	3.53%
22 FICA--Employee			\$11,281.88	0.00%			0.00%
23 FICA--Match	4.9%	\$4,615	\$3,742.34	2.63%	6.6%	\$6,484	4.44%
24 Pulpit Supply	1.1%	\$1,000	\$200.00	0.14%	2.0%	\$2,000	1.37%
25 Worker's Comp.	0.3%	\$250	\$250.00	0.18%	0.3%	\$250	0.17%
26 <b>Salary Subtotal</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$95,012</b>	<b>\$89,098.39</b>	<b>54.63%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$98,162.00</b>	<b>67.25%</b>

	2022				2023		
	Alloc	Budget	Actual	%Total	Alloc.	Budget	%Total
<b>Operating Expenses</b>							
27 Heating/Fuel	22.1%	\$9,500	\$15,242.79	10.70%	25.91%	\$10,450	7.16%
28 Telephone/Internet	2.8%	\$1,200	\$1,182.46	0.83%	2.98%	\$1,200	0.82%
29 Electricity/Water	19.8%	\$8,500	\$8,793.10	6.17%	22.76%	\$9,180	6.29%
30 Office Supplies	9.3%	\$4,000	\$5,705.75	4.01%	8.68%	\$3,500	2.40%
31 Convention/Conf.	2.3%	\$1,000	\$1,182.80	0.83%	2.48%	\$1,000	0.69%
32 Altar Supplies	1.2%	\$500	\$217.96	0.15%	1.24%	\$500	0.34%
33 Building Maintenance	11.7%	\$5,000	\$3,497.68	2.46%	12.40%	\$5,000	3.43%
34 Devotion Books	0.9%	\$400	\$342.50	0.24%	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
35 Education	2.3%	\$1,000	\$307.43	0.22%	1.24%	\$500	0.34%
36 Fellowship	0.9%	\$400	\$528.30	0.37%	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
37 Music	1.2%	\$500	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
38 Insurance	18.7%	\$8,000	\$8,061.25	5.66%	19.84%	\$8,000	5.48%
39 Stewardship	0.7%	\$300	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
40 Camperships	5.8%	\$2,500	\$725.00	0.51%	2.48%	\$1,000	0.69%
41 Taxes	0.2%	\$95	\$93.64	0.07%	0.00%	\$0	0.00%
42 <b>Operating Subtotal</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$42,895</b>	<b>\$45,881</b>	<b>32.21%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$40,330</b>	

43 <b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$146,599</b>	<b>\$142,451</b>			<b>\$145,955.35</b>	
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# ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

## OPENING LITURGY

### Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Recognizing that our faith is a living, busy, active and mighty thing, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with each of you.

**And also with you.**

Teach us to love you with all our heart, soul, mind and strength.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Descend on our hearts, that we may love others in the ways Jesus loves us.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Empower us to be enthusiastic in pursuing your vision for our congregation.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Move us to engage issues in our community in Christlike ways, and to pursue deep and authentic relationships with those with whom we serve and partner.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Strengthen us to face the barriers we encounter in doing your work, learning to work with others amid disagreement.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Give us the ability to adapt to the cultural, economic and social changes that occur in the neighborhoods we serve.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

Guide us to be a healthy congregation that learns from its failures as well as its successes and offers wisdom to others.

**Receive our prayer, O God.**

As we strive to become the church that we proclaim to be, raise up leaders who focus on the gospel of freedom, forgiveness and reconciliation as given to us through God's indescribable act of love in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Renew us daily in our baptism, that we may discover vitality in our relationships with you, each other and those we serve in the world.

**Amen.**

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of four systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;  
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,  
 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;  
 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love.

wear it from earth, through all its puls - es move;  
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay;  
 all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?  
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:

stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part,  
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;  
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling,  
 the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove.

and make me love you as I ought to love.  
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.  
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!  
 my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780-1860

Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841-1897

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