



EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

CONGREGATIONAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008

FORM A

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INFORMATION ABOUT MEMBERS

	BAPTIZED (Total Membership)		CONFIRMED	
1. Membership at end of 2007		716		597
2. Members received during 2008				
a. By Baptism: children (15 yrs. and younger)	7			
b. By Baptism: adults (16 yrs. and older)	0		0	
c. By affirmation of faith	0		0	
d. By transfer from ELCA congregations	0		0	
e. From other Lutheran congregations	6		5	
f. From non-Lutheran congregations	0		0	
g. From other sources and statistical adjustment	3		2	
h. Total members received this year	+	16	+	7
3. Baptized youth who were confirmed in 2008				9
4. Total of #1 and 2h in BAPTIZED column	=	732	=	613
Total of #1, 2h, and 3 in CONFIRMED column				
5. Members removed during 2008				
a. By death	7		7	
b. By transfer to other ELCA congregations	7		6	
c. To other Lutheran congregations	0		0	
d. To non-Lutheran congregations	0		0	
e. For other reasons and statistical adjustment	0		0	
f. Total members removed this year	-	14	-	13
6. Membership, end of 2008	=	718	=	600

Note: BAPTIZED figures cannot be smaller than CONFIRMED figures in any category. See Instruction sheet.

7. Race and ethnic origin of baptized members: Total must equal Item 6, BAPTIZED.

African American/Black	Amer. Ind./Alaska Native	Arab/Middle Eastern	Asian/Pacific Islander	Latino/Hispanic	Multiracial	White/Caucasian	Other	TOTAL
2	1	0	13	2	0	446	254	718

Congregation ID# **11866**
 Online Password (2008 only): **58364346**
 Synod **Minneapolis Area Synod**
 Conference **CENTRAL**
3G

9. Location address describes where the church or place of worship is physically located. This may differ from the mailing address, but must identify a street name. Corrections should be made below:

University Lutheran Church of Hope
601 13th Ave SE

Minneapolis, MN 55414

Verify the following congregation information; correct as necessary.

10. Phone: (612) 331-5988

11. Telefax: (612) 623-0693

12. E-mail: ulch@ulch.org

Web site: Corrections can be made online (www.elca.org/congregationurl)

<http://www.ulch.org/>

13. Communing members

a. Confirmed members who communed	0
b. Unconfirmed members who communed	0

14. Voting members (see definition in instructions) **570**

15. Average weekly worship attendance **219**
 (round to nearest whole number)

16. Language(s) in which liturgies are conducted
 (strike through or write in as necessary)

English

8. Active non-members (including Associate Members)

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONGREGATION'S FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP (Please round all figures to nearest dollar. Omit cents.)

20. Receipts during 2008	24. Budgeted or projected 2009 Mission Support	\$ 30,518.00
a. Regular giving by members	25. Disbursements during 2008	
b. Designated giving by members	a. Current operating expenses	\$ 531,520.00
c. Earned income, unrestricted	b. Capital improvements	\$ 0.00
d. Earned income, restricted	c. Payments on debts	\$ 30,696.00
e. Grants and Outreach partnership support	d. Mission Support (regular synod benevolence)	\$ 29,271.00
f. Cash borrowed	e. ELCA World Hunger Appeal	\$ 0.00
g. Other receipts	f. ELCA Disaster Response	\$ 0.00
h. TOTAL RECEIPTS	g. Mission Partners	\$ 0.00
\$ 754,908.00	h. Mission Founders	\$ 0.00
21. Assets as of December 31, 2008	i. Missionary Sponsorship	\$ 0.00
a. Church edifice and lot	j. Specific Mission Support	\$ 0.00
b. Parish house and lot	k. Vision for Mission Offering	\$ 0.00
c. Parsonage(s) and lot(s)	l. Synod-related special benevolence	\$ 0.00
d. Other real estate	m. Local community benevolence (non-ELCA)	\$ 0.00
e. Endowment and memorial funds	n. Other benevolence (non-ELCA)	\$ 0.00
f. Cash, savings, bonds, etc.	o. Other expenses and realized losses	\$ 0.00
g. Other assets	p. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 591,487.00
h. TOTAL ASSETS		
\$ 3,040,918.00		
22. Total indebtedness as of Dec. 31, 2008		
\$ 1,672,619.00		
23. Bequests received during 2008		
a. Number of bequests received	#	0
b. TOTAL VALUE of bequests received	\$	0.00

Pastor _____ Date submitted to synod **1/27/2009**
 Council Officer _____ Office _____

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

30. Educational ministry provided by this congregation:
 Yes, No Did this congregation have Christian Education in 2008?
 Yes, No Did this congregation have 2008 Vacation Bible School?

Detailed instructions for completing this grid can be found in the instructions booklet accompanying this form. Enter whole numbers in the enrollment boxes (using best estimates if actual figures are unavailable). Darken or check boxes (☐) as appropriate to describe your program.	Pre-School (3-5 yrs.)	Elementary	Middle School	High School	Young Adult (19-30 yrs.)	Adult (31 yrs. - older)	Intergenerational
Christian Education:							
Number of participants enrolled	7	30	14	18	35	30	0
Number of teachers/leaders	2	7	2	3	4	3	0
Schedule:							
Sunday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
mid-week	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Class Format:							
self-contained classes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
rotational/learning centers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
curriculum source* (see note)	3	3	1	4	4	4	0
Grades/Groupings:							
individual grades	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
group graded	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
all in one group	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vacation Bible School:							
Number of participants enrolled							
Number of teachers/leaders							
Schedule:							
half-day	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
full day	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
evenings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
day camp model	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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all in one group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

* Use the following numbers to indicate publisher of curriculum used.

1. Augsburg Fortress resources 3. Independent publishers
 2. Concordia Publishing resources 4. Create own materials

31. In 2008, how many short-term (7 days to 3 weeks) mission, service, or learning trips did this congregation take outside the United States? (Check only one):
 None Two Four
 One Three Five or more

32. Does this congregation provide assistance to persons with disabilities in any of the following ways? (Check all that apply)
 1 Wheelchair access throughout the building(s)
 2 Brailled and/or large print worship materials
 3 Assistive devices for the hard of hearing
 4 Outreach and support with those with special needs and their families

Congregation's mailing address:

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 601 13th Ave SE

Minneapolis, MN 55414-1437

40. How often is Holy Communion celebrated as part of the Sunday worship service? If you have more than one service, report for the one that has the largest average attendance. Do not report weekday or Saturday communion services. (Check only one)
 1 Weekly 5 Monthly plus festivals
 2 Twice a month 6 Quarterly
 3 Twice a month plus festivals 7 Other _____
 4 Monthly

If Holy Communion is NOT celebrated weekly at the principal worship service of this congregation, is there another liturgy at which communion is offered weekly?
 1 Yes 2 No 3 Do not know

When you distribute the cup, do you offer: (Check all that apply)
 1 Wine 2 Juice 3 De-alcoholized wine

41. At what age do children in this congregation customarily receive Holy Communion for the first time? (Check only one)
 1 After confirmation 5 Grade 2 (age 7)
 2 Grade 6 & above but before confirm. 6 Kindergarten or grade 1 (age 6)
 3 Grade 5 (age 10) 7 After Baptism and before age 5
 4 Grades 3 or 4 (ages 8 to 9) 8 At Baptism (infancy)

42. How many adults participate in Bible study groups in this congregation? 30

43. Has this congregation developed a disaster preparedness plan?
 1 Yes 2 No 3 Do not know

44. Does this congregation use "God's Work, Our Hands." on its letterhead?
 1 Yes 2 No 3 Do not know

45. Does this congregation use "God's Work, Our Hands." on its newsletter or other publications?
 1 Yes 2 No 3 Do not know

46. In which of the following areas has this congregation added salaried staff during the past two years or intends to add during the next two years? (Check all that apply)

Added 2007-8	Adding 2009-10	Ministry Area:
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 15	Administration
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 16	Arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 17	Christian Education
<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 18	Community Organizing
<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 19	Developing another worship site
<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 20	Developing a new congregation
<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 21	Early childhood administration
<input type="checkbox"/> 8	<input type="checkbox"/> 22	Discipleship/Evangelism
<input type="checkbox"/> 9	<input type="checkbox"/> 23	Music/Worship
<input type="checkbox"/> 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 24	Parish nursing/Health ministries
<input type="checkbox"/> 11	<input type="checkbox"/> 25	Senior ministries
<input type="checkbox"/> 12	<input type="checkbox"/> 26	Spiritual formation
<input type="checkbox"/> 13	<input type="checkbox"/> 27	Volunteer coordination
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 14	<input type="checkbox"/> 28	Youth and family ministries

47. What steps has this congregation taken regarding HIV and AIDS (Check all that apply)?
 1 Discussion, sermon, or prayer that engages the topic of HIV and AIDS
 2 Provided services, funds, or support for those living with or affected by HIV and AIDS
 3 Engaged HIV and AIDS in other ways

48. Does this congregation plan to conduct a capital or debt reduction appeal in the next three years?
 1 Yes 2 No 3 Do not know

49. How many lay employees (working at least 20 hours a week) does this congregation have? 4

50. If this congregation is involved in congregation-based organizing and affiliated with an organizing community, please indicate the institute/network name. (Check all that apply).

- 1 Direct Action & Research Training (DART)
 2 The Gamaliel Foundation
 3 Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF)
 4 Pacific Institute for Community Organization (PICO)
 5 Regional Congregations and Neighborhood Organizations (RCNO)
 6 The InterValley Project (IVP)
 7 Independent or other (please name) _____

Return original Forms A and C to your synod office at:

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 Minneapolis, MN 55404-2474