

Annual Report

2025

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2025 Congregation Deacons

Joan Allton
(resigned May 2025)

Diane Sherwood
(resigned May 2025)

Grace Hesse

Steve Silva

Elaine Lauger

Jennifer Smart

Greg Lommen

Betty Wells

Opportunities for Worship and Study

Sunday Services:
(live-streamed)

9:30 a.m. Liturgy with Holy Communion

Women's Spiritual Book Study:

Third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study:

Varies throughout the year

Confessions:

By appointment with the Pastor

2025 Congregation Council

Executive Committee:

Pastor Bekki Lohrmann 619-224-2894
Pat Hendrickson, President (2025)
Ellen Schmeding Vice President, Stewardship (2027)
Richard Nielsen, Treasurer, Property (2025)
Allison Crews, Secretary (2027)
Sandra Boelter, Education, Preschool (2025)
Greg Lommen, Worship (2027)
Liz Medina, co-Christian Service (2026)
Jacquelyn Romero, co-Christian Service (2026)
Betty Wells, Fellowship (2025)

2025 Committees

Audit Committee – Jim Grutkowski (2025), Patty Lewis (2026), Lyle Beller (2027)
Christian Service Committee – Liz Medina & Jacquelyn Romero, co-chair
Christian Education Committee – Sandra Boelter, chair
Maggie Box, Colleen Doering, Solveig Fuentes, Jim Grutkowski, Elaine Lauger,
Amanda Nielsen, Ellen Schmeding, John Smart, Lora Thompson, Darlene Truver
Employee Relations Committee – Pastor Bekki, Pat Hendrickson, Ellen Schmeding
Endowment Committee – Kathy Rahilly, chair
Kathy Rahilly (2025), Darlene Thygerson (2025), Richard Doering (2026), Richard Montgomery
(2026), Gail Bennett (2027), Kevin Box (2027)
Fellowship Committee – Betty Wells, chair
Financial Support Committee – Richard Nielsen, Treasurer
Mutual Ministry – Executive Committee
Nominating Committee –
Gail Bennett, Lyle Boelter, Joe DeMers, Colleen Doering, Darlene Morrow Truver, Scott Walls
Prayer Shawl Ministry – Solveig Fuentes, chair
Preschool Committee – Sandie Boelter, chair
Dori Hoadley, Bekah Mack, Alyssia Peters
Property Committee – Richard Nielsen, chair
Stewardship Committee – Ellen Schmeding, chair
Richard Doering, Elaine Lauger, Richard Nielsen
Worship Committee – Greg Lommen, chair
Joe DeMers, Jim Grutkowski, Janine Morrow
Newsletter Editor – Hannah DeMers

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Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Congregation January 18, 2026

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Pastor's Report

Dear Ones,

As we begin another year together at St. Peter's, I continue to thank God for the privilege of serving as your pastor. The joy that comes with this call is an incredible gift and from bottom to top, beginning to end, I continue to feel strong in this position, supported in every way, and glad to continue the work.

Here's where my energy has been the past year:

Faith Formation

- Deacon School - consecrating 3 new deacons
- Keynote Speaker at Point Loma Community Presbyterian & St. Peter's Women's Retreat
- OB Church Camp - with All Soul's, Submerge, Resurrection OB churches
- Welcomed 14 New Members
- Lenten Liturgy and Life Group, Fall Bible Study, Lenten and Advent Worship
- Confirmation with 6 students and 1 baptism.

Partnership

- Good Friday Ecumenical Prayer Walk
- I am the West San Diego Conference Dean which convenes local ELCA Pastors
- Convener of the Peninsula Faith Leaders (10 Local churches on the Peninsula)
- We have had Significant Space Sharing - Neighborhood Night Out, Sunset Cliffs Auto Show, OBEF Fundraiser, Trunk or Treat, Pet Blessing
- Wine Into Water - 4 ecumenical churches raised \$10K for water filtration system in Pakistan

Accompaniment

- 1 Funeral, ministry accompanying the dying, and pastoral care
- Court Accompaniment - participated in Detention Resistance & FAITH accompaniment of migrants in court at the federal courthouse
- Anchor Station - Working with Peninsula Faith Leaders and Love Thy Neighborhood to create a homelessness service station in OB at the Episcopal Center which would connect unhoused people with necessary services (housing, EBT, mail, document recovery, etc)

Remodel

- Created Building Steering Team
- Created and led congregational discernment process
- Hired Architects
- Applied for John C Lasko Grant which we unfortunately did not receive

Policies/Internal Systems

- Created Hospitality Coordinator Position
- Creation of the Space Use Policy
- Finance Team met multiple times to allocate surplus money into building fund

Continuing Education

- Attended 10 week Flourishing in Ministry Group Coaching sessions thru Biola University
- Attended Valparaiso University Liturgical Institute
- Attended Pacifica Synod's Day of Theological Education on Border History and Justice
- Attended Pacifica Synod's Theoasis Conference called, "Blessed are the Poor"

Thank you to our remarkable staff, our wonderful volunteers, our council leaders, and all who work in this place to seek and share the love of God!

Joyfully,
Pastor Bekki

CONGREGATION DEACONS' REPORT

The Deacons of St. Peter's by the Sea Lutheran Church continued their faithful service throughout the past year, supporting the congregation in worship and care.

In June 2025, the Deacons held a special Deacon Sunday, during which they conducted the entire worship service, demonstrating their dedication and leadership.

Beyond Sunday worship, the Deacons visited members in hospitals and brought Communion to those who are unable to attend services in person, ensuring that all members remain connected to the life of the church. They also faithfully assisted Pastor Bekki as Worship Assistants, helping services run smoothly and reverently.

This year also marked a time of transition within the Deacon team. Two longtime Deacons, Joan Allton and Diane Sherwood, retired after years of devoted service, and the congregation is grateful for their commitment and care. At the same time, the team was strengthened by the addition of three new Deacons: Grace Hesse, Elaine Lauger, and Betty Wells. Their willingness to serve brings fresh energy and support to the ministry of St. Peter's by the Sea, as the Deacons continue their important role of worship leadership, outreach, and compassionate care.

On behalf of all of the Deacon's, we are so grateful for the support we all receive from Pastor Bekki, the Council and the entire Congregation.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Deacons,
Greg Lommen
Congregation Deacon

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As a reminder, last year I reported on the progress of the Three-Year Plan developed by Council in early 2024. We completed some goals the first year. This report will focus on second year progress on the remaining goals.

GOAL: FORMALIZE POLICIES FOR PUBLIC USE OF CHURCH PROPERTY

Written policy was approved by Council for use of the church property, including priorities and cost of use. A Hospitality Coordinator was hired in early 2025 (Betty Wells.) Council determined during a discussion in late 2025 that the position was working as envisioned and would be continued. Goal Achieved.

GOAL: CONTINUE TO BUILD UP RELATIONSHIPS WITH COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORS

Through lots of leadership on Pastor's part, the OB Faith Leader's group is now an active entity in our area. We hosted a large OBEF fundraiser which was very successful. Neighborhood Night Out was hosted here and enhanced to include music and access to our community room. We host other community activities as requested. We have been able to expand Interfaith Shelter to three weeks because of strong community partners. This will always be a work in progress, but goal is largely achieved.

GOAL: REMODEL THE CHURCH SANCTUARY

We made good progress this year. Through the efforts of the Building Steering Committee, a comprehensive planning process was undertaken in early 2025. It allowed for lots of input from members and resulted in a document that fully outlined our vision. We have hired an architect and are awaiting a proposal. This goal, as anticipated, is a work in progress.

GOAL: DETERMINE OUR NICHE WITH CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Several highlights to report. We have a Confirmation Class that meets regularly. We have a dedicated group of acolytes. With Endowment Funds, we are able to provide scholarship support (currently supporting four scholarships.) We provide strong support to our preschool and host all their special events. We have a small but dedicated group of Sunday School teachers. We co-hosted Vacation Bible School, and we have a youth member on Church Council in 2026! Council feels that this goal is a work in progress and will continue to need special attention.

There are three additional goals in the Three-Year Plan which still require some attention in 2026:

- Creating a Strategic Maintenance Plan
- Strengthening Congregational Communication
- Leadership Development

As I leave Council, I would like to highlight the dedication of all those with whom I served. We worked really well together. Special kudos to those going off Council with me: Richard Nielsen, Betty Wells, Sandie Boelter, and Jacquelyn Romero.

St. Peter's is a very special place. It has been my honor to serve this remarkable congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Hendrickson
Congregation Council President

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

2025 NOTES:

1. Annual reports filed:
 - a. Parochial Report filed with the Pacifica Synod and ELCA
 - b. Annual Welfare Exemption filed with the County Assessor office
 - c. Annual Business Property Statement filed with the County Assessor office
 - d. Annual Worker's Comp audit completed with Hartford Insurance
 - e. Annual "CA Use Tax" filing for 2024
 - f. PCI DSS (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard) annual compliance completed
2. Managed Facility Use Calendar
 - a. Our facility is in great demand, both for the beauty of our facility and the beauty of our location. Eleven outside organizations held weekly meetings, retreats, overnights, & banquets in 2025 and three community member Celebration of Life receptions were held.
 - b. Assisted in revising our Facility Use Guidelines.
3. Employee Handbook updated
 - a. Bereavement Leave policy & vacation cap policies revised.

Webinars:

1. After the Fires: Essential Insurance Tips for CA Houses of Worship
2. Creating a Healthy Volunteer Culture presented by Thrivent
3. PayChex "ICE raids and I-9 audits"
4. What's New in HR
5. Restructuring Clergy Compensation

Workshops:

1. EDD: **"San Diego Employer Advisory Council (SDEAC) invites you to bring questions for the experts. SDEAC Spring Seminars will feature speakers from various branches of the Employment Development Department"**

Other Items of Note:

1. We had one Worker's Comp claim for a Preschool employee.

The office is extremely grateful for our Council President, Pat Hendrickson, our Treasurers, Richard Nielsen & Brenda Johnson, and Pastor Bekki, for their leadership and support through this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Janine Morrow
Office Administrator

CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMITTEE

St. Peter's by the Sea Christian Service Committee met monthly under the umbrella of "Church Mice." On the first and second Tuesdays, the Prayer Shawl Ministry joined us, and we sewed fabric, knitted and/or crocheted prayer quilts and prayer shawls for members and others in need of the physical reminder of God's Love and that our prayers are with them. If you know of someone who would benefit from a quilt or shawl, let Solveig Fuentes know.

- A new sewing machine was purchased.
- Welcome bags were assembled for Interfaith Shelter guests.
- Knives, forks, spoons, and napkins were assembled for Lenten Soup Suppers.
- A breast cancer pillow was made.

The pews in the sanctuary were serviced; making sure pew envelopes, welcome cards and Endowment literature were stocked and pencils were sharpened. The brass was also polished.

In June, July, and August, school supplies were donated by the congregation and Preschool families. Ninety-one school kits were assembled and packed in boxes in September. In October, the kits and two quilts were delivered to Clairemont Lutheran Church where they were gathered with other kits and quilts from San Diego County to be packed and shipped, via a semi-truck, to a Lutheran World Relief distribution center. Also, thirty-nine backpacks were filled with school supplies and taken to Lutheran Border Concerns Ministry for distribution to children in Mexico.

We continued to sew pockets on donated shirts to be given to the unhoused in Ocean Beach and downtown at First Lutheran Church's Third Avenue Charitable Organization.

Angels were made ready for the Christmas Angel Tree. They were cut out, labeled, and threaded with yarn.

We welcomed Linda V M. to our group.

Fellowship was shared with coffee, tea, and snacks during a 'snack time.'

What a blessed year we had and looking forward to 2026!

Respectfully Submitted,
Jacquelyn Romero
Christian Service Committee

Elaine Lauger
Church Mice

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

This year has been fairly stable with a few changes. The Sunday School has three teachers who have lessons for the first three Sundays of the month, and sometimes the fourth depending upon the month. One additional teacher has been recovering from a health issue and hopefully may be able to return mid-2026. We are currently using the Whirl Curriculum for K-2 grade with the addition of 3-6 grade in the fall. We have a wide range of ages that attend and now have the ability to meet the needs of whomever attends on a given Sunday.

On April 19 a special Easter Event was held to celebrate Easter. The event was well received.

On May 30 the Preschool Graduation was held at the church. The Education Committee presented a Bible to each of the children who graduated. This is in response to our three-year Strategic Plan the church has implemented,

Vacation Bible School was held June 16 through 20. Melissa Perez was the coordinator. The VBS was well attended and had about the same number of volunteers as students. Very well received by the 3 churches who joined in to make the children's experience a positive one for our community.

In December, the church provided an age-appropriate Bible for our member's children. Approximately 20 Bibles were distributed. Any future new member with children will receive a Bible when parent joins the church. This is another response to our three-year Strategic Plan.

It has been my pleasure to Chair the Christian Education Committee in 2025.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Boelter
Education Committee

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Committee members: Kathy Rahilly, Gail Bennett, Kevin Box, Richard Doering, Richard Montgomery, Darlene Thygerson, Pastor Bekki Lohrmann.

St. Peter's by the Sea Endowment Fund was established in 1980 by Pastor Dale Bringman for enhancing the mission outreach of this congregation. All principal amounts are retained to continue to grow and only the dividends from the investments are expended. Church members can easily make contributions to this fund or request matching funds for a charitable organization by using the blue Endowment Fund envelopes in the pews.

Pastor and the six committee members have met quarterly to distribute funds equally in these four categories:

Mission and Program Grants

- ELCA Disaster Response – LA Fires & Texas Floods
- Global Refuge
- LRCC- Luther Glen Farm
- Lutheran Social Services
- Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission
- Pacifica Synod Theosis Budget - Childcare Support
- Third Avenue Charitable Organization (TACO)

Outreach Grants

- Agape House/Lutheran-Episcopal
- Bread for the World
- Casa Cornelia
- Friends of International Friendship Park (Border Church)
- Global Refuge
- Jewish Family Services
- Lutheran Social Services – Fire Response
- Mama's Kitchen
- Ocean Beach Emergency Fund (Loaves and Fishes)
- Peninsula Shepherd Center
- Showers of Blessing

Educational Grants

- Agape House/Lutheran-Episcopal
- Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission
- Scholarships to Evan Smart, Ian Smart, Hannah Zimmermann, and Elina Pepper

Building Grants

- General Building Maintenance

The Committee distributed **\$5,851.32** per category for a total of **\$23,405.28** for 2025.

Respectfully submitted
Kathy Rahilly, Chair
Endowment Committee

Endowment Committee - Financial Distribution Statement

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE - FINANCIAL DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT 2025					
	Meeting Date	1/22/2025	4/23/2025	7/30/2025	10/22/2025
Income For Distribution		5,790.08	5,860.04	5,873.64	5,881.52
Missions and Program Grants					
LRCC-Luther Glen Farm		100.00			
LSS Lutheran Social Services			100.00		
Lutheran Disaster Response - LA Fires		500.00	150.00		
Lutheran Disaster Response - TX Floods				400.00	100.00
Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Services Global Refuge		347.52	100.00		
Navajo Evangelical Mission			400.00	400.00	370.38
Theoasis Budget-Pacifica Synod- Childcare			315.01	268.41	
Third Avenue Charitable Organization		500.00	400.00	400.00	1,000.00
Subtotal		1,447.52	1,465.01	1,468.41	1,470.38
Outreach Grants					
Agape House					870.38
Bread for the World			300.00		
Border Church				400.00	
Casa Cornelia			400.00		
Global Refuge				568.41	
Jewish Family Services		300.00			
LSS -fire response		447.52			
Mama's Kitchen - Pantry			265.01		
OBEF (Loaves and Fishes)		500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Peninsula Shepherd Center					100.00
Showers of Blessing-All Souls' Episcopal Church		200.00			
Subtotal		1,447.52	1,465.01	1,468.41	1,470.38
Educational Grants					
Agape House/Lutheran-Episcopal		247.52	65.01		
Elina Pepper			350.00	350.00	350.00
Evan Smart		400.00	350.00	350.00	350.00
Ian Smart		400.00	350.00	350.00	350.00
Hannah Zimmerman			350.00	350.00	350.00
Navajo Evangelical. Lutheran Mission		400.00		68.41	70.38
Subtotal		1,447.52	1,465.01	1,468.41	1,470.38
Building Grants					
Building Maintenance (General)		1,447.52	1,465.01	1,468.41	1,470.38
Subtotal		1,447.52	1,465.01	1,468.41	1,470.38
Total		5,790.08	5,860.04	5,873.64	5,881.52

Endowment Fund Assets
Endowment Fund Investment Accounts Balance and Income Statement

Endowment Fund Assets					
For Year ending September 30, 2025					
			Year's	Principal	
Cash:		10/1/24	Distributions	Additions	9/30/25
	US Bank Checking Account	\$ 8,678.72	\$ 23,405.28	493.00	\$ 9,268.75
	MIF Demand Checking	2,237.48			2,231.78
	MIF CD Five Years Matures July 1, 2029 4.909% interest	103,864.54			103,864.54
	MIF CD Four Years, Matures May 20, 2027, 4.184% interest	11,336.96			11,336.96
	MIF CD Five Years, Matures August 16, 2030, 4.42% interest	62,259.58			62,259.58
Subtotal		188,377.28	23,405.28	493.00	188,961.61
Investments (at Market Value):					
	ELCA Ministry Growth Fund. 272.279009 units. Annually pays 4% of avg of 5 previous year end values	424,723.71			462,344.02
Subtotal		424,723.71			462,344.02
Totals		\$ 613,100.99	\$ 23,405.28	\$ 493.00	\$ 651,305.63

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Monitor Sign-Up List on Fellowship Hall Bulletin Board for volunteers to bring refreshments for Sunday Fellowship Hour after worship, and coordinate with Office Administrator to include sponsors names in the Sunday Bulletin. (NOTE: 'The Coffee Angel Fund' continues to receive generous 'at will' weekly donations from those members of our Church Family who are not able to 'lend a hand' in the kitchen.)
- Monitor and maintain weekly oversight of the kitchen, including purchasing paper, plastic and coffee service supplies.
- In conjunction with the Worship, Evangelism, Christian Service, Interfaith Shelter, and Education Committees, provide hospitality support as needed for yearly Church celebration/feast events, including: Lenten Soup Suppers, Maundy Thursday, Easter Brunch, Christmas Tea, Blessing of the Animals, and various Preschool events.

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP is open to all who wish to participate. Extraordinarily, St. Peter's by the Sea Church Family answers the call consistently and comes together to create a warm and welcoming time of fellowship after worship and on special occasions.

2025 ACTIVITIES, WITH GRATITUDE: In many ways -- from a Fellowship Committee perspective -- this year at St. Peter's has been both 'typical, yet extraordinary'.

For instance, whether or not someone has actually signed-up to sponsor a specific weekly Sunday Fellowship Hour after Worship, the coffee, the 'goodies' and the help are always there, providing a warm gathering to welcome both old friends and new. **This is mostly due to our incredibly generous 'Coffee Angels' who are truly a Blessing to us all!**

Another instance of 'typical, yet extraordinary' is the over-the-top response our Church Family volunteers provide to the call for 'cookies and all-hands-on-deck' for the Preschool kids/parents activities this year; for example, their Christmas concert and many seasonal events, as well as Mothers'/Fathers' Days, and graduation celebrations. St. Peter's Preschool is a popular -- and vital -- component to our community presence, and despite the fact that most of us have grandchildren older than the little ones at the Preschool, the Education Committee and St. Peter's 'honorary grandparents' come through with an abundance of cookies and helping hands...every time!

Another wonderful example of a 'typical, yet extraordinary' fellowship gathering is the monthly Hand and Foot card game.... that is NOT actually a Fellowship Committee activity!

Now in its second year, this warm and lively gathering organized and 'shepherded' by Jane and Ade Christensen has reached out into the community, and consistently draws 20+ people every month for fun and fellowship. Thank you, Jane and Ade, for 'keeping the light on' at St. Peter's!

The spirit of Fellowship is alive and well at St. Peter's by the Sea. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to take part.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Wells, Fellowship Committee Chair

ST. PETER'S BY THE SEA PRESCHOOL

Preschool Committee members for 2025 were Dori Hoadley (Preschool Director), Rebekah Mack (Assistant Director/teacher), who was replaced by Leslie Sullivan in August 2025, Alyssia Neill Peters (parent representative), Katie/Tyler Churchill (parent representative) added in December of 2025 to increase parent participation, and Pastor Bekki Lohrmann, Sandie Boelter (Church Representative), Ellen Schmeding (Church Representative) and Brenda Johnson (Church Treasurer)

The preschool is still feeling the effects of the public school UTK program with a younger population and families spending 1 year less on campus. The higher turnover in students requires more recruiting of new students... 2 years ago we had 14 children graduate, last year 31 children graduated.

The Preschool was able to have many events, in addition to the great teaching, including a trip to the Pumpkin Patch, the zoo, Mother's and Father's Day events, Halloween Trunk-or-Treat, Thanksgiving performances, and Christmas performances. St. Peter's hosted goodies after several of the events by providing the pies, cookies, coffee and tea, as well as decorating and serving at the events and the staff and families are so grateful!

This year St. Peter's was able to again host the Trunk-or-Treat event which was well attended by our congregation and their cars (lots of wonderfully decorated trunks) and school and neighborhood families who enjoyed the treats. Thanks to all who volunteered and donated food for the Preschool events – what a wonderful outreach to our Preschool.

The Preschool continued to partner with our church in several of our community outreach ministries including the Angel Tree program in December.

The Preschool ended the year with a surplus, which they used to renovate the kid's bathrooms. New paint, sinks, plumbing and added much needed cabinets for storage. The balance was placed in the preschool maintenance fund and will be used to purchase new chairs for all of the classrooms. We were also able to add 1 part time aide which helped tremendously and added a science component to our days!

Our Preschool continues to remain full, vibrant, and a welcoming place for children and their families.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandie Boelter / Dori Hoadley
Preschool Committee

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

This past year has been busy with normal on-going repairs to doors, toilets, sink batteries, outdoor lighting and even repairing the bench seat on Sunset Cliffs Blvd.

We requested the city of San Diego to do a water usage audit. They were very thorough in all interior sinks and toilets water use. The best information we received concerned our automated irrigation system timing and location of all service lines. We now have the timer set to water less often and where we need to water.

The on-going problem with our exterior doors in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall is complicated by the number of keys being used by church members and the outside groups that use our space for their meetings. The location of our church near the ocean has created ongoing headaches.

We did hire a firm to trim some trees that were unsafe, extending onto roof or just falling over.

We did have some graffiti in alley light poles. We are very lucky to have many volunteers to do ongoing repairs and provide advice to solve maintenance questions.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Nielsen
Property Committee

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

For Stewardship 2025, we had a dedicated committee that included Richard Doering, Pat Hendrickson, Brenda Johnson, Elaine Lauger, Pastor Bekki Lohrmann, Richard Nielsen, Ellen Schmeding, John Smart, and Darlene Truver.

We utilized several relevant reports and guidance for our Stewardship planning this year which included reviewing “Ask, Thank, Tell” written by Charles R. Lane. Committee members reviewed our church calendar of events for the year and ensured we wrote thank-you’s each month to involved church participants – those who took the lead in sponsoring and supporting the many ministries we lead.

We also had a chance to review the gift policy protocol we had created in prior years. We were able to recommend the use of available funding for Global Refuge, Interfaith Shelter Network and the building remodel fund.

The committee also finalized an E-giving article for the Net/Happenings ensuring that all members/attendees are aware of the opportunity to give to St. Peters electronically.

This year we also looked at how our Stewardship efforts might intersect with the Building Remodel planning. Pastor Bekki kept our committee informed on the building remodel efforts and the Stewardship Committee planned our annual campaign to take place in October.

This year we initiated our Stewardship program with a Speaker Series with Brenda Johnson and Darlene Morrow-Truver speaking at church during September/October. Brenda shared information on giving practices during the different ages and stages of life, including how to tithe upon retirement. Darlene spoke about the spiritual practice of giving. Pastor Bekki also provided a stewardship message to coincide with Stewardship Sunday (October 12).

Mailings were sent to members and guests asking that they prepare their pledges for 2026. They were also invited to attend the special luncheon planned for October 12th. Upwards of 60 families/individuals attended church and the luncheon and many shared their pledges on that day, with others sending in their pledges later in the month.

Elaine Lauger, Financial Secretary, shared the results of this year’s Stewardship campaign and it was noted that St. Peters received an 8% increase in pledge amounts, from a total pledge amount of \$197,170 for 2025 to \$213,358 for 2026.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Schmeding
Stewardship Committee

ST. PETER'S COMPREHENSIVE GIVING IN 2025

St. Peter's continues to be a great example of stewardship and helping others in this world. Below are some of the ways that our St. Peter's congregation has been helping others with our dollars in 2025 (through the Endowment Fund, Operating fund, Trust Fund, individual donations and memorial/estate gifts via St. Peter's).

Church Members can designate donations to the Endowment Fund Principal, or designate a donation to a specific charity, and they can ask the Endowment Committee to *Match a Gift* given thru church, or simply request consideration of an outside charity for support. The Blue Envelope in the pews can be used. In addition, consider St. Peter's by the Sea when doing your estate planning.

A new gift policy was adopted in 2023, it can be found on the St. Peter's Web Site.

Homeless Outreach Ministries: \$1877

Interfaith Shelter Network (IFSN)

Transitional homeless outreach, those recently homeless. Partnered with All Souls' Episcopal and provided temporary housing at our church for two weeks in March plus monetary donation.

Showers of Blessings (All Souls')

Agape San Diego Project \$1282

(Lutheran - Episcopal Campus Ministry)
Provides an evolving living space for campus ministry, affordable housing and community for the people of SDSU.

Ocean Beach Loaves and Fishes \$8757

Ocean Beach Emergency Food Inc. (OBEF) provides food for hungry people in the Ocean Beach and Peninsula area.

Semi-annual food drive plus cash donations.

Community Support \$565

Lutheran Social Services (LSS)

Mama's Kitchen

Peninsula Shepherd Center

Lutheran Retreat Camps and

Conferences (LRCC) \$200

Farm camps, summer camps, retreats in order to build community, allow encounters with nature, and renew spirits.

Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Ministry

\$ 1808

A member of the Evangelical Lutheran Education Association (ELEA), a Mission School that is a Christian school serving children from K to 6th grade in the Navajo nation.

Scholarships \$5400

Member college support

ST. PETER'S COMPREHENSIVE GIVING IN 2025 *(continued)*

ELCA Ministries \$3392

(World Hunger, Disaster Response, Leaders training, Good Gifts Program)

Provides immediate relief to those who are hungry or impacted by various crisis (fires, war, flooding, earthquake, etc.) around the world as the needs are identified; also provide leadership training.

Third Avenue Charitable Organization (TACO) \$2949

Provides hot cooked meals, social services, clothing to homeless. St. Peter's helps serve meals the first Friday of each month and provides cash donations.

Immigration/Migrant Ministries: \$1368

Refugee support (Border Church, Casa Cornelia, Global Refuge, Jewish Family Services)

Joseph's Storehouse \$724

(St. Peter's Trust fund) Discretionary funding for the Pastor of St. Peter's to use in helping those in our local community with emergency needs.

Other \$5014

Various outreach needs during the current year

In addition to cash donations:

Church Mice, via the congregation, provided school supplies.

Congregation provided food support to OBEF and hosted Skivey Sunday to provide outreach to Showers of Blessings.

Angel Tree (Congregation and Preschool) provide Christmas gifts to two organizations with under-served children.

Synod Benevolence \$28,923

St. Peter's tithe to support the Pacifica Synod. We provide 11% of our Pledge and Plate and memorial/estate donations to our Synod.

These stewardship opportunities added up to \$62,259 in 2025!

VIDEO PRODUCTION TEAM REPORT

The Video Production Team gives thanks to God that we can help share St. Peter's worship experience with people beyond our sanctuary walls!

Our upcoming sanctuary remodel efforts will open up new possibilities for worship. In 2025, Pastor Bekki and the members of the Worship Committee came up with ideas for how to worship in the Fellowship Hall during upcoming sanctuary construction. There were a few different configurations to test. The video production team planned how to reconfigure and use the sound and video components to support our worship experience there.

Some of our work occurs during the week leading up to each Sunday. We create the thumbnail and reserve the YouTube URL, format the hymn lyrics, and create the "credits" to display at the end of the stream. We read the bulletin and generate a "cue" guide to plan how the stream will proceed from shot to shot.

We would love to have more team members to give us the best ideas as we press forward. If you have interest or skills in video, audio, lighting, streaming, etc. please prayerfully consider joining us to reinforce our little team.

It may help to be aware that video production team members get paid 3.74 times as much as ushers and greeters, and 5.19 times as much as lectors. We lag behind the choir at only 57% and the offering counters at 74%, but together we can strive for greater equality.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyle Boelter, Charles Lauger, and John Smart
Video Production Team

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

St. Peter's by the Sea Lutheran Church is a vibrant and welcoming congregation dedicated to fostering a community of faith and service. Under the supportive leadership of Pastor Bekki, the church provides spiritual guidance, engaging worship services, and a variety of outreach programs. Pastor Bekki's sermons are known for their depth, compassion, and ability to connect faith to everyday life. She works closely with the church staff and volunteers to create an environment where members can grow spiritually and feel supported. Music plays an integral role in the church's worship experience, thanks to the talents of Music Director Joe DeMers, who oversees the choir and other musical components of the services. Joe's leadership ensures that the congregation experiences uplifting and meaningful music that enhances the spiritual atmosphere of each service.

The church's success in providing a warm and inclusive environment also relies on the dedicated work of several volunteer groups. The AV team plays a crucial role in ensuring that services are accessible to everyone, managing sound and visual elements to enhance the worship experience. The choir, with its diverse range of voices, adds a special layer of harmony and beauty to each service. Ushers, deacons, and greeters are all essential in creating a welcoming atmosphere. Ushers assist in the smooth flow of the service, while deacons help with community outreach and church leadership. Greeters are often the first point of contact for visitors, offering a friendly and inclusive welcome. Thanks to Bob Fode, he ensured that Greeters and Ushers were trained and scheduled. Thanks to Jane Christensen, Readers and Lectors were scheduled each week and finally, thanks to Jen Smart and Steve Silva, they trained and scheduled Acolytes and Crucifers. Finally, we thank Jim Grutkowski for his dedicated service to maintain the Altar and Communion elements, week in and week out. Together, these groups work in harmony to create a church environment where all feel valued and spiritually nourished.

Besides Weekly Services, SPbtS held weekly Wednesday Lenten Services leading up Easter and also during Advent. We held special Services that included Jazz Sundays organized by Joe. Additionally, Joe organized special musicians to enhance our Services on Easter, Advent and Christmas Eve.

The Deacon's held a Deacon Sunday in June. They conducted the entire Service in Pastor's absence. They are grateful for the support of Pastor and the Congregation.

On behalf of the entire Council we Thank all members who have served this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Lommen
Worship Committee

AUDIT COMMITTEE

For the period from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Audit areas covered the procedures, activity and reporting of the Endowment Fund, Church and Preschool. The guide used for the Audit was the ELCA Compliance Review and Congregation Records.

Audit procedures were performed during the period from July 28, 2025 to August 17, 2025.

Endowment Fund Audit:

Performed by: James Grutkowski

Met with Richard Doering, the Financial Secretary of the Endowment Fund Committee.

Went over the Financial Secretary Procedures and reviewed all Endowment Fund paperwork including

- All bank statements
- Asset Statements
- Distribution Statements
- Backup for issued checks
- Minutes of Meetings

Compared balances and totals from the bank statements to the Endowment Committee Financial Statements and took samples of several debit and credit items on the statements and verified their correctness by reviewing the underlying source documents, such as canceled checks and corresponding deposit slips.

Verified that the amounts distributed matched the recipients and amounts as determined in the Endowment Committee Quarterly Meeting Minutes.

Offerings Observation:

An actual observation of how the counters were following prescribed procedures was not performed this year. Financial documents generated by the counters were reviewed in the audit of the Church and Preschool.

Church and Preschool Financial Audits:

Performed by: James Grutkowski and Lyle Beller

The months of February, July and December were randomly selected for review.

PAYROLL:

Various procedures were performed on randomly selected employees. Some of the procedures involved making certain that rates of pay were documented in the employees' file, time sheets were properly approved and traced to payroll disbursements. Year-end W-2s were reviewed for reasonableness.

In addition, Quarterly Employer's Federal Tax Returns and year end W-2 totals were reconciled to the books.

AUDIT COMMITTEE (continued)

EXPENSES:

Selected samples for the months under review from the general ledger and traced back to supporting documents for proper approval and proper classification.

Benevolence payments were recomputed to determine if they were in compliance with church policy.

In conjunction with our audit of expenses, it was noted that it was difficult to determine whether all vendors that needed to be issued 1099s were identified.

We recommend that the church implement any needed procedures required to identify such vendors.

BANK RECONCILIATION:

In the process of ensuring that bank reconciliations were correctly performed monthly and reconciling items were properly identified, we noted that the person who is preparing the reconciliation also has access to the general ledger. This is not best accounting practices.

We recommend that an independent individual audit such reconciliations during the year.

OFFERINGS, TUITION AND OTHER INCOME:

Traced income from source documents, such as weekly offering reports, VANCO and BrightWheel reports, to the selected month's income reports. All reconciling items were verified.

Conclusion:

Based on our review, we have concluded that good accounting practices are being followed and items are properly accounted for in the records.

Respectfully submitted,

James Grutkowski and Lyle Beller
Audit Committee Members

Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2025

As of: Dec 31st 2025

Assets**Cash Accounts - BofA Checking**

1010 Operating BofA Checking	19,672.12
1020 Preschool BofA Checking	41,515.48
1030 Building Restoration BofA Checking	111,507.66
1050 Trust BofA Checking	48,642.81

Total Cash Accounts - BofA Checking	221,338.07
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Cash Accounts - MIF

1011 Operating MIF	102,019.23
1021 Preschool MIF	31,127.92
1031 Building Restoration MIF	121,331.99
1051 Trust MIF	112,919.83

Total Cash Accounts - MIF	367,398.97
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Other Assets

1000 Operating Petty Cash	200.00
1001 Preschool Petty Cash	200.00

Total Other Assets	400.00
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Cash Accounts - BofA Payroll

1012 Operating BofA Payroll	1,576.90
1022 Preschool BofA Payroll	5,516.98

Total Cash Accounts - BofA Payroll	7,093.88
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Cash Accounts - ELCA Fed CU

1013 Operating ELCA Fed CU	11,532.34
1023 Preschool ELCA Fed CU	9,846.66
1033 Building Restoration ELCA Fed CU	132,899.88

Total Cash Accounts - ELCA Fed CU	154,278.88
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Total Assets**\$ 750,509.80****Liabilities & Net Assets****Liabilities**

Total Liabilities	0.00
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Net Assets

3010 Operating Fund Balance	135,000.59
3020 Preschool Fund Balance	88,207.04
3030 Building Fund Balance	365,739.53
3050 Trust Fund Balance	161,562.64

Total Net Assets	750,509.80
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Total Liabilities & Net Assets**\$ 750,509.80**

St. Peter's by the Sea Lutheran
Statement of Activities Church 2025
Date Range: Jan 1st 2025 - Dec 31st 2025

	Actual	Budget	Budget Over/(Under)
Revenues			
Offerings			
4000 Pledges and Envelopes	232,098.57	230,000.00	2,098.57
4001 Plate Offerings	30,112.13	27,000.00	3,112.13
4002 Special Offerings	729.00	1,000.00	(271.00)
4016 Flowers/Altar/Bulletins	3,167.53	2,500.00	667.53
4017 Initial Env/Living Lutheran	43.00	-	43.00
Total Offerings	266,150.23	260,500.00	5,650.23
Building Use and Other			
4003 Preschool Contribution	60,000.00	60,000.00	-
4005 Facility Use	6,631.91	4,500.00	2,131.91
4007 Verizon	22,997.17	23,000.00	(2.83)
4009 Parking Lot (Warren Walker)	16,800.00	16,800.00	-
Total Building Use and Other	106,429.08	104,300.00	2,129.08
Sunday Church School			
4008 Vacation Bible School	862.46	100.00	762.46
Total Sunday Church School	862.46	100.00	762.46
Other			
4006 Other	6,111.26	5,000.00	1,111.26
4012 Transfer from Bldg funds	3,529.56	15,000.00	(11,470.44)
4015 Transfer from Oper Reserves	-	11,450.00	(11,450.00)
Total Other	9,640.82	31,450.00	(21,809.18)
Total Revenues	383,082.59	396,350.00	(13,267.41)
Expenses			
Synod & ELCA Benevolence			
5000 Synod Benevolence	28,923.00	28,350.00	(573.00)
Total Synod & ELCA Benevolence	28,923.00	28,350.00	(573.00)
Ministry			
5001 Salary and Housing Pastor	107,188.08	107,200.00	11.92
5002 Pension/Medical	24,665.68	24,700.00	34.32
5003 Pr Mileage/Pro Exps Reimb	178.42	1,000.00	821.58
5004 Continuing Ed	1,000.00	1,000.00	-
Total Ministry	133,032.18	133,900.00	867.82
Administration			
5005 Office Admin Wages	49,980.30	60,300.00	10,319.70
5006 Church Health Benefits	17,071.32	17,300.00	228.68
5007 Publications	569.84	800.00	230.16
5008 Copy Machine	4,462.38	4,250.00	(212.38)
5009 Supplies, Mail, etc.	6,096.67	5,000.00	(1,096.67)
5010 Telephone/Internet	1,430.16	1,800.00	369.84
5022 Computer, Software Exp, Annual Fees	4,000.00	4,000.00	-
5023 Church Payroll Expense	2,035.81	4,000.00	1,964.19
5027 Employer Payroll Taxes	6,788.01	8,400.00	1,611.99
5051 Workers Comp	366.80	600.00	233.20
Total Administration	92,801.29	106,450.00	13,648.71

St. Peter's by the Sea Lutheran
Statement of Activities Church 2025
Date Range: Jan 1st 2025 - Dec 31st 2025

	Actual	Budget	Budget Over/(Under)
Building and Maintenance			
5012 Insurance	11,720.60	12,000.00	279.40
5013 Gas and Electric	1,702.67	2,000.00	297.33
5014 Water	8,295.18	6,000.00	(2,295.18)
5015 Waste Disposal Service	5,808.85	6,500.00	691.15
5016 Repairs and Major Maintenance	3,529.56	15,000.00	11,470.44
5017 Cleaning/Window/Carpet/Pest Services/Maintenance	33,196.43	36,000.00	2,803.57
5028 Landscaping Maintenance	4,675.00	4,500.00	(175.00)
5050 Property Taxes	205.52	500.00	294.48
Total Building and Maintenance	69,133.81	82,500.00	13,366.19
Worship			
5018 Director of Music Wages	22,888.44	23,450.00	561.56
5019 Choir Music	157.56	200.00	42.44
5020 Worship Supplies	5,786.61	6,000.00	213.39
5032 Child Care/Nursery Care Wages	1,409.80	2,100.00	690.20
5055 Sub Pianist/Presider	1,705.00	2,700.00	995.00
5056 Instrument Maintenance	200.00	500.00	300.00
Total Worship	32,147.41	34,950.00	2,802.59
Education and Youth			
5021 Sunday School/Preschool Receptions	860.49	1,000.00	139.51
5033 VBS	268.23	400.00	131.77
5057 Adult Education	-	300.00	300.00
Total Education and Youth	1,128.72	1,700.00	571.28
Other Operating Expenses			
5024 Fellowship	1,917.26	1,800.00	(117.26)
5069 Outreach	811.01	500.00	(311.01)
5070 Synod/Conference Meetings	1,023.66	1,500.00	476.34
5071 Stewardship	1,269.53	2,000.00	730.47
5072 Hospitality Coord Wages	2,240.00	2,500.00	260.00
5073 Health and Wellness Exp	50.00	200.00	150.00
Total Other Operating Expenses	7,311.46	8,500.00	1,188.54
Total Expenses	364,477.87	396,350.00	31,872.13
Net Operating Surplus-Transferred to			
Building Fund-Sanctuary Remodel	18,604.72	-	18,604.72

St. Peter's by the Sea Lutheran
Statement of Activiites Preschool 2025
Date Range: Jan 1st 2025 - Dec 31st 2025

	Actual	Budget	Budget Over/(Under)
Revenues			
Preschool			
4109 Tuition	647,644.08	638,750.00	8,894.08
4110 Registration	9,300.00	8,750.00	550.00
4111 Misc	1,580.17	-	1,580.17
4119 Interest	1,403.28	750.00	653.28
4120 Fieldtrips	1,920.00	1,200.00	720.00
4122 Logo Wear	1,135.00	900.00	235.00
Total Preschool	662,982.53	650,350.00	12,632.53
Total Revenues	662,982.53	650,350.00	12,632.53
Expenses			
Preschool Salary/Benefits			
5126 Preschool Payroll Expense	3,053.70	3,000.00	(53.70)
5137 Employer Payroll Taxes	35,773.47	39,750.00	3,976.53
5139 Health Benefits	28,312.27	39,200.00	10,887.73
5142 Preschool Salary	432,750.16	448,200.00	15,449.84
5144 Staffing Costs	2,116.61	1,500.00	(616.61)
5152 Workers Comp Ins	9,213.69	13,200.00	3,986.31
5174 Continuing Ed	951.84	2,000.00	1,048.16
Total Preschool Salary/Benefits	512,171.74	546,850.00	34,678.26
Preschool Administration			
5140 Misc	7,900.00	5,050.00	(2,850.00)
5143 Snacks	152.23	600.00	447.77
5145 Supplies	4,356.35	6,000.00	1,643.65
5146 Phone/Internet	935.69	1,100.00	164.31
5148 Advertising	519.00	900.00	381.00
5149 Lisc. Fee/Memberships	2,753.00	3,000.00	247.00
5165 Water Filtration System	360.00	400.00	40.00
5166 Classroom Materials	7,368.72	6,000.00	(1,368.72)
5168 Office Supplies	1,697.46	600.00	(1,097.46)
Total Preschool Administration	26,042.45	23,650.00	(2,392.45)
Preschool Building Exp			
5134 Shared Cost Contribution	60,000.00	60,000.00	-
5136 Carpet Cleaning	200.00	500.00	300.00
5147 Facility Expenses	16,457.14	15,000.00	(1,457.14)
Total Preschool Building Exp	76,657.14	75,500.00	(1,157.14)
Preschool Other Exp			
5138 Field Trips	1,100.00	1,200.00	100.00
5162 Logo Wear Exp	1,368.36	750.00	(618.36)
5167 Special Events	2,268.37	2,400.00	131.63
Total Preschool Other Exp	4,736.73	4,350.00	(386.73)
Total Expenses	619,608.06	650,350.00	30,741.94
Net Operating Surplus-Transferred to Preschool Maint/Imps Trust Fund	43,374.47	-	43,374.47

St. Peter's By the Sea Building Fund 2025

Beginning Balance 1/1/25

Receipts:

Transfer from excess Church reserves -

Transfer from 2025 Church surplus -

Transfer from excess Preschool reserves -

Transfer Church Employee Retention Credit -

Allocation from existing fund balance -

Donation for Sanctuary Remodel -

Transfer from 4904 Undesignated Gifts 3,139.44

Endowment Fund - General Bldg Maint 5,851.32

Interest earned on Bldg Fund MIF funds 3,819.79

Interest earned on Bldg Fund ELCA FCU funds 1,312.60

Total Receipts

Expenses:

Studio E Architects-progress payments -

Allocation to Sanctuary Remodel 39,326.00

Exterior narthex door repairs 1,868.84

Locks for upstairs Sunday school rooms 714.56

Fellowship door lock repairs 668.66

Forum facilitator fee -

Narthex door repairs 277.50

Total Expenses

Net Change - Receipts in Excess of/(Less than) Expenses

Ending Balance 12/31/25

General Maint & Repairs	Sanctuary Remodel	Total Building Funds
\$ 134,281.72	\$ -	\$ 134,281.72
-	126,817.00	126,817.00
-	18,604.72	18,604.72
-	70,000.00	70,000.00
-	11,053.00	11,053.00
-	39,326.00	39,326.00
-	3,000.00	3,000.00
3,139.44	-	3,139.44
5,851.32	-	5,851.32
3,819.79	-	3,819.79
1,312.60	-	1,312.60
		-
\$ 14,123.15	\$ 268,800.72	\$ 282,923.87
-	8,210.50	8,210.50
39,326.00	-	39,326.00
1,868.84	-	1,868.84
714.56	-	714.56
668.66	-	668.66
-	400.00	400.00
277.50	-	277.50
\$ 42,855.56	\$ 8,610.50	\$ 51,466.06
(28,732.41)	260,190.22	231,457.81
\$ 105,549.31	\$ 260,190.22	\$ 365,739.53

Trust Funds

	Beginning Balance Jan 1, 2025	YTD Receipts	YTD Expenses	Ending Balance Dec 31, 2025
Estate & Memorial Gifts				
4904 Undesignated	\$ 5,925.44	449.82	\$ 3,925.44	\$ 2,449.82
4954 Designated	4,049.55		4,049.55	-
Church & Preschool Operations				
4901 Chancel Fund	5,995.41		637.70	5,357.71
4950 Preschool Maint/Imps	18,136.37	44,423.47	19,185.37	43,374.47
4900 Internship Fund	7,599.57			7,599.57
4903 Youth Ministry/Events	31,876.21		1,818.32	30,057.89
4944 PS Tuition Assistance	3,819.17	956.00	1,016.00	3,759.17
4946 Office Admin Discretionary	834.74	25.00		859.74
4925 Computers	3,666.23	890.89		4,557.12
4932 Special Music	2,779.08	4,248.93	4,700.00	2,328.01
4935 Sabbatical Fund	11,076.68			11,076.68
4949 Deacons Fund	873.67	101.00	698.45	276.22
4945 Coffee Angel Fund	1,156.38	706.00	1,465.38	397.00
4930 Pastor Discretionary	616.35	25.00	427.78	213.57
4939 Continuing Ed (Pastor)	1,808.90		211.13	1,597.77
4952 Employee Retention Credit	41,115.24		12,352.08	28,763.16
Church Outreach & Mission				
4942 Interfaith Shelter Costs	1,264.85	1,300.00	1,544.72	1,020.13
4943 Angel Tree	530.36			530.36
4928 Church Mice	3,334.85	49.82	346.44	3,038.23
4905 Joseph's Storehouse	7,262.16	115.00	724.34	6,652.82
Revolving Funds				
4902 Agape House-Luth Campus M ^l	-	100.00	100.00	-
4907 OBEF	-	6,757.06	6,757.06	-
4913 TACO	-	649.64	649.64	-
4921 World Hunger	-			-
4924 LSS/SC	-	100.00	100.00	-
4912 Designated - Outside Orgs	-	6,523.37	6,348.37	175.00
4926 Special Fund	-	4,578.07	4,578.07	-
4937 Endowment Fund	-	393.00	393.00	-
4936 Pledges for New Year	7,500.00		7,500.00	-
4951 Preschool Prepaid Tuition	6,238.70	59,546.53	58,642.73	7,142.50
Auxiliary				
4940 Women's Christmas Tea	164.72			164.72
4916 Shipmates	216.07		45.09	170.98
Totals	<u>\$ 167,840.70</u>	<u>\$ 131,938.60</u>	<u>\$ 138,216.66</u>	<u>\$ 161,562.64</u>

Moving Ahead

2026

Congregation Council:

Liz Medina (2026)
Allison Crews (2027)
Greg Lommen (2027)
Ellen Schmeding (2027)
Gabi Hughes (2028)
Chance McGinley-Kase (2028)
Fletcher Miller (2028)
Steve Silva (2028)
Jennifer Smart (2028)

Endowment Committee:

Richard Doering (2026)
Richard Montgomery (2026)
Gail Bennett (2027)
Kevin Box (2027)
Damon Goldstein (2028)
Valerie Zucker (2028)

Audit Committee:

Patty Lewis (2026)
Lyle Beller (2027)
Patti Pepper (2028)