

2021 Mission Spending Plan



Southeastern Iowa Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

**Thank you for supporting the Southeastern Iowa Synod in
2020 through your congregational gifts.
See 2020 by the numbers and the financial plan for 2021**

**Bishop Michael Burk retired in October,
Bishop Amy Current was elected to serve
a six-year term at the Synod Assembly in
August and began serving as Bishop of the
Southeastern Iowa Synod on November 1**

*Pictured Right: Bishop Current at her installation as
Bishop on October 10*



138

congregations in

34 counties
(and 2 states)

Congregations
gathered under the
2020 theme
**With a New
Song**



\$1.4 million

from congregations of the Southeastern Iowa Synod given directly to ELCA World Hunger, Disaster Response, and Good Gifts



9

pastors and 1
deacon serving
in new places of
ministry



20+

congregations
helped with
leadership
transitions

Pictured Left: Rev. Michelle Schultz who was ordained in 2020 and serves Trinity Lutheran Church in Walford

Funds received and distributed

\$78,924

for relief from the Derecho storm in August

Pictured Left: The people of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Slater were able to devlier an entire semi-load of ice to those affected by the Derecho



740 individuals receive the Monday morning email newsletter

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There were nearly **400** voting members in attendance on Zoom and many more visitors viewed the livestream for the first online Synod Assembly in August



Pictured Above: Bishop Michael Burk addresses the online assembly and technology volunteers facilitating the Synod Assembly

262,498

minutes of meetings, worship and other ministry events hosted by the Office of the Bishop on Zoom



21

individuals in the candidacy process to become pastors or deacons

13 congregations connected and **60** men who are incarcerated reached with the Gospel through the FreeIndeed prison congregation



YOUR REGULAR OFFERING



YOUR CONGREGATION



YOUR SYNOD



YOUR CHURCHWIDE ORGANIZATION



When you make a financial gift to your congregation a portion of that gift is set aside for Mission Support.

Congregations send Mission Support dollars to their synod and synods send some of these dollars to the churchwide organization.

Synods and the churchwide organization use Mission Support to fund regional, national and global ministries.

How your mission support was used in 2020

- Support Shared with Churchwide Ministries
- Synod Investment in Congregation Vitality
- Synod Support of Leadership Development
- Synodical Witness
- Management and General

