



# January 2022 Newsletter

## St. Mark Lutheran Church



21 S. Baird Avenue, Rhinelander, WI 54501 (715-362-2470)

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## From Pastor Miller

By the grace of God and through the support of our membership, we have been able to reach far beyond the immediate needs of our congregation. Here is a summary of what we have done during this past year.

I.	Our ministry reached beyond our community	
	- Jacob Gaugert (Africa ) support	\$4,110.00
	- Mission through North Wisconsin District and Synod	\$5,480.00
	- sponsor Brandon Johnson (St. Louis seminary)	\$5,000.00
II.	- Food pantry (plus volunteer hours - 60 +)	\$ 500.00
	- Personal Essentials Pantry	\$ 350.00
	- Thanksgiving baskets for 4 families	\$ 450.00
	- Taxi cards for Fredrick House/Domestic Violence	\$ 560.00
	-New Dawn Pregnancy Center (Pro-life)	\$ 550.00
	-Rhinelander Police K-9 Unit	\$ 550.00
	- Honor Flight	\$ 600.00
	-Boys and Girls Club	\$ 550.00
	-Lights of the Northwoods (Light display)	\$ 940.00
III.	Then our partnership with Turkey Trot	
	- Ruby's Pantry	\$1,500.00
	-National Alliance on Mental Illness	\$1,500.00
	- Rhinelander Community Foundation/Hodag Park Improvement Fund	<u>\$4,130.00</u>

The above amounts to a total of \$26,770.00

We have been able to do the above because we have kept our operating budget low and have benefited from countless hours of volunteer help from our membership and many monetary donations made anonymously that aren't reflected in our regular contributions to our operational funds.

The amounts shown above also do not include the resources used to live stream our worship.



# MORE NEWS AND NOTES



## HOLY COMMUNION

If you need to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew, please let an usher know. Pastor will be happy to accommodate you.

## THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

“Thank you” to all members continuing to participate in the “Choice Dollars” donation to St. Mark Church.

## ST. MARK QUILTERS

The quilters meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 9:00 am in the lower level. All ladies are welcome to join us.

## LADIES PRAYER LUNCH

The ladies' prayer lunch will be held on January 4th at the Friendship House at 12:00pm. Our usual restaurant is closed from January 3rd thru February 3rd for cleaning. We look forward to seeing you.

## LADIES BIBLE STUDY

The ladies bible study group will meeting on Wednesday, January 5th in the church's lower level at 1:00pm.

## LWML

The Women's Guild will meet on January 11th, 2022, at 10:00am, for a bible study meeting. All women of the congregation are welcome to join us.

## FOOD PANTRY

Part of the ministry at St. Mark is to help others that are in need. We are very blessed and thankful to all the people who help distribute food at the Rhinelander Area Food Pantry. The many people that volunteer make the work easy and very rewarding. The next opportunity to volunteer at the food pantry is Monday, **January 31, 2022**. You are asked to be there at 2:45pm and will work until 6:00pm. If you are interested in doing this kind of work please contact Anne Anderson at 715-362-5810.

## Don't Forget Jesus

Christmas is a special time to reflect on Jesus Christ  
The wonder of His lowly birth brings meaning to our lives

There really is no other reason we celebrate this day  
The birth of God's precious son and the life He willingly gave

But so much seems to distract us in the bustling of our lives  
We lose our focus in all the happenings not knowing, we leave out Christ.

We lose sight of the true meaning as we rush about  
Trying to find that perfect gift seems to cloud our Savior out

We need to stop and reflect awhile remembering our precious Lord  
His birth, His life and sacrifice and all that He stands for

For though the world may celebrate it seems for other reasons

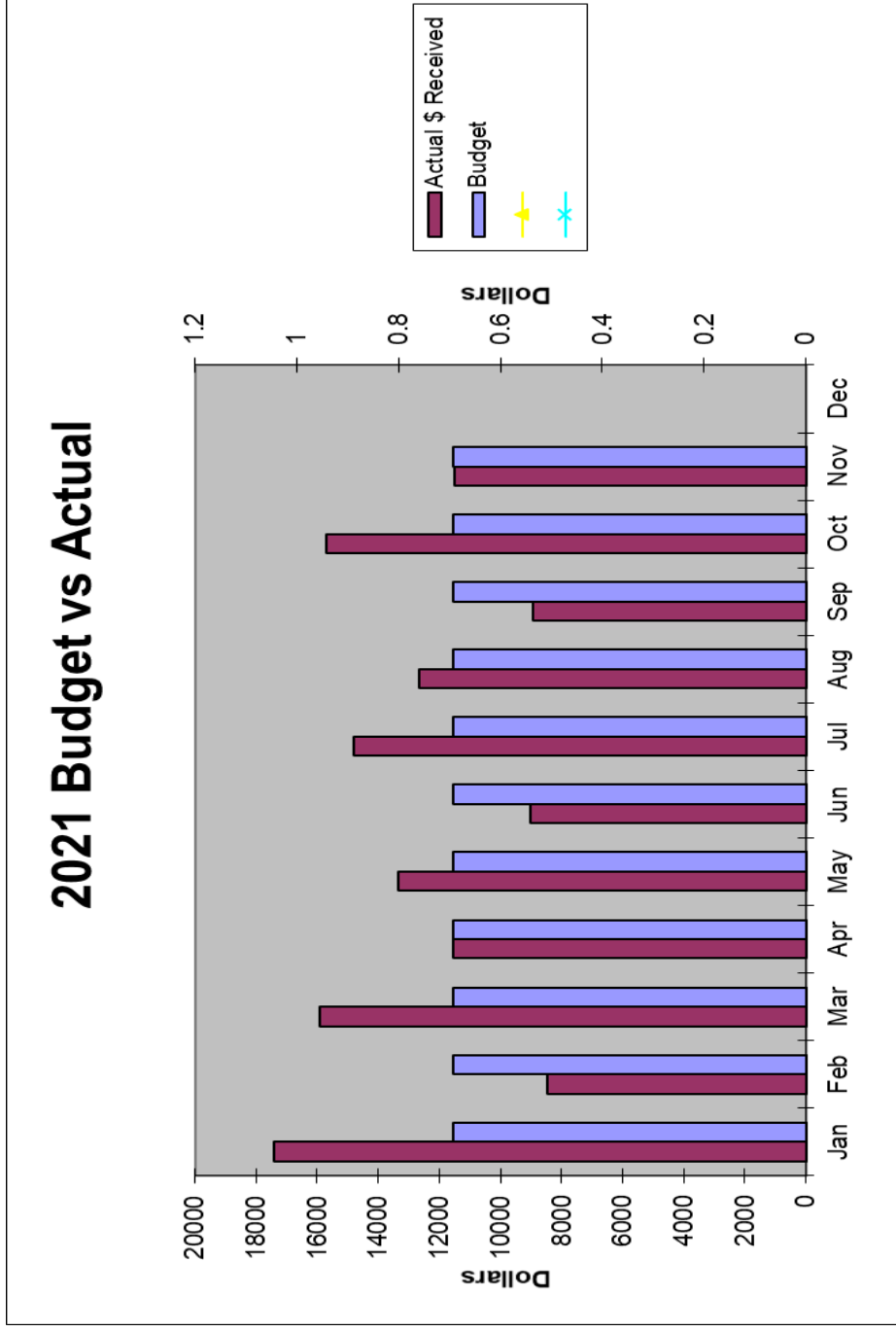
Let's keep in mind that Jesus Christ  
is the true meaning of the season.

*M. S. Lowndes*

# 2021 BUDGET VS ACTUAL

22-Dec-21

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Actual \$ Received	17427	8467	15922	11541	13330	9003	14790	12666	8924	15710	11521	
Budget	11545	11545	11545	11545	11545	11545	11545	11545	11545	11545	11545	11545



# ST. MARK LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

THURSDAY WORSHIP 6:00 PM  
SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:00 am

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS  
9:00 AM—1:00 PM  
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

**February 2022 Newsletter**  
**deadline is:**  
**January 15, 2022**



## BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ron Gerdes	1/2
Gary Buntrock	1/4
Lucas Knoeck	1/5
Allen Gerdes	1/10
Sally Miller	1/12
Jack Chmiel	1/19
Finley Gerdes	1/21
Sue Kuckkahn	1/22
Cathy Kuczmariski	1/25
Braxton Bolkema	1/26
Virginia Stefanez	1/30

### JANUARY

### ANNIVERSARIES

Gene & Inge VanKampen	1/14
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