



Michigan District Annual Report

For the fiscal year ending January 31, 2023

2022 was a year of transition in Michigan District leadership, but ministry continued under the four critical targets: Great Commission, Great Compassion, Healthy Congregations, and Healthy Church Workers. Here are a few ways that your financial contributions made a difference in the Michigan District.

Year in Review



Following the tragic shooting at the local highschool, **Journey, Oxford** has set up a fund, "Caring for Oxford," to help provide counseling services to anyone in the community that needs them.



Bethany, Detroit started a sewing center in partnership with POBLO to provide job training, employment, and an overall presence for community development to both Detroit residents and internationals.



20+ conferences for enrichment/continuing education of professional church workers were held during the 2022 fiscal year.



Great Commission



Great Compassion



Healthy Congregations



Healthy Workers



Trinity, Warren's warming center opened in December after a much-needed renovation of its HVAC system as well as flooring and plumbing. They hosted several guests through April. You can learn more here: michigandistrict.org/compassion/broadened-horizons/.



Messiah, Midland opened a medical clinic to serve those who are uninsured or underinsured. They charge no more than \$40 for an office visit, which includes all tests needed. The staff offers to pray with every patient. The clinic also secures donors to help fund these services, engaging them in relationship to bring them closer to Christ.



During the **2022 fiscal year**, 18 church workers received financial assistance from the Sower's Fund. Additionally, the Mental Health Case Manager provided over 100 consultations that did not need a referral and gave 45 church workers referrals to counseling services.



Creator's Praise

Ministry is a church plant in Mendon, Mich. that uses a storefront building for their worship gatherings. Financial support from the district helped them renovate their gathering space and continue their ministry to the community. Their goal is to create as many new relationships with Jesus as they possibly can. You can learn more at michigandistrict.org/creatorspraise.

En Gedi music fest is one of the ways in which Creator's Praise Ministry reaches out to people in the community and beyond. Several people were exposed to the Gospel and had their lives changed through this event.



The Still

WORSHIP COLLECTIVE

Based out of St. John, Rochester, the **Still Worship Collective** is a collection of royalty-free music written and produced by congregations and individuals that is theologically sound for use in LCMS congregations. You can learn more about it here: thestillworship.com.

The Michigan District completed its **Here We Stand** Campaign at the end of 2022. The campaign's goal of \$10 million was surpassed thanks to our many participating congregations and individual contributors.

Look for the **Here We Stand** logo in upcoming stories to see where the money is at work!



FINAL REPORT

Campaign Goal: \$10 million

Total Received: \$10,373,317 million

Participating Congregations: 183

Individual Contributors: 1,501

Bible verse: Psalm 71:17-18

"O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds. So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come."

Summary of Financial Activities

For the fiscal year ending January 31, 2023

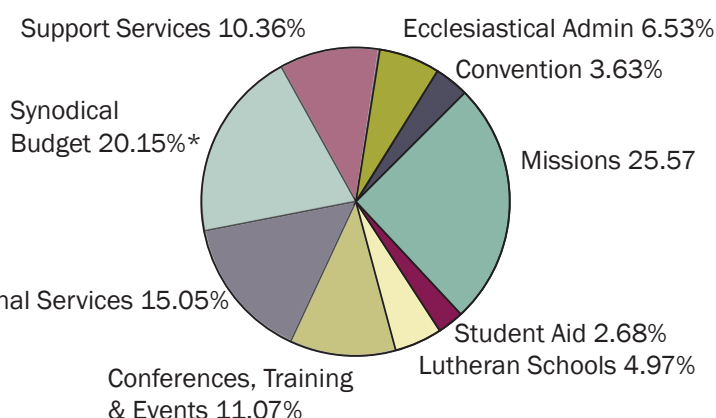
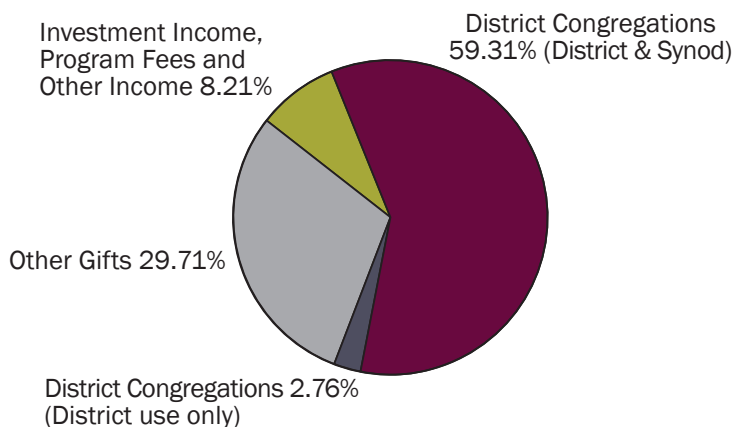
Support, Revenues, and Gains

District Congregations (District and Synod).....	4,745,567
District Congregations (District use only).....	221,031
Other Gifts.....	2,377,289
Investment Income.....	(152,000)
Program Fees and Other Income.....	809,135
Total Support, Revenues, and Gains.....	8,001,022

Expenses

Synodical Budget*.....	1,466,368
Program Services	
Ecclesiastical Administration.....	475,003
Convention.....	263,790
World & National Missions.....	1,860,776
Student Aid.....	195,277
Lutheran Schools.....	361,314
Conferences, Training, & Events.....	805,352
Other Congregation Program Services.....	1,095,068
Support Services	
Management & General.....	518,554
Fundraising.....	235,197
Total Expenses.....	7,276,699
Change in Net Assets.....	724,323

Revenue



Expenses

Information is taken from the audited financial statements of the Michigan District, LCMS. Copies of the audit report, which include all integral parts of the financial statements, are available from the District Office.

*The Michigan District sent 33.8% of its unrestricted cash receipts from congregations to national Synod during the fiscal year and 1.2% to Concordia University Ann Arbor. The numbers on the financial statements reflect adjustments based on pledges from congregations and to the Synod as required by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

Support for National and International Ministries

For the fiscal year ending January 31, 2023, the Michigan District remitted \$1,466,368 to Corporate (national) Synod, which represents 33.8% of the District's unrestricted gifts from congregations. The 35 districts of the Synod contribute approximately \$12.6 million of undesignated revenue to Corporate Synod annually in support of national and international mission and ministry. The balance of the \$81.4 million 2022/23 budget of Corporate Synod was expected to come primarily from restricted gifts and sales of materials and services.

Additional information on Corporate Synod's budget and finances can be found at www.lcms.org/giving/transparency.

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