



Northern Illinois Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

## **Outreach Committee**

### Annual Report 2022

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ

As a committee, we are looking to the future of the church. We also looking to for new ways to reach out to those in need of the comfort of the church but don't know how to get the comfort of God they need and deserve. We are looking at several different forms of outreach and support for those who are trying to spread God's word.

We met together at the Congregational Resource Event in person at lunch for all who were able to meet together. We also had our quarterly meeting the following weekend. We are going to start regular meetings via zoom and some in person meetings for our quarterly meetings. As all of us are busy spreading God's word and serving as disciples, we still want to get together to find ways to continue doing this work and even find new ways to continue this.

We look to support all churches in not only our synod but to help the synod's churches to help churches over the entire ELCA and all over the world. We would like to help in supporting the churches of the Northern Illinois Synod in multiple ways. We have discussed about social media, email systems, and getting out and spreading the Word. We look for the churches in need of support in all these aspects. How can we help them if they need technology system support, emailing support or even just person to talk to for advise on what can we do to help build each church of the Northern Illinois Synod.

We look to support all congregations both big and small in what ever they need. One of many focuses of ours is leadership and training for Clergy but also for all members of the church. We have talked about how can we support those who want to reach out but don't know how. How can we bring diversity into all churches and how can we utilize all members of the church. We discussed about what tools can we use to help in leadership.

In closing, as our group has added new members to our committee, we are starting to get thing going as we evolve to working with each other and keep our focus on spreading the word of God out to everyone no matter who they are and sending God's blessings to everyone not just within the walls of the church. Everyone is a leader of Christ no matter how old, young, race, or personal choices. As long as they spread love of each other and the Love of Christ everlasting.

Always keep loving arms open and the Love of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit with you always.

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