



**NALC**  
North American Lutheran Church

## 2020 Congregational Report

Please complete this report so we have accurate information about the NALC. We recommend printing **the questions from the email sent to NALC congregations or from the NALC website and completing them prior to starting this form.** There are 55 questions that should take you about 30 minutes to complete if you have printed and answered the questions in advance. You must complete the online form in one session or you will have to start over completely. However, you are able to go back and change answers on previous pages as needed during the session. **Please complete the report by February 15.**

If you are unable to complete the online form, a paper copy may be mailed to the NALC office at 2655 Innsbruck Drive, Suite A - New Brighton MN 55112-9304; you may fax it to 651-633-4260; or you may scan and email it as an attachment to [agleason@thenalc.org](mailto:agleason@thenalc.org).

**Required questions are marked with a red \*. You will not be able to submit the report unless you have answered all the required questions. Please note, some required questions have multiple lines to be answered.**

**\* 1. Congregation name**

**\* 2. Congregation mailing address and contact information (Please note: the email address you provide here will be listed on the NALC website)**

Address:

City/Town:

State/Province:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Country:

Email Address:

Work Phone:

**3. Congregation worship location (if different from mailing address)**

Location name:

Address:

City/Town:

State/Province:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Country:

**4. Congregation website address (if applicable)**

**\* 5. What year does your congregation use for determining the congregation's anniversary? Please use YYYY format**

**6. Which option best describes your setting?**

- Farming/ranching area
- Remote areas
- Small town
- Large town
- Suburb
- City

**7. Campus type**

- Single location
- Multiple locations

If multiple locations, how many?

**8. Are you a multi-point parish?**

- Yes
- No (Skip to Q. 10)

**9. If yes, please list the name of the other congregation(s) and location(s)**

**10. If affiliated with a Lutheran church (in addition to the NALC), please check all that apply**

- Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC)
- Other (please specify)

**\* 11. Total baptized membership - how many of your members are baptized? Include infants, children, youth and adults**

2020	<input type="text"/>
2019	<input type="text"/>
2018	<input type="text"/>

**\* 12. Total confirmed membership - how many of your members are confirmed? Include youth and adults**

2020	<input type="text"/>
2019	<input type="text"/>
2018	<input type="text"/>

**\* 13. Average weekly worship attendance (Enter 0 if none)**

2020 - pre-pandemic	<input type="text"/>
2020 - during pandemic, in-person	<input type="text"/>
2020 - during pandemic, online participation	<input type="text"/>
2019	<input type="text"/>
2018	<input type="text"/>

**14. In what format did you hold worship services during the pandemic? Check all that apply**

- Live stream services online
- Pre-recorded services online
- Continued to hold services in-person
- Did not hold services
- Radio services
- Provided materials for non-digital services in homes
- Other (please specify)

**\* 15. Were there any changes in your pastoral staff in 2020?**

- Yes
- No

**16. List all pastors serving under call to your congregation (name, position, denominational affiliation, email, phone number)**

**17. List all pastors serving your congregation but not under call (name, position, denominational affiliation, email, phone number)**

**18. List all commissioned lay ministers serving your congregation (name, position, denominational affiliation, email, phone number)**

**19. Number of full-time staff members not listed in questions 15 to 17**

Enter 0 if none

**20. Number of part-time staff members not listed in questions 15 to 17**

Enter 0 if none

**21. Did your pastor participate in any continuing education opportunities this year?**

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please describe

**22. What educational opportunities would be beneficial to the pastors and lay leaders of your church?**

**23. Number of members added in 2020 in the following categories**

Infant baptism

Adult baptism

Confirmation

Transfer

Affirmation of faith

**24. Number of members removed in 2020 in the following categories**

Death

Transfer

Other

**\* 25. 2020 Budget information**

**(You must have an answer in each field; enter 0 if none; round to the nearest dollar (no decimals and cents); numbers only please, no symbols like comma (,) or \$)**

Total budgeted income

Total budgeted expense

Total actual income from all sources

Total actual expense

Building and infrastructure costs (includes mortgage payments, insurance, utilities, building and grounds maintenance)

Personnel costs (includes compensation and benefits, continuing education, supply pastors and part-time musicians)

NALC benevolence (gifts to Operating Fund, Great Commission, Theological Education, North American Lutheran Seminary (NALS), Scholarships, Disaster Response, Bradosky Discipleship, Schifrin Scholarship, Women of the NALC or WNALC missions)

NALC mission district benevolence

**26. How was giving to your congregation impacted by the pandemic?**

- Increased
- About the same
- Decreased

**27. Has your congregation used the *RESET* materials provided by the NALC Living & Giving Stewardship Team?**

- Yes
- No

**28. What information about the North American Lutheran Seminary (NALS) is made available to your congregation? Check all that apply**

- North American Lutheran Seminary newsletter
- Informational materials (brochures, event flyers, etc.)
- Other (please specify)

**29. Do you have youth who may be interested in attending the NEXUS program (a week-long opportunity to dig deep into theology for high school students)?**

- Yes
- No

**30. Is your congregation involved with or support any of the following types of ministries? Check all that apply**

- Local ministry
- Domestic ministry
- Global ministry
- An NALC mission start
- None of the above (Skip to Q. 33)

**31. What does your relationship with these ministries include? Check all that apply**

- Financial support
- Prayer partnership
- Service together
- Regular correspondence
- Pulpit exchange
- Other (please specify)

**32. How did you find the ministries you are involved with/support? Check all that apply**

- Personal connection
- Mission district connection
- NALC website
- Other (please specify)

**33. Our mission and ministry includes the following: check all that apply**

- Scripture study
- Prayer ministry
- Ministry and leadership by both staff and laity
- Exploration and use of individual's giftedness
- Small group
- Service/Mission trips
- Donation resources
- Community engagement
- A vision and plan

**34. Did anyone from your congregation attend the Great Commission Society's digital conference, Unveiled?**

- Yes
- No (Skip to Q. 36)

**35. Have the resources from Unveiled been used since the conference?**

- Yes
- No

**36. Are members of your congregation interested in or planning to attend the Great Commission Society's 2021 digital conference?**

- Yes
- No



**37. Has your congregation planted a mission start?**

- We have planted a mission start.
- We are currently planting a mission start.
- We would like information about planting a mission start.
- None of the above

**38. If you are currently planting a mission start, are you partnering with another congregation?**

- Yes
- No
- Other (please specify)

**39. What streams of funding are you using for your mission work? Check all that apply**

- Individual participants
- Congregational budget
- Special gifts (endowment funds, memorials, etc.)
- Thrivent Action Team Fund
- If grants or other streams of funding, please specify

**40. What was the impact of the pandemic on discipleship and mission in your congregation? Check all that apply**

- No change in mission, only in it's format
- Re-focused our mission
- We have a new mission
- Our congregation grew
- Our congregation declined
- We had to put everything on hold
- No major change
- Other (please specify)

**\* 41. Does your congregation have a website?**

- Yes
- No (Skip to Q. 43)

**42. Do the NALC daily readings feed into your congregation's website or Facebook page? Check all that apply**

- Website
- Facebook
- Neither

**43. What has been your greatest ongoing communications need during the pandemic? Choose only one**

- Advertising
- Social media
- Sunday morning bulletins
- Sunday morning technology (worship slides, recording, livestreaming, etc.)
- Web
- Meeting platforms
- Digital discipleship tools
- Digital prayer and worship resources
- Other (please specify)

**44. Does your congregation use social media? Check all that apply**

- Facebook
- Instagram
- Twitter
- We do not use social media.
- Other (please specify)

**45. Does your congregation have someone responsible for communications?**

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please list name, contact information, volunteer/contract/staff

**\* 46. Do you have paid youth and family ministry staff?**

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please list name(s), position(s), contact information, full-time or part-time

**47. If no, do you have a primary youth and family ministry contact person?**

- No
- Yes
- If yes, please list name(s) and contact information

**48. Does your congregation oversee any of the following programs? (If your congregation leases space to an independent day care or school answer "none of the above.")**

Day care, specify ages

Preschool, specify ages

Day school, specify grades

After school, specify grades or ages

None of the above, type "none" (Skip to Q. 50)

**49. If you have any programs mentioned in Q. 48, list the point of contact for each: name(s) and contact information**

**\* 50. Is your congregation involved in the NALC's focus on Life-to-Life Discipleship?**

- Yes
- No (Skip to Q. 52)
- No, but we would like more information

**51. If yes, briefly describe your involvement with Life-to-Life Discipleship**

**52. Do you have any additional comments or questions for the NALC staff?**

**\* 53. Name, position, email and phone number of person completing this report**

**\* 54. Would you like a pdf copy of this report sent to the email address provided in question 53?**

- Yes (please allow 20 business days from your date of submission)
- No

**\* 55. Is this report complete?**

- Yes
- No