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MINISTRY SITE PROFILE

The Ministry Site Profile (MSP) is intended for use by congregations and church-related organizations that are seeking to call an ordained or lay rostered minister (Associate in Ministry, Deaconess or Diaconal Minister) of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America or First Call candidates for rostered ministry. Congregations must complete the entire Ministry Site Profile. Church-related organizations may, with the concurrence of the synod bishop, complete only the required sections (1- 4 and 8 - 19). Once complete, this form is submitted electronically to your synod bishop for review and posting to the "ministry opportunities" listing on the ELCA web site.

1. NAME AND LOCATION

PART I: WHO WE ARE

Date Completed: 04/22/2013

CONGREGATION MULTIPLE POINT PARISH ORGANIZATION

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church 01909
Name Congregation ID

Naperville IL 60540 U.S. Canada
City State / Province ZIP / Postal Code Country

Metropolitan Chicago Synod 5A
Synod Year Organized

Congregation - Organized Suburb outside 10 miles of a large city
Type of Ministry Site (select one) Size of Community

2. CONTACT INFORMATION

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3. DEMOGRAPHICS

Languages spoken

In the congregation / organization

Primary language: English

Second language:

Third language:

In the surrounding community

English

Race / Ethnicity

Largest Caucasian 95 %

Second Asian / Pacific Islander 5 %

Third Hispanic 0 %

Fourth African American 0 %

Caucasian 90 %

Asian / Pacific Islander 5 %

Hispanic 5 %

African American 0 %

Gender comparison *

48 % Male 52 % Female

Age distribution *

30 % 19 years or younger 20 % 20 - 34 15 % 35 - 49 25 % 50 - 65 10 % over 65

Number of Paid Staff (Number of full or part time paid staff of the congregation or organization.)

Clergy	4	Secretarial Support	4
Lay Rostered		Custodial Support	4
Other Lay Professionals	26	Other	

Enter the following congregational information.

Average weekly worship attendance	700 +
Average attendance in Christian education	51 - 75
Parish type:	Single site

Indicate the distance members live from the church facilities

1/2 mile or less	%	1 - 3 miles	%
1/2 - 1 mile	%	More than 3 miles	%

Community Type (Check any that apply.)

- Bedroom community
- College or University
- Farming
- Industrial
- Inner City
- Mining / logging
- Ranching
- Resort
- Retirement

4. BUDGET OF THE CONGREGATION / ORGANIZATION

Last fiscal year : 2013

Total budget for the last fiscal year	\$2,597,080	Total debt of the congregation/ organization at the end of the last fiscal year	\$6,500,000
Mission Support to the ELCA / synod for the last fiscal year	\$130,000	Total savings, reserves, endowment at the end of the last fiscal year	\$328,377

5. TRENDS IN THE COMMUNITY CONTEXT OF THE CONGREGATION OR ORGANIZATION

Please give a short answer to the following questions. (approx. 150 words maximum)

Characteristics

Write a description of your community in terms of socio-economic status, demographics, primary areas of employment and lifestyle. The Demographic ZIP Code report (available at www.elca.org/research) for your primary ZIP codes may be helpful.

Naperville has a well-deserved reputation as one of "the best places to live" in America. The city has a variety of tree lined, established neighborhoods. Our schools are consistently ranked among the best in the state and nation. The highlight of our vibrant downtown area is the Riverwalk, which provides a gathering place for the community in a picturesque Mid Western setting.

Naperville is a young town with the median age of the community being 38. The community is made up largely of married couples with children (2.74 family size) and married couples without children who own their own homes. The majority are professionals with a median family income of \$134,000 and a median home value of \$369,000.

Context

List three ways that the community in which you are located has been challenged by change and transition in the last three to five years.

Naperville has rebounded from the recent down turn in the economy. The businesses and restaurants in our downtown area are doing well. On weekend nights our downtown is filled with couples, families and young people.

New home construction has renewed and prices of existing homes have stabilized and begun to rise. North Central College, which is located near our downtown area, serves as youthful and innovative partner to our city. The college provides frequent cultural and athletic activities enjoyed by the whole community.

Trends

List three changes or trends within the congregation or organization which have occurred in the last three to five years. (If this profile is about a congregation, the Congregational Trend Report (available at www.elca.org/research) may be helpful to you.)

Our Saviour's was founded in 1957 with 50 charter members. It is now one of the largest and most stable ELCA congregations with over 3,700 members and two campuses. Our Saviour's is a 24/7 church with active lay leadership. There is a strong sense of engagement at Our Saviour's and it is common to hear, "I love Our Saviour's" from its members.

There is always something going on at Our Saviour's. There are five traditional and contemporary services on Saturday and Sunday with an average attendance of 1,200. There are multiple service opportunities and programs for all ages, which keep the doors open and the parking lots full throughout the week.

Programs

Describe your congregation's or organization's current programs for mission and ministry.

Our Saviour's actively supports two global partners:

" For over 10 years Our Saviour's has actively supported the resurgence of the Christian community post communism at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church in Nitra, Slovakia and The Center for Christian Education in Martin, Slovakia. Our relationship with Holy Spirit is built on relationships as well as funding. Annual work trips by both adults and youth are a highlight of OSLC summer activities. Our community is frequently blessed with visits from these Slovakian Partners.

" We have a newer relationship with our second global partner, Vida Humana, an AIDS clinic in Chimoio, Mozambique. This AIDS clinic is providing desperately needed medical care and support for AIDS patients and their families. Our Saviour's provides funding and active support for this mission.

Cont. Section IV Commentary

Goals

If there is a Strategic Plan in place for the congregation or organization; what are the primary goals to which you are committed?

"Grow Disciples - Our Saviour's will be a Christ-centered evangelism movement anchored in worship, outreach, fellowship, learning, hospitality and serving. Reaching out with the life giving message of Jesus.

"Grow Generosity - Our Saviours will Aggressively Seek To Eliminate Our Debt and create a culture of generosity in order to free resources for greater ministry impact.

"Grow Impact - Make disciples who are immersed in the Word of God, engaging in faith conversations, practicing spiritual disciplines, practicing faith in action and discerning how God;s Spirit is leading us to build authentic community.

Energy

What is your congregation or organization really excited about right now?

Great energy and enthusiasm surrounds a variety of ministries. A sample of what's going on at Our Saviour's includes:

" Feed My Starving Children has expanded from an Our Saviour's program to a community program (10 churches) within the past 2 years. Over three days this past President's Day Weekend, 453,600 meals were packed by 2,200 people.

" A successful youth program - 66 young people were confirmed last year - Currently we have 144 youth in our junior high confirmation program (Surge) and 85 youth in our senior high program (Ignition!).

Cont. IV Commentary

Partnership

How does this congregation or organization see itself as a member and active participant in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the synod?

Our Saviour's is a top supporter of the ELCA World Hunger appeal. Our congregation actively participates in clergy conference meetings and the annual synod assembly gatherings

PART II: OUR VISION FOR MISSION

6. MINISTRY SITE CHARACTERISTICS

As you think of your congregation or organization and the way it tends to live out its corporate life and pursue its mission, what tends to characterize your life together? You may make only one selection in each of the comparisons below or you may leave the line blank if this item does not apply to your ministry site.

AS A COMMUNITY

	A LOT LIKE US	A LITTLE LIKE US	A LITTLE LIKE US	A LOT LIKE US	
We tend to be formal and programmatic.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We tend to be informal and spontaneous.
We have clearly defined goals and plans for our future.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We have no stated goals or plans.
We are racially and economically diverse.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	We are demographically homogeneous.

OUR LEADERSHIP STYLE

	A LOT LIKE US	A LITTLE LIKE US	A LITTLE LIKE US	A LOT LIKE US	
We welcome ideas that are provoking and challenging.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We prefer ideas that are tried and true.
We rely on our leaders for direction.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We rely on group decision-making.
We have learned how to use conflict constructively.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We tend to perceive conflict as something destructive

OUR PROGRAMMING

	A LOT LIKE US	A LITTLE LIKE US	A LITTLE LIKE US	A LOT LIKE US	
Our facilities are often used by community groups.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Our facilities are only used for our activities.
We train people to minister outside our walls.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We train people to minister inside our walls.
We focus on ideas and beliefs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We focus on skills and action.

OUR THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE

	A LOT LIKE US	A LITTLE LIKE US	A LITTLE LIKE US	A LOT LIKE US	
We are obviously Lutheran in identity and practice.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We are less obvious about our Lutheran heritage.
We participate in synod and ELCA activities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We are not very active in the synod and ELCA.
We focus on Biblical studies and doctrine.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	We focus on contemporary issues and topics.

7. PURPOSE, GIFTEDNESS AND MISSION

The mission of a congregation or organization is found at the intersection of its purpose, giftedness and context. That is, a clear sense of mission will grow directly out of an assessment of your identity and purpose, your resources and gifts, and your understanding of the needs and trends within your community. Please offer thoughtful responses to the following questions. (Approximately 250 words maximum)

Purpose

How does this congregation or organization understand its reason for being in light of God's call to mission and service? Who are you? Why are you here? (You may wish to refer to your congregation's or organization's Mission or Vision statements.)

Everyone at Our Saviour's can tell you that our mission is "Knowing Jesus and Making Jesus Known" and we mean it. We are still growing in the area of "Knowing Jesus". We have a variety of faith and learning opportunities for all ages but our engagement in understanding our faith and expanding our faith journeys continues. We welcome the many adults coming to Our Saviour's from a wide variety of Christian traditions. We also take seriously the ongoing challenge to maintain lively and engaging Christian learning opportunities for our children and youth.

"Making Jesus Known" has always been the hallmark of the Our Saviour's community. Strong lay leadership has spearheaded many programs and ministries. Examples are:

" Career Transition Network: Helping people struggling with assessing their personal skills and abilities and improving their interviewing skills. This ministry was founded over 10 years ago and has been particularly valuable during the recent economic downturn.

Giftedness

What are your gifts and resources for fulfilling this purpose? What are the congregation's or organization's top three assets and how are they being used? Are there obstacles that must be overcome to be able to use these gifts and accomplish the mission?

The Our Saviour's community is gifted with:

- " Strong sense of mission and purpose
- " Enthusiastic and innovative lay leadership
- " Two campuses with wonderful facilities

Along with these gifts come the challenges in dealing with a large congregation with strong mission and lay engagement. Leadership is needed in building strong teams to execute our mission and purpose. Our community respects the value of both traditional and contemporary forms of worship.

Mission

In light of the way you have described your ministry context in this Ministry Site Profile, what are the top three mission priorities which, if accomplished, hold the most promise for the continued development of this ministry?

For the coming years, the Our Saviour's community will focus on our strategic plan.
Our Mission is: "Knowing Jesus and Making Jesus Known" Our Vision is: "Live it Out"
" Grow Disciples - Encourage people to actively and consistently seek spiritual growth.
 *Provide opportunities that bring people closer to God
 *Help equip people to share their faith with others
 *Challenge people to move deeper into thier faith journey
 *Encourage hospitality, devotions, and gatherings to discuss faith
" Grow Generosity - Invite people to give to others freely and abundantly out of gratitude toward God.
 *Nuture people to have hearts that give out of gratitude towards God
 *Build a passion for people to be in partnership with the Church
 *Eliminate our debt/Develop a plan to use our resources wisely
" Grow Impact - Encourage people to transform the world by walking beside and caring for others.
 *Taking relational risks with God and others * Support people to learn to share thier story
 * Guide people to steop out of their relational comfort zone *Grow a trust in God & others

8. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

Please describe your ministry setting and position opening in 75 words or less. This is the brief description that will be publicized.

Senior Pastor - Our Saviour's , Naperville Il. 3700+ members with both traditional and contemporary worship. We are seeking a strong leader with excellent communication, teaching and team building skills to lead a staff of over 30. Fiscal responsibility and managerial skills needed. In addition, should have the ability to create trust and respect. Strong preaching required. Our Saviour's has a reputation for having a sense of mission and purpose, enthusiastic and innovative lay leadership and two campuses featuring outstanding facilities. Naperville is frequently named as one of "the best places to live"

9. REFERENCES

In addition to your synodical bishop, please list four people who know your congregation or organization well and who would be willing to share their perspective on the life and ministry of the congregation or organization. One reference should be a person who is currently a member or employee/client; one reference should be someone from the community who is able to regularly observe your ministry; and one should be an ordained ELCA clergy person.

Synodical Bishop

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e-mail:

Someone from inside the congregation or organization

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Someone from outside the congregation or organization

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A member of the ELCA clergy roster

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Anyone else who knows your setting well

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PART III: LEADERSHIP NEEDS

Use this section to describe both the gifts for ministry and the style of leadership that your position requires.

10. THE LEADER WE SEEK

Roster type: (Check all whom you would be open to interviewing)

- Associate in Ministry Deaconess Diaconal Minister
 Ordained Clergy In Candidacy / First Call

Position type: (Select the most descriptive option)

Senior Pastor / Head of Staff

This ministry position is:

Full time

Education: (Select the minimum level of education required)

Master's Degree (seminary or graduate school)

Language (proficiencies preferred)

Primary language: English

Proficiency: Fluent

Second language:

Proficiency:

Third language:

Proficiency:

Experience: (Select all you would consider for this position)

- 0 - 3 years 4 -9 years 10 -15 years 16 - 20 years 21 + years

11. TOP FIVE MINISTRY TASKS (Select the five most critical tasks required in this position.)

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|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building a Sense of Community | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus / Young Adult Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chaplaincy | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications / Media | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organizing | <input type="checkbox"/> Conflict Management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Counseling / Social Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood Administration | <input type="checkbox"/> Ecumenical Work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism / Mission | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Global Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Innovation / Creativity | <input type="checkbox"/> Interim Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Interpret Theology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inter-personal Climate | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry in Crisis | <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry in Daily Life |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ministry with Seniors | <input type="checkbox"/> Multicultural Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Music / Worship / Arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor / Camping Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish Nurse / Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Participant in the Larger Church |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral Care and Visitation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preaching / Worship Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Policy / Advocacy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recruit and Equip Leaders | <input type="checkbox"/> Self Care / Family Life | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Group Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Formation / Direction | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stewardship |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strategic Mission Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Coordination |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth and Family Ministry | | |

12. GIFTS FOR MINISTRY

Every rostered leader can offer a variety of gifts, skills and personality characteristics that would be helpful in a ministry setting. Identify a maximum of five gifts for ministry that the rostered leader must bring to your ministry setting in the left-hand column. In the right-hand column, identify five more gifts that would be helpful in your ministry setting. (If your setting is a congregation and your search is for a pastor, this survey of gifts assumes that the pastor is able to offer worship leadership and preaching.)

Top Priority	<i>Our new leader needs to be able to...</i>	Very Helpful
<input type="radio"/>	Help people develop their spiritual life.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Help people understand and act upon issues of social justice	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Provide care and nurture.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Be active in visitation of members and non-members.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Be effective in working with children.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Build a sense of community among the people with whom he/she works.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Help others develop their leadership abilities and skills for ministry.	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Be an effective administrator.	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Be an effective communicator.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Be an effective teacher.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Encourage support of the Church's wider mission.	<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Work regularly in the development of stewardship growth.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Be active in ecumenical relationships.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Be effective in working with youth.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Organize people for community action.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Be skilled in planning and leading programs.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Have a strong commitment and loyalty to the Lutheran Church.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Understand and interpret the mission of the Church from a global perspective.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Deal effectively with conflict.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Bring joy and good humor to relationships.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Be able to share leadership and work in a team.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Be creative and innovative about his or her tasks.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Be able to use technology and media.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Appreciate cultural diversity in language and customs.	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	Have talents in the areas of music, arts and writing.	<input type="radio"/>

13. MUTUAL EXPECTATIONS

Please list the five primary areas of activity or focus that you wish your newly-called rostered leader to give special attention to during the first year of his or her ministry at this congregation or organization:

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.
- E.

Please list five ways that this congregation / organization will support and encourage the rostered leader during the first year in order to help her or him accomplish these responsibilities:

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.
- E.

14. COMPENSATION

Indicate the maximum amount that is available for the "Defined Compensation" of this ministry position. Defined Compensation is described by the ELCA Board of Pensions as the gross cash salary paid to the staff member. In the case of clergy, Defined Compensation includes any housing allowance (whether in cash or the annual cash value of a parsonage,) Social Security Tax offset, and/or furnishings allowance if paid directly to the staff member.

You may choose to use the button below to access the ELCA Board of Pensions Defined Compensation calculator in assisting you to determine Defined Compensation.

Parsonage Yes No (If yes, include the annual dollar value in the "Defined Compensation" below)

Social Security Tax offset Yes No (If yes, include the annual dollar value in the "Defined Compensation" below)

The maximum amount available for Defined Compensation

15. BENEFITS

The ELCA Board of Pensions has complete information about the benefits program of the church at www.elcabop.org including online calculators to help you estimate costs.

Pension Yes No

Medical Yes No

Vacation weeks:

(Recommended: Four weeks per year. For an ordained or lay rostered minister in a congregation, this should include four Sundays.)

- Sabbatical Policy Yes No
- Parental Leave Policy Yes No
- Are Background Checks required? Yes No (*Recommended for all paid staff and key volunteers.*)

16. PROFESSIONAL EXPENSES

- Auto / travel reimbursement Yes No
(Recommended: Auto reimbursement at the IRS business mileage rate for actual miles driven.)
- Professional Expense account Yes No
(A reimbursement account for professional expenses - books, publications, memberships, vestments, uniforms and the like.)
- Continuing Education Yes No
(Recommended: Two weeks per year, plus \$700 per year from the congregation or organization and \$300 per year from the rostered leader; funds to be held in a separate account.)
- First Call Theological Education Yes No
(Recommended: Meeting synod expectations for First Call rostered leaders to participate in FCTE, including financial support and continuing education time.)

Comments

Please offer any comment or explanation regarding the compensation package, especially as it compares to synodical recommendations or guidelines.

Compensation will be in accordance with synod guidelines with special consideration given for additional education, length of service, and additional experience.

17. OTHER SUPPORTING RESOURCES

Are you able to supply the following items, if requested?

- Mission and Vision statement of the congregation or organization Yes No
- Printed history of the congregation or organization Yes No
- Strategic Plan: Goals and Objectives Yes No
- Budget Yes No
- Annual Report Yes No
- Position description: Duties and Responsibilities Yes No
- Communications Piece (publicity, newsletter, etc.) Yes No

PART IV: COMMENTARY

You are encouraged to offer information or commentary that will help the reader appreciate the vision, opportunities, challenges and nature of your ministry site. Use this opportunity to promote and commend your ministry possibilities. To see some examples, please click here. If your congregation is a part of a Multiple-Point Parish, please click here.

Cont. #5 Programs

Last summer over 10 people from OSLC traveled to Vida Humana on a working trip. On a local level, Our Saviour's has a major mission for each quarter of the year: Feed My Starving Children (food relief worldwide), Mega Garage Sale, Dupage Pads (homeless shelter) and Celebration! Clinic (medical and other help to the underserved local community). Other missions supported include Refugee Support, Loaves and Fishes (food pantry) and Exodus World Services.

Cont. #5 Energy

" Summer youth camps - Our congregation has an amazing summer camp program for young people. There are 3 camps for toddlers just entering pre-school, 4 camps for children entering kindergarten, 2 sessions of "Kingdom Rock" for Children through 5th grade, and "Camp Smarff" for young people 6-12 grades producing a musical in one week each summer.

" Music ministries - Our Saviour's is well known for outstanding music program for all ages. We have 9 musical groups for adults ranging from the Sanctuary Choir to the Contemporary Worship Musicians. There are 3 groups for Senior High Students, 3 for Junior High and 3 for young children.

" Arts Ministry - We have a permanent art gallery displaying original works of art. We also have a Prayer Wall where people can confidentially leave their prayers. These prayers are prayed over and burned at the end of the month.

" Take 2! - Developed at OSLC for those Baby Boomers re-engaging in the second half of their lives. So far 66 people have completed the course with another 10 expected to enter this spring.

" Baby Care Kits - each year we collect new and gently used items assembled in hundreds of kits and sent around the world by Lutheran World Relief. This past year we made 530 kits.

Cont. #7 Purpose

" Mega Garage Sale: Each June our congregation hosts an enormous garage sale at Celebration!, For three weeks large numbers of the Our Saviour's team set up, gather and sell all sorts of goods. Last year \$30,000 was raised to support ministries in our community. It's fun, too.

" Refugee Mission: Throughout the year we actively serve the needs of new immigrants to our area of all faith traditions. We provide help in securing housing and furniture, appliances and home goods to get them settled.

" PADS: For two months each summer we host 90 homeless people and families each Friday Night. The welcoming spirit that the homeless find at Celebration! results in our location being known as "The Hilton" of homelessness.

18. SEVEN REFLECTIONS

Seven Reflections on Ministry and Context

If you would like to enhance your Ministry Site Profile with additional reflections on several key questions, you may download the extra form.

PART V: COMPLETION OF PROFILE

19. DISCERNMENT PROCESS AND ADOPTION

Please describe the process used to gather information, formulate responses, and officially adopt this Ministry Site Profile. (Approximately 100 words maximum)

The Call Committee actively sought the input of congregational members and staff in completing the many facets of the Ministry Site Profile.

Enter the date on which this Ministry Site Profile was adopted by vote of the Congregation Council or organization's board:

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20. CALL PROCESS CONTACT PERSON

Enter the name of the person on the synod staff who is the contact person or call process administrator for your call process. You may need to contact the synod office to verify this information.

Name: Bishop Wayne Miller

Title: Bishop Metropolitan Chicago Synod

e-mail: wmiller@mcselca.org

Office Phone: (773) 248-0021

Click here to allow a change in the CALL PROCESS CONTACT PERSON'S information.

21. REFERENCE'S RECOMMENDATION

Please give the name of someone from outside the congregation or organization who has agreed to comment on the life and ministry of this ministry site.

Reference agreeing to do this:

Name: Rich Bimler

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Evening Phone: () -

Cell: (630) 951-1522

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Finished! Thank you for the thoughtfulness and energy you have invested in completing this form. Be certain to **SAVE** your work on your computer and **PRINT** a hard copy for your files. Before submitting this form you must **DATE** and **LOCK** it to prevent accidental or unauthorized changes to your work. After you hit **SUBMIT** you will see a dialog box that confirms that your form has transmitted successfully.

What to do next: Once this form is submitted, go to www.elca.org/call and click on "Access Account" to download your *Reference Recommendation* and *Seven Reflections* forms.