

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
ELCA Research and Evaluation  
Source: Congregational Report Forms

**Congregation Totals for Southwest California Synod 2B**

<u>From 2001 to 2007</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>% Change</u> <u>2001-07</u>
Number of Congregations	141	140	142	140	140	138	139	-1.4%
Baptized Membership	44,256	43,709	42,813	41,859	41,080	40,186	39,506	-10.7%
Members Received By:								
a. Baptism: Children	905	879	720	706	691	597	583	
b. Baptism: Adults	250	161	186	182	141	128	128	
c. Affirmation of Faith	1,027	885	697	703	735	735	719	
d. Transfer From:								
1. ELCA Congregations	468	442	369	395	414	265	304	
2. Other Lutheran Congs.	105	151	71	63	84	83	84	
3. Other Non-Lutheran Congs.	197	182	143	197	109	246	314	
e. Other & Stat. Adjustment	199	439	230	89	196	149	164	
Total Members Added	3,151	3,139	2,416	2,335	2,370	2,203	2,296	
Members Removed By:								
a. Death	427	431	433	415	385	394	409	
b. Transfer To:								
1. ELCA Congregations	432	288	302	266	347	261	217	
2. Other Lutheran Congs.	147	99	109	100	89	144	82	
3. Other Non-Lutheran Congs.	229	231	239	240	183	266	216	
c. Other & Stat. Adjustment	2,693	1,784	2,090	2,034	2,110	1,971	1,935	
Total Members Removed	<u>3,928</u>	<u>2,833</u>	<u>3,173</u>	<u>3,055</u>	<u>3,114</u>	<u>3,036</u>	<u>2,859</u>	
Total Membership Change	-777	306	-757	-720	-744	-833	-563	
Baptized Youth Confirmed	432	462	447	395	371	349	321	-25.6%
Confirmed Members	32,448	31,891	31,480	30,827	30,270	29,674	29,203	-10.0%
Confirmed-Communing Members	25,548	25,460	24,589	23,393	23,070	22,433	22,810	-10.7%
Average Weekly Worship Attendance	18,299	17,632	17,229	16,763	15,998	15,598	15,429	-15.6%
Percent Attending Worship	41.3%	40.3%	40.2%	40.0%	38.9%	38.8%	39.0%	
Racial/Ethnic Composition of Baptized Members								
African American/Black	3,021	3,102	3,025	3,072	2,956	2,870	2,908	
American Indian/Alaska Native	48	64	56	49	43	39	34	
Arab/Middle Eastern (new in 2003)			102	117	138	140	156	
Asian/Pacific Islander	1,820	1,951	1,852	1,791	1,731	1,708	1,513	
Latino/Latina (All Races)	2,803	2,087	2,103	1,630	1,621	2,015	2,043	
Multi Racial (new in 2003)			320	563	449	525	501	
Other	<u>408</u>	<u>241</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>168</u>	<u>312</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>385</u>	
Total Members of Color/Language	8,100	7,445	7,558	7,390	7,250	7,550	7,540	-6.9%
Percent of Total Baptized	18.3%	17.0%	17.6%	17.6%	17.6%	18.7%	19.0%	

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Regular Giving Per Confirmed- Communing Member	\$874.25	\$907.40	\$955.73	\$1,060.84	\$1,064.93	\$1,108.26	\$1,092.48	24.9%
Regular Giving Per CC Member in 2001 Dollars	\$874.25	\$886.31	\$916.33	\$985.00	\$956.12	\$970.46	\$919.06	6.7%
Regular Giving by Members	\$22,335,306	\$23,102,512	\$23,500,551	\$24,816,295	\$24,567,972	\$24,861,655	\$24,919,550	11.5%
Designated Giving by Members	\$3,577,710	\$3,882,634	\$3,447,748	\$3,542,698	\$3,532,967	\$3,621,064	\$3,740,492	4.5%
Earned Income, Unrestricted	\$2,166,904	\$6,394,201	\$2,978,189	\$2,937,988	\$3,153,010	\$5,195,250	\$5,357,939	147.2%
Earned Income, Restricted	\$682,012	\$416,805	\$1,050,781	\$1,579,612	\$770,047	\$597,124	\$839,270	23.0%
Grants & Partnership Support	\$198,788	\$200,838	\$270,727	\$259,199	\$297,559	\$234,570	\$1,003,577	404.8%
Cash Borrowed	\$549,977	\$285,758	\$547,000	\$950,072	\$2,093,534	\$2,025,174	\$582,067	5.8%
Other Receipts	<u>\$8,483,388</u>	<u>\$8,604,730</u>	<u>\$10,296,217</u>	<u>\$5,452,918</u>	<u>\$8,758,204</u>	<u>\$7,029,683</u>	<u>\$7,877,977</u>	-7.1%
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$37,994,085</b>	<b>\$42,887,478</b>	<b>\$42,091,213</b>	<b>\$39,538,782</b>	<b>\$43,173,293</b>	<b>\$43,564,520</b>	<b>\$44,320,872</b>	<b>-100.0%</b>
Current Operating Expenses	\$24,621,802	\$30,148,679	\$26,352,928	\$26,720,176	\$27,885,167	\$29,658,912	\$32,343,789	31.3%
Capital Improvements	\$1,852,138	\$1,687,217	\$3,538,143	\$1,862,995	\$3,760,869	\$2,227,373	\$3,624,162	95.6%
Payments on Debt	\$2,182,018	\$2,629,111	\$2,328,301	\$2,092,330	\$3,171,342	\$2,150,246	\$2,527,633	15.8%
Mission Support	\$1,533,912	\$1,521,847	\$1,520,289	\$1,492,980	\$1,462,256	\$1,498,870	\$1,576,172	2.7%
Misn Supt % of Total Expenses	4.0%	3.4%	3.6%	2.9%	3.2%	3.6%	3.4%	
World Hunger Appeal	\$239,710	\$144,492	\$166,399	\$131,263	\$161,866	\$174,374	\$134,712	-43.8%
Disaster Response (new in 2003)			\$31,644	\$25,015	\$350,850	\$74,320	\$48,741	
Mission Partners	\$95,902	\$80,035	\$56,652	\$89,819	\$107,644	\$97,141	\$72,805	-24.0%
Mission Founders (new in 2003)			\$50	\$1,425	\$2,325	\$480	\$1,100	
Missionary Sponsorship	\$75,317	\$85,568	\$49,875	\$79,072	\$88,513	\$113,296	\$118,930	57.9%
Specific Mission Support	\$123,521	\$329,809	\$117,184	\$163,210	\$165,466	\$223,611	\$228,608	85.0%
Vision for Mission Offering	\$1,155	\$8,468	\$9,100	\$1,874	\$2,924	\$6,182	\$4,235	266.6%
Synod-Related Special Benevolence	\$159,025	\$178,033	\$542,650	\$453,599	\$132,870	\$184,450	\$236,282	48.5%
Local Community Benevolences	\$285,663	\$213,175	\$244,519	\$267,799	\$240,611	\$309,465	\$335,772	17.5%
Other Benevolences	\$298,595	\$302,237	\$190,917	\$179,719	\$509,344	\$361,487	\$545,439	82.6%
Other Expenses	<u>\$6,347,339</u>	<u>\$6,969,516</u>	<u>\$6,639,182</u>	<u>\$16,568,463</u>	<u>\$7,451,225</u>	<u>\$4,349,742</u>	<u>\$4,474,944</u>	-29.5%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$37,816,097</b>	<b>\$44,298,187</b>	<b>\$41,787,833</b>	<b>\$50,129,739</b>	<b>\$45,493,272</b>	<b>\$41,429,949</b>	<b>\$46,273,324</b>	<b>22.3%</b>
Total ELCA Benevolences	\$2,228,542	\$2,348,252	\$2,493,843	\$2,438,257	\$2,474,714	\$2,372,724	\$2,421,585	8.6%
Total Non-ELCA Benevolences	\$584,258	\$515,412	\$435,436	\$447,518	\$749,955	\$670,952	\$881,211	50.8%
Endowment & Memorial Funds	\$9,992,743	\$7,795,384	\$12,263,884	\$12,590,552	\$13,174,875	\$12,503,741	\$14,640,883	46.5%
Cash, Savings, Bonds etc.	\$10,619,952	\$14,146,047	\$13,993,034	\$13,507,947	\$14,147,751	\$18,119,138	\$15,391,068	44.9%
Other Assets	\$3,372,935	\$5,219,628	\$3,098,045	\$3,835,221	\$4,358,389	\$5,013,281	\$5,831,991	72.9%
Number of Congs. With Parsonage	27	27	27	27	25	22	21	-22.2%
Total Indebtedness	\$23,088,558	\$22,418,014	\$25,196,786	\$23,708,093	\$24,506,565	\$22,527,958	\$24,360,321	5.5%
Number of Bequests Received	49	47	41	58	57	18	48	
Value of Bequests	\$495,014	\$2,689,998	\$1,565,648	\$889,657	\$1,186,462	\$1,077,499	\$989,392	
Intended Mission Support	\$1,475,326	\$1,455,930	\$1,491,083	\$1,640,295	\$1,544,740	\$1,728,894	\$1,854,283	25.6%