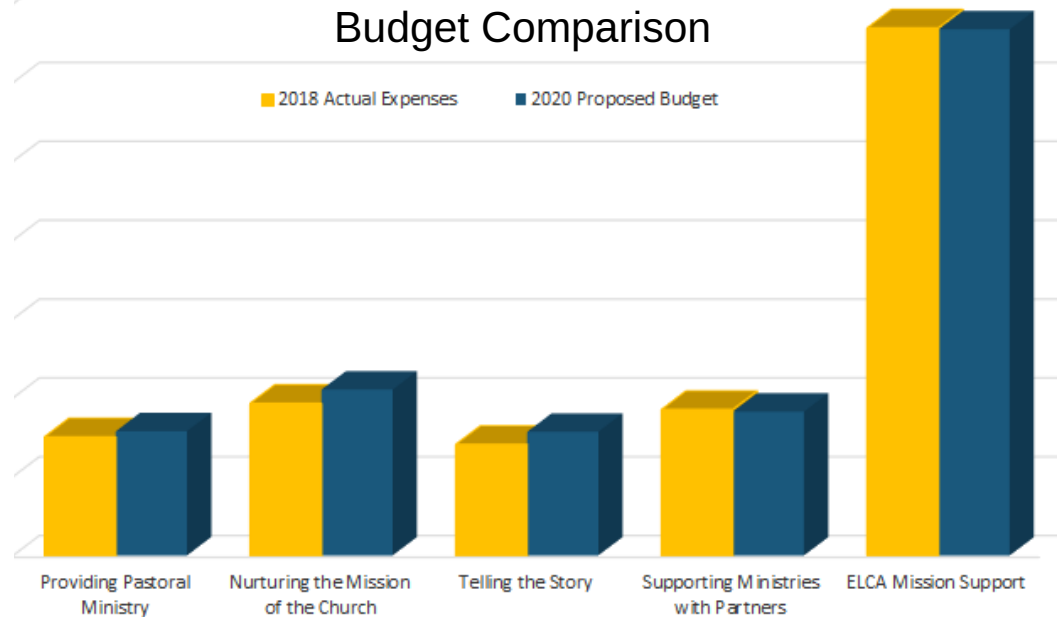


## \$667,500 - Ministry through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

50% of the mission support dollars that Central/Southern Illinois Synod receives from congregations are forwarded to support the ministry of the whole ELCA. These mission support dollars provide for ministry resources, global mission and companion synod support, churchwide staff, and support functions for the ELCA to operate. Mission support dollars also return to synods. For example, in 2018, ELCA churchwide called Pastor Elise Rothfusz to serve as Director for Evangelical Mission in our synod, and Grace Lutheran Church, Springfield, was a recipient of an ELCA hunger grant for their food pantry ministry.



# Central/Southern Illinois Synod 2020 Narrative Budget



For details about the 2020 budget please see the line item budget.



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 God's work. Our hands.

## Generosity for mission and ministry

Why are we a synod? What does "the synod" do? This narrative budget provides a glimpse at the ministry that is done through the Central/Southern Illinois Synod because of the generosity of congregations. Congregations in the Central/Southern Illinois Synod support local ministry in their communities and the mission support dollars they forward to the synod support ministry among the C/SIS congregations and through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

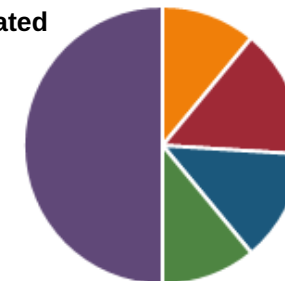


**\$1,335,000** 2020 projected income from congregations

**\$1,375,163** 2020 proposed total outflow

The 2020 budget is allocated into five primary areas.

50% of mission support from congregations is forwarded to the churchwide ministry of the ELCA



50% of mission support is available for synod ministry

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## \$157,695 - Providing Pastoral Ministry

The word “synod” comes from the Greek word meaning “to journey together.” One of the purposes of a synod is to provide pastoral care to congregations, pastors, and deacons. This care is done through the presence of Bishop Roth and his staff during congregational celebrations, in times of crisis, and in particular working with pastoral transitions: meeting with councils and call committees, reading Ministry Site Profiles and Rostered Minister Profiles, nominating appropriate candidates for ministry positions, and providing for pastoral leadership through interim appointments and synodically authorized ministry.

### In 2018 the ministry of Bishop Roth and his staff included

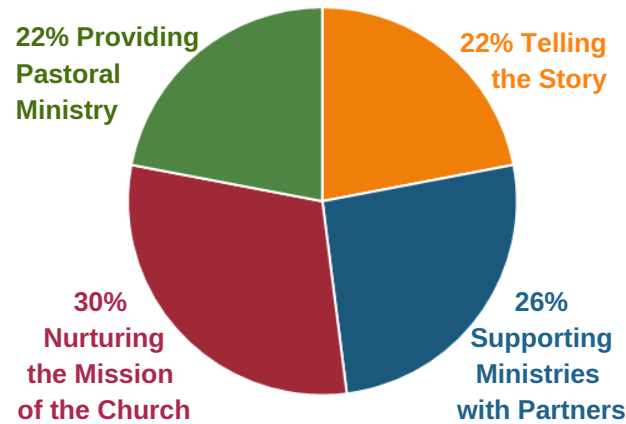
- 128** visits to congregational worship services
- 28** pastoral candidate nominations to call committees
- 42** visits to congregation councils
- 15** new interim placements
- 13** visits to call committees
- 5** pastors installed

## \$210,491 - Nurturing the Mission of the Church

Through the Holy Spirit, Christ sends his disciples into the world in mission and ministry. The synod builds up congregations and rostered ministers for current and future ministry. Synod council and committees offer guidance and directions for the synod’s work in and through congregational ministries. Candidacy is the process of preparing and approving candidates to serve as pastors and deacons. First Call Theological Education accompanies pastors in the first three years of ministry. Synod staff remind congregations, pastors, and deacons that we are church together by bringing greetings and worshiping with congregations on Sunday and joining in monthly conference meetings of pastors and deacons. Synod staff, conferences, and other synod-wide activities lift up the ministries we share together with the whole ELCA.



## Synod Ministry Outflow



## \$156,926 - Telling the Story

Telling the story of God’s love through Jesus Christ for the world is a key part of being the church. The stories of congregations and partners in ministry are brought together to build up the body of Christ. Through our synod communications and annual Synod Assembly, C/SIS shares the good news of how Jesus Christ shapes our life together and makes a difference in our world.



## \$182,550 - Supporting Ministries with Partners

As a synod we cannot and do not wish to do everything ourselves. Our ministry partners do work that we alone in our congregations cannot do. Bishop Roth cultivates connections with ecumenical partners and organizations who carry out the work of the church in distinct places. Our synod budget extends our ministry by financially contributing to the ministry of other organizations, for example Lutheran Social Services of Illinois, seminaries, campus ministry, and Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center.



## Designated Giving in 2018 = nearly \$290,000!

In addition to the synod budget, the C/SIS shares in ministry through other designated giving. These are gifts that originate from individuals, congregations, and interest from dedicated accounts for ministry through our synod. 2018 designated giving included:

<b>\$121,328</b> ELCA World Hunger	<b>\$11,131</b> Lutheran World Relief	<b>\$11,259</b> to partner ministries
<b>\$81,146</b> ELCA Disaster Relief	<b>\$14,173</b> Global Mission Support	<b>\$32,842</b> for ministry in the Ambovombe-Androy and Faradofay Synods, our companion synods of the Malagasy Lutheran Church
<b>\$10,705</b> Pedal for a Purpose recipient LOMC	<b>\$7,000</b> Rostered Minister Educational Debt Relief	