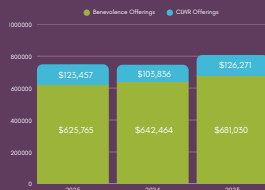


Eastern Synod Fall 2025 Financial Update

Dear Friends – with Thanksgiving weekend just behind us, I trust many of you paused to reflect and give thanks to God for the blessings in your lives. We too are profoundly grateful for the generosity and faith in God's abundance that we witness in our congregations. We thank you and encourage you to keep seeking ways to practice that radical generosity that helps the Synod be a highly effective partner in mission and ministry, both locally and globally.

As Martin Luther said, "We cannot give God anything; for everything is already his, and all we have comes from him. We can only give him praise, thanks, and honor for the unspeakable gift...which through the Gospel God has shed on us abundantly".

See below the Synod financial updates for the third quarter of 2025. We ask that you prayerfully remember how you can support the Synod and its many ministries in the next months and years! From God's abundance, may we also give abundantly.



Sept 2025
Benevolence: \$85,422 CLWR: \$13,186
Third Quarter
Benevolence: \$227,458 CLWR: \$36,651

30%
The Wider Church



20%
Martin Luther
University College

24%
Congregations

26%
Leaders

As of September 30th, benevolence offerings were tracking **2.6% below** the amount that was received for the comparable year-to-date period in 2024 and showing a **greater than 8% decrease over the last two years.**

We continue to budget a decline of benevolence offering – a critical piece of the overall operating budget. **Over 35% of the total Eastern Synod budget is supported by benevolence offerings.**

To learn more about how these offerings are utilized by the Synod, we encourage you to visit the [Eastern Synod website](#) to access a variety of resources on Stewardship and Generous Giving. For information on how your giving supports mission work across the world, visit [CLWRs website](#).

Thank you for your continued partnership, generosity and support! Contact Treasurer Fred Mertz (fmertz@elcic.ca) for additional information.



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