



EPISCOPAL LUTHERAN ALLIANCE

ELA

Building Bridges TOGETHER

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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Building Bridges TOGETHER

The Episcopal Lutheran Alliance is the 501c3 non-profit, tax-exempt, charitable organization that was founded to assist the Historic Holy Cross Episcopal Church with community and grassroots organization.

In 2019, ELA endeavor to expand and broaden its mission beyond the walls of Holy Cross and the Homewood community. Our work has become unique but our mission is simple – to rebuild communities, one block at a time and to build bridges of Hope as we serve both Lutheran and Episcopal churches; helping them with grassroots and community organizing.

ELA represents A New Hope not just for our founding parish Holy Cross but also for all of our partners in ministry. Since assuming the responsibilities as the President and CEO of ELA, the organization has engaged in many community outreach initiatives to bring hope and advance the community spirit of Homewood and beyond; and to capture the social justice ideals undergirding the partnerships established by the Historic Church of the Holy Cross.

It has been my honor to serve in the dual capacity as Priest-in-Charge of Holy Cross and as your President and CEO.

This Annual Report provides a look at the impact and progress we have made together. In a relatively short span of time, ELA has become a part of the unique fabric of each of our Church's denominational structures . As our gracious donors, volunteers, and sponsors, you have helped to make these accomplishments possible. We are grateful to have such supportive partners, and we are thankful for the financial and moral support you have given to ELA over the past year.

Notwithstanding the challenges we face, we are confident, with the continued support of our partners we will succeed in carrying out our mission. Let us keep reimagining the possibilities together.

Rev. Torrey O. Johnson
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Dear Friends:

I am proud to extend this year's annual report to the faithful stewards who have endeavored to assist us with reaching our neighbors. As the Chair of the Board I can attest that the entire ELA Board of Directors is proud to be a part of making this happen.

I continue to maintain that If ELA is to sustain its impact, it is critical to grow our Board of Directors, both in terms of diversity and representativeness of the communities we serve and to whom we are accountable.

As such, I look forward to the coming months as ELA begins a process of meeting with leadership in both faith groups so as to identify potential Board members who share our vision and are willing to make the commitment to achieve it.

It is ELA's strategic goal to achieve and sustain a reputation as an effective organization that counts as one of its characteristic – a high performing Board. As we move forward in the months and years ahead, this is our commitment.

Sincerely,

Leon L. Haley, Ph.D.
Chair, ELA Board of Directors



Building Bridges TOGETHER The Impact

The outreach ministry of ELA seeks to reflect – in action and service – the compassion and love of God to those in need and who must be empowered to engage in the process of community development. Our mission is to see Homewood as a renewed and revitalized neighborhood where hope has replaced despair.

In 2019, ELA implemented and sponsored over 10 community outreach programs and initiatives which were featured throughout social media, print media and television coverage, serving over 400 persons – youth and adults.

- ★ Annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Toy Giveaway
- ★ Annual Easter Egg Hunt
- ★ Annual Movie on the Lawn
- ★ Share the Bounty Community Garden
- ★ Act Your Best Enrichment Program
- ★ National Night Out
- ★ 1,000lbs of Food Bank Contributions

MEDIA COVERAGE

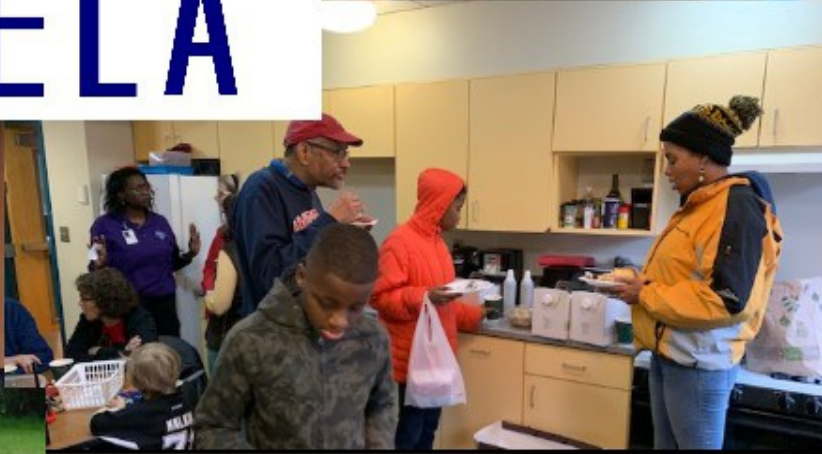
ELA community service projects and events were published in over 15 articles in local Pittsburgh local newspapers, featured on local radio, and in numerous appearances on local, national and international television outlets.

^{NEW} Pittsburgh Courier



Pittsburgh Post-Gazette







Building Bridges TOGETHER The Donors

THE GRABLE FOUNDATION



MAJOR DONORS

Right Rev. Dorsey McConnell - Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh

The Rev. Kurt F. Kusserow - Bishop, Southwest Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA

The Church of the Holy Cross, Episcopal

Calvary Episcopal Church

St. Paul Episcopal Church

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Dr. Leon Haley, Jr.

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Ivy Charitable Endowment of Pittsburgh

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity - Alpha Omicron Lambda Chapter

OT Jackson Real Estate Company

Dr. Edmund and Mrs. Elaine Effort

Nancy D. Washington

Dr. Monica Lamar

Dr. Wayne Walters

Eunice J. Obeng

“You Made the Difference!”

2019 ELA Community Partnerships

The Food Program Division of Citiparks—GrubUp Pittsburgh
After-School Feeding Program (CACFP) and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)

Afro American Music Institute, Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh Zone 5 Police Department

2019 ELA Community Engagement Proposals and Inquiry Submissions

University of Pittsburgh's Community Engagement Center
in Homewood

Pittsburgh School Superintendent Office

Heinz Endowment

PNC Bank Community Foundation

SWPA Ethel Verney Foundation

ELCA Hunger Grant

Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation

Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh

PACE (Program to Aid Citizens Enterprise)

ALCOSAN

Boy Scouts of America



Building Bridges TOGETHER Board of Directors

Dr. Leon L. Haley, Sr.

Chair of the Board

Dr. Leon Haley Sr. is the past President of the Urban League of Pittsburgh. He serves as Professor Emeritus at the University of Pittsburgh where he has taught Non-Profit Management for over two decades.

Rev. Torrey O. Johnson

President & Chief Executive Officer

Rev. Torrey O. Johnson is the Priest-in-Charge of the Church of the Holy Cross Episcopal, He is an ordained ELCA Lutheran pastor and is Chaplain Major serving in the U.S. Air Force with the 911th Air Wing in Pittsburgh.

Martha Shelby

Secretary

Martha Shelby is the Assistant Vice President of Key Bank. Throughout her banking career, she has managed over \$200 million in business assets. She is a member of the Church of the Holy Cross Vestry serving as Junior Warden.

Glenda Mayo

Treasurer

Glenda Mayo is a Pittsburgh retired educator, who with her husband, the late Dwight Mayo, started the first logistical transportation company owned and operated by African Americans in Pittsburgh.

Oliver T. Jackson

Oliver Jackson is a retired Port Authority driver. Since 1990, he has been owner of OT Jackson Realty. Oliver is a member of the Church of the Holy Cross Vestry.



Building Bridges TOGETHER The Financials

Every step and every dollar matters.
In 2019, ELA raised almost \$32,707 in support of community outreach initiatives and benefitted from over 10,000 hours of volunteer community service hours.

EPISCOPAL LUTHERAN ALLIANCE, INC
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
January through December 2019

	Jan - Dec 19
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
40010 · Income from Public Support	32,707.00
Total Income	32,707.00
Expense	
60400 · Bank Charge	95.00
62000 · Helping Hand	32,592.00
65000 · Operations	181.00
68100 · Telephone and Internet	1,299.00
68200 · Community Outreach	3,627.00
68300 · Travel and Meetings	237.00
Total Expense	38,031.00
Net Ordinary Income	-5,324.00
Net Income	-5,324.00

EPISCOPAL LUTHERAN ALLIANCE, INC
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND EQUITY
As of December 31, 2019

	<u>Dec 31, 19</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10010 · Cash in Bank	375.49
Total Checking/Savings	<u>375.49</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>375.49</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>375.49</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	5,699.49
Net Income	<u>-5,324.00</u>
Total Equity	<u>375.49</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>375.49</u>

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