SELC District
Chart A - Congregations and Total Membership

Chart B - Congregations and Number of Parish Pastors
* Chart A - Since its inception in 1971, the SELC District has been gradually declining in membership and total congregations. Unlike most LCMS Districts, membership figures have trended with the number of congregations.

* Chart B - While the number of pastors in the SELC has stayed close to the number of congregations (during the 2000s), a recent surge of pastors means there are currently more pastors than congregations.

* Chart C - Giving in the SELC District has been more inconsistent from year to year than almost any other district, and these fluctuations have been quite dramatic recently, even when adjusting for inflation.

* Chart C - There was a dramatic drop in SELC giving in 2005, preceding the recession of 2008. Giving in the SELC was actually back up during the years of the recession.