

# Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

Statutory-Basis Financial Statements and Other Financial Information

For the Years Ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017



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## **Report of Independent Auditors**

To the Board of Directors of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

We have audited the accompanying statutory financial statements of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, which comprise the statutory statements of assets, liabilities and surplus as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the related statutory statements of operations, surplus and of cash flow for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2019.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State of Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditors' Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the Company's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### ***Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles***

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Company on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State of Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the statutory basis of accounting described in Note 12 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.



***Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles***

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the “Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles” paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, or the results of its operations or its cash flows for each of three years in the period ended December 31, 2019.

***Opinion on Statutory Basis of Accounting***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities and surplus of the Company as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2019, in accordance with the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State of Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance described in Note 1.

***Emphasis of Matter***

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements give retroactive effect to the merger of Thrivent Life Insurance Company into the Company on July 1, 2019 in a transaction accounted for as a statutory merger. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

February 13, 2020

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus  
As of December 31, 2019 and 2018  
(in millions)

	2019	2018
<b>Admitted Assets</b>		
Bonds	\$ 46,538	\$ 45,530
Stocks	2,535	2,223
Mortgage loans	9,506	8,999
Real estate	143	65
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	2,054	1,471
Contract loans	1,164	1,173
Receivables for securities	110	85
Limited partnerships	4,621	3,844
Other invested assets	426	203
Total cash and invested assets	67,097	63,593
Accrued investment income	460	455
Due premiums and considerations	119	119
Other assets	63	54
Assets held in separate accounts	34,482	29,850
<b>Total Admitted Assets</b>	\$ 102,221	\$ 94,071
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Aggregate reserves for life, annuity and health contracts	\$ 49,028	\$ 48,051
Deposit liabilities	3,922	3,691
Contract claims	400	349
Dividends due in following calendar year	330	326
Interest maintenance reserve	503	476
Asset valuation reserve	1,836	1,387
Transfers due from separate accounts, net	(515)	(488)
Payable for securities	843	376
Securities lending obligation	479	251
Other liabilities	922	712
Liabilities related to separate accounts	34,408	29,810
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	\$ 92,156	\$ 84,941
<b>Surplus</b>		
Unassigned funds	\$ 10,043	\$ 9,088
Other surplus	22	42
<b>Total Surplus</b>	\$ 10,065	\$ 9,130
<b>Total Liabilities and Surplus</b>	\$ 102,221	\$ 94,071

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statutory-basis financial statements.

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Statutory-Basis Statements of Operations  
For the Years Ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017  
(in millions)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
<b>Revenues</b>			
Premiums	\$ 4,967	\$ 5,117	\$ 5,151
Considerations for supplementary contracts with life contingencies	170	140	118
Net investment income	3,050	2,798	2,794
Separate account fees	706	705	672
Amortization of interest maintenance reserve	105	163	131
Other revenues	35	40	47
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>\$ 9,033</u>	<u>\$ 8,963</u>	<u>\$ 8,913</u>
<b>Benefits and Expenses</b>			
Death benefits	\$ 1,123	\$ 1,110	\$ 1,035
Surrender benefits	3,263	2,841	2,466
Change in reserves	975	769	1,515
Other benefits	1,931	1,757	1,606
<b>Total benefits</b>	<u>7,292</u>	<u>6,477</u>	<u>6,622</u>
Commissions	264	273	272
General insurance expenses	764	741	690
Fraternal benefits and expenses	200	200	180
Transfers to separate accounts, net	(782)	(116)	375
<b>Total expenses and net transfers</b>	<u>446</u>	<u>1,098</u>	<u>1,517</u>
<b>Total Benefits and Expenses</b>	<u>\$ 7,738</u>	<u>\$ 7,575</u>	<u>\$ 8,139</u>
<b>Gain from Operations before Dividends and Capital Gains and Losses</b>	<u>\$ 1,295</u>	<u>\$ 1,388</u>	<u>\$ 774</u>
Dividends	329	324	319
Other	-	-	4
<b>Gain from Operations before Capital Gains and Losses</b>	<u>\$ 966</u>	<u>\$ 1,064</u>	<u>\$ 451</u>
Realized capital gains (losses), net	24	146	75
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><u>\$ 990</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,210</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 526</u></u>

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**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Statutory-Basis Statements of Surplus  
For the Years Ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017  
(in millions)

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
<b>Surplus, Beginning of Year</b>	\$ 9,130	\$ 8,269	\$ 7,726
Net income	990	1,210	526
Change in unrealized investment gains and losses	423	(261)	85
Change in non-admitted assets	(20)	7	(9)
Change in asset valuation reserve	(449)	(150)	(119)
Change in surplus of separate account	33	(3)	(3)
Reserve adjustment	-	-	84
Corporate home office building sale	(19)	41	-
Pension liability adjustment	(19)	18	(11)
Other	(4)	-	(10)
<b>Surplus, End of Year</b>	<u>\$ 10,065</u>	<u>\$ 9,130</u>	<u>\$ 8,269</u>

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**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Statutory-Basis Statements of Cash Flow  
For the Years Ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017  
(in millions)

	2019	2018	2017
<b>Cash from Operations</b>			
Premiums	\$ 5,133	\$ 5,258	\$ 5,270
Net investment income	2,526	2,450	2,401
Other revenues	741	745	718
	8,400	8,453	8,389
Benefit and loss-related payments	(6,149)	(5,600)	(4,941)
Transfers to/from separate account, net	756	213	(390)
Commissions and expenses	(1,172)	(1,215)	(1,127)
Dividends	(324)	(319)	(316)
Other	4	(5)	-
<b>Net Cash from Operations</b>	\$ 1,515	\$ 1,527	\$ 1,615
<b>Cash from Investments</b>			
Proceeds from investments sold, matured or repaid:			
Bonds	\$ 10,721	\$ 7,648	\$ 8,226
Stocks	1,427	1,276	1,027
Mortgage loans	822	775	823
Other	1,543	820	834
	14,513	10,519	10,910
Cost of investments acquired or originated:			
Bonds	(11,201)	(7,862)	(9,408)
Stocks	(1,323)	(1,648)	(1,189)
Mortgage loans	(1,329)	(1,575)	(1,253)
Other	(1,494)	(1,033)	(764)
	(15,347)	(12,118)	(12,614)
Transactions under mortgage dollar roll program, net	(468)	167	(204)
Change in net amounts due to/from broker	(25)	(224)	201
Change in collateral held for securities lending	228	(122)	(158)
Change in contract loans	8	3	4
<b>Net Cash from Investments</b>	\$ (1,091)	\$ (1,775)	\$ (1,861)
<b>Cash from Financing and Miscellaneous Sources</b>			
Net deposits (payments) on deposit-type contracts	\$ 115	\$ 23	\$ 42
Other	44	78	(7)
<b>Net Cash from Financing and Miscellaneous Sources</b>	\$ 159	\$ 101	\$ 35
<b>Net Change in Cash, Cash Equivalents and Short-Term Investments</b>	\$ 583	\$ (147)	\$ (211)
Cash, Cash Equivalents and Short-Term Investments, Beginning of Year	\$ 1,471	\$ 1,618	\$ 1,829
<b>Cash, Cash Equivalents and Short-Term Investments, End of Year</b>	\$ 2,054	\$ 1,471	\$ 1,618
Supplemental Information:			
<u>Non-cash investing activities not included above</u>			
Mortgage Loans	\$ 114	\$ 91	\$ 145

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statutory-basis financial statements.

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Nature of Operations**

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans (“Thrivent”) is a fraternal benefit society that provides life insurance, retirement products, disability income, long-term care insurance, and Medicare supplement insurance to members. Thrivent is licensed to conduct business throughout the United States and distributes products to members primarily through a network of career financial representatives. Thrivent’s members are offered additional financial products and services, such as investment funds and trust services, through subsidiaries and affiliates.

**Statutory Merger**

On July 1, 2019, the dissolution of Thrivent’s wholly-owned subsidiary, Thrivent Life Insurance Company (“Thrivent Life”), was completed. All shares of Thrivent Life were cancelled on the date of dissolution. All of Thrivent Life’s assets and obligations were absorbed by Thrivent. This transaction was accounted for as a statutory merger and all prior periods have been restated to incorporate the assets, liabilities and operations of Thrivent Life into Thrivent. Thrivent Life’s assets, liabilities, revenue and net income are deemed immaterial to the combined financial results of Thrivent. Taxes related to the dissolution are disclosed in the Income Taxes section.

Pre-merger separate company assets, liabilities, surplus, revenue and net income for Thrivent and Thrivent Life are shown in the table below (in millions).

	December 31, 2018			December 31, 2017		
	Thrivent	Thrivent Life	Restated	Thrivent	Thrivent Life	Restated
Assets*	\$ 90,509	\$ 3,721	\$ 94,071	\$ 90,969	\$ 3,841	\$ 94,654
Liabilities*	81,379	3,562	84,941	82,700	3,685	86,385
Surplus*	9,130	159	9,130	8,269	156	8,269
Revenue	8,712	251	8,963	8,668	245	8,913
Net Income	1,206	4	1,210	517	9	526

\* Thrivent’s reported assets, liabilities and surplus above previously reflected Thrivent Life’s assets, liabilities and surplus as admitted assets consistent with Statement of Statutory Accounting Principles (“SSAP”) No. 97, Investments in Subsidiary, Controlled and Affiliated Entities (SCAs).

**Significant Accounting Policies**

The accompanying statutory-basis financial statements have been prepared in accordance with statutory accounting practices (“SAP”) prescribed by the State of Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of statutory-basis financial statements in conformity with SAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the statutory-basis financial statements and accompanying notes. The more significant estimates relate to fair values of investments, reserves for life, health and annuity contracts, and pension and other retirement benefit liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The significant accounting practices used in preparation of the statutory-basis financial statements are summarized as follows:



**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED**

***Investments***

***Bonds:*** Bonds are generally carried at amortized cost, depending on the nature of the security and as prescribed by National Association of Insurance Commissioners (“NAIC”) guidelines. Discounts or premiums on bonds are amortized over the term of the securities using the modified scientific method. Discounts or premiums on loan-backed and structured securities are amortized over the term of the securities using the modified scientific method, adjusted to reflect anticipated pre-payment patterns. Interest income is recognized when earned.

Thrivent uses a mortgage dollar roll program to enhance the yield on the mortgage-backed security (“MBS”) portfolio. MBS dollar rolls are transactions whereby Thrivent sells an MBS to a counterparty and subsequently enters into a commitment to purchase another security at a later date. Thrivent’s mortgage dollar roll program generally includes a series of MBS dollar rolls extending for more than a year. Thrivent had \$721 million and \$252 million in the mortgage dollar roll program as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

***Stocks:*** Preferred stocks are generally carried at amortized cost. Common stocks of unaffiliated companies are stated at fair value. Common stocks of unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates are carried at the stock’s prescribed equity basis. Investments in affiliated mutual funds are carried at net asset value (“NAV”).

***Mortgage Loans:*** Mortgage loans are generally carried at unpaid principal balances less valuation adjustments. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance using the loan’s contractual interest rate. Discounts or premiums are amortized over the term of the loans using the effective interest method. Interest income and amortization of premiums and discounts are recorded as a component of net investment income along with prepayment fees and mortgage loan fees.

***Real Estate:*** Home office real estate is valued at original cost, plus capital expenditures less accumulated depreciation and encumbrances. Depreciation expense is determined using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the properties. Real estate expected to be disposed is carried at the lower of cost or fair value, less estimated costs to sell.

***Cash, Cash equivalents and Short-term Investments:*** Cash and cash equivalents include demand deposits, highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less and investments in money market mutual funds. Demand deposits and highly liquid investments are carried at amortized cost while investments in money market mutual funds are carried at fair value. Short-term investments have contractual maturities of one year or less at the time of acquisition. Included in short-term investments are commercial paper and agency notes, which are carried at amortized cost.

***Contract Loans:*** Contract loans are generally carried at the loans’ aggregate unpaid balances. Contract loans are collateralized by the cash surrender value of the associated insurance contracts.

***Limited Partnerships:*** Limited partnerships consist primarily of equity limited partnerships, which are valued on the underlying audited U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) equity of the investee. Income is recognized on distributions received that are not in excess of undistributed earnings.

***Other Invested Assets:*** Other invested assets include derivative instruments, real estate joint ventures and surplus notes. Derivatives are primarily carried at fair value. Real estate joint ventures are valued on the underlying audited equity of the investee. Surplus notes are carried at amortized cost.

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED**

Securities Lending: Securities loaned under Thrivent's securities lending agreement are carried in the Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus at amortized cost or fair value, depending on the nature of the security and as prescribed by NAIC guidelines. Thrivent generally receives cash collateral in an amount that is in excess of the market value of the securities loaned, and the cash collateral is invested in highly-liquid, highly-rated securities which are included in bonds and cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments on the Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus. A liability is also recognized for the amount of the collateral. Market values of securities loaned and corresponding collateral are monitored daily, and additional collateral is obtained as necessary. Thrivent requires a minimum level of collateral to be held for loaned securities.

Offsetting Assets and Liabilities: Thrivent presents securities lending agreements and derivatives on a gross basis in the statutory-basis financial statements.

Unrealized Investment Gains and Losses: Unrealized investment gains and losses include changes in fair value of bonds, unaffiliated stocks, affiliated common stocks, affiliated mutual funds, and other invested assets are reported as a direct increase or decrease to surplus.

Realized Capital Gains and Losses: Realized capital gains and losses on sales of investments are determined using the specific identification method for bonds and average cost method for stocks.

Thrivent's security portfolios are periodically reviewed, and those securities are evaluated where the current fair value is less than amortized cost for indicators that show the decline in value is other-than-temporary. The review includes an evaluation of each security issuer's creditworthiness, such as the ability to generate operating cash flow while remaining current on all debt obligations, and any changes in credit ratings from third party agencies. Other factors include, the severity and duration of the impairment, Thrivent's ability to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the debt security, and Thrivent's ability and intent to hold the security for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in the market.

The potential need to sell securities in an unrealized loss position which have no other indications of other-than-temporary impairment is evaluated based on the current market environment, near-term and long-term asset liability management strategies and target allocation strategies for various asset classes. Generally, Thrivent has the ability and intent to hold securities in an unrealized loss position for a period of time sufficient for the security to recover in value. Investments that are determined to be other-than-temporarily impaired are written down, primarily to fair value, and the write-down is included in realized capital gains and losses in the Statutory-Basis Statements of Operations. If, in response to changed conditions in the capital markets, Thrivent decides to sell a security in an unrealized loss position, a realized loss is recognized in the period that the decision is made to sell that security.

Certain realized capital gains and losses on bonds sold prior to maturity are transferred to the interest maintenance reserve.

Interest Maintenance Reserve: Thrivent is required by the NAIC to maintain an interest maintenance reserve ("IMR"). The IMR is primarily used to defer certain realized capital gains and losses on fixed income investments. Net realized capital gains and losses deferred to IMR are amortized into investment income over the estimated remaining term to maturity of the investment sold.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments: In estimating the fair values for financial instruments, the amount of observable and unobservable inputs used to determine fair value is taken into consideration. Each of the financial instruments has been classified into one of three categories based on the evaluation. A Level 1 financial instrument is valued using quoted prices for identical assets in active markets that are accessible. A Level 2 financial instrument is valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets that are accessible, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, or model-derived valuations where the significant value driver inputs are observable. A Level 3 financial instrument is valued using significant value driver inputs that are unobservable.

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED**

***Separate Accounts***

Separate account assets and liabilities reported in the accompanying Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus represent funds that are separately administered for variable annuity and variable life contracts, for which the contractholder, rather than Thrivent, bears the investment risk. Fees charged on separate account contractholder account value, include mortality and expense charges, rider fees, and advisor fees and are recognized when due. Separate account assets, which consist of investment funds, are carried at fair value based on published market prices. Separate account liability values are not guaranteed to the contractholder; however, general account reserves include provisions for the guaranteed minimum death and living benefits contained in the contracts. Reserve assumptions for these benefits are discussed in the Aggregate Reserves for Life, Annuity and Health Contracts section.

***Aggregate Reserves for Life, Annuity and Health Contracts***

Reserves for life insurance contracts are calculated using primarily the Commissioners' Reserve Valuation Method generally based upon the 1941, 1958, 1980, 2001, and 2017 Commissioners' Standard Ordinary and American Experience Mortality Tables with assumed interest rates ranging from 2.5% to 5.5%. Reserves on Contracts issued on a substandard basis are valued using the valuation mortality rates for the substandard rating.

Reserves for fixed annuities, supplementary contracts with life contingencies and other benefits are computed using recognized and accepted mortality tables and methods, which equal or exceed the minimum reserves calculated under the Commissioners' Annuity Reserve Valuation Method. Fixed indexed annuity reserves are calculated according to the Black-Scholes Projection Method described in Actuarial Guideline 35. Reserves for variable annuities are computed using the methods and assumptions specified in Actuarial Guidelines 43 and VM-21, including assumptions for guaranteed minimum death benefits and living benefits.

Accident and health contract reserves are generally calculated using the two-year preliminary term, one-year preliminary term and the net level premium methods based upon various morbidity tables. In addition, for long-term care and disability income products, a premium deficiency reserve is held to the extent future premiums and current reserves are less than the value of future expected claim payments and expenses.

The reserve assumptions inherent in these approaches are designed to be sufficient to provide for all contractual benefits. Thrivent waives deduction of deferred fractional premiums upon the death of insureds and returns any portion of the final premium beyond the date of death. Surrender values are not promised in excess of the legally computed reserves.

During 2017, Thrivent Financial recorded an adjustment to its reserves for life contracts totaling \$84 million. The adjustment corrected an overstatement of the reserve connected with waivers on the Term Life products.

***Deposit Liabilities***

Deposit liabilities have been established on certain annuity and supplemental contracts that do not subject Thrivent to mortality and morbidity risk. Changes in future benefits on these deposit-type contracts are classified as deposit-type transactions and thereby excluded from net additions to contract reserves.

***Contract Claims Liabilities***

Claim liabilities are established in amounts estimated to cover incurred claims. These liabilities are based on individual case estimates for reported claims and estimates of unreported claims based on past experience.

***Asset Valuation Reserve***

Thrivent is required to maintain an asset valuation reserve ("AVR"), which is a liability calculated using a formula prescribed by the NAIC. The AVR is a general provision for future potential losses in the value of investments, unrelated to changes in interest rates. Increases or decreases in the AVR are reported as direct adjustments to surplus in the Statutory-Basis Statements of Surplus.

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED**

***Premiums and Considerations***

Traditional life insurance premiums are recognized as revenue when due. Variable life, universal life, annuity premiums and considerations of supplemental contracts with life contingencies are recognized when received. Health insurance premiums are earned pro rata over the terms of the policies.

***Fraternal Benefits and Expenses***

Fraternal benefits and expenses include all fraternal activities and expenses incurred to provide or administer fraternal benefits and expenses related to Thrivent's fraternal character. This includes items such as benevolences to help meet the needs of people, educational benefits to raise community and family awareness of issues, church grants and costs necessary to maintain Thrivent's fraternal branch system. Thrivent conducts fraternal activities primarily through a lodge system where members participate in locally sponsored fraternal activities.

***Dividends to Members***

Thrivent's insurance products are participating in nature. Dividends on these policies to be paid to members in the subsequent 12 months are reflected in the Statutory-Basis Statements of Operations for the current year. The majority of life insurance contracts receive dividends. Dividends are not currently being paid on most health insurance and annuity contracts. Dividend scales are approved annually by Thrivent's Board of Directors.

***Income Taxes***

Thrivent, as a fraternal benefit society, qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, income earned by Thrivent is generally exempt from taxation; therefore, no provision for income taxes has been recorded. Income tax expense (benefit) of less than \$1 million, (\$1) million, and \$3 million are related to the operations of Thrivent Life prior to dissolution and are included in the Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively. As part of the dissolution, Thrivent Life's deferred tax asset and related non-admitted assets were released and reduced surplus by \$4 million.

***New Accounting Guidance***

In 2019, Thrivent adopted changes to SSAP No. 51R (*Life Contracts*), SSAP No. 52 (*Deposit-Type Contracts*) and SSAP No. 61R (*Life, Deposit-Type and Accident and Health Reinsurance*), which expands the variable annuity disclosures and adds life liquidity disclosures in Note 3. The new guidance is applied prospectively and did not have a material impact to Thrivent's financial statements.

In 2019, Thrivent adopted changes to SSAP No. 92 (*Postretirement Plans Other Than Pensions*) and SSAP No. 102 (*Pensions*) to improve the effectiveness of disclosures related to benefit plans in Note 9. The new guidance is applied retrospectively and did not have a material impact on Thrivent's financial statements.

In 2019, Thrivent adopted changes to SSAP No. 103R (*Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities*), which reduces the disclosure requirements related to repurchase and reverse repurchase transactions. This clarifies that only wash sales that cross a reporting period are to be included in Note 2. In 2018, Thrivent adopted changes to SSAP No. 103R, which clarified that wash sales were to be included for the period in which the securities were sold. The new guidance is applied prospectively and did not have a material impact to Thrivent's financial statements.

In 2019, Thrivent adopted changes to SSAP No.43R (*Loan-Backed and Structured Securities*) which removed disclosures on structured notes in Note 2.

**Subsequent Events**

Thrivent evaluated events or transactions that may have occurred after the Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus date for potential recognition or disclosure through February 13, 2020, the date the statutory-basis financial statements were available to be issued. There were no subsequent events or transactions which required recognition or disclosure.

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**2. INVESTMENTS**

**Bonds**

The admitted value and fair value of Thrivent's investment in bonds are summarized below (in millions):

	Admitted	Gross Unrealized		Fair
	Value	Gains	Losses	Value
<b>December 31, 2019</b>				
U.S. government and agency securities	\$ 2,235	\$ 114	\$ 2	\$ 2,347
U.S. state and political subdivision securities	104	46	-	150
Securities issued by foreign governments	99	5	-	104
Corporate debt securities	34,041	3,195	66	37,170
Residential mortgage-backed securities	7,218	118	14	7,322
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	2,217	71	2	2,286
Collateralized debt obligations	3	11	-	14
Other debt obligations	489	12	2	499
Affiliated Bonds	132	1	-	133
Total bonds	<u>\$ 46,538</u>	<u>\$ 3,573</u>	<u>\$ 86</u>	<u>\$ 50,025</u>
<b>December 31, 2018</b>				
U.S. government and agency securities	\$ 1,704	\$ 41	\$ 14	\$ 1,731
U.S. state and political subdivision securities	105	34	-	139
Securities issued by foreign governments	113	3	1	115
Corporate debt securities	33,543	1,004	967	33,580
Residential mortgage-backed securities	7,365	28	158	7,235
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	2,187	8	43	2,152
Collateralized debt obligations	3	11	-	14
Other debt obligations	486	2	9	479
Affiliated Bonds	24	-	-	24
Total bonds	<u>\$ 45,530</u>	<u>\$ 1,131</u>	<u>\$ 1,192</u>	<u>\$ 45,469</u>

The admitted value of corporate debt securities issued in foreign currencies was \$584 million and \$546 million as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The admitted value and fair value of bonds, short-term investments and certain cash equivalents by contractual maturity are shown below (in millions). Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

	Admitted Value	Fair Value
<b>December 31, 2019</b>		
Due in 1 year or less	\$ 3,169	\$ 3,383
Due after 1 year through 5 years	10,463	10,848
Due after 5 years through 10 years	14,528	15,401
Due after 10 years through 20 years	7,217	8,383
Due after 20 years	12,963	13,995
Total	<u>\$ 48,340</u>	<u>\$ 52,010</u>

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**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

The following table shows the fair value and gross unrealized losses aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual bonds have been in a continuous unrealized loss position (dollars in millions).

	Less than 12 Months			12 Months or More		
	Number of Securities	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Number of Securities	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses
<b>December 31, 2019</b>						
U.S. government and agency securities	4	\$ 223	\$ 1	1	\$ 9	\$ -
Securities issued by foreign governments	1	12	-	-	-	-
Corporate debt securities	127	1,124	37	70	601	29
Residential mortgage-backed securities	41	979	5	43	609	9
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	18	246	2	13	93	1
Collateralized debt obligations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other debt obligations	20	79	1	12	26	1
Total bonds	211	\$ 2,663	\$ 46	139	\$ 1,338	\$ 40
<b>December 31, 2018</b>						
U.S. government and agency securities	23	\$ 565	\$ 7	16	\$ 246	\$ 7
Securities issued by foreign governments	4	6	-	2	24	1
Corporate debt securities	2,693	16,708	748	526	2,802	219
Residential mortgage-backed securities	140	3,223	66	125	2,267	92
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	100	989	18	65	553	26
Collateralized debt obligations	-	-	-	2	-	-
Other debt obligations	75	253	6	34	125	2
Total bonds	3,035	\$ 21,744	\$ 845	770	\$ 6,017	\$ 347

Based on Thrivent's current evaluation in accordance with Thrivent's impairment policy, a determination was made that the declines in the securities summarized above are temporary in nature and Thrivent has the ability and intent to hold securities in an unrealized loss position for a period of time sufficient for the security to recover in value.

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**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Stocks**

The cost and fair value of Thrivent's investment in stocks as of December 31 are presented below (in millions).

	2019	2018
Unaffiliated Preferred Stocks:		
Cost/statement value	\$ 318	\$ 207
Gross unrealized gains <sup>(4)</sup>	34	8
Gross unrealized losses <sup>(4)</sup>	(1)	(7)
Fair value <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 351	\$ 208
Unaffiliated Common Stocks:		
Cost	\$ 1,389	\$ 1,372
Gross unrealized gains	370	177
Gross unrealized losses	(22)	(105)
Fair value/statement value	\$ 1,737	\$ 1,444
Affiliated Common Stocks:		
Cost	\$ 90	\$ 134
Gross unrealized gains	64	79
Gross unrealized losses	(3)	(33)
Fair value/statement value	\$ 151	\$ 180
Affiliated Mutual Funds:		
Cost	\$ 308	\$ 426
Gross unrealized gains	21	3
Gross unrealized losses	-	(37)
Fair value/statement value	\$ 329	\$ 392
<b>Total statement value</b>	<b>\$ 2,535</b>	<b>\$ 2,223</b>

<sup>(4)</sup> 2018 amounts have been corrected. Gross unrealized gains were reduced by \$111 million and gross unrealized losses were increased by \$2 million.

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Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Mortgage Loans**

Thrivent invests in mortgage loans that principally involve commercial real estate consisting of first mortgage liens on completed income-producing properties. The carrying value of mortgage loans as of December 31, 2019 and 2018 was \$10 billion and \$9 billion, respectively. There was no allowance for credit losses as of December 31, 2019 or 2018.

Thrivent requires that all properties subject to mortgage loans have fire insurance at least equal to the value of the property.

The carrying values of mortgage loans by credit quality as of December 31 are presented below where restructured loans, in good standing, represent loans with reduced principal or interest rates below market (dollars in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
In good standing	\$ 9,486	\$ 8,975
Restructured loans, in good standing	20	23
Delinquent	-	1
In process of foreclosure	-	-
Total mortgage loans	<u>\$ 9,506</u>	<u>\$ 8,999</u>
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Loans with Interest Rates Reduced During the Year:		
Weighted average interest rate reduction	0.8%	0.6%
Total principal	\$ 36	\$ 9
Number of loans	34	16
Interest Rates for Loans Issued During the Year:		
Maximum	6.0%	5.9%
Minimum	2.9%	2.7%
Maximum loan-to-value ratio for loans issued during the year, exclusive of purchase money mortgages	74%	80%

The age analysis of mortgage loans as of December 31 are presented below (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Current	\$ 9,501	\$ 8,995
30 – 59 days past due	5	2
60 – 89 days past due	-	1
90 – 179 days past due	-	-
180+ days past due	-	1
Total mortgage loans	<u>\$ 9,506</u>	<u>\$ 8,999</u>
180+ Days Past Due and Accruing Interest:		
Investment	\$ -	\$ 1
Interest accrued	-	-
90 -179 Days Past Due and Accruing Interest:		
Investment	\$ -	-
Interest accrued	-	-



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**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

The distribution of Thrivent's mortgage loans among various geographic regions of the United States as of December 31 are presented below:

	2019	2018
Geographic Region:		
Pacific	29%	27%
South Atlantic	19	19
East North Central	8	9
West North Central	13	14
Mountain	10	11
Mid-Atlantic	8	8
West South Central	8	7
Other	5	5
Total	100%	100%

The distribution of Thrivent's mortgage loans among various property types as of December 31 are presented below:

	2019	2018
Property Type:		
Industrial	23%	25%
Retail	22	23
Office	17	17
Church	10	10
Apartments	20	17
Other	8	8
Total	100%	100%

***Impaired loans***

A loan is determined to be impaired when considered probable that the principal and interest will not be collected according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. At December 31, 2019, Thrivent held impaired loans with a carrying value of \$9 million and an unpaid principal balance of \$9 million for which there was no related allowance for credit losses recorded. At December 31, 2018, Thrivent held impaired loans with a carrying value of \$9 million and an unpaid principal balance of \$11 million for which there was no related allowance for credit losses recorded.

Any payments received on impaired loans are either applied against the principal or reported as net investment income, based on an assessment as to the collectability of the principal. Interest income on impaired loans is recognized upon receipt.

After loans become 180 days delinquent on principal or interest payments, or if the loans have been determined to be impaired, any accrued but uncollectible interest on the mortgage loans is non-admitted and charged to surplus in the period in which the loans are determined to be impaired. Generally, only after the loans become less than 180 days delinquent from the contractual due date will accrued interest be returned to admitted status. The amount of impairments included in realized capital losses due to debt restructuring was less than \$1 million for all three years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017. The average recorded investment in impaired mortgage loans was \$4 million held on December 31, 2019 and 2018. Interest income recognized on impaired mortgage loans was less than \$1 million for all three years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017.

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**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

In certain circumstances, Thrivent may modify the terms of a loan to maximize the collection of amounts due. During the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, Thrivent modified no loans under these circumstances.

As of both December 31, 2019 and 2018, Thrivent held 2 mortgage loans totaling \$9 million, where loan modifications had occurred. During the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, there were no modified mortgage loans with a payment default.

During the years ended December 31, 2019 no mortgage loan that was derecognized as a result of foreclosure. In 2018, there was one mortgage loan that was derecognized as a result of foreclosure in the amount of \$2 million.

**Real Estate**

The components of real estate investments as of December 31 were as follows (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Home office properties	\$ 226	\$ 143
Held-for-sale	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
Total before accumulated depreciation	232	149
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(89)</u>	<u>(84)</u>
Total real estate	<u>\$ 143</u>	<u>\$ 65</u>

In August 2018, Thrivent sold a corporate home office property for a cash payment of \$55 million. In conjunction with the sale, Thrivent entered into an agreement with the purchaser to lease the property for a 30-month term lease. A \$48 million gain on the sale of the property has been deferred and is reported in other surplus funds and will be recognized over the term of the lease.

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**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Derivative Financial Instruments**

Thrivent uses derivative financial instruments in the normal course of business to manage investment risks, to reduce interest rate and duration imbalances determined in asset/liability analyses and to offset risks associated with the guaranteed living benefits features of certain variable annuity products.

The following table summarizes the carrying values, which primarily equal fair values, included in other invested assets or other liabilities on the Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus, and the notional amounts of Thrivent's derivative financial instruments (in millions):

	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Notional Amount</u>	<u>Realized Gain/(Loss)</u>
<b>As of and for the year ended December 31, 2019</b>			
Assets:			
Call spread options	\$ 91	\$ 733	\$ 11
Futures	-	461	(90)
Foreign currency swaps	29	390	8
Interest rate swaps	-	-	1
Covered written call options	-	-	-
Total assets	<u>\$ 120</u>	<u>\$ 1,584</u>	<u>\$ (70)</u>
Liabilities:			
Call spread options	\$ (67)	\$ 765	\$ (7)
Foreign currency swaps	(10)	202	3
Covered written call options	-	-	2
Total liabilities	<u>\$ (77)</u>	<u>\$ 967</u>	<u>\$ (2)</u>
<b>As of and for the year ended December 31, 2018</b>			
Assets:			
Call spread options	\$ 4	\$ 545	\$ 20
Futures	-	990	(9)
Foreign currency swaps	25	258	2
Interest rate swaps	-	-	-
Covered written call options	-	-	2
Total assets	<u>\$ 29</u>	<u>\$ 1,793</u>	<u>\$ 15</u>
Liabilities:			
Call spread options	\$ (2)	\$ 569	\$ (16)
Foreign currency swaps	(17)	305	6
Covered written call options	-	-	-
Total liabilities	<u>\$ (19)</u>	<u>\$ 874</u>	<u>\$ (10)</u>

All gains and losses on derivatives are reflected in realized capital gains and losses in the statutory-basis financial statements except foreign currency swaps which are reflected in net investment income. Notional amounts do not represent amounts exchanged by the parties and therefore are not a measure of Thrivent's exposure. The amounts exchanged are calculated based on the notional amounts and the other terms of the instruments, such as interest rates, exchange rates, security prices or financial and other indices.

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**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

***Call Spread Options***

Thrivent uses over-the-counter S&P 500 index call spread options (i.e. buying call options and selling cap call options) to manage risks associated with fixed indexed annuities. Purchased call spread options are reported at fair value in other invested assets and written call spread options are reported at fair value in other liabilities. The changes in the fair value of the call spread options are recorded in unrealized gains and losses.

***Covered Written Call Options***

Thrivent sells covered written call option contracts to enhance the return on residential mortgage-backed “to be announced” collateral that Thrivent owns. The premium received for these call options is recorded in other liabilities at book value at each reporting period. All positions in these contracts are settled at month end. Upon disposition of the options, the gains are recorded as a component of realized capital gains and losses. During the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, \$8 million, \$3 million and \$8 million, respectively, was received in call premium.

***Futures***

Thrivent utilizes futures contracts to manage a portion of the risks associated with the guaranteed minimum accumulation benefit feature of variable annuity products and to manage foreign equity risk. Cash paid for the futures contracts is recorded in other invested assets. The futures contracts are valued at fair value at each reporting period. The daily change in fair value from the contracts variation margin is recognized in unrealized gains and losses until the contract is closed and/or otherwise expired. Realized gains and losses are recognized when the contract is closed and/or otherwise expired.

***Foreign Currency Swaps***

Thrivent utilizes foreign currency swaps to manage the risk associated with changes in the exchange rate of foreign currency to U.S. dollar payments for foreign denominated bonds. The swaps are reported at fair value with the change in the fair value recognized in unrealized gains and losses. Realized gains and losses are recognized upon settlement of the swap. No cash is exchanged at the outset of the swaps, and interest payments received are recorded as a component of net investment income.

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Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Securities Lending**

Elements of the securities lending program as of December 31 are presented below (in millions).

	2019	2018
Loaned Securities:		
Carrying value	\$ 467	\$ 261
Fair value	470	245
Cash Collateral Reinvested:		
Open	\$ 209	\$ 62
30 days or less	147	88
31 - 60 days	53	25
61 - 90 days	11	9
91 - 120 days	9	5
121 - 180 days	2	11
181 - 365 days	33	10
1 - 2 years	15	33
2 - 3 years	-	1
Greater than 3 years	5	7
Total	\$ 484	\$ 251
Cash collateral liabilities	\$ 479	\$ 251

The maturity dates of the cash collateral liabilities generally match the maturity dates of the invested assets.

**Wash Sales**

In the normal course of Thrivent's investment management activities, securities are periodically sold and repurchased within 30 days of the sale date to enhance total return on the investment portfolio. At December 31, 2019, Thrivent sold 81 non-investment grade securities with a book value totaling \$19 million where the cost to repurchase within 30 days totaled \$24 million. The net gain for securities sold and later repurchased totaled \$4 million. During 2018, Thrivent sold 223 non-investment grade securities with a book value totaling \$115 million where the cost to repurchase within 30 days totaled \$143 million. The net gain for securities sold and later repurchased totaled \$31 million.

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Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Reverse Repurchase Agreements**

During 2019, Thrivent entered into a tri-party reverse repurchase agreement (“repo”) to purchase and resell short-term securities. The securities are classified as a NAIC 1 designation and the maturity of the securities is 3 months to 1 year with a carrying value and fair value of less than \$1 million. Thrivent is not permitted to sell or repledge these securities. The purchased securities are included in cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments in the accompany Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus. Thrivent received cash as collateral, having a fair value at least equal to 102% of the purchase price paid for the securities and Thrivent’s designated custodian takes possession of the collateral. The collateral is not recorded in Thrivent’s financial statements.

The fair value of the securities for the repo transactions accounted for each reporting period of 2019 are presented below (in millions):

	Maximum	Ending Balance
Bonds:		
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter	\$ -	\$ -
2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter	20	20
3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter	20	20
4 <sup>th</sup> quarter	109	-

The fair value of the cash collateral under the repo borrowing transactions for each reporting period of 2019 by remaining contractual maturity are presented below (in millions):

	Maximum	Ending Balance
Overnight and Continuous:		
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter	\$ -	\$ -
2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter	27	27
3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter	27	27
4 <sup>th</sup> quarter	103	-

**Pledged and Restricted Assets**

Thrivent owns assets which are pledged to others as collateral or are otherwise restricted totaling \$530 million and \$320 million at December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Total pledged and restricted assets, which primarily include collateral held under futures transactions, securities lending agreements, and reverse repurchase agreements are less than 1% of total admitted assets. Securities on deposit with state insurance departments were \$3 million and \$6 million for at December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

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**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Collateral Received**

Elements of reinvested collateral received in the securities lending program as of December 31 are presented below (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Bonds:		
Carrying value	\$ 53	\$ 47
Fair value	53	47
Short-term Investments:		
Carrying value	\$ 39	\$ 62
Fair value	39	62
Cash Equivalents:		
Carrying value	\$ 392	\$ 134
Fair value	392	134
Common Stocks:		
Carrying value	\$ -	\$ 8
Fair Value	-	8

All collateral received is less than 1% of total admitted assets.

**Net Investment Income**

Investment income by type of investment for the years ended December 31 is presented below (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Bonds	\$ 1,818	\$ 1,827	\$ 1,825
Preferred stock	15	11	7
Unaffiliated common stocks	29	28	21
Affiliated common stocks	60	24	11
Mortgage loans	433	392	391
Real estate	14	23	24
Contract loans	86	85	81
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	52	33	21
Limited partnerships	584	410	450
Other invested assets	17	22	16
	<u>3,108</u>	<u>2,855</u>	<u>2,848</u>
Investment expenses	(53)	(51)	(48)
Depreciation on real estate	(5)	(6)	(6)
Net investment income	<u>\$ 3,050</u>	<u>\$ 2,798</u>	<u>\$ 2,794</u>

Net investment income includes bonds sold or redeemed with a callable feature. During 2019, there were 118 securities with callable features sold or redeemed totaling \$25 million and during 2018, there were 84 securities with callable features sold or redeemed totaling \$20 million included in net investment income.

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Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**2. INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Realized Capital Gains and Losses**

Realized capital gains and losses for the years ended December 31 is presented below (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Net Gains (Losses) on Sales:			
Bonds:			
Gross gains	\$ 209	\$ 198	\$ 228
Gross losses	(89)	(59)	(42)
Stocks:			
Gross gains	174	201	143
Gross losses	(60)	(47)	(31)
Futures	(90)	(9)	(41)
Other	8	17	31
Net gains (losses) on sales	<u>152</u>	<u>301</u>	<u>288</u>
Provisions for Losses:			
Bonds	(15)	(18)	(10)
Stocks	-	-	-
Other	19	5	-
Total provisions for losses	<u>4</u>	<u>(13)</u>	<u>(10)</u>
Realized capital gains (losses)	156	288	278
Transfers to interest maintenance reserve	(132)	(142)	(205)
Realized capital gains (losses), net	<u>\$ 24</u>	<u>\$ 146</u>	<u>\$ 73</u>

Proceeds from the sale of investments in bonds, net of mortgage dollar roll transactions, were \$10 billion, \$7 billion and \$7 billion for the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Thrivent recognized other-than-temporary impairments during the year ended December 31, 2019 on the following loan-backed and structured securities where the present value of cash flows expected to be collected was less than the amortized cost basis of the security (in millions):

<u>CUSIP</u>	<u>Book Value Before Impairment</u>	<u>Impairment Recognized</u>	<u>Amortized Cost After Impairment</u>	<u>Fair Value as of Date Impaired</u>
02660YAX0	\$ 2	\$ -	\$ 2	\$ 2
16165TAE3	7	-	7	7
40431KAD2	4	-	4	4
45660LST7	3	-	3	3
Total	<u>\$ 16</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 16</u>	<u>\$ 16</u>



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**3. POLICYHOLDER LIABILITIES**

Many of the contracts issued by Thrivent, primarily annuities, do not subject Thrivent to mortality or morbidity risk. These contracts may have certain limitations placed upon the amount of funds that can be withdrawn without penalties. The following table summarizes liabilities by withdrawal characteristics of individual annuities (dollars in millions):

	General Account	Separate Account with Guarantees	Separate Account Nonguaranteed	Total	% of Total
<b>December 31, 2019</b>					
Subject to Discretionary Withdrawal:					
With market value adjustment	\$ -	\$ 202	\$ -	\$ 202	1%
At book value less a surrender charge of 5% or more	1,984	-	-	1,984	4
At fair value	-	-	32,079	32,079	63
Total with market value adjustment or at fair value (total of 1 through 3)	1,984	-	32,079	34,265	68%
At book value without adjustment	14,888	-	-	14,888	29
Not subject to discretionary withdrawal	1,552	-	48	1,600	3
Total (gross)	18,424	202	32,127	50,753	100
Total (net)	<u>\$ 18,424</u>	<u>\$ 202</u>	<u>\$ 32,127</u>	<u>\$ 50,753</u>	<u>100%</u>
Amount to Move in Subject to Discretionary Withdrawal in the Year After the Statement Date:					
	\$ 339	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>December 31, 2018</b>					
Subject to Discretionary Withdrawal:					
With market value adjustment	\$ -	\$ 248	\$ -	\$ 248	1%
At book value less a surrender charge of 5% or more	5,238	-	-	5,238	10
At fair value	-	-	27,768	27,768	56
At book value without adjustment	15,032	-	-	15,032	30
Not subject to discretionary withdrawal	1,553	-	68	1,621	3
Total	<u>\$ 21,823</u>	<u>\$ 248</u>	<u>\$ 27,836</u>	<u>\$ 49,907</u>	<u>100%</u>

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**3. POLICYHOLDER LIABILITIES, CONTINUED**

The following table summarizes liabilities by withdrawal characteristics of deposit type contracts with no life contingencies (dollars in millions):

	General Account	Separate Account with Guarantees	Separate Account Nonguaranteed	Total	% of Total
<b>December 31, 2019</b>					
Subject to Discretionary Withdrawal:					
At book value less a surrender charge of 5% or more	\$ 3,517	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,517	89%
Total with market value adjustment or at fair value (total of 1 through 3)	3,517	-	-	3,517	89%
At book value without adjustment	346	-	-	346	9
Not subject to discretionary withdrawal	59	-	26	85	2
Total (gross)	3,922	-	26	3,948	100
Total (net)	<u>\$ 3,922</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26</u>	<u>\$ 3,948</u>	<u>100%</u>

The following table summarizes the analysis of life actuarial reserves by withdrawal characteristics (dollars in millions):

	General Account			Separate Account Nonguaranteed		
	Account Value	Cash Value	Reserve	Account Value	Cash Value	Reserve
<b>December 31, 2019</b>						
Subject to Discretionary Withdrawal, Surrender Values, or Policy Loans:						
Universal life	\$ 10,279	\$ 10,268	\$ 10,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Universal life with secondary guarantees	1,168	1,029	1,248	796	712	732
Other permanent cash value life insurance	-	6,710	12,175	-	-	-
Variable universal life	43	43	55	797	795	807
Miscellaneous reserves	-	-	2	-	-	-
Not Subject to Discretionary Withdrawals or No Cash Values:						
Term policies without cash value	XXX	XXX	1,010	XXX	XXX	-
Accidental death benefits	XXX	XXX	16	XXX	XXX	-
Disability death benefits	XXX	XXX	-	XXX	XXX	-
Disability – active lives	XXX	XXX	126	XXX	XXX	-
Disability – disable lives	XXX	XXX	371	XXX	XXX	-
Miscellaneous reserves	XXX	XXX	-	XXX	XXX	-
Total	<u>\$ 11,490</u>	<u>\$ 18,050</u>	<u>\$ 25,303</u>	<u>\$ 1,593</u>	<u>\$ 1,507</u>	<u>\$ 1,539</u>
Reinsurance ceded	527	544	826	-	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 10,963</u>	<u>\$ 17,506</u>	<u>\$ 24,477</u>	<u>\$ 1,593</u>	<u>\$ 1,507</u>	<u>\$ 1,539</u>

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**3. POLICYHOLDER LIABILITIES, CONTINUED**

The above policyholder liabilities are recorded as components of the following captions of the Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus as of December 31 (in millions):

	2019	2018
Aggregate reserves for life, annuity and health contracts	\$ 18,425	\$ 18,132
Deposit liabilities	3,922	3,691
Liabilities related to separate accounts	32,354	28,084
Total	\$ 54,701	\$ 49,907

Thrivent calculates premium deficiency reserves (PDR) on Thrivent's closed block of long-term care insurance policies. The PDR was \$0 and \$133 million as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. During 2018, Thrivent updated the claim incidence, claim termination, disabled life mortality, expense, and net earned rate assumptions used in the determination of the PDR. Additional updates to those same assumptions (plus claim utilization) were made in 2019 as Thrivent moved from an aggregate care model to an initial site-of-care model. These updated assumptions, along with the natural decline in the reserve as new premium sufficient LTC contracts sold replace older premium deficient LTC contracts, were the primary drivers of the \$133 million and \$434 million decrease in PDR for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Thrivent has insurance in force as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, totaling \$18 billion and \$17 billion, respectively, where the gross premiums are less than the net premiums according to the standard valuation requirements set by the State of Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance. Reserves associated with these policies as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, totaled \$59 million and \$64 million, respectively.

Deferred and uncollected life insurance premiums and annuity considerations were as follows (in millions):

	Gross	Net of Loading
<b>December 31, 2019</b>		
Ordinary new business	\$ 12	\$ 7
Ordinary renewal	49	99
Total	\$ 61	\$ 106
<b>December 31, 2018</b>		
Ordinary new business	\$ 12	\$ 8
Ordinary renewal	45	99
Total	\$ 57	\$ 107

**4. SEPARATE ACCOUNTS**

Thrivent administers and invests funds segregated into separate accounts for the exclusive benefit of variable annuity, variable immediate annuity and variable universal life contractholders. Variable life and variable annuity separate accounts of Thrivent are non-guaranteed, while Thrivent's multi-year guarantee separate account is a non-indexed guarantee account. Within the non-guaranteed separate account, all variable deferred annuity contracts contain guaranteed death benefits and some contain guaranteed living benefits. The following table presents the explicit risk charges paid by separate account contract holders for these guarantees and the amounts paid for guaranteed death benefits for the years ended December 31 (in millions):

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Risk charge paid	\$ 104	\$ 108	\$ 107	\$ 99	\$ 99
Payments for guaranteed benefits	5	4	4	6	5

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**4. SEPARATE ACCOUNTS, CONTINUED**

The distribution of investments in the separate account assets as of December 31 were as follows:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Equity funds	63%	61%
Bond funds	26	20
Balanced funds	9	17
Other	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Total separate account assets	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

The following tables summarize information for the separate accounts (in millions):

	<u>Non-Indexed Guarantee</u>	<u>Non- Guaranteed</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>December 31, 2019</b>			
Reserves:			
For accounts with assets at fair value	<u>\$ 202</u>	<u>\$ 33,692</u>	<u>\$ 33,894</u>
By Withdrawal Characteristics:			
Subject to Discretionary Withdrawal:			
With market value adjustment	\$ 202	\$ -	\$ 202
At fair value	-	33,618	33,618
Not subject to discretionary withdrawal	-	74	74
Total	<u>\$ 202</u>	<u>\$ 33,692</u>	<u>\$ 33,894</u>

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Reserves:			
For accounts with assets at fair value	<u>\$ 248</u>	<u>\$ 29,072</u>	<u>\$ 29,320</u>
By Withdrawal Characteristics:			
Subject to Discretionary Withdrawal:			
With market value adjustment	\$ 248	\$ -	\$ 248
At fair value	-	29,004	29,004
Not subject to discretionary withdrawal	-	68	68
Total	<u>\$ 248</u>	<u>\$ 29,072</u>	<u>\$ 29,320</u>

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Premiums, Considerations and Deposits:			
Non-indexed guarantee	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ 1
Non-guaranteed	1,712	1,774	1,843
Total	<u>\$ 1,712</u>	<u>\$ 1,775</u>	<u>\$ 1,844</u>

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Transfers to separate accounts	\$ 1,709	\$ 1,773	\$ 1,843
Transfers from separate accounts	(2,490)	(1,890)	(1,467)
Other items	(1)	1	(1)
Transfers to separate accounts, net	<u>\$ (782)</u>	<u>\$ (116)</u>	<u>\$ 375</u>

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**5. CLAIMS LIABILITIES**

Activity in the liabilities for accident and health, long-term care and disability benefits, included in aggregate reserves for life, annuity, and health contracts and contract claims, as presented below (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Net balance at January 1		
Incurring Related to:	\$ 1,114	\$ 1,089
Current year	546	471
Prior years	<u>(40)</u>	<u>(52)</u>
Total incurred	506	419
Paid Related to:		
Current year	122	104
Prior years	<u>295</u>	<u>290</u>
Total paid	<u>417</u>	<u>394</u>
Net balance at December 31	<u>\$ 1,203</u>	<u>\$ 1,114</u>

Thrivent uses estimates for determining the liability for accident and health, long-term care and disability benefits, which are based on historical claim payment patterns, and attempts to provide for potential adverse changes in claim patterns and severity. Thrivent annually reviews the claim payment experience to evaluate the methodology and assumptions that are used in determining Thrivent's estimate of ultimate claims experience.

**6. REINSURANCE**

Thrivent participates in reinsurance in order to limit maximum losses and to diversify exposures. Life and accident and health reinsurance is accomplished through various plans of reinsurance, primarily coinsurance and yearly renewable term. Generally, Thrivent retains a maximum of \$3 million of single and \$3 million of joint life coverage for any single mortality risk.

Ceded balances would represent a liability of Thrivent in the event the reinsurers were unable to meet the obligations under the terms of the reinsurance agreements. Reinsurance contracts do not relieve an insurer from the contract's primary obligation to policyholders.

Reinsurance premiums, commissions, expense reimbursements, benefits and reserves related to reinsured long-duration contracts are accounted for over the life of the underlying reinsured contracts using assumptions consistent with those used to account for the underlying contracts. The cost of reinsurance related to short-duration contracts is accounted for over the reinsurance contract period. Amounts recoverable from reinsurers are estimated in a manner consistent with the claim liabilities and policy benefits associated with the reinsured policies.

Reinsurance amounts included in the Statutory-Basis Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31 were as follows (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Direct premiums	\$ 5,073	\$ 5,098	\$ 5,146
Reinsurance ceded	<u>(106)</u>	<u>(117)</u>	<u>(125)</u>
Net premiums	<u>\$ 4,967</u>	<u>\$ 4,981</u>	<u>\$ 5,021</u>
Reinsurance claims recovered	<u>\$ 81</u>	<u>\$ 60</u>	<u>\$ 65</u>

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**6. REINSURANCE, CONTINUED**

Aggregate reserves and contract claim liabilities in the Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus for the years ended December 31 were reduced by reinsurance ceded amounts as presented below (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Life insurance	\$ 826	\$ 801
Accident-and-health	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 826</u>	<u>\$ 801</u>

The financial condition of Thrivent's reinsurers and amounts recoverable are periodically reviewed in order to evaluate the financial strength of the companies supporting the recoverable balances. One reinsurer accounts for approximately 47% of the reinsurance recoverable as of December 31, 2019.

Thrivent has no covered policies where certain term life and universal life insurance policies (XXX/AXXX risks) are ceded in accordance with Actuarial Guideline 48 (Actuarial Opinion and Memorandum Requirements for the Reinsurance of Policies to be Valued Under Sections 6 and 7 of the NAIC Valuation of Life Insurance Policies Model Regulation).

**7. SURPLUS**

Thrivent is subject to certain risk-based capital ("RBC") requirements as specified by the NAIC. Under those requirements, the amount of surplus maintained by a fraternal benefit society is to be determined based on the various risk factors. Thrivent exceeds the RBC requirements as of December 31, 2019 and 2018.

Unassigned funds as of December 31 includes adjustments related to the following items (in millions):

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Unrealized gains and (losses)	\$ 557	\$ 293
Non-admitted assets	(130)	(110)
Separate account business	75	42
Asset valuation reserve	(1,836)	(1,387)

Thrivent also holds special surplus funds which include the deferred gain on the sale of the corporate home office property and a special surplus balance related to the separate accounts.

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## **8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The financial instruments of Thrivent have been classified, for disclosure purposes, into categories based on the evaluation of the amount of observable and unobservable inputs used to determine fair value.

### **Fair Value Descriptions**

#### ***Level 1 Financial Instruments***

Level 1 financial instruments reported at fair value include certain bonds, certain unaffiliated common stocks and certain cash equivalents. Bonds and unaffiliated common stocks are primarily valued using quoted prices in active markets. Cash equivalents consist of money market mutual funds whose fair value is based on the quoted daily net asset values of the invested funds.

Level 1 financial instruments not reported at fair value include certain bonds, which are priced based on quoted market prices, and include primarily U.S. Treasury bonds.

#### ***Level 2 Financial Instruments***

Level 2 financial instruments reported at fair value include certain unaffiliated common stocks and other invested assets. Unaffiliated common stocks and other invested assets, primarily derivatives, are valued based on market quotes where the financial instruments are not considered actively traded. The fair values for separate account assets are based on published daily net asset values of the funds in which the separate accounts are invested.

Level 2 financial instruments not reported at fair value includes certain bonds, unaffiliated preferred stocks, cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments, other invested assets, liabilities related to separate accounts and other liabilities.

Bonds not reported at fair value are priced using a third-party pricing vendor and include certain corporate debt securities and asset-backed securities. Pricing from a third-party pricing vendor varies by asset class but generally includes inputs such as estimated cash flows, benchmark yields, reported trades, issuer spreads, bids, offers, credit quality, industry events and economic events. If Thrivent is unable to obtain a price from a third-party pricing vendor, management may obtain broker quotes or utilize an internal pricing model specific to the asset. The internal pricing models apply practices that are standard among the industry and utilize observable market data.

Fair values of unaffiliated preferred stocks not reported at fair value are based on market quotes where these securities are not considered actively traded.

Cash and cash equivalents not reported at fair value consist of demand deposit and highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity date of three months or less. Short-term investments not reported at fair value consist of investments in commercial paper and agency notes with contractual maturities of one year or less at the time of acquisition. The carrying amounts for cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments approximate the fair values.

Other invested assets not reported at fair value include investments in surplus notes in which the fair values are based on quoted market prices.

The carrying amounts of liabilities related to separate accounts reflect the amounts in the separate account assets and approximate the fair values.

Other liabilities include certain derivatives. Derivative fair values are derived from broker quotes.

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## **8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, CONTINUED**

### ***Level 3 Financial Instruments***

Level 3 financial instruments reported at fair value include other invested assets, which consist of certain derivatives. The fair value is determined using independent broker quotes.

Level 3 financial instruments not reported at fair value include certain bonds, unaffiliated preferred stocks, mortgage loans, real estate, contract loans, limited partnerships, other invested assets, deferred annuities, other deposit contracts and other liabilities.

Level 3 bonds not reported at fair value include private placement debt securities and convertible bonds. Private placement debt securities are valued using internal pricing models specific to the assets using unobservable inputs such as issuer spreads, estimated cash flows, internal credit ratings and volatility adjustments. Market comparable discount rates ranging from 0% to 12% are used as the base rate in the discounted cash flows used to determine the fair value of certain assets. Increases or decreases in the credit spreads on the comparable assets could cause the fair value of assets to significantly decrease or increase, respectively. Additionally, Thrivent may adjust the base discount rate or the modeled price by applying an illiquidity premium of 25 basis points, given the highly structured nature of certain assets. Convertible bonds are valued using third party broker quotes to determine fair value.

Unaffiliated preferred stocks are valued using third-party broker quotes to determine fair value.

The fair values for mortgage loans are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses based on interest rates currently being offered for similar loans to borrowers with similar credit ratings. Loans with similar characteristics are aggregated for purposes of the calculations.

The fair value of real estate properties held-for-sale is based on current market price assessments, current purchase agreements or market appraisals.

The carrying amounts for contract loans approximate the fair values.

Limited partnerships include private equity investments. The fair values of private equity investments are estimated based on assumptions in the absence of observable market data. In determining fair value, the following valuation techniques are generally used: most recent capital balance adjusted for current cash flows; internal valuation methodologies designed for specific asset classes, primarily sponsor valuations or net asset value; discounted cash flow models; or applying current market multiples to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA).

Other invested assets primarily include real estate joint ventures, which the fair value is derived using GAAP audited financial statements.

Other liabilities primarily include deferred annuities, other deposit contracts and certain derivatives. The fair values for deferred annuities and other deposit contracts, which include supplementary contracts without life contingencies, deferred income settlement options and refunds on deposit are estimated to be the cash surrender value payable upon immediate withdrawal. Derivatives fair values are derived from broker quotes.



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**8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Financial Instruments Carried at Fair Value**

The fair values of Thrivent's financial instruments measured and reported at fair value are presented below (in millions).

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>December 31, 2019</b>				
Assets:				
Bonds	\$ 281	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 281
Unaffiliated common stocks	1,737	-	-	1,737
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	318	-	-	318
Assets held in Separate account assets	-	34,482	-	34,482
Other invested assets	-	29	91	120
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,236</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 34,511</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 91</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 36,938</u></b>
Liabilities:				
Other liabilities	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ 10</u>	<u>\$ 66</u>	<u>\$ 77</u>
<b>December 31, 2018</b>				
Assets:				
Bonds	\$ 265	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 265
Unaffiliated common stocks <sup>(4)</sup>	1,444	-	-	1,444
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	133	-	-	133
Assets held in Separate account assets	-	29,850	-	29,850
Other invested assets	8	25	4	37
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$ 1,850</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 29,875</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 31,729</u></b>
Liabilities:				
Other liabilities	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 17</u>	<u>\$ 2</u>	<u>\$ 19</u>

<sup>(4)</sup> 2018 amounts have been corrected resulting in a \$54 million reclassification from Level 2 to Level 1.

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**8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Additional Information on Level 3 Financial Instruments carried at Fair Value**

The following table shows the changes in fair values for the investments categorized as Level 3 (in millions). Certain amounts below have been revised to correct the December 31, 2018 disclosure.

	2019	2018
Assets:		
Balance, January 1	\$ 4	\$ 38
Purchases	47	37
Sales	(60)	(20)
Realized gains and (losses) net income	11	(20)
Unrealized gains and (losses) surplus	89	(31)
Balance, December 31	\$ 91	\$ 4
Liabilities:		
Balance, January 1	\$ 2	\$ 26
Purchases	29	24
Sales	(31)	(27)
Realized gains and (losses) net income	(7)	(16)
Unrealized gains and (losses) surplus	74	(5)
Balance, December 31	\$ 67	\$ 2

**Transfers**

During 2019, Thrivent had transfers of \$67 million into Level 2 from Level 3 and transfers of \$242 million into Level 3 from Level 2 for bonds which are not held at fair value. During 2018, Thrivent had transfers of \$30 million into Level 2 from Level 3 and transfers of \$66 million into Level 3 from Level 2 for bonds which are not held at fair value. There were no transfers between fair value levels for assets held at fair value. Transfers between fair value hierarchy levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

**Valuation Assumptions**

The results of the valuation methods presented in this footnote are significantly affected by the assumptions used, including discount rates and estimates of future cash flows. As a result, the derived fair value estimates, in many cases, could not be realized in immediate settlement of the financial instruments. These fair values are for certain financial instruments of Thrivent; accordingly, the aggregate fair value amounts presented do not represent the underlying value of Thrivent.

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**8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, CONTINUED**

**Fair Value of All Financial Instruments**

The carrying values and fair values of all financial instruments are presented below (in millions).

	Carrying Value	Fair Value			Total
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
<b>December 31, 2019</b>					
Financial Assets:					
Bonds	\$ 46,538	\$ 2,242	\$ 37,225	\$ 10,558	\$ 50,025
Unaffiliated preferred stocks	318	-	269	82	351
Unaffiliated common stocks	1,737	1,737	-	-	1,737
Affiliated common stock	151	-	151	-	151
Affiliated mutual funds	329	160	169	-	329
Mortgage loans	9,506	-	-	10,177	10,177
Contract loans	1,164	-	-	1,164	1,164
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	2,054	318	1,736	302	2,054
Limited partnerships	4,621	-	-	4,621	4,621
Real estate – held-for-sale	6	-	-	8	8
Assets held in separate accounts	34,482	-	34,482	-	34,482
Other invested assets	426	-	137	317	454
Financial Liabilities:					
Deferred annuities	\$ 15,911	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,654	\$ 15,654
Other deposit contracts	1,118	-	-	1,118	1,118
Other liabilities	77	1	10	66	77
Liabilities related to separate accounts	34,408	-	34,408	-	34,408
<b>December 31, 2018</b>					
Financial Assets:					
Bonds <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 45,530	\$ 1,568	\$ 34,718	\$ 9,183	\$ 45,469
Unaffiliated preferred stocks <sup>(1)</sup>	207	-	136	72	208
Unaffiliated common stocks <sup>(1)</sup>	1,444	1,444	-	-	1,444
Affiliated common stock	180	-	180	-	180
Affiliated mutual funds <sup>(1)</sup>	392	129	263	-	392
Mortgage loans	8,999	-	-	9,256	9,256
Contract loans	1,173	-	-	1,173	1,173
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	1,471	133	1,338	-	1,471
Limited partnerships	3,844	-	-	3,844	3,844
Real estate – held-for-sale	6	-	-	9	9
Assets held in separate accounts	29,850	-	29,850	-	29,850
Other invested assets <sup>(1)</sup>	203	1	123	90	214
Financial Liabilities:					
Deferred annuities	\$ 15,664	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,423	\$ 15,423
Other deposit contracts	1,080	-	-	1,080	1,080
Other liabilities	19	-	17	2	19
Liabilities related to separate accounts	29,810	-	29,810	-	29,810

<sup>(1)</sup> 2018 amounts have been corrected. Unaffiliated preferred stocks in Level 3 were reduced by \$113 million. Bonds, unaffiliated common stocks, and other invested assets were reclassified by \$10 million, \$54 million, and \$7 million, respectively from Level 2 to Level 1. \$263 million in affiliated mutual funds were reclassified from Level 1 to Level 2.

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**9. BENEFIT PLANS**

**Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits**

Thrivent has a qualified noncontributory defined benefit retirement plan that provides benefits to substantially all home office and field employees upon retirement. Thrivent also provides certain health care and life insurance benefits for substantially all retired home office and field personnel. Thrivent uses a measurement date of December 31 in the benefit plan disclosures.

The components of net periodic pension expense for Thrivent's qualified retirement and other plans for the years ended December 31 were as follows (in millions):

	Retirement Plan			Other Plans		
	2019	2018	2017	2019	2018	2017
Service cost	\$ 23	\$ 25	\$ 23	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 2
Interest cost	47	43	46	5	4	5
Expected return on plan assets	(71)	(77)	(69)	-	-	-
Other	19	19	18	(1)	4	6
Net periodic cost	<u>\$ 18</u>	<u>\$ 10</u>	<u>\$ 18</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 10</u>	<u>\$ 13</u>

The plans' amounts recognized in the statutory-basis financial statements as of December 31 were as follows (in millions):

	Retirement Plan		Other Plans	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Change in Projected Benefit Obligation:				
Benefit obligation, beginning of year	\$ 1,099	\$ 1,187	\$ 107	\$ 120
Service cost	23	25	2	2
Interest cost	47	43	5	5
Actuarial gain (loss)	130	(105)	20	(11)
Transfers from defined contribution plan	2	-	-	-
Benefits paid	(55)	(51)	(10)	(9)
Benefit obligation, end of year	<u>\$ 1,246</u>	<u>\$ 1,099</u>	<u>\$ 124</u>	<u>\$ 107</u>
Change in Plan Assets:				
Fair value of plan assets, beginning of year	\$ 960	\$ 1,035	\$ -	\$ -
Actual return on plan assets	183	(44)	-	-
Employer contribution	20	20	10	9
Transfers from defined contribution plan	2	-	-	-
Benefits paid	(55)	(51)	(10)	(9)
Fair value of plan assets, end of year	<u>\$ 1,110</u>	<u>\$ 960</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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**9. BENEFIT PLANS, CONTINUED**

The plans' amounts recognized in the statutory-basis financial statements funding statuses and accumulated benefit obligation as of December 31 were as follows (in millions):

	Retirement Plan		Other Plans	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Funded Status:				
Accrued benefit costs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (125)	\$ (130)
Liability for pension benefits	(136)	(139)	2	23
Total unfunded liabilities	\$ (136)	\$ (139)	\$ (123)	\$ (107)
Deferred Items:				
Net (losses) gains	\$ 301	\$ 303	\$ (2)	\$ (23)
Net prior service cost	-	-	-	-
Accumulated amounts recognized in periodic pension expenses	\$ 165	\$ 164	\$ (125)	\$ (130)
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 1,209	\$ 1,055	\$ 123	\$ 107

The unfunded liabilities for the retirement plan and other postretirement plans at December 31, 2019 and 2018, are included in other liabilities in the Statutory-Basis Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus.

A summary of the deferred items in the Statutory-Basis Statement of Operations as of December 31 is as follows (in millions):

	Retirement Plan			Other Plans		
	Net Prior Service Cost	Net Recognized Gains (Losses)	Total	Net Prior Service Cost	Net Recognized Gains (Losses)	Total
Balance,						
January 1, 2018	\$ -	\$ 306	\$ 306	\$ 4	\$ (11)	\$ (7)
Net prior service cost recognized	-	-	-	(4)	-	(4)
Net gain (loss) arising during the period	-	16	16	-	(12)	(12)
Net gain (loss) recognized	-	(19)	(19)	-	-	-
Balance,						
December 31, 2018	\$ -	\$ 303	\$ 303	\$ -	\$ (23)	\$ (23)
Net prior service cost recognized	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net gain (loss) arising during the period	-	17	17	-	20	20
Net gain (loss) recognized	-	(19)	(19)	-	1	1
Balance,						
December 31, 2019	\$ -	\$ 301	\$ 301	\$ -	\$ (2)	\$ (2)

The amounts in unassigned funds expected as of December 31 to be recognized in the next fiscal year as components of periodic benefit cost were as follows (in millions):

	Retirement Plan		Other Plans	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Net prior service cost	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Net recognized gains/(losses)	-	19	-	(1)

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**9. BENEFIT PLANS, CONTINUED**

***Pension and Other Postretirement Benefit Factors***

Thrivent periodically evaluates the long-term earned rate assumptions, taking into consideration historical performance of the plans' assets as well as current asset diversification and investment strategy in determining the rate of return assumptions used in calculating the plans' benefit expenses and obligation.

	Retirement Plan		Other Plans	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Weighted Average Assumptions:				
Discount rate	3.3%	4.4%	3.3%	4.4%
Expected return on plan assets	7.5	7.5	N/A	N/A
Rate of compensation increase	3.4	3.4	N/A	N/A
Interest crediting rate	1.8	2.4	N/A	N/A

The assumed health care cost trend rate used in measuring the postretirement health care benefit obligation was 6.7% and 6.6% in 2019 for pre-65 participants and post-65 participants, respectively, trending down to 4.5% in 2029. The assumed health care cost trend rates can have a significant impact on the amounts reported. The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 includes a federal subsidy to sponsors of retirement health care plans that provide a prescription benefit that is at least actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D. Thrivent's Medicare prescription plan is fully insured and therefore the plan's insurer receives the federal subsidy. The interest crediting rates are used for cash balance plans.

Estimated pension benefit payments for the next ten years are as follows: 2020 – \$65 million; 2021 – \$66 million; 2022 – \$68 million; 2023 – \$68 million; 2024 – \$70 million; and 2025 to 2029 – \$363 million.

Estimated other post-retirement benefit payments for the next ten years are as follows: 2020 – \$10 million; 2021 – \$10 million; 2022 – \$10 million; 2023 – \$9 million; 2024 – \$9 million; and 2025 to 2029 – \$40 million.

The minimum pension contribution required for 2019 under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA") guidelines will be determined in the first quarter of 2020.

***Pension Assets***

The assets of Thrivent's qualified defined benefit plan are held in the Thrivent Financial Defined Benefit Plan Trust. Thrivent has a benefit plan investment committee that sets investment guidelines, which are established based on market conditions, risk tolerance, funding requirements and expected benefit payments. A third party oversees the investment allocation process and monitors asset performance. As pension liabilities are long term in nature, Thrivent employs a long-term total return approach to maximize the long-term rate of return on plan assets for a prudent level of risk.

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**9. BENEFIT PLANS, CONTINUED**

The investment portfolio contains a diversified portfolio of investment categories, including equities and fixed income securities. Allocations for plan assets for the years ended December 31 were as follows:

	Target Allocation	Actual Allocation	
		2019	2018
Equity securities	60%	67%	64%
Fixed income and other securities	40	33	36
Total	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

Securities are also diversified in terms of domestic and international securities, short- and long-term securities, growth and value styles, large-cap and small-cap stocks, active and passive management and derivative-based styles. With prudent risk tolerance and asset diversification, the plan is expected to meet the pension obligations in the future.

The fair values of the defined benefit plan assets by asset category are presented below (in millions):

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<b>December 31, 2019</b>				
Fixed Maturity Securities:				
U.S. government and agency securities	\$ 103	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 103
Corporate debt securities	-	168	-	168
Residential mortgage-backed securities	-	107	-	107
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	-	6	-	6
Other debt obligations	-	4	-	4
Common stocks	445	-	-	445
Affiliated mutual funds – equity funds	-	132	-	132
Short-term investments	9	92	-	101
Limited partnerships	-	-	106	106
Total	<u>\$ 557</u>	<u>\$ 509</u>	<u>\$ 106</u>	<u>\$ 1,172</u>
<b>December 31, 2018</b>				
Fixed Maturity Securities:				
U.S. government and agency securities	\$ 71	\$ 8	\$ -	\$ 79
Corporate debt securities	-	183	1	184
Residential mortgage-backed securities	-	100	-	100
Commercial mortgage-backed securities	-	14	-	14
Other debt obligations	-	4	-	4
Common stocks	347	6	-	353
Preferred stock	-	-	-	-
Affiliated mutual funds – equity funds	-	106	-	106
Short-term investments	-	143	-	143
Limited partnerships	-	-	82	82
Total	<u>\$ 418</u>	<u>\$ 564</u>	<u>\$ 83</u>	<u>\$ 1,065</u>

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**9. BENEFIT PLANS, CONTINUED**

The fair value of defined benefit plan assets as presented in the table above does not include net accrued liabilities of \$62 million and \$105 million as of December 31, 2019 and 2018.

There were no transfers of defined benefit plan Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements during 2019 or 2018. Transfers between fair value hierarchy levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

**Defined Contribution Plans**

Thrivent also provides contributory and noncontributory defined contribution retirement benefits that cover substantially all home office and field employees. Eligible participants in the 401(k) plan may elect to contribute a percentage of their eligible earnings, and Thrivent will match participant contributions up to 6% of eligible earnings. In addition, Thrivent will contribute a percentage of eligible earnings for participants in a noncontributory plan for field employees. For the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, Thrivent contributed \$34 million, \$37 million and \$35 million, respectively, to these plans.

As of December 31, 2019 and 2018, \$75 million and \$81 million of the assets of the defined contribution plans were respectively invested in a deposit administration contract issued by Thrivent.

**10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

**Litigation and Other Proceedings**

Thrivent is involved in various lawsuits, contractual matters and other contingencies that have arisen in the normal course of business. Thrivent assesses exposure to these matters periodically and adjusts provision accordingly. As of December 31, 2019, Thrivent believes adequate provision has been made for any losses that may result from these matters.

**Financial Instruments**

Thrivent is a party to financial instruments with on and off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of business. These instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit, interest rate, equity price or liquidity risk in excess of the amount recognized in the Statutory-Basis Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus. Thrivent's exposure to credit loss in the event of non-performance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit and financial guarantees is limited to the contractual amount of these instruments.

**Commitments to Extend Credit**

Thrivent has commitments to extend credit for mortgage loans and other lines of credit of \$211 million and \$298 million as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Commitments to purchase limited partnerships, private placement bonds and other invested assets were \$5.2 billion and \$3.4 billion as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

**Financial Guarantees**

Thrivent has entered into an agreement to purchase certain debt obligations of a third party civic organization, totaling \$37 million, in the event certain conditions occur, as defined in the agreement. This agreement is secured by the assets of the third party.

Thrivent has guaranteed to maintain the capital and surplus of the trust affiliate above certain levels required by the primary regulator of each company.



**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

**10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES, CONTINUED**

**Leases**

Thrivent has operating leases for certain office equipment and real estate. Rental expense for these items totaled \$17 million, \$21 million and \$17 million for each of the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017 respectively. Future minimum rental commitments, in aggregate, as of December 31, 2019 were \$67 million for operating leases. The future minimum rental payments for the five succeeding years were as follows: 2020 – \$13 million; 2021 – \$9 million; 2022 – \$7 million; 2023 – \$6 million and thereafter – \$32 million.

Leasing is not a significant part of Thrivent's business activities as lessor.

**11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

**Investments in Subsidiaries and Affiliated Entities**

Thrivent's directly-owned subsidiary, Thrivent Financial Holdings, Inc. ("Holdings"), is valued in accordance with SSAP No. 97. Annually, Thrivent files a "Form Sub-2" with the NAIC in support of the valuation of Holdings. The filing in support of the December 31, 2018 values was completed on August 2, 2019 and Thrivent received a response from the NAIC that did not disallow the valuation method.

As of December 31, 2019 and 2018, the gross and admitted values were \$151 million and \$180 million, related to Holdings, respectively.

**Other Related Party Transactions**

Thrivent has invested \$329 million and \$392 million in mutual funds that are part of the Thrivent mutual fund family as of December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Thrivent provides administrative services on behalf of their subsidiaries in accordance with intercompany service agreements. The total value of services provided under these agreements totaled \$87 million, \$82 million and \$79 million for the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The net receivables due from affiliates for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 were \$11 million and \$13 million, respectively, which is included in other assets in the Statutory-Basis Financial Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Surplus.

Thrivent has an agreement with an affiliate who distributes Thrivent's variable products. Under the terms of the agreement, Thrivent paid commissions, bonuses and other benefits to the affiliate totaling \$124 million, \$119 million and \$81 million for the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Thrivent is the investment advisor for the Thrivent Series Portfolios in which the separate accounts assets are primarily invested. Advisor fees in the amount of \$182 million, \$180 million and \$170 million for the years ended December 31, 2019, 2018 and 2017, respectively, were included in separate account fees in the Statutory-Basis Statement of Operations.

In December 2018, Thrivent acquired a variable funding note (VFN) issued by Thrivent Education Funding, LLC ("TEF"), an affiliate of Thrivent. The VFN, which is reported as a bond in the accompanying Statutory-Basis Statement of Assets, had an outstanding balance of \$132 million and \$25 million as December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Notes to Statutory-Basis Financial Statements, continued

## **12. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The preceding statutory-basis financial statements of Thrivent have been prepared in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the State of Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, which practices differ from GAAP.

The following describes the more significant statutory accounting policies that are different from GAAP accounting policies:

### **Bonds and Preferred Stocks**

For GAAP purposes, investments in bonds and preferred stocks are reported at fair value with the change in fair value reported as a separate component of comprehensive income for available-for-sale securities and reported as realized gains or losses for trading securities.

### **Common Stocks**

For GAAP purposes, investments in common stocks are reported at fair value with unrealized gains and losses reported as a component of net income.

### **Acquisition Costs**

For GAAP purposes, costs incurred that are directly related to the successful acquisition and issuance of new or renewal insurance contracts are deferred to the extent such costs are deemed recoverable from future profits and amortized in proportion to estimated margins from interest, mortality and other factors under the contracts.

### **Contract Liabilities**

For GAAP purposes, liabilities for future contract benefits and expenses are estimated based on expected experience or actual account balances.

### **Non-Admitted Assets**

For GAAP purposes, certain assets, primarily furniture, equipment and agents' debit balances, are not charged directly to members' equity and are not excluded from the balance sheet.

### **Interest Maintenance Reserve**

For GAAP purposes, certain realized investment gains and losses for fixed maturity securities sold prior to their maturity are not deferred and amortized into operating results over the remaining maturity of the sold security.

### **Asset Valuation Reserve**

For GAAP purposes, an asset valuation reserve is not maintained.

### **Premiums and Withdrawals**

For GAAP purposes, funds deposited and withdrawn on universal life and investment-type contracts are not recorded in the income statement.

### **Consolidation**

For GAAP purposes, subsidiaries are consolidated into the results of their parent.

Differences between consolidated GAAP financial statements and statutory-basis financial statements as of December 31, 2019 and 2018 and for the three years ended December 31, 2019, have not been quantified but are presumed to be material.



## Report of Independent Auditors

To the Board of Directors of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

We have audited the statutory-basis financial statements of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans as of December 31, 2019 and for the year then ended and our report thereon appears on page 1 of this document. That audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the statutory-basis financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedule of selected statutory-basis financial data, summary investment schedule and supplemental investment risks interrogatories (collectively, the "supplemental schedules") of the Company as of December 31, 2019 and for the year then ended are presented to comply with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' Annual Statement Instructions and Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual and for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the statutory-basis financial statements. The supplemental schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the statutory-basis financial statements. The supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the statutory-basis financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the statutory-basis financial statements or to the statutory-basis financial statements themselves and other additional procedures, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplemental schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the statutory-basis financial statements taken as a whole.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

February 13, 2020

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Supplemental Schedule of Selected Statutory-Basis Financial Data  
As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2019  
(in millions)

<b>Investment Income Earned:</b>	
U.S. government bonds	\$ 40
Other bonds (unaffiliated)	1,775
Bonds of affiliates	3
Preferred stocks (unaffiliated)	15
Preferred stocks of affiliates	-
Common stocks (unaffiliated)	29
Common stocks of affiliates	60
Mortgage loans	433
Real estate	14
Certificate loans and liens	86
Collateral loans	-
Cash on hand and on deposit	-
Short-term investments	52
Derivative instruments	11
Other invested assets	591
Aggregate write-ins for investment income	(1)
Gross investment income	<u>\$ 3,108</u>
<b>Real Estate Owned – Book Value less Encumbrances</b>	<b>\$ 143</b>
<b>Mortgage Loans – Book Value:</b>	
Farm mortgages	\$ -
Residential mortgages	-
Commercial mortgages	9,506
Total mortgage loans	<u>\$ 9,506</u>
<b>Mortgage Loans by Standing – Book Value:</b>	
Good standing	\$ 9,486
Good standing with restructured terms	\$ 20
Interest overdue more than 90 days, not in foreclosure	\$ -
Foreclosure in process	\$ -
<b>Other Long-Term Assets – Statement Value</b>	<b>\$ 5,047</b>
<b>Collateral Loans</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Bonds and Stocks of Parent, Subsidiaries and Affiliates – Book Value:</b>	
Bonds	\$ -
Preferred stocks	\$ -
Mutual Funds	\$ 329
Common stocks	\$ 151

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
 Supplemental Schedule of Selected Statutory-Basis Financial Data, continued  
 (in millions)

**Bonds by Maturity – Statement Value:**

Due within one year or less	\$ 3,169
Over 1 year through 5 years	10,463
Over 5 years through 10 years	14,528
Over 10 years through 20 years	7,217
Over 20 years	12,963
No Maturity Date	-
Total by maturity	<u>\$ 48,340</u>

**Bonds by Class – Statement Value:**

Class 1	\$ 28,233
Class 2	15,861
Class 3	2,749
Class 4	1,299
Class 5	111
Class 6	87
Total by class	<u>\$ 48,340</u>

Total bonds publicly traded	\$ 32,370
Total bonds privately placed	\$ 15,970

Preferred stocks – statement value	\$ 318
Common stocks – market value	\$ 2,217
Short-term investments – book value	\$ 392
Options, caps & floors owned – statement value	\$ 91
Options, caps & floors written and in force – statement value	\$ (67)
Collar, swap & forward agreement open – statement value	\$ 19
Futures contracts open – current value	\$ -
Cash on deposit	\$ 1,661

**Life Insurance In Force:**

Ordinary	\$ 208,721
Amount of accidental death insurance in force under ordinary policies	\$ 11,366

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
 Supplemental Schedule of Selected Statutory-Basis Financial Data, continued  
 (in millions)

**Supplemental Contracts In Force:**

Ordinary – not involving life contingencies		
Amount on deposit	\$	-
Income payable	\$	126
Ordinary – involving life contingencies		
Income payable	\$	204

**Annuities:**

Ordinary:		
Immediate – amount of income payable	\$	149
Deferred – fully paid account balance	\$	4,928
Deferred – not fully paid – account balance	\$	43,490

**Deposit Funds and Dividend Accumulations:**

Deposit funds – account balance	\$	-
Dividend accumulations – account balance	\$	66

**Claim Payments 2019:**

Accident and health – year ended December 31, 2019		
2019	\$	122
Prior	\$	295

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**  
Note to Other Financial Information  
As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2019

**BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying schedules and interrogatories present selected statutory-basis financial data as of December 31, 2019, and for the year then ended for purposes of complying with paragraph 9 of the Annual Audited Financial Reports in the Annual Audited Report section of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' *Annual Statement Instructions* and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' *Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual* and agree to or are included in the amounts reported in Thrivent Financial for Lutherans' 2019 Statutory Annual Statement as filed with the State of Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

SUMMARY INVESTMENT SCHEDULE

Investment Categories	Gross Investment Holdings		Admitted Assets as Reported in the Annual Statement			
	1 Amount	2 Percentage of Column 1 Line 13	3 Amount	4 Securities Lending Reinvested Collateral Amount	5 Total (Col. 3 + 4) Amount	6 Percentage of Column 5 Line 13
1. Long-Term Bonds (Schedule D, Part 1):						
1.01 U.S. Governments.....	2,198,168,644	3.3	2,198,168,644		2,198,168,644	3.3
1.02 All Other Governments.....	159,124,921	0.2	159,124,921		159,124,921	0.2
1.03 U.S. States, Territories and Possessions, etc., Guaranteed.....	148,000,430	0.2	148,000,430		148,000,430	0.2
1.04 U.S. Political Subdivisions of States, Territories and Possessions, Guaranteed.....		0.0			0	0.0
1.05 U.S. Special Revenue and Special Assessment Obligations, etc., Non-Guaranteed.....	7,144,250,483	10.6	7,144,250,483		7,144,250,483	10.6
1.06 Industrial and Miscellaneous.....	36,184,588,566	53.9	36,184,588,566		36,184,588,566	53.9
1.07 Hybrid Securities.....	74,781,561	0.1	74,781,561		74,781,561	0.1
1.08 Parent, Subsidiaries and Affiliates.....	132,000,000	0.2	132,000,000		132,000,000	0.2
1.09 SVO Identified Funds.....		0.0			0	0.0
1.10 Unaffiliated Bank Loans.....	497,484,252	0.7	497,484,252		497,484,252	0.7
1.11 Total Long-Term Bonds.....	46,538,398,857	69.4	46,538,398,857	0	46,538,398,857	69.4
2. Preferred Stocks (Schedule D, Part 2, Section 1):						
2.01 Industrial and Misc. (Unaffiliated).....	317,616,497	0.5	317,616,497		317,616,497	0.5
2.02 Parent, Subsidiaries and Affiliates.....		0.0			0	0.0
2.03 Total Preferred Stock.....	317,616,497	0.5	317,616,497	0	317,616,497	0.5
3. Common Stocks (Schedule D, Part 2, Section 2):						
3.01 Industrial and Miscellaneous Publicly Traded (Unaffiliated).....	1,568,125,847	2.3	1,568,125,847		1,568,125,847	2.3
3.02 Industrial and Miscellaneous Other (Unaffiliated).....		0.0			0	0.0
3.03 Parent, Subsidiaries and Affiliates Publicly Traded.....		0.0			0	0.0
3.04 Parent, Subsidiaries and Affiliates Other.....	150,922,337	0.2	150,922,337		150,922,337	0.2
3.05 Mutual Funds.....	498,095,322	0.7	498,095,322		498,095,322	0.7
3.06 Unit Investment Trusts.....		0.0			0	0.0
3.07 Closed-End Funds.....		0.0			0	0.0
3.08 Total Common Stocks.....	2,217,143,506	3.3	2,217,143,506	0	2,217,143,506	3.3
4. Mortgage Loans Schedule B):						
4.01 Farm Mortgages.....		0.0			0	0.0
4.02 Residential Mortgages.....		0.0			0	0.0
4.03 Commercial Mortgages.....	9,505,976,772	14.2	9,505,976,772		9,505,976,772	14.2
4.04 Mezzanine Real Estate Loans.....		0.0			0	0.0
4.05 Total Mortgage Loans.....	9,505,976,772	14.2	9,505,976,772	0	9,505,976,772	14.2
5. Real Estate (Schedule A):						
5.01 Properties Occupied by Company.....	136,958,136	0.2	136,958,136		136,958,136	0.2
5.02 Properties Held for Production of Income.....		0.0			0	0.0
5.03 Properties Held for Sale.....	6,081,298	0.0	6,081,298		6,081,298	0.0
5.04 Total Real Estate.....	143,039,434	0.2	143,039,434	0	143,039,434	0.2
6. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Short-Term Investments::						
6.01 Cash (Schedule E, Part 1).....	(56,072,384)	(0.1)	(56,072,384)		(56,072,384)	(0.1)
6.02 Cash Equivalents (Schedule E, Part 2).....	1,717,495,383	2.6	1,717,495,383		1,717,495,383	2.6
6.03 Short-Term Investments (Schedule DA).....	392,361,167	0.6	392,361,167		392,361,167	0.6
6.04 Total Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Short-Term Investments.....	2,053,784,166	3.1	2,053,784,166	0	2,053,784,166	3.1
7. Contract Loans.....	1,164,843,543	1.7	1,164,174,961		1,164,174,961	1.7
8. Derivatives (Schedule DB).....	120,646,083	0.2	120,646,083		120,646,083	0.2
9. Other Invested Assets (Schedule BA).....	4,932,930,863	7.4	4,926,462,488		4,926,462,488	7.3
10. Receivables for Securities.....	109,909,080	0.2	109,909,080		109,909,080	0.2
11. Securities Lending (Schedule DL, Part 1).....		0.0		XXX	XXX	XXX
12. Other Invested Assets (Page 2, Line 11).....		0.0			0	0.0
13. Total Invested Assets.....	67,104,288,801	100.0	67,097,151,844	0	67,097,151,844	100.0





**SUPPLEMENTAL INVESTMENT RISKS INTERROGATORIES**

For the year ended December 31, 2019

(To be filed by April 1)

Of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

Address (City, State, Zip Code): Appleton WI 54919-0001

NAIC Group Code.....0000

NAIC Company Code.....56014

Employer's ID Number.....39-0123480

The Investment Risks Interrogatories are to be filed by April 1. They are also to be included with the Audited Statutory Financial Statements.

Answer the following interrogatories by reporting the applicable U.S. dollar amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in that category of investments.

1. Reporting entity's total admitted assets as reported on Page 2 of this annual statement. \$ 67,739,440,614

2. Ten largest exposures to a single issuer/borrower/investment.

1	2	3	4
<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Description of Exposure</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Admitted Assets</u>
2.01 White Rose Fund	Partnerships	\$ 2,946,908,039	4.4 %
2.02 Pacific Street Fund III, LP	Partnerships	\$ 540,783,265	0.8 %
2.03 Thrivent	Common Stock	\$ 308,390,963	0.5 %
2.04 Pacific Street Fund II, LP	Partnerships	\$ 293,186,860	0.4 %
2.05 Pacific Street Fund IV, LP	Partnerships	\$ 276,695,360	0.4 %
2.06 Wells Fargo Commercial Mortgage	Bonds	\$ 261,921,175	0.4 %
2.07 Citigroup Commercial Mortgage	Bonds	\$ 227,325,621	0.3 %
2.08 GS Mortgage Securities Trust	Bonds	\$ 202,534,226	0.3 %
2.09 Bank of America Corp	Bonds	\$ 170,638,886	0.3 %
2.10 AT&T Inc	Bonds	\$ 166,267,530	0.2 %

3. Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in bonds and preferred stocks by NAIC designation.

<u>Bonds</u>	1	2
3.01 NAIC 1	\$ 28,232,898,111	41.7 %
3.02 NAIC 2	\$ 15,860,507,112	23.4 %
3.03 NAIC 3	\$ 2,748,803,193	4.1 %
3.04 NAIC 4	\$ 1,299,281,008	1.9 %
3.05 NAIC 5	\$ 110,896,812	0.2 %
3.06 NAIC 6	\$ 87,185,365	0.1 %
<u>Preferred Stocks</u>	3	4
3.07 P/RP-1	\$ 53,605,150	0.1 %
3.08 P/RP-2	\$ 227,553,915	0.3 %
3.09 P/RP-3	\$ 36,286,519	0.1 %
3.10 P/RP-4	\$ 170,070	0.0 %
3.11 P/RP-5	\$ -	0.0 %
3.12 P/RP-6	\$ 844	0.0 %

4. Assets held in foreign investments:

4.01 Are assets held in foreign investments less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's total admitted assets?	Yes [ ] No [X]
If response to 4.01 above is yes, responses are not required for interrogatories 5-10.	
4.02 Total admitted assets held in foreign investments	\$ 5,687,688,380 .....8.4 %
4.03 Foreign-currency-denominated investments	\$ 584,478,558 .....0.9 %
4.04 Insurance liabilities denominated in that same foreign currency	\$ .....0.0 %

5. Aggregate foreign investment exposure categorized by NAIC sovereign designation:

	1	2
5.01 Countries designated NAIC 1	\$ 5,252,277,056	7.8 %
5.02 Countries designated NAIC 2	\$ 291,864,215	0.4 %
5.03 Countries designated NAIC 3 or below	\$ 143,547,108	0.2 %

6. Largest foreign investment exposures by country, categorized by the country's NAIC sovereign designation:

	1	2
Countries designated NAIC 1:		
6.01 Country 1: United Kingdom	\$ 1,618,153,052	2.4 %
6.02 Country 2: Australia	\$ 1,256,571,270	1.9 %
Countries designated NAIC 2:		
6.03 Country 1: Mexico	\$ 263,045,298	0.4 %
6.04 Country 2: Italy	\$ 12,925,372	0.0 %
Countries designated NAIC 3 or below:		
6.05 Country 1: Multinational	\$ 96,814,598	0.1 %
6.06 Country 2: Puerto Rico	\$ 14,942,214	0.0 %

7. Aggregate unhedged foreign currency exposure \$ .....0.0 %

8.	Aggregate unhedged foreign currency exposure categorized by NAIC sovereign designation:	1	2	
8.01	Countries designated NAIC 1.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
8.02	Countries designated NAIC 2.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
8.03	Countries designated NAIC 3 or below.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
9.	Largest unhedged foreign currency exposures by country, categorized by the country's NAIC sovereign designation:			
	Countries designated NAIC 1:	1	2	
9.01	Country 1: .....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
9.02	Country 2: .....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
	Countries designated NAIC 2:			
9.03	Country 1: .....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
9.04	Country 2: .....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
	Countries designated NAIC 3 or below:			
9.05	Country 1: .....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
9.06	Country 2: .....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
10.	Ten largest non-sovereign (i.e. non-governmental) foreign issues:			
	1	2	3	4
	<u>Issuer</u>	<u>NAIC Designation</u>		
10.01	Compass Group PLC.....	1.....	\$.....145,000,000	.....0.2 %
10.02	Stalnett SF.....	1.....	\$.....99,000,000	.....0.1 %
10.03	DEXUS Property Group.....	1.....	\$.....91,000,000	.....0.1 %
10.04	Hofer Financial Services GmbH.....	1.....	\$.....84,628,500	.....0.1 %
10.05	NSW Ports Finance Co Ltd.....	2.....	\$.....71,000,000	.....0.1 %
10.06	Lonsdale Finance Pty Limited.....	2.....	\$.....70,000,000	.....0.1 %
10.07	HSBC Holdings plc.....	1.....	\$.....67,128,285	.....0.1 %
10.08	Diageo Capital PLC.....	2.....	\$.....65,532,423	.....0.1 %
10.09	SEGRO plc.....	1.....	\$.....63,914,100	.....0.1 %
10.10	Bunzl Finance PLC.....	2.....	\$.....63,000,000	.....0.1 %
11.	Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in Canadian investments and unhedged Canadian currency exposure:			
11.01	Are assets held in Canadian investments less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's total admitted assets?			Yes [ X ] No [ ]
	If response to 11.01 is yes, detail is not required for the remainder of Interrogatory 11.			
11.02	Total admitted assets held in Canadian Investments.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
11.03	Canadian currency-denominated investments.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
11.04	Canadian-denominated insurance liabilities.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
11.05	Unhedged Canadian currency exposure.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
12.	Report aggregate amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in investments with contractual sales restrictions.			
12.01	Are assets held in investments with contractual sales restrictions less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's total admitted assets?			Yes [ X ] No [ ]
	If response to 12.01 is yes, responses are not required for the remainder of Interrogatory 12.			
	1	2	3	
12.02	Aggregate statement value of investments with contractual sales restrictions.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
	Largest three investments with contractual sales restrictions:			
12.03	.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
12.04	.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
12.05	.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
13.	Amounts and percentages of admitted assets held in the ten largest equity interests:			
13.01	Are assets held in equity interest less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's total admitted assets?			Yes [ ] No [ X ]
	If response to 13.01 above is yes, responses are not required for the remainder of Interrogatory 13.			
	1	2	3	
	<u>Name of Issuer</u>			
13.02	White Rose Fund .....	\$.....2,946,908,039	.....	4.4 %
13.03	Pacific Street Fund III, LP.....	\$.....540,783,265	.....	0.8 %
13.04	Thrivent.....	\$.....308,390,963	.....	0.5 %
13.05	Pacific Street Fund II, LP.....	\$.....293,186,860	.....	0.4 %
13.06	Pacific Street Fund IV, LP.....	\$.....276,695,360	.....	0.4 %
13.07	SPDR.....	\$.....137,130,050	.....	0.2 %
13.08	Pacific Street Fund, LP.....	\$.....96,716,038	.....	0.1 %
13.09	Calamos Strategic Total Return.....	\$.....39,000,000	.....	0.1 %
13.10	Bank of America Corp.....	\$.....34,641,789	.....	0.1 %
13.11	Crown Castle Intl Corp.....	\$.....26,787,606	.....	0.0 %
14.	Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in nonaffiliated, privately placed equities:			
14.01	Are assets held in nonaffiliated, privately placed equities less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's total admitted assets?			Yes [ X ] No [ ]
	If response to 14.01 above is yes, responses are not required for the remainder of Interrogatory 14.			
	1	2	3	
14.02	Aggregate statement value of investments held in nonaffiliated, privately placed equities.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
	Largest three investments held in nonaffiliated, privately placed equities:			
14.03	.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
14.04	.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %
14.05	.....	\$.....	.....	0.0 %

Ten Largest Fund Managers

	1	2	3	4
	<u>Fund Manager</u>	<u>Total Invested</u>	<u>Diversified</u>	<u>Non-Diversified</u>
14.06		\$	\$	\$
14.07		\$	\$	\$
14.08		\$	\$	\$
14.09		\$	\$	\$
14.10		\$	\$	\$
14.11		\$	\$	\$
14.12		\$	\$	\$
14.13		\$	\$	\$
14.14		\$	\$	\$
14.15		\$	\$	\$

15. Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in general partnership interests:

15.01 Are assets held in general partnership interests less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's total admitted assets? Yes [X] No [ ]  
 If response to 15.01 above is yes, responses are not required for the remainder of Interrogatory 15.

	1	2	3
15.02	Aggregate statement value of investments held in general partnership interests.....	\$	0.0 %
Largest three investments in general partnership interests:			
15.03		\$	0.0 %
15.04		\$	0.0 %
15.05		\$	0.0 %

16. Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in mortgage loans:

16.01 Are mortgage loans reported in Schedule B less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's total admitted assets? Yes [ ] No [X]  
 If response to 16.01 above is yes, responses are not required for the remainder of Interrogatory 16 and Interrogatory 17.

	1	2	3
	<u>Type (Residential, Commercial, Agricultural)</u>		
16.02	Commercial Loans.....	\$...268,833,715	0.4 %
16.03	Commercial Loans.....	\$...180,076,841	0.3 %
16.04	Commercial Loans.....	\$...171,717,821	0.3 %
16.05	Commercial Loans.....	\$...166,598,762	0.2 %
16.06	Commercial Loans.....	\$...152,605,902	0.2 %
16.07	Commercial Loans.....	\$...137,806,070	0.2 %
16.08	Commercial Loans.....	\$...134,445,662	0.2 %
16.09	Commercial Loans.....	\$...132,939,037	0.2 %
16.10	Commercial Loans.....	\$...121,679,229	0.2 %
16.11	Commercial Loans.....	\$...108,579,985	0.2 %

Amount and percentage of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in the following categories of mortgage loans:

	<u>Loans</u>	
16.12	Construction loans.....	\$....41,314,774 0.1 %
16.13	Mortgage loans over 90 days past due.....	\$.....0.0 %
16.14	Mortgage loans in the process of foreclosure.....	\$.....0.0 %
16.15	Mortgage loans foreclosed.....	\$.....0.0 %
16.16	Restructured mortgage loans.....	\$....19,683,907 0.0 %

17. Aggregate mortgage loans having the following loan-to-value ratios as determined from the most current appraisal as of the annual statement date:

	<u>Loan-to-Value</u>	<u>Residential</u>		<u>Commercial</u>		<u>Agricultural</u>	
		1	2	3	4	5	6
17.01	above 95%.....	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %
17.02	91% to 95%.....	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %
17.03	81% to 90%.....	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %
17.04	71% to 80%.....	\$.....0.0 %	\$...76,802,055	\$.....0.1 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %
17.05	below 70%.....	\$.....0.0 %	\$,9,429,174,717	\$.....13.9 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %	\$.....0.0 %

18. Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in each of the five largest investments in real estate:

18.01 Are assets held in real estate reported less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's total admitted assets? Yes [X] No [ ]  
 If response to 18.01 above is yes, responses are not required for the remainder of Interrogatory 18.

Largest five investments in any one parcel or group of contiguous parcels of real estate:

	<u>Description</u>	2	3
18.02		\$	0.0 %
18.03		\$	0.0 %
18.04		\$	0.0 %
18.05		\$	0.0 %
18.06		\$	0.0 %

19. Report aggregate amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets held in investments held in mezzanine real estate loans.

19.01 Are assets held in investments held in mezzanine real estate loans less than 2.5% of the reporting entity's admitted assets? Yes [X] No [ ]

If response to 19.01 is yes, responses are not required for the remainder of Interrogatory 19.

	1	2	3
19.02 Aggregate statement value of investments held in mezzanine real estate loans		\$.....	.....0.0 %
Largest three investments held in mezzanine real estate loans:			
19.03 .....		\$.....	.....0.0 %
19.04 .....		\$.....	.....0.0 %
19.05 .....		\$.....	.....0.0 %

20. Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets subject to the following types of agreements:

	<u>At Year-End</u>		<u>At End of Each Quarter</u>		
	1	2	<u>1st Qtr</u> 3	<u>2nd Qtr</u> 4	<u>3rd Qtr</u> 5
20.01 Securities lending agreements (do not include assets held as collateral for such transactions).....	\$...483,918,365	.....0.7 %	\$...232,218,237	\$...198,045,958	\$...234,985,592
20.02 Repurchase agreements.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
20.03 Reverse repurchase agreements.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$...20,000,000	\$...19,980,000
20.04 Dollar repurchase agreements.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
20.05 Dollar reverse repurchase agreements.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....

21. Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets for warrants not attached to other financial instruments, options, caps and floors:

	<u>Owned</u>		<u>Written</u>	
	1	2	3	4
21.01 Hedging.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	.....0.0 %
21.02 Income generation.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	.....0.0 %
21.03 Other.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	.....0.0 %

22. Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets of potential exposure for collars, swaps, and forwards:

	<u>At Year-End</u>		<u>At End of Each Quarter</u>		
	1	2	<u>1st Qtr</u> 3	<u>2nd Qtr</u> 4	<u>3rd Qtr</u> 5
22.01 Hedging.....	\$...8,226,107	.....0.0 %	\$...8,252,275	\$...8,114,527	\$...8,373,791
22.02 Income generation.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
22.03 Replications.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
22.04 Other.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....

23. Amounts and percentages of the reporting entity's total admitted assets of potential exposure for futures contracts:

	<u>At Year-End</u>		<u>At End of Each Quarter</u>		
	1	2	<u>1st Qtr</u> 3	<u>2nd Qtr</u> 4	<u>3rd Qtr</u> 5
23.01 Hedging.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
23.02 Income generation.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
23.03 Replications.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....
23.04 Other.....	\$.....	.....0.0 %	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....