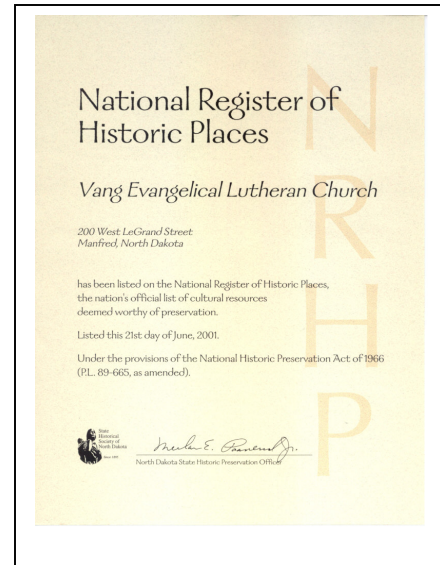


Vang Lutheran Church



Receives National Register Award



Attending the National Register Awards Ceremony from left:

Jim Johnson, Dianne Aull, Leslie Johnson, Laverne Johnson, Audrey Solheim, Maridel Sprenger, Rose Anderson, Shirley Johnson, Verna Bowers, Muriel Boyum, Betty Melby, Lowell Boyum, Amy Sakariassen presenting the award, Wanda Melchert the nomination author, Gene Melby, Richard Melchert.

Vang Lutheran Church was awarded its certificate for being listed on the National Register of Historic Places, at a ceremony taking place in the North Dakota Heritage Center at Bismarck ND on November 17, 2001. The certificate reads as follows: "Vang Evangelical Lutheran Church, 200 West LeGrand Street, Manfred, North Dakota, has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the nation's official list of cultural resources deemed worthy of preservation. Listed this 21st day of June, 2001. Under the provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. Signed by: Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr., North Dakota State Historic Preservation Officer."

The award was presented by Rolene Schliesman, architectural historian of the State Historical Society of North Dakota and by Amy Sakariassen, member of the North Dakota Historic Preservation Review Board. Those accepting the award on behalf of the Manfred community were: Rose Anderson, Dianne Aull, Verna Bowers, Lowell and Muriel Boyum, Jim and Shirley Johnson, Laverne Johnson, Leslie Johnson, Gene and Betty Melby, Richard and Wanda Melchert, Audrey Solheim, and Maridel Sprenger.

Of the many properties in North Dakota having been listed since 1966, Vang Lutheran Church holds the distinction of becoming the 400th property from North Dakota to be listed on the National Register.