

St. John Lutheran Church

November 2017

Reformation 500!



Here We Stand

Mark Your Calendars
Michigan District-wide
Reformation Worship Service
Sunday, October 15, 2017

Breslin Center
at Michigan State University



This event is generously sponsored by a Michigan District Church Extension Fund grant

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The View from Here

What Kind of People are Saints?

We, along with churches around the world are celebrating All Saints Day. This year we will celebrate on November 5th. All Saints Day is always on November 1, but we adapt and celebrate it on the Sunday after Reformation. Did you ever wonder: "What kind of people are saints"? The church does refer to certain people as saints, like St. Matthew, St. Mark, St. Paul, St. Peter, and so on. These are writers of the New Testament of the Bible. The Roman Catholic Church even elevates some people to a special status of sainthood; with qualifications they say are required to become a saint. That said, was there something special about these people that made them saints? The answer to that question is yes and no. The first people I mentioned all wrote parts of the New Testament, so they are special to the church. We thank God for them and praise them for the gifts that they have given to the Church. These are people that God worked through in order to bring His Word to all people to tell the Good News of Jesus. We call them saints because God has done a holy work through them.

Does that mean the saints themselves are holy? Well, yes and no. Yes, saints are holy. No, saints are not perfect. They are sinners just like all of us. Saints are holy. That's what the word saint means. The Greek word used for that is "The holy ones." So, a saint is literally a holy person. But, from the Bible's point of view, it is not that they are holy because they are perfect or holy because of the things they do. The Bible is clear when it teaches that all people are sinners. So then how can a person be a saint when they sin just like the rest of us?

People are saints when they are DECLARED HOLY or made holy, sanctified by God! People are saints because God has forgiven their sins through the death and resurrection of Jesus. From the Bible's point, saints are forgiven sinners. All forgiven sinners are saints. When God forgives our sins, we are holy in His sight because He covers our sins, and by faith God gives us gifts and He gifts us with the holiness of Jesus. That's what it means to be holy. Therefore, all believers are saints. St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians 1:1 says that Paul sent a letter for all the saints in Ephesus. He wasn't writing to a certain select group of holy people in the church. He wrote to all the people in the church at Ephesus, and called all believers saints. That

makes us saints too. All who believe in Jesus are saints. We are holy in God's sight by faith in the work and the person of Jesus Christ.

While we call St. Matthew, St. Mark, or the other saints, we agree that there is something special *about* them, but nothing special *in* them that qualifies them to be holy. That's God's doing. But we do honor them as special because of what God accomplished through them. When we refer to people as Saint somebody, we are really praising God for His work through them.

Some denominations elevate saints to a status in which they are prayed to. We as Lutherans don't pray to them, but rather we *honor* them because of what God did for them and does through them. We pray to Jesus, we honor saints. So, we are graciously invited by God to pray directly to Him again through Jesus Christ, but, we can certainly model the behavior of the saints. In fact, they demonstrate a trust in God for all things and that's something from which we can all learn. In fact, their prayer life to Jesus is a great example to start to follow. God worked through them to accomplish His will and to show His love to everyone. Also, the saints who went before us serve as examples of how to live and to persevere in the faith. And think about this. We have Christians in our lives presently that God is working through, and whose example we should follow in faith.

So, on All Saints Day we can praise God for all His saints ... both those who have gone before and those who are in our lives now, even as we strive in God's grace to be saints for those we love.

That's the View from Here...

Pastor

Pastor Winter and Congregation,

I would like to thank you for your prayers and concerns during my recent health issues: sepsis and two kidney surgeries.

I truly know how considerate and caring the people of St. John can be.

*God Bless -
Richard Kukuk*



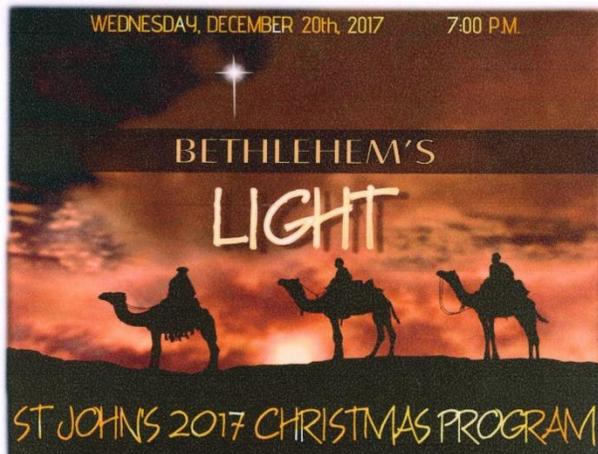
News From the Branch –

An Update from Monika Pfannes



KIDZ CHURCH

Just around the corner is Advent and the Christmas Season. This year we will be presenting our Children's Christmas Program "Bethlehem Lights" during our find Wednesday Advent Service on December 20, 2017. We are looking for children and volunteers to join in the fun. Please sign up on the sheet located on the Christmas Bulletin Board by the drinking fountain.



News From the Synod for Today's Families -

The Least of These

November 2017



Laundry. Dishes. Meal prep. Lather, rinse, repeat. Sometimes keeping other (usually smaller) humans alive can feel like a mundane thing. It's often the same, day in and day out. All the typical activities that make up a day – eating, sleeping, getting dressed – truly take up quite a bit of time, but there's often not much to show for all the effort. To add insult to injury, taking care of those ordinary, go-nowhere tasks sometimes even means that there's no time left over for what we might deem "worthier" pursuits.

When we're caring for children and grandchildren – either directly in the home or by working outside of the home to provide for the family – we have precious little time for new hobbies, exciting ventures, or even charity work. It's hard to forgo the "fulfilling" stuff in life when you're busy just trying to keep everything, and everyone, together.

But in the midst of all this ordinary, endless activity, our Lord says something extraordinary.

Then the the King will say to those on His right, "Come, you who are blessed by My Father, inherit

the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed Me, I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you visited Me, I was in prison and you came to Me." Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, "Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? And when did we see You a stranger and welcome You, or naked and clothe You? And when did we see You sick or in prison and visit You?" And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these My brothers, you did it to Me." (Matthew 25:34-40)

Whether or not we notice it each day, Christ turns our lives upside down and inside out by making the mundane into something sacred. He doesn't expect us to go out and search far and wide for some obscure neighbor to serve by building them a home, cooking them the finest meals, and providing the best clothes. He sets "the least of these" right in our own homes, in the center of our lives, so that we can simply do what the righteous do by caring for their needs.

We call this *vocation*, and through our vocations as parents, grandparents, and caretakers, God is at work to accomplish His will in the lives of His people. The work that we do, no matter how routine, is miraculous because through it God sustains and provides for "the least of these," His children. Because Christ, through His sacrifice and forgiveness, has redeemed all of our work and makes it holy, we become the hands of God even when we feel that there's nothing special about the work that we've been given to do.

Being a family, after all, is simply about loving and serving our neighbor. Our very, very close neighbor.

So next time you find yourself making that trek to soccer practice *again* or changing *another* diaper or breaking up *one more* sibling squabble, let the words of Christ echo in your ears: "As you did it to one of the least of these My brothers, you did it to Me."

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Those Who Serve...

AN ARMED FORCES PRAYER -

Please keep Aaron and Sara Palmerton in your prayers as they are both deployed overseas.



WE'RE GETTING READY TO SPREAD SOME HAPPINESS!

The stores have already begun to put up their Christmas decorations - WAY too early! BUT ... it's not too early to start thinking about those who will have NO gifts at Christmas time without our help. St. Vincent was more appreciative for all your generous gifts last year than I can convey - they all know about St. John! They are excited that we are willing to set up another Sharing Tree for this year and have expressed a need for the following items:



1. Household for Seniors in need - sheets, towels, blankets, all sorts of kitchenware with silverware and small appliances such as crockpots at the top of the list. We often think of the children, but so many of our seniors live on low incomes, these "basics" become luxury items and they are so happy to receive something new.
2. Infants & Young Children - toys of all kinds
3. Teen Girls age 11-15 - Make-up items, craft kits, etc.

As always, any item you would like to give would be welcome and will find a home - the above 3 areas are of particular need. Rather than putting tags on the tree, we will be placing collection boxes underneath the tree for your donations. All donations must be received by **December 3, 2017**.

If you have any questions, please contact us or the Church Office.

~Blessings, Jane & Rick Radulski,
Sharing Tree hosts.



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP PUT ON ONE MORE PARTY TO FINISH OFF AN EVENT-FILLED YEAR!

Pastor Winter's final worship service will be the 7:00pm New Year's Eve Service on December 31, 2017. We are looking for a group of volunteers to help coordinate a final send-off in the form of a New Year's Eve Party to be held following the worship service. This will be it, folks. Our ushering out of what will undoubtedly be the longest pastorate in St. John Lutheran Church's history throughout the coming ages, and the welcoming in of a new year.



Here We Stand ...

Let's pull out the stops!

Bring on the Food, the Drink!

Let the Merry making commence!

Let's gather in fellowship as we face the beginning of a new chapter ... **and go forward!**

Business Directory Update!

Recently Dan Nagy provided necessary excavation

Daniel Nagy

Owner

989-942-0078

metalmannagy@gmail.com

Dan Nagy Excavating

2360 S. Maple Valley Road

Saint Helen, Michigan 48656

Sand "Gravel" Stone



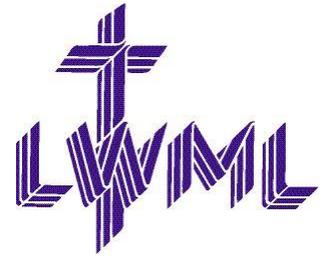
work to improve the drainage field between the parsonage and education wing of the church. We are please to provide his business information to the members of St. John. Please add Dan Nagy Excavating to your Business Directory. Didn't get a directory? - Contact the church office and Monika will be happy to run you a copy.

Join us to celebrate the 95th birthday of
Herbert Ripke Sr.

American Legion 10062 Ford Drive St. Helen, MI 48656	November 12th 2017 1 - 4pm
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Parking and entrance at rear of building.
No presents, cards only please.

ST. JOHN MEMBERS - YOU'RE INVITED!



LADIES AID/LWML MEETING – OCTOBER 12, 2017

Our meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. and Pastor led us in singing "You Are the Way-Through You Alone". He based his devotion on Judges 16:18-22.

Roll Call was taken with 14 members present.

A correction was made to the September minutes in that the fall LWML retreat was held at Bambi Lake, not Barbie Lake. A motion was made by Erma Stevens and seconded by Arlene Shull to accept the minutes as corrected.

Treasurer's report as given by Erma Stevens: Beginning balance \$5,483.53, income \$129.09, expenses \$1,627.20, ending balance \$3,985.40, petty cash \$2.70, CEF \$3,219.54.

Happy October Birthday to Monika Pfannes and Jan Wilton.

OLD BUSINESS

October Rummage Sale – \$551.60 rummage sale, \$428.00 baked goods, \$205.00 pickles, and \$24.00 jelly, with a total income of \$1208.60. It was mentioned that some were not aware of the rummage sale because our big rummage sale banner was not out front. Denise Reda suggested that Paul could make us a new banner. Ruth Serniuk suggested posting the sale on our sign at the property on Reserve Rd. We also have a need for more workers as only one third of our ladies aid members were available.

NEW BUSINESS

Bake Sale – A motion was made by Erma Stevens and seconded by Louise Ticknor to hold a Sunday, December 10, bake sale. Motion passed. We would like more contributions of baked goods than we received for our October Rummage/Bake Sale.

LWML

Treasurer's Report – as presented by Denise Reda shows a beginning balance of \$1,099.03, income of \$74.00, Expenses of \$100.00 and ending balance of \$1,073.03.

Reformation 500! Ingathering Collection – was mentioned by Sylvia Tumath. It appeared that the items needed were accumulating well.

Quilting – will take place at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 19.

Bakers – for Sunday, October 15 will be Carol, Judy, Kathy and Shirley.

Fall Rally in Hale – was attended by Sylvia Tumath and Lois Pike. They had a check for \$100 to be presented to the speaker that day. However, there was a different speaker. The check will be sent to Missouri.

Mite Collections – are doing better.

We closed our meeting at 1:30 with the Lord's Prayer.

Our next meeting will be held November 2. Please come to enjoy fellowship and your sack lunch, with dessert provided, from 12:00-1:00 with meeting to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Andrews

Carol Andrews

Minutes subject to approval.

November 2017

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Kathy Ruttkofsky	2 Karan Burke Katherine Hines	3	4 Wilbert Hines Anita Johnson
5 Dolores Knoll John Sommer Jack & Carol Newman - 46 yrs	6 Roger & Deborah Weiss- 41 yrs	7 Bonnie Balog Gary & Eunice Malcho - 37 yrs Roger & Susan Dolland - 30 yrs	8 Chris Lauria Ken Normile	9 Richard Lepper	10 John Wood	11 Veterans Day Pauline Stroh
12 Eleanor Rabideau	13	14 Keith & Monika Pfannes - 25 yrs	15 Joyce Barrow Terry Grenell	16 Herbert Ripke, Sr-95	17 Laurel Klonowski	18
19 Jeff Fossitt	20	21	22	23 Richard & Lori Tift- 32 yrs	24 Olivia Nagy-Tyson - 6 Mable Galbraith Margaret Graham	25 Dick & Gail Kukuk - 56 yrs Frank & Louise Ticknor - 51 yrs
26 Logan Stogiera - 9	27 Marlin & Arlene Shull - 19 yrs	28 Frank & Barb Spiess - 53 yrs	29 Lynda Stender	30		

November 2017

Church Events and Happenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Sleep in Sunday Don't forget to set clocks back one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday.</p> 			<p>1 9:00 am Trustees 7:00 pm Outreach Mtg</p>	<p>2 9:00 am Bible Study 12:00 pm Ladies Aid 4:00 pm Jr. Confirmation 5:30 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Praise Team 7:00 pm Elders</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 10:00 am AA</p>
<p>5 "Blessed in Hard Times" 8:00 am - Blended Service 9:30 am - Divine w/Communion 9:45 am - Kidz Church 11:00 am - Adult Bible Study</p>		<p>7 10:00 am AA</p>	<p>8 9:00 am Trustees 5:00 pm Outreach  Community Meal 7:00 pm Board Mtg</p>	<p>9 9:00 am Bible Study 4:00 pm Jr. Confirmation 5:30 pm TOPS 6:30 pm Ladies Study</p>	<p>10</p>	 <p>11 10:00 am AA Veterans Day</p>
<p>12 "God is Not Against You" Message by Mr. Mike Michaelson 8:00 am - Blended w/Communion 9:30 am - Divine Service 9:45 am - Kidz Church</p>	<p>13  REDCROSS BLOOD DRIVE 12:00-6:00pm 7:00 pm Altar Guild Mtg</p>	<p>14 10:00 am AA Church Office will be closed this day.</p>	<p>15 9:00 am Trustees</p>	<p>16 NO Bible Study or Jr. Confirmation today 5:30 pm TOPS</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 10:00 am AA</p>
<p><i>PASTOR & JUDY ON VACATION (Friday Nov. 10 thru Monday Nov. 20) Contact Pastor, if needed, will be Pastor Morrison of St. Helen.</i></p>						
<p>19 "S.O.S. - Call on Jesus" Message by Mr. Mike Michaelson 8:00 am - Blended Service 9:30 am - Divine w/Communion 9:45 am - Kidz Church</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 10:00 am AA</p>	<p>22 9:00 am Trustees 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Service w/Communion "Clean & Thankful"</p>	 <p>23</p>	<p>24 Church Office Closed</p>	<p>25 10:00 am AA</p>
<p>26 "The Last Enemy" 8:00 am - Blended w/Communion 9:30 am - Divine Service 9:45 am - Kidz Church 11:00 am - Adult Bible Study</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 10:00 am AA</p>	<p>29 9:00 am Trustees</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>Midweek Advent Services will begin Wednesday, December 6, 2017</p> 	

**St. John Lutheran Church Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2017**

Members Present: President - Jim Mueller

Vice-President - Jeff Krentz

Treasurer - Jim French

Secretary - Monika Pfannes

Board of Elders - Peter Daellenbach

Board of Evangelism - Glen Bromm

Board of Social Welfare - Paul Reda

Board of Stewardship - Erma Stevens

Board of Trustees - Marlin Shull

Spiritual Leadership - Pastor Winter

Guests: Jerry Andrews, Alekz Pfannes & Kaitlyne Warmack

Absent:

Mike Michaelson

President Jim Mueller called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Pastor opened the meeting with a reading from 1 Corinthians 1:20-31 and a devotion from AW Toizer.

Secretary's Report: After review of the minutes from the September 13, 2017, Board of Directors meeting, a motion was made by Glen Bromm, second by Erma Stevens, to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Minutes of the Special Congregational Meeting held September 24, 2017, were reviewed but no motion to approve was entertained as these minutes will be presented for approval at the next Annual Congregational Meeting to be held in June, 2018.

Treasurer's Report - Jim French stated the phone bill issue is resolved and this month's line item reflects three months billing. Expenses are significant this month compared to income, however many of the Retirement Party bills were paid during this month. A motion was made by Monika Pfannes, second by Erma Stevens, to accept the September 2017 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

Board of Christian Education: *No Report*

Board of Elders: Peter Daellenbach reported that Glen Bromm will be resigning his Elder duties as he is caring for the parishes in Mio and Glennie. The Elders have candidates in mind to fill this position.

Board of Evangelism: Glen Bromm reported the Family Fun Fest went well. 71 non-members attended and a breakdown will follow.

Board of Stewardship: Erma Stevens stated no activity during the past month.

Board of Social Welfare: Paul Reda reported there were two requests for assistance during the past month. One request was for gas and the second was referred.

Board of Trustees:

Water Softener for Church & Parsonage - Marlin Shull reported that he had requested three bids for the church & parsonage. Two have been received: Fox Plumbing at \$3,600 and Culligan at \$5,300. After discussion, the board has requested additional exploration to check if the water quality problem lies in the well itself and if a new well may be what is needed. Jeff Krentz will check to find out what the depth of our current well is as the water in his store across M-55 is excellent.

Trees - Louise Nagy came through on the discovery of whether the trees located at the back of the parking lot are on Church property or the neighboring properties. As the northern boundary line of the church property (parking lot) is 400' from the center of M-55, the trees are located on the neighboring properties and therefore are the responsibility of those individual property owners, not St. John. Marlin will make arrangements to have the tree by the drive through canopy removed.

Trash Area - Marlin obtained three bids for a 4 yard dumpster to replace the trash cans currently used by the Church and parsonage. Billy's - \$125, Republic - \$130, and Waste Management - \$150. A motion to approve a 4 yard dumpster through Billy's to replace the existing garbage cans was made by Glen Bromm, second by Paul Reda. Motion carried. Marlin will handle the transition.

Pastor Winter: No official report. He and Judy would like to thank everyone again and express their gratitude for the Retirement/Birthday Party. He has been asked to serve as the Supervising Pastor for Deacon Glen Bromm but needs church permission and signatures on the certificate to do so. Motion to grant permission was made by Jim French, second by Paul Reda. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- *Intentional Interim Ministry Program* - Jim Mueller updated the board that Dr. Kasper's office has been contacted and a request to call back was left with his assistant, Laurie. Jim emphasized this call was made to establish a common contact for the Church and this process will involve the Elders, the Board and the Congregation as we proceed to what the next step for us is. Jim advised that he has told Dr. Kasper's office that the church can be a point of contact, as he is not always available and Monika will pass along any and all information. After Dr. Kasper makes contact with the office, a meeting will be set up with Jim Mueller, Peter Daellenbach and Dr. Kasper to go over what the next steps will be. Jim then proposed that as this program is going to become a standing item at future board meetings a IIMP bullet item be added to the agenda.
- *Other Old Business from September* - Monika Pfannes reported that the Sharing Tree is going up, the DVD on Martin Luther has been ordered, and all went well with the ballots.

New Business:

- *Recognition* - Jim Mueller proposed that the Board recognize Kaitlyne Warmack for a job well done in organizing Pastor's Retirement Party. A motion to recognize Kaitlyne Warmack for the special effort she made to put together Pastor's party was made by Erma Stevens, second by Jeff Krentz. Motion carried.
- *Church Office Security* - Jim Mueller brought up recent events in the Church Office which may require some additional security measures for staff. Jim asked Monika to relay a couple encounters with the public that have raised this concern; one in which he was present and the most recent where she was in the building alone. After discussion, Paul Reda has agreed to work up the cost to install a window in the office which will allow Monika a direct view of who is entering the building, as well as providing a spatial barrier. Additional items such as a panic button will also be explored.

Visitor Remarks: Kaitlyne Warmack reported that Centershot has been meeting on Sundays during the Kidz Church time for the past four weeks. They have had 2-6 children attend and have spent 2 weeks completing Bible Study work and 2 weeks shooting in the basement. She also emphasized that the children are aware they will not be allowed to participate in the archery portion of the program unless they have completed the Bible Study work for that week.

Correspondence: A letter was received from a member pertaining to a newsletter article recently published. The article was interpreted to be political in nature. Pastor Winter responded that he submitted the article from a publication of Hillsdale College and would write a response to the concerned congregant.

Miscellaneous: No miscellaneous items were presented.

A motion was made by Erma Stevens, second by Paul Reda, to adjourn the meeting at 8:17pm with the Lord's Prayer. Motion carried and meeting was so closed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monika Pfannes

Minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting

St. John Lutheran Church
Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018
Treasurer's Report
Month Ending September 30, 2017

SALARIES

	Previous Balance	Sept 2017	Year to Date	Budget
Pastor's Salary	\$ 9,277.00	\$ 4,640.00	\$ 13,917.00	\$ 27,837.00
Pastor's Housing Subsidy	1,200.00	600.00	1,800.00	3,600.00
Pastor's Retirement & Ins.	4,863.92	2,431.96	7,295.88	15,162.00
Pastor's Social Security	2,130.00	0.00	2,130.00	4,260.00
Car Displacement	800.00	400.00	1,200.00	2,400.00
Car Expense	239.56	63.00	302.56	1,000.00
Employees Social Security	583.37	0.00	583.37	3,050.00
Organists	1,136.73	392.48	1,529.21	7,980.00
Office Manager	2,830.18	963.94	3,794.12	15,860.00
Custodian	1,729.97	554.63	2,284.60	9,155.00
Guest Preachers	0.00	0.00	-	1,000.00
Interim Pastor(s)	0.00	0.00	-	25,000.00
Total Salaries	\$ 24,790.73	\$ 10,046.01	\$ 34,836.74	\$ 116,304.00

PROPERTY

New Property Expense/Improvement	\$ 53.97	\$ 186.92	\$ 240.89	\$ 1,000.00
Equipment Purchases	158.97	0.00	158.97	\$ 3,000.00
Supplies Lawn & Repairs & Snow plowing	683.15	372.18	1,055.33	\$ 7,000.00
Electricity	877.49	350.98	1,228.47	\$ 5,500.00
Telephone	0.00	493.08	493.08	\$ 2,200.00
Fuel-DTE Gas	508.00	254.00	762.00	\$ 4,750.00
Sewer Usage	198.00	0.00	198.00	\$ 800.00
Disposal	190.97	96.05	287.02	\$ 1,050.00
Insurance	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 5,000.00
Total Property	\$ 2,670.55	\$ 1,753.21	\$ 4,423.76	\$ 30,300.00

Charities

Synod's Work	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 9,600.00
T.I.M. (Sri Lanka/Pastor Mahlburg)	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 3,000.00
Lutheran Home & Family Services	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 500.00
Social Welfare	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 1,000.00
Community Fund	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 200.00
Lutheran World Relief	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 500.00
Katie Conference Endowment Fund	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 200.00
Local Charities	100.00	0.00	100.00	\$ 500.00
Lutheran Hour Ministries	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 500.00
Sowers Fund	500.00	0.00	500.00	\$ 500.00
Miscellaneous Charities	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 500.00
Veterans of the Cross	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 500.00
L.A.M.P.	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 500.00
Northern Michigan Children's Assess Ctr	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 500.00
Lutherans for Life	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 500.00
Total Charities	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 19,000.00

Special Projects

Major Repairs	\$ -	\$ -	0.00	\$ 3,000.00
Total Special Projects	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00

CHURCH SUPPLIES

	Previous Balance	Sept. 2017	Year to Date	Budget
Bulletins & Worship Aids	\$ 414.49	\$ 664.42	\$ 1,078.91	\$ 4,800.00
Altar Guild	16.00	110.92	126.92	\$ 2,000.00
Postage	147.00	0.00	147.00	\$ 750.00
Office Supplies	796.65	97.53	894.18	\$ 5,500.00
Technology Expenses	1,744.52	660.90	2,405.42	\$ 7,000.00
Portals of Prayer	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 900.00
Confirmation Materials	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 600.00
Sunday School & VBS	697.03	0.00	697.03	\$ 3,000.00
Puppet Ministry	110.00	0.00	110.00	\$ 500.00
Praise Team	0.00	0.00	-	\$ 600.00
Total Church Supplies	\$ 3,925.69	\$ 1,533.77	\$ 5,459.46	\$ 25,650.00

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MISCELLANEOUS

Conferences	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
Evangelism	160.60	102.00	262.60	\$ 1,000.00
Outreach	183.42	876.76	1,060.18	\$ 1,500.00
Centershot Ministries	0.00	37.85	37.85	\$ 1,100.00
Coffee & Donuts	247.69	152.80	400.49	\$ 2,400.00
Other Miscellaneous	181.74	0.00	181.74	\$ 4,500.00
Pastor's Retirement Party	0.00	7,403.66	7,403.66	\$ 15,000.00
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 773.45	\$ 8,573.07	\$ 9,346.52	\$ 27,500.00

TOTALS - MONTH / YEAR TO DATE / BUDGET

\$ 34,360.42	\$ 22,706.06	\$ 57,066.48	\$ 221,754.00
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INCOME SUMMARY

Worship Services	\$ 36,620.73	\$ 15,857.90	\$ 52,478.63	Income / Expense Comparison Current Month \$6,477.90 Year To Date \$3,662.16
Coffee & Donuts	273.94	93.00	366.94	
Interest	0.49	0.26	0.75	
Donations	40.00	27.00	67.00	
Miscellaneous	241.00	250.00	491.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 37,176.16	\$ 16,228.16	\$ 53,404.32	

CHECKING ACCOUNT

	Previous Balance	Income	Expenditures	Balance
General Fund	\$ 11,932.06	\$ 16,228.16	\$ 22,706.06	\$ 5,454.16

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

	Previous Balance	Income	Expenditures	Balance
General Fund Savings	\$ 78,911.22	\$ 12.53	\$ 26.15	\$ 78,897.60
Teddy Bear Fund	2,881.61	0.37	-	\$ 2,881.98
Improvement Fund	5,229.31	70.67	-	\$ 5,299.98
Memorial Fund	8,067.98	226.04	-	\$ 8,294.02
Univ/Sem Ed Fund	2,387.85	0.31	-	\$ 2,388.16
Youth Fund	5,057.45	2.98	-	\$ 5,060.43
Bell Choir Fund	2,313.10	0.30	-	\$ 2,313.40
Flower Fund	58.47	30.01	-	\$ 88.48
Parsonage	25,447.72	753.28	-	\$ 26,201.00
School Bldg. Fund	2,120.29	50.27	-	\$ 2,170.56
Thrivent Choice Funds	3,869.53	183.50	-	\$ 4,053.03
Choir Fund	552.33	0.07	-	\$ 552.40
Kidz Church/VBS	159.95	0.02	-	\$ 159.97
Together In Mission (T.I.M.)	885.42	895.11	-	\$ 1,780.53
Praise Team Fund	180.41	0.02	-	\$ 180.43
Centershot Ministries	842.27	0.11	-	\$ 842.38
Outreach Team	847.54	90.11	-	\$ 937.65
Building Fund	6,033.84	0.80	-	\$ 6,034.64

	Previous Balance	Income	Expenditures	Balance
CEF - One Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 1,420.59	\$ 1.25	\$ -	\$ 1,421.84
CEF - One Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 16,514.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,514.50
CEF - One Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 23,953.49	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,953.49
CEF - One Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 50,105.48	\$ 138.92	\$ -	\$ 50,244.40
CEF - Two Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 49,541.49	\$ 128.26	\$ -	\$ 49,669.75
Credit Union Savings Account	\$ 2,115.24	\$ 0.55	\$ -	\$ 2,115.79



Coming Attractions....

(Times can be found on the Calendar)

- Nov 01 – Outreach Meeting
- Nov 02 – Ladies Aid Meeting
- Nov 02 – Elders Meeting
- Nov 05 – Daylight Savings Time Ends!
- Nov 08 – Community Meal
- Nov 08 – Board of Directors Meeting
- Nov 09 – Ladies Bible Study
- Nov 10 – Pastor & Judy away on vacation through Nov 21
- Nov 11 – Veteran’s Day
- Nov 13 – Red Cross Blood Drive
- Nov 13 – Altar Guild Meeting
- Nov 14 – Church Office will be Closed
- Nov 16 – No Bible Study or Confirmation
- Nov 22 – Thanksgiving Eve Service at 7:00pm
- Nov 23 – Thanksgiving Day – Office Closed
- Nov 24 – Church Office Closed for Holiday

