

January  
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# The Eagle



**St. John Lutheran Church**

2888 W Houghton Lake Dr  
Houghton Lake, MI 48629  
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***“Jesus Christ is the  
same yesterday, and  
today, and forever”***  
*(Hebrews 13:5)*



Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus.

We get the name for the month of January from Janus, a false Roman god. According to mythology, Janus had two faces, and therefore the ability to look back and to look ahead at the same time.

The beginning of the New Year gives us the opportunity to do the same thing. We can look back upon 2018, a year of God’s blessing and care, with thankfulness and praise. And, with faith in the God who sent His Son Jesus to be our Savior, we can look ahead to the new year with hope.

Many changes surround us, in our world, and in our Church. Loved ones are taken from us, economic uncertainties abound, and we look for an anchor in such stormy times. Jesus Christ provides that anchor for us. Nothing will change the truth that He gave His life for us on the Cross, and that He gained for us an eternal victory by His resurrection from the dead. Whether this new year is the one He chooses to return with power and glory or not, we can count on Him to comfort and strengthen us with His Spirit, to forgive and to guide, and to keep us in the true faith.

As we look back on a year of grace, let’s also look ahead with joyful expectation to what God will do through us in this coming year! It is our prayer that early in this New Year your new Pastor and his family will arrive!

Our God, our Help in ages past,  
Our Hope for years to come.  
Be Thou our Guard while troubles last  
And our eternal Home. Amen

Sincerely, in Jesus,

Theodore Voll,  
Intentional Interim Pastor

## Opportunities to share the Word –

### **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study**

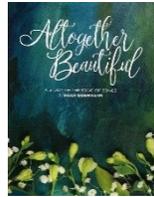
Meets in the Luther Room at 11:00 Sunday mornings and is led by Pastor Voll.



### **Thursday Morning Adult Bible Study**

Meets in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00am and is led by Pastor Voll. This small group is a great opportunity to ask questions and spend time in The Word.

**Ladies Bible Study Group** Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday evenings and will resume after the holidays on January 10, 2019. Our new study, *Altogether Beautiful*, is an in-depth Bible-based study on the Song of Songs. All ladies are welcome to join us!



### **Kidz Church Sunday School**

Meets in the Education Wing during the 9:30 Divine Service begins at 9:45am.

### **Outreach Team -**

*Submitted by Carolyn Wood*

Outreach meetings resume this Wednesday, January 2, at 7:00pm. Meetings take place the first Wednesday evening of each month. The next Community Meal, a Pancake Supper, will be held **January 9, 2019** beginning at 5:00pm.



### **Ladies Aid / LWML -**

*All ladies of our congregation are encouraged to participate in our Ladies Aid / LWML meetings and activities. As our congregation ages, membership can fluctuate. We have seen a drop off in the number of members active in these organizations that are an important part of the work of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod at large. Without new, and dare I add younger, members of our congregation becoming involved, these organizations die off and the members of the community that benefit from this outreach are left in need.*



*Did you know that other congregations across the nation have both an adult Ladies Aid/LMWL chapter and a younger ladies (high school & college age members) chapter? Many of these chapters are very visible in their communities enticing even more women to join and become "local missionaries".*

*"But I can't attend the meetings that are held during the day." Many of us have work commitments that make attending a mid-day meeting challenging. Some of us have attended a meeting and walked away not quite sure what direction the group was heading or how we could help. And who hasn't heard "it's the same people doing the same jobs and nothing has changed because Lutherans don't like change." To these I can only say, if you want to see change - be part of the solution to bring about that change. Will it be instant - no. But nothing worthwhile is instant. Meeting times not working for you? Find out if a meeting could be set up for an evening. Perhaps the presidents/chairpersons from both SJLC Ladies Aid and LWML could explain what the purpose, vision and activities of the groups are to those interested. If a decent size group attends an evening meeting, perhaps conversation would follow about changing the time so more women get involved. Is change uncomfortable, even painful - yes. Will there be resistance - yes. Will everyone be happy - no. But it is easier to change what isn't working than it is to resurrect a program that has died due to lack of membership. Don't want to hold an office? Ladies Aid/LWML host our Fellowship Hour every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday throughout the year. Volunteer to bring in some baked goods. Can't bake? - help host the Fellowship Hour. Do you quilt, or even if you don't, our chapter makes quilts that reach beyond our city, state, nation. Imagine helping tie a quilt that will warm the body of someone who has never had a blanket to call their own? The Great Commission is to go out into all the world and spread the gospel of Jesus Christ. Some of us will never have the opportunity to make a physical mission trip - but all of us can take time to create, raise, or assist those efforts that do reach the mission field. Curious? - Our next meeting is Thursday, January 3 with fellowship at noon, meeting at 1.*

## **Out of the Pews...**

*Submitted by Bob Arnold*

This article was written by Mr. Bob Arnold, a member of our Congregation. It provides some good things for us to consider as we remember how it is that we can be sure of eternal life through faith in our Lord Jesus. – Pastor Voll.

## **Important—Life or Death!**

Have you reached a place in your spiritual life, that if you were to die tonight you know without a doubt that you would go to heaven? Each one of us should ask ourselves this question. Someday, each of us will stand before our God and He will decide whether we go to Heaven or to Hell.

The Bible in Jesus' words tells us what is required. The answer is simple. No one denomination has a hold or magic wand that is going to get them into heaven. A lot of folks answer with, "I've tried to do my best to live a good life, to do what is right; to be good to other people", and perhaps even gone to church on a regular basis.

Jesus tells us that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. He also tells us that the soul that sinneth, it shall die. He means eternally. He has condemned each of us at birth to eternal damnation. He also tells us that when we even have an evil thought, it's as if we already committed that sin.

When God the Father created Adam and Eve, they were made like Himself, perfect without sin, but they disobeyed Him and ate the forbidden fruit in the "Garden of Eden" and He threw them out of His perfect Garden and put a curse on them and all of us that followed.

But it says in the Bible that God so loved the world that He sent his only Son into the world, to take on human flesh, to live like we live, to be tempted by the devil like we are, but that He would have to remain sinless, that He would have to keep the Ten Commandments perfect, and that He would have to die in our place so that we could live with Him in Heaven. That is why Jesus had to come into the world as both God and Man. Man so that He could die and still remaining to be God. He had to be God that when He died, He could also come back to life.

The Bible tells us that Jesus came into the world born of a virgin mother, that He lived a perfect life, that He was obedient unto our Heavenly Father that He died on the cross for the sins of the whole world. That this sacrifice was acceptable to the Father.

The Bible tells us that God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are but one God. (Some things we humans do not understand and have a very hard way to explain them). That is why it becomes necessary for us to go to a Christian church on a regular basis and to read the Bible, to learn about God, and to let Him come into our heart through His Word.

When we read the New Testament of the Bible, we learn that Jesus did come into the world, born of a

virgin mother, that while on this earth, He performed many miracles to prove to us that He was both God and Man, that He suffered and died, and that before He died, He cried out from the cross that it was finished, He meant to say, that the Father accepted His (Jesus) sacrifice for payment for the sins of everyone that had or would ever come into the world. Had His sacrifice not been accepted, I suppose He would have had to suffer even more. We have further proof that His sacrifice was accepted because after three days in the grave, He came back to life. He tells us in the Bible that He has power to lay His life (human life) down and to take it back up.

So what does God require of us for to be able to inherit life eternal? After reading the Bible, we know that we are sinners and are condemned to die. We also know that Jesus came into the world to take our place, that He lived a perfect life and that He died and rose again. So what does He require of us? He tells us in his own words, "He that believes and is baptized shall be saved".

We also learn that when He was crucified that there were two others that were crucified with Him. Both of them were criminals and while they were on the cross, one of the criminals believed in Jesus as His savior and asked Him to remember him when Jesus entered His kingdom. Jesus told the man that he would be with Him that day. He didn't tell the man that he would have to do good works in order to be saved.

His disciples give us the same message. We should try to live according to the Ten Commandments and do good works, because God has told us to, but not that it is a condition of receiving life eternal. We obey or obeyed our earthly parents out of love and respect and so it is with God.

Jesus also commanded each of us to spread the word. Not to keep it to ourselves but to share it. Each of us will either receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and enter life eternal when we end our stay on this earth or we will reject him and his Gift of Life Eternal. Each of us will either be in heaven or in hell. I know that I will be in heaven because Jesus is my Savior and I pray that you will let him be your Savior too.

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod accepts the entire Bible as the true word of God, nothing more and nothing less. One cannot add or delete parts of the Bible. There are parts of the Bible that we do not understand but believe them through faith.

In Christ,

Bob Arnold

Member of St John Lutheran  
Houghton Lake, Michigan 48629

## **HEAVEN or HELL?**

*Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved. (Acts 16:31)*

## **Other Church News...**

### **Looking for something to read?**

*Submitted by Gloria Owaski*

Several of the devotion books placed in the fellowship hall have found their way into homes of our members! Please feel free to help yourself to any of the books on the tables and watch for new additions! When you have finished reading your selection, please return the book to the library.



## **Those Who Serve...**

Please submit names of those you know who are currently serving so we can include them in our prayers during 2019

## **For Today's Families**

*Author: Dcs. Jennifer L. Miller*

### **Better Together**

*January 2019*

"Many hands make light work."

"There is no I in team." "The whole is greater than the sum of its parts."



We've heard all of this before. The idea of coming together with others to make good things happen is not a unique concept. Individually, we have our limitations, but somehow when we merge our skills with those of another person, presto! The result is often something much better than we could have accomplished alone.

And when it's Christians that come together to show love and mercy to others, well, now it's really game on, because our Lord Himself is working through His people. You see, we're not just *any* people. We're the Body of Christ. St. Paul puts it this way:

For just as the body is one and has many members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and all were made to drink of one Spirit. (1 Corinthians 12:12-13)

We're not one because we all like one another. Or because we all love waking up early on Sundays. Or because we love the taste of church coffee. No, our oneness goes much deeper than that. Deep into the water, actually. We're one because we're baptized into one Lord. We share a faith. In Christ, we are all the same: beloved and holy and perfect.

Even as we live in this new reality, however, we are still prone to division. Sometimes we think the body might be better off if we could only have this or that part amputated. But God cares for His whole body, and charges us to see the value and worth in each member. We're bound together in Baptism, strengthened as one in Holy Communion, and held fast in the Church.

That's all well and good, but on a day-to-day basis, what does this look like?

A strong body that is held together eternally, without fail, is capable of serving others in a variety of ways. Each member is gifted in a special way, while we're all directed by Christ, our Head.

We don't need programs to tell us how to serve, but we get to do it according to our vocation and particular gifts. We can keep our eyes open to the needs around us jumping in whenever we see an opportunity. Does someone need a meal to help get them through a tough time? Does the new person at church need a friend? Does the single mother need some help wrangling her children in the pew?

There are a multitude of ways in which we, a multitude of people, come together as one and serve others in faith. By being more aware of the suffering around us, we can also teach our children to be present in the moment, offering help when and as they are able. No gift is too small or insignificant – everyone's contribution is necessary and welcomed, regardless of how mundane you may feel it is.

Think of how everyone functions in your family – the funny one, the peacemaker, the one who asks all the questions – and the family is stronger because of each person in it. So is the Body of Christ seen right here in your church. So come together. Live the reality that is our oneness in Christ. Just think of all the possibilities!

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# Celebrating This Month...



## Celebrating Anniversaries:

Jan 9	Bill & Jane DeGroot	10 yrs
Jan 14	Rich & Lois Moran	74 yrs
Jan 15	Darrell & Jan Dengler	53 yrs
Jan 21	Bill & Ruth Serniuk	42 yrs
Jan 27	John & Ruth Sanker	51 yrs
Jan 31	Ken & Nancy Normile	15 yrs

Jan 2	Dick Pedersen
Jan 4	Jim French
Jan 5	Bob Cook Mary Gough
Jan 6	Nathan Joles
Jan 7	Bob Arnold
Jan 9	Erich Stark Leslye Vest Lindsey Vest
Jan 12	Leo Stack
Jan 13	Sandy Byberneit
Jan 14	George Mandley
Jan 15	Deborah Weiss
Jan 16	Martha Cook Dan Peer, Sr.
Jan 18	Fred Riske Marlin Shull
Jan 19	Matt Doehring Rose Lepper-Ernst Paul Reda
Jan 20	Tom Janik Judy Winter
Jan 21	Jan Dengler Caoline Foster
Jan 24	Wanda Ebel Reece Joles (8 yrs old) Judy Kobman Chloe Koupal
Jan 25	John Schalk
Jan 26	Walea (Britton) Dombrowski Susie Dougherty
Jan 27	Maggie Warmack ( 3 yrs old)



## Serving During Worship Services

### ELDERS

**8:00 am** Peter Daellenbach, & Jim Leedy  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Jim Leedy & Erich Springer

### 9:30

**Jan 6** – Scott Bockelman & Dan Nagy  
**Jan 13** – Bob Greger & Bill Serniuk  
**Jan 20** – Kirk Koupal & Bob Tarvis  
**Jan 37** – Rick Joles & Mike Michaelson

### READERS

**Jan 6** – Sonya Springer  
**Jan 13** – Sandra Arnold  
**Jan 20** – Darleen Arnold  
**Jan 27** – Monika Pfannes

### ORGANISTS

**Jan 6** – Jane Radulski  
**Jan 13** – Sandy Akin  
**Jan 20** – Carol Newman  
**Jan 27** – Jane Radulski

### PRAISE TEAM

**Cheryl Daellenbach** - keyboard, vocals;  
**Chris Lauria** - vocals;  
**Jim Leedy**- guitar & vocals;  
**Dale Mollard** - bass guitar;  
**Judy Winter** - keyboard, vocals;  
**Pastor Winter** - guitar, vocals.

# January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10:00 - AA Church Office Closed	2 7:00 - Outreach Mtg	3 10:00 - Bible Study 12:00 - Ladies Aid /LWML 6:00 - Praise Team 7:00 - Elders	4	5 10:00 - AA
6 "Rise and Shine!" 8:00 - Blended Service 9:30 - Divine with Communion 9:45 - Kidz Church 11:00 - Adult Bible Study <i>Epiphany</i>	7 6:00 - Puppets	8 10:00 - AA	9 9:00 Trustees  5:00 - COMMUNITY DINNER 7:00 - Board Mtg	10 10:00 - Bible Study 6:00 - Confirmation 6:30 - Ladies Study	11 6:30 - Call Committee Mtg	12 10:00 - AA
13 "Wanted: Dead and Alive" 8:00 - Blended with Communion 9:30 - Divine Service 9:45 - Kidz Church 11:00 - Adult Bible Study	14	15 10:00 - AA	16 <i>Wellspring Lutheran Services Training in Luther Room 12:00 - 6:00pm</i>	17 10:00 - Bible Study	18	19 10:00 - AA
20 "Adjust Your Attitude" 8:00 - Blended Service 9:30 - Divine with Communion 9:45 - Kidz Church 11:00 - Adult Bible Study	21 M.L. King Jr. Day	22 10:00 - AA	23	24 10:00 Bible Study 6:00 - Confirmation Praise Team	25 Newsletter Deadline	26 10:00 - AA
27 "Body Building" 8:00 - Blended with Communion 9:30 - Divine Service 9:45 - Kidz Church 11:00 - Adult Bible Study	28	29 9:00 - Pastors' Winkel 10:00 - AA	30	31 10:00 - Bible Study 6:00 - Confirmation Praise Team		

**ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2018**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

President - Jim Mueller  
Vice-President - Jeff Krentz  
Treasurer - Jim French  
Secretary - Monika Pfannes  
Board of Christian Ed - Mike Michaelson  
Board of Elders - Peter Daellenbach  
Board of Evangelism - Jane Radulski  
Board of Social Welfare - Sharon Meinecke  
Board of Stewardship - Erma Stevens  
Board of Trustees - Marlin Shull  
Spiritual Leadership - Pastor Voll

**ABSENT:**

**VISITORS:** Kirk Koupal, Amy Koupal, Cozette Koupal

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Jim Mueller at 8:05pm

**OPENING:** Pastor Voll opened the meeting with prayer.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** After review of the minutes from the November 14, 2018, Board of Directors meeting, a motion was made by Mike Michaelson, second by Sharon Meinecke, to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Jim French reported that the Treasurer Report includes the cost of 2019 Offering Envelopes under Office Supplies. No other outstanding expenditures. After review of the November 2018 Treasurers Report, a motion was made by Jeff Krentz, second by Erma Stevens, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried.

**BOARD REPORTS:**

**Board of Christian Education:** Mike Michaelson reported no additional items since last month.

**Board of Elders:** Peter Daellenbach reported the following:

***Bibles:*** Rather than dispose of the unusable Bible(s) New Year's Eve, the Elders are going to schedule this event during one of the 2019 Garden Services.

**Board of Evangelism:** Jane Radulski reported:

***Sharing Tree:*** Thank you again for all the donations.

**Board of Stewardship:** Erma Stevens had no report.

**Board of Social Welfare:** Sharon Meinecke reported one request was received for assistance last month which she referred to The Salvation Army. Sharon also shared a Houghton Lake Resorter Article which reported that Consumers Energy has allotted \$2 million for assistance to families in need during this coming winter. Sharon will be having families that call for Electric/Heat Cost assistance contact 2•1•1 first to tap into that fund, and if they are declined, have them contact us again. Also, 4 baskets were given out at Thanksgiving.

***Ladies Aid:*** Erma Stevens reported that the Ladies Aid had also donated 10 turkeys to Project H.O.P.E. for Thanksgiving.

**Board of Trustees:** Marlin Shull updated on the following:

***Furnace:*** Tim Swales has installed the first of the new heating units and will be continuing with the second one..

***Church Outdoor Lighting:*** The trustees have been working with Kirk Koupal to get all the church lighting back in order. Kirk handed out information on lighting he recommends the church purchase to replace the fixture on the west side above the Fellowship Hall exit door which is no longer working. The internal parts of the light fixture have gone bad, and the recommended replacement would include an LED Light which will save on power usage. The fixture would be white in color to blend into the exterior of the church. As the cost to purchase and install the replacement fixture is \$200, this purchase will be authorized by the Board of Trustees directly in accordance with Church Policy No. 7 - "*Purchases Greater Than \$300*".

***Kitchen Flooring:*** Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church has offered to SJLC a roll of linoleum which is 12' x 62' as possible replacement flooring for our kitchen. They would ask for a \$100 donation toward their current fundraising effort. After discussion, Jeff Krentz will look into the quality of the flooring and return with a recommendation.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Voll reported the following:

***News & Notes:*** Pastor encouraged board members to take advantage of the many special worship opportunities during this Advent Season. Pastor stated that during Christmas pastoring is great fun and a special time of the church year.

***Extension of Interim Contract:*** Pastor presented the following resolution for the upcoming Voter's Meeting to be held December 16, 2018:

***Resolved - that the Call extended by the Congregation of St. John Lutheran Church - Houghton Lake extended to Pastor Theodore Voll as Intentional Interim Pastor be extended monthly, with the same salary and stipulations, until such time as a new Pastor is installed.***

Jim Mueller will present the resolution to the Voter's as stated above.

**Intentional Interim Ministry Program:** Pastor Voll reported that things are moving along nicely. Jim Mueller then reported that a chart of names received from District was handed out to the congregation at the December 9, worship services with information about each candidate. This past week Jim had a conversation with Pastor Mandley, who is acting as our Circuit Visitor through this process, and an e-mail was received from Pastor Mandly after that call summarizing items discussed. Jim shared the e-mail with the board and will update the congregation as new information is received. Jim also explained this process will take several months as outlined in the e-mail as the called candidate has 3 weeks to accept the call and then it is not uncommon for an additional 4-6 weeks before the new pastor is installed. When the information packets are received from Pastor Mandley, copies will be made and distributed to the call committee as well as a copy being available in the Church Office for review. A call committee tentative meeting date of January 11, at 6:30 was agreed to.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No items to report or update.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No New Business Items presented.

**VISITOR REMARKS:**

**Mission Trip:** Cozette Koupal, a senior at Western Michigan University, will be graduating in May and has an opportunity to take a mission trip to Honduras with *Medical Brigades*. The trip will take place from March 2 - 8, 2019 and at a total cost of \$2,250 per participant. Cozette outlined that this organization works with the local residents providing pro bono health & dental care, vitamins, prescriptions, and education regarding nutrition and preventative care. Student volunteers assist the medical personnel throughout the clinical process including Intake, Triage, Education. Cozette has paid the \$250 to secure her spot on this mission trip and is helping to organize other fundraising events for the entire team. Included in the \$2,250 cost is \$60 which will go toward the Sustainability Health Fund assisting local residents to continue getting the medicines and nutrition supplements they need. Cozette then asked if St. John would give her a donation toward the cost of the trip. A motion was made by Erma Stevens, second by Mike Michaelson, that St. John Lutheran Church make a \$1,000 donation to Cozette Koupal for the March 2-8, 2019 Mission Trip to Honduras. This money will be taken from Charitable Accounts as determined by the treasurer, Jim French. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A Thank You card was received from Kathleen Dale.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** So she can more easily continue spending time in the Word, a large print Bible was gifted to Erma Stevens in appreciation for all her work and contribution of time and talent.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Jeff Krentz, second by Marlin Shull, to adjourn the meeting at 9:22pm with the Lord's Prayer. Motion carried, and the meeting was so closed.

Respectfully submitted by,

Monika Pfannes, Secretary

Minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting

Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

Treasurer's Report

Month Ending November 30, 2018

**SALARIES**

	Previous Balance	NOVEMBER	Year to Date	Budget
Pastor's Salary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Pastor's Housing Subsidy	-	-	-	
Pastor's Retirement & Ins.	-	-	-	
Pastor's Social Security	-	-	-	
Car Displacement	1,600.00	400.00	2,000.00	\$ 4,800.00
Car Expense	-	-	-	
Employees Social Security	1,200.75	-	1,200.75	\$ 3,050.00
Organists	1,954.57	392.48	2,347.05	\$ 7,980.00
Office Manager	5,699.97	1,070.13	6,770.10	\$ 16,435.00
Custodian	3,458.36	625.73	4,084.09	\$ 9,430.00
Guest Preachers	377.04	-	377.04	\$ 1,000.00
Interim Pastor(s)	10,000.00	2,500.00	12,500.00	\$ 30,000.00
Mich Dist LCMS - IIMP (10%)	1,000.00	250.00	1,250.00	\$ 3,000.00
<b>Total Salaries</b>	<b>\$ 25,290.69</b>	<b>\$ 5,238.34</b>	<b>\$ 30,529.03</b>	<b>\$ 75,695.00</b>

**PROPERTY**

Disposal	\$ 525.80	\$ 151.85	\$ 677.65	\$ 1,300.00
Equipment Purchases	244.96	-	244.96	\$ 3,000.00
Insurance	-	-	-	\$ 5,000.00
Reserve Rd. Expense/Improvement	162.19	25.76	187.95	\$ 1,000.00
Sewer Usage	396.00	-	396.00	\$ 800.00
Supplies Lawn & Repairs & Snow plow	3,555.79	360.76	3,916.55	\$ 7,000.00
Utilities - Electricity	1,887.32	389.35	2,276.67	\$ 5,500.00
Utilities - Fuel-DTE Gas	1,072.00	268.00	1,340.00	\$ 4,750.00
Utilities - Telephone	656.82	164.59	821.41	\$ 2,200.00
<b>Total Property</b>	<b>\$ 8,500.88</b>	<b>\$ 1,360.31</b>	<b>\$ 9,861.19</b>	<b>\$ 30,550.00</b>

**Charities**

Community Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00
Katie Conference Endowment Fund	-	-	-	\$ 200.00
L.A.M.P.	-	-	-	\$ 500.00
Local Charities	100.00	-	100.00	\$ 500.00
Lutheran Home & Family Services	-	-	-	\$ 500.00
Lutheran Hour Ministries	-	500.00	500.00	\$ 500.00
Lutheran World Relief	500.00	-	500.00	\$ 500.00
Lutherans for Life	500.00	-	500.00	\$ 500.00
Miscellaneous Charities	-	100.00	100.00	\$ 500.00
Northern Michigan Children's Assess	-	-	-	\$ 500.00
Social Welfare	400.00	278.23	678.23	\$ 1,000.00
Sowers Fund	500.00	-	500.00	\$ 500.00
Synod's Work	3,200.00	800.00	4,000.00	\$ 9,600.00
T.I.M. (Sri Lanka/Pastor Mahlburg)	1,500.00	-	1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00
Veterans of the Cross	-	-	-	\$ 500.00
<b>Total Charities</b>	<b>\$ 6,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,678.23</b>	<b>\$ 8,378.23</b>	<b>\$ 19,000.00</b>

**CHURCH SUPPLIES**

Altar Guild	\$ 387.39	\$ 50.19	\$ 437.58	\$ 2,000.00
Bulletins & Worship Aids	1,246.85	213.42	1,460.27	\$ 4,800.00
Confirmation Materials	-	-	-	\$ 600.00
Office - Supplies	2,307.23	975.75	3,282.98	\$ 5,500.00
Office - Technology Expenses	3,085.27	1,773.27	4,858.54	\$ 7,000.00
Portals of Prayer	216.00	240.00	456.00	\$ 900.00
Postage	14.76	-	14.76	\$ 750.00
Praise Team	-	-	-	\$ 600.00
Puppet Ministry	94.53	21.16	115.69	\$ 500.00
Sunday School & VBS	572.94	-	572.94	\$ 3,000.00
<b>Total Church Supplies</b>	<b>\$ 7,924.97</b>	<b>\$ 3,273.79</b>	<b>\$ 11,198.76</b>	<b>\$ 25,650.00</b>

Treasurer's Report  
Month Ending November 30, 2018

<u>Special Projects</u>	<u>Previous Balance</u>	<u>NOVEMBER</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Major Repairs	\$ -	0.00	\$ -	\$ 16,000.00
<b>Total Special Projects</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,000.00

<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>	<u>Previous Balance</u>	<u>NOVEMBER</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Centershot Ministries	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,100.00
Coffee & Donuts	541.84	180.79	722.63	\$ 2,400.00
Conferences	-	\$ -	-	\$ 2,000.00
Evangelism	285.60	61.20	346.80	\$ 1,000.00
Outreach	665.40	77.65	743.05	\$ 1,500.00
Other Miscellaneous	960.93	207.87	1,168.80	\$ 6,000.00
<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</b>	\$ 2,453.77	\$ 527.51	\$ 2,981.28	\$ 14,000.00
<b>TOTALS - MONTH / YEAR TO DATE / BUDGET</b>	\$ 50,870.31	\$ 12,078.18	\$ 62,948.49	\$ 180,895.00

<u>INCOME SUMMARY</u>	<u>Previous Balance</u>	<u>NOVEMBER</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Income / Expense Comparison</u>
Worship Services	\$ 69,973.74	\$ 13,797.03	\$ 83,770.77	Current Month \$2,235.45 Year To Date \$23,923.37
Coffee & Donuts	545.66	151.00	696.66	
Interest	-	-	-	
Donations	-	-	-	
Miscellaneous	2,038.83	365.60	2,404.43	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$ 72,558.23	\$ 14,313.63	\$ 86,871.86	

<u>CHECKING ACCOUNT</u>	<u>Previous Balance</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>
General Fund	\$ 48,876.60	\$ 14,313.63	\$ 12,078.18	\$ 51,112.05

<u>SPECIAL ACCOUNTS</u>	<u>Previous Balance</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>
General Fund Savings	\$ 4,046.17	\$ 2.60		\$ 4,048.77
Bell Choir Fund	2,317.18	0.20		\$ 2,317.38
Building Fund	6,064.59	0.52		\$ 6,065.11
Centershot Ministries	843.76	0.07		\$ 843.83
Choir Fund	553.31	0.05		\$ 553.36
Flower Fund	179.88	20.02		\$ 199.90
Improvement Fund	7,192.00	80.61		\$ 7,272.61
Kidz Church/VBS	260.78	0.02		\$ 260.80
Memorial Fund	10,885.30	170.93		\$ 11,056.23
Outreach Team	1,078.22	18.09		\$ 1,096.31
Parsonage	30,527.77	82.60		\$ 30,610.37
Praise Team Fund	180.71	0.02		\$ 180.73
School Bldg. Fund	2,524.45	200.22		\$ 2,724.67
Teddy Bear Fund	2,486.10	0.21		\$ 2,486.31
Thrivent Choice Funds	5,382.04	106.45		\$ 5,488.49
Together In Mission (T.I.M.)	1,043.90	20.09		\$ 1,063.99
Univ/Sem Ed Fund	1,892.06	0.16		\$ 1,892.22
Youth Fund	5,098.54	2.70		\$ 5,101.24
<b>Total Special Accounts</b>	\$ 82,556.76	\$ 705.56	\$ -	\$ 83,262.32

	<u>Previous Balance</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>
CEF - One Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 1,427.90			\$ 1,427.90
CEF - One Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 16,684.38			\$ 16,684.38
CEF - One Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 24,193.93			\$ 24,193.93
CEF - One Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 50,900.61			\$ 50,900.61
CEF - Two Year Fixed Rate Note	\$ 50,293.53			\$ 50,293.53
Chemical Bank 17 month CD	\$ 75,000.00			\$ 75,000.00
Credit Union Savings Account	\$ 2,117.97			\$ 2,117.97



### Coming Attractions....

(Times can be found on the Calendar)

Jan 03 – Ladies Aid / LWML Fellowship & Meeting

Jan 03 – Elders Meeting

Jan 09 – Board of Directors' Meeting

Jan 10 – Ladies Group – Altogether Beautiful

Jan 11 – Call Committee Initial Meeting

Jan 18 – January Newsletter Deadline

Jan 24 – Ladies Group – Altogether Beautiful