



## During This "Time Without"

By Bonnie Scranton

I recently read an article entitled, "When Your Church is Without a Pastor", by Dale A. Robbins and wanted to share some of his suggestions about how to manage during this "time without". You'll recognize much of this, as we're already doing it, which is awesome!

- 1. Be Faithful in Attending Worship** – If there was ever a time our church needed you, this is it. Don't be a fair-weather friend...remain faithful in your attendance.
- 2. Be a Person of Prayer** – People in the church must always be persons sincerely devoted to prayer... but even more so during those times when we're without a pastor.
- 3. Be Extra Patient and Understanding** – An interim period for any church may become tense and stressful, creating the possible atmosphere for any number of misunderstandings, so it's important that all of us be patient and remain positive.
- 4. Continue to Contribute Financially** – During a time of leadership transition, church finances can often become one of the first casualties to suffer... so it is vitally important to remain steadfast with our offerings. Remember, our offerings belong to the Lord regardless of the changing nature of His church.
- 5. Volunteer More than Usual** – This is a critical time for anyone who is able to stay involved. We take a great deal of pride in the fact that Christ Lutheran is a relationship-based community, a family, where people serve and truly care for one another...and it will take everyone's participation for us to continue to be that special place while we wait for our new spiritual leader.
- 6. Help Contribute to Unity** – This is a moment in time when positive attitudes and encouragement for each other and for our congregation are essential to helping us maintain peace and unity.

**8. Don't Waste the Opportunity** – Please remember that during this "time without" God still has a vital purpose for every worship service, guest speaker or activity...and it is important for all of us to remain faithful and engaged, so that God's intended work can continue to be accomplished thru us.

**9. Finally, Don't Panic and Be at Peace!** Please continue to do your part to pray, contribute and help as suggested above, knowing that our congregation will do better if everyone remains calm and steadfast in faith. During this "time without", find peace and take rest in God's words taken from Isaiah 41:10, "*So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; for I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*"



## God is calling me...

By Matt Futhey, Stewardship Chair

The theme of this year's stewardship campaign is "God is calling me..." We will be emphasizing this theme during the campaign as we consider how we, as disciples of Jesus, are called to give of our time, talent and treasure to answer God's call to serve.

The Stewardship Team decided on the overall theme of "calling" because of how God is calling us to serve His church. Since the definition of calling in a church setting could be different for one person to the next, the team decided to focus on four ways that God is calling us: to love, to pray and listen, to give, and to serve.

As in the past, the Stewardship Campaign will be launched with a letter to our members the week of Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>. The mailing will include a 2020 pledge card, Time & Talent sheet and pre-addressed return envelope. We will officially kick off the campaign immediately before worship on Sunday, Oct. 13 with a brief temple talk about the overall campaign. We will also have short temple talks the following four Sundays and then will wrap up the campaign on Sunday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, with a catered lunch served by your council.

At the heart of "stewardship" is the belief that everything we have comes from and belongs to God and we are simply "stewards" appointed to manage these gifts. I encourage you to listen to the speakers and to pray for discernment as to how God is calling you to support our church in the coming year.

## **Christ Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes – Sept. 10, 2019**

**Members Present:** Dick Tabb, Matt Futhey, Katie Rupp, Bonnie Scranton, Jim Hobbins, Tom Jett, Sara Klusmeyer, Andrew Maas, Brandon Ross, Bill Wolters. **Members Absent:** Kathy Buckman and Connie Hornsey. **Visitors present:** Officer T. K. Dralle of the Quincy Police Department.

At 6:32 p.m. Dick Tabb opened meeting with prayer; Andrew Maas led devotions. Dick called meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

**Additions to the Agenda:** Matt Futhey requested that Service Project with LMC be added under New Business.

**Approval of Minutes:** After council review, motion that the August 20, 2019 minutes be approved carried.

**President's Report:** Dick Tabb asked the ministry team liaisons to be sure the ministry teams follow up on making any corrections or additions to the Time & Talent sheets.

**Parish Administrator's Report:** Bonnie Scranton presented a written report of activities for review/discussion. She stated that she'd meet with Pr Tony to discuss Advent Services and devotional booklet. Motion to accept the report carried.

**Treasurer's/Financial Secretary's Report:** Printed reports for August were distributed by Bonnie Scranton for council review & discussion. Motion to accept reports and to place the financial report on file pending audit carried. Bonnie reported the WMT is over budget due to paying supply pastors, who are contract not staff and aren't paid from funds designated for salaries.

### **Ministry and Committee Reports:**

- **Communications:** Bill Wolters, Bonnie Scranton, Crystal Bliven, and Kara Wingerter met to discuss updating the CLC Facebook page. Kara suggested a social media calendar be put in place to keep church functions current. Bree Wingerter, church secretary, and Kara will finalize the set-up and Bree will post content provided to her.

- **Fellowship:** No report

- **Learning:** Sara Klusmeyer reported the following event dates: Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> KNO, there are already 30 kids registered; on-line registration is working well. Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> Blessing Buddy activity after Sunday services then Youth Group will meet at CLC from 5 to 7 p.m. Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> Blessing Buddy pumpkin carving then Youth Group will meet at LMC. Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> Youth Group will meet at CLC. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> Blessing Buddy Christmas event.

- **Mutual Ministry:** Dick Tabb reported that Shepherd Leaders agreed to discuss several questions on the Ministry Site Profile with their circle members on Sun., Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, which is Shepherd Circle Sunday. The data collected will assist in completing the Ministry Site Profile.

- **Property:** Andrew Maas reported the removal of plant material on the south side of church went well with the help of Cub Scout Pack #52, congregation members, and Shortridge trucking. The Property team is waiting for vendor responses on the parking lot repairs.

- **Service:** Katie Rupp reported the GWOH went well on Sunday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>. The Second Sunday, Second Basket collection was moved to Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>.

- **Stewardship:** Matt Futhey reported that this year's campaign will kick off on Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> with the theme "God is Calling Me." He also asked that revisions to the Time & Talents survey be returned to Bonnie Scranton by Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting will be Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.

- **Worship:** Bonnie Scranton reported supply pastors have been scheduled through Oct.; Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> will be the Youth Advent Program during services, and Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> the choir will present a cantata during services.

- **Risk Management:** Andrew Maas raised the question of availability of first aid supplies should a need arise. He will check on the supplies and location. Andrew will also contact the Red Cross about CPR training as a possible adult learning event. Motion that the Ministry Reports be accepted carried.

### **Old Business:**

a) Dick Tabb reported the MSP subcommittee is moving forward and tasks have been assigned to each member. He stated that council feedback was needed on a question that is required as part of the Call Process. There would be no discussion, the question required only a yes or no vote by each council member. He then read aloud the question as follows: "As the bishop and other synod staff review potential nominees to be pastor of your congregation, does your Congregation Council choose that the synod staff consider, among other potential nominees, potential nominees who are in a same-gender marriage or who may desire to be in a same-gender relationship someday?" The council voted in written ballots. The result of the council vote was 9-yes, 1-no.

b) Dick moved the Ministry Site Characteristics survey to the end of the meeting.

c) Dick Tabb presented copies of the letter he wrote, as Council President, to the Mayor and Quincy City Council which stated CLC support of the Quincy rental inspection program as an effective way of maintaining neighborhoods and preventing their decay. The council had previously given approval for the letter to be written and sent.

### **New Business:**

a) The council approved funds, to be taken out of Memorial Funds, to provide an engraved brick memorial for both Mary Reeve and David Bergstrasser in the Memorial Garden.

b) Jim Hobbins reported that the opening of the Virgene Project store on Hampshire Street would be around Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>.

c) Matt Futhey raised the question of another GWOH service project with LMC. Bonnie Scranton pointed out that GWOH is an official ELCA day of service. We could explore this idea but not as a GWOH event..

At this time Dick Tabb distributed and explained the Ministry Site Characteristics survey that each council member needed to complete individually.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. carried. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Katie Rupp, Secretary

*NOTE: These minutes are slightly condensed. Full version is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office.*

## President's Message

### Keep Holding On!



*By Dick Tabb, President*

Dear Friends in Christ, what a great congregation we have here at Christ Lutheran! During this transition period, everyone has demonstrated their commitment to our church family by their continued presence and participation in congregational life. Our Ministry Teams are

leading the way in programming and activities which enrich the congregation members in many ways, while continuing outreach efforts enabling us to reach our mission – Christ Cares, Share the Faith.

The Ministry Profile Report is being completed, Pastor Stein continues to reach out for a possible Interim Pastor, and your church council is providing the leadership we need at this time. As Council President, I ask that we focus on the future while taking care of the daily and weekly needs of our congregation and its members. Our goal is to see our church move ahead without sacrificing any of our programs or activities, and we have been able to do that with a lot of member support – THANK YOU. Remember – Stay Calm, and Carry On!

## SERVICE TEAM NEWS

### October Food Donations Going to Salvation Army



**FEED THE  
HUNGRY**

*By Sue Hobbins*

Fall means winter and the holidays cannot be too far behind. Football, falling leaves, maybe some travel plans to look forward to, what an exciting time. Life becomes full, days come and go faster and there are many good times ahead.

Some of us may not be quite so excited to see cold days ahead. Seasonable workers, those who are barely making ends meet and others who may not have been accessing food pantries during the summer will now need their help. We need to help more now than before. Could you pick up two more items this month to give to help your neighbor? Toiletries, laundry product, personal hygiene items are always welcome. Pet foods and other pet needs are welcome also. Thank you for all you do each day for others.

- Protein items (includes baked beans, chili beans)
- Canned meats (chicken, tuna)
- Canned meals or boxed meals
- Macaroni & cheese, spaghetti & spaghetti sauce
- Soups, especially chicken noodle & vegetable
- Canned fruit and vegetables
- Nuts (dry roasted almonds, peanuts, etc.)
- Bisquick (or similar mixes that make a variety of dishes with little or no additional ingredients)
- Fresh apples, potatoes
- Boxes of powdered milk & canned evaporated milk
- Dry cereals
- Paper products (toilet tissue, facial tissue, diapers)
- Laundry detergent, cleaning products
- Deodorant, shampoo, toilet soap
- Hotel size soaps, shampoos, lotions, etc.
- Baby care products and baby food

### Soap Needed – Soap Needed

*By Bonnie Conover*

I am so grateful to all of you that have brought soap to fill the tubs! You are an awesome congregation!

We are, however, in need of MORE SOAP! We have not reached our goal of 400 pounds yet! Just a reminder that they should be regular bath size bars of soap. If you would like to donate, but cannot do the shopping, I will be happy to do it for you.

You can give cash or money to me or the church and mark it “LWR Soap”. The deadline to bring the soap is Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. I will be taking it to Carthage on October 26<sup>th</sup> for LWR distributions center. Thank you again for your generosity and especially for caring for others!

### Virgene Project Store is Up and Running!

*By Sue & Jim Hobbins*

The Virgene Project Store is up and running. The store for veterans, at 812 Hampshire, is now open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Wed. For special needs contact Jim or Sue on their cell phones. We kicked off our 2019 clothing drive today here at church last Sunday. It will run through Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. Please use the Virgene box in the narthex or call Jim for pickup. We're collecting only men's clothing this time with emphasis on accessories (socks, shoes/boots, underwear, as well as canes and small walkers). We also are in need of men's casual pants, especially jeans. As always thanks for your support for an urgent community need!

## Property Team Updates

The trees and bushes are gone. Now what?? The landscaping plan for the area immediately south of the Sanctuary is to have an area of landscape rock and plants between the wall and the grass in order to prevent erosion. But first all of the stumps and roots need to be pulled out. That is not something our members can do, so we will contract out that work along with the landscaping that will follow. The Memorial Garden Committee will be meeting with a representative from Bergman Nurseries on October 1 to review their proposal. Hopefully, the new landscaping can be in place by the end of October.

We also recently reached out again to contractors about resurfacing the east parking lot. This project is going to need to be done in two phases. The first step will be to actually patch some areas with new asphalt. Once that is done the entire lot can be resurfaced and striped. Jim Hobbins, Property Team liaison on council, is in the process of gathering quotes from asphalt contractors for this work.

## One Year to Live Men's Retreat

A Lutheran Men in Mission "One Year to Live" Retreat will be held October 4-6 at Camp Shaw, just west of Bourbonnais. It begins 6 p.m. on Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> and ends about 2:30 p.m. on Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup>. The OYTL retreat is an intensive retreat which often changes men's lives. Dedicated staff volunteer their time and come from Wisconsin and Iowa, as well as Illinois. For more information and testimonials go to <http://www.lutheranmeninmission.org/events/one-year-to-live/>.

## NOV. 15-17 – C/SIS LYO GATHERING

Love your selfie! The 2019 C/SIS Lutheran Youth Organization



Gathering will focus on Psalm 139:14 "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made," with keynotes by Larry Olson and Hans Peterson, and once again featuring their band, Dakota Road. Held at the Lake Williamson Christian Retreat Center, Carlinville, Illinois grades 6 through post-high are welcome; registration is due October 23. For more information go to <https://www.csis-elca.org/youth-faith-formation>.

## October "Second Sunday" Offering to Support Lutheran Social Services

By *Connie Hornsey*

Our Mission Moment for October will be Lutheran Social Services of Illinois. We will see a short video on LSSI's Welcoming Center and pass a second basket for donations to support LSSI's work.

LSSI's Welcoming Center is an open-access mental health clinic that also offers a safe alternative to seeking care in the emergency room. The Welcoming Center acts as a bridge to longer term mental health treatment. Their staff helps individuals living with anxiety, depression, alcohol or drug problems, homelessness, post-traumatic stress, domestic violence, and other emotional stressors.

We will be lifting up this Second Sunday Second Basket giving opportunity on October 6<sup>th</sup>, however, as the annual stewardship campaign will be kicking off on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Checks can be written to Christ Lutheran with "LSSI" on the memo line. Please give as you are led.

## Memorial Garden Update

By *Judy Wegehenkel*

Well, things are progressing pretty well with projects to finish the Memorial Garden. As of September 19, 2019, the fence along the back is up. Painting of doors and other equipment that is in need will hopefully be done in the next week or two.

The plants are looking healthy **thanks to all of you who have been watering**. Next month may be less days to do if the weather cools.

Please remember to get your orders in for additional bricks, pavers, or boulders by the end of the month. The next time to order is April of 2020. Dedication of the Memorial Garden will be Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> after the service.

## COMING EVENTS

### Oct. 1 & 15: Prayer Shawl Group

By *Bonnie Cox*

Prayer Shawl will meet October 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> in the Brides Room from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. We are happy to welcome Judy Bach to Prayer Shawl team with her knitting experience. We have given over 250 prayer shawls away. We want to continue this mission

ministry and need all the willing hands to help. Please contact any prayer shawl member if you need a shawl or lap robe for someone. Since we do not have a fulltime pastor right now it is our responsibility to continue to fill the shoes in this mission ministry. Members include: Bonnie Cox, Pat Bell, Judy Wegehenkel, Char Tooke, Diane Sill, Katie Rupp, Mary Jett, Pat Glore, Judy Bach, and Connie Hornsey. Always room for more!

## Oct. 6: CROP Walk

By



Wendy Maas

Everyone is invited to walk on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. at the Illinois Veteran's Home. Thank you to all that have donated. Your contribution was greatly appreciated! If you would still like to donate, please note 'CROP Walk' in the memo line of your check. Any questions, please contact Wendy Maas.



## Oct. 8: Ladies' Birthday Lunch



This month's Ladies Birthday Lunch is at noon on Tuesday, Oct. 8, at Thyme Square, 615 Hampshire St. If you can come, sign up in the church narthex or call the office and we'll add your name to the list. Ladies with October birthdays are treated by the rest!

## Oct. 15: Books N' Brew

By Pat Bell

Our September meeting was canceled because half of us couldn't be there. Let's hope we have better luck on Tuesday October 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at Fazoli's. As was mentioned in September, come prepared to suggest books for future meetings.

## Oct. 15: Paddle for a Purpose

Mark your calendars for Paddles for a Purpose on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at CLC! They will be raising money to support Altrusa, which are a great local group that help with literacy needs in our community. Every winter they have a coat drive for kids so PFAP will be collecting new or gently used coats, hats & gloves! Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and bidding starts at 6:30 p.m. Paddles are \$1, there will be vendors and you can bring your own snacks and drinks! Last

month they collected a total of \$1,129 for Sleep in Heavenly Peace!

## Oct. 28: Create-A-Card Class

By Bonnie Cox

Create-A-Card class will meet Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, at either 9 a.m. to noon or 1 p.m. until 4 p.m., at 1620 Windermere Court, Quincy. We will be creating 6 various cards using a quick technique using distress inks. Cost is \$8 for the 6 cards this session. We have room for new comers! Please contact Bonnie Cox to sign up for class at bcox3407@yahoo.com.

## Music Lessons Available

Cathy Flick, CLC Keyboardist, will be teaching private music lessons at the church on Wednesdays between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. These are half hour lessons. She is accepting piano, bassoon, violin, oboe, flute, guitar, and voice students. You don't have to be a kid, she loves working with adults, too. She can be reached at 936-2423 (home) or talk to her at church.

## Missionary Corner

### Update from Egypt

By Katie Rupp

Hallelujah, there is good news to report this month concerning our missionary support in Cairo, Egypt at St. Andrew's and the StARS (St. Andrew's Refugee Services) ministry. The global Mission Operations of the ELCA have assigned Rev. Christie Manisto as pastor at St. Andrew's. Her husband, Steven Saari, will also serve at St. Andrew's.



Both Pastor Christie and Steven have a background in teaching. Pastor Christie taught math and science, as well as ESL classes. In addition, she has served as a parish pastor and chaplain. Steven's teaching experience is in special education. Both were educated in Lutheran Colleges, and Pastor Christie received her MA of Education from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

In the coming months we should learn more about these two extraordinary servants of God and the work they are doing in Cairo, Egypt. For now, keep Pastor Christie and Steven, their safety and the work they do, in your prayers.

## Worship Team is Staying Busy



*By Bonnie Scranton,  
Chairperson*

September seemed to come and go very quickly this year! The choir is back and the Worship Ministry Team is busy again with planning for special fall worship services.

Reformation Sunday is October 27<sup>th</sup>. We will not have “high church” this again this year but will certainly acknowledge the Reformation through both word and song. Immediately after worship we will be dedicating the new CLC Memorial Garden. The following Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, is All Saints Sunday. Pastor Jim Trutwin will be presiding for both of these services.

As is our tradition on All Saints Sunday, you will be invited to submit names of your loved ones who have passed. We will display those names as each of you come forward to light a candle in their memory.

We will also be lighting special candles for CLC saints that have passed since the beginning of November 2018. This is a very moving service and we hope you’ll note it on your calendars and make a special effort to be here.

The schedule of presiding ministers for October and November worship services is as follows:

October 6	Pastor Jim Trutwin
October 13	Pastor Jeff Rasche
October 20	Dan Wilson, SAM
October 27	Pastor Jim Trutwin
November 3	Pastor Jim Trutwin
November 10	Dan Wilson, SAM
November 17	Pastor Jim Trutwin
November 24	Pastor Jeff Rasche
November 27	Thanksgiving Eve Service – LMC @ 7:00pm

And as always, thanks to all of you who do help with worship each and every week. We could not do it without you! If you ever have questions, or would like to serve as a worship leader in the future, please be sure to let me know. We look forward to seeing you in church on Sunday!

## Investing for the Long Term



*“Did You Know” is a monthly column by our Endowment Fund Committee describing various aspects of the Fund and how members may contribute to it.*

*By Phil Conover*

Being in a financial position to become a donor to your church

endowment plan can involve a thoughtful, straightforward investment philosophy. Long term investing with an emphasis on quality/diversification are strong components to becoming financially comfortable to become an endowment donor.

The market changes every day, but your financial goals probably don’t. Nor should your investment strategy according to many wealth building experts. Investment decisions based on either fear or greed usually do not have positive outcomes. A well thought out strategy with daily market emotions not being factors is a better path toward growth of wealth and financial stability.

The quality of your investment portfolio matters when it comes to long term investing. Most conservative long-term portfolios contain stocks bonds, and mutual funds that researchers believe offer the potential for solid performance over time, through good and bad markets. Hopping on the bandwagon for investment fads seldom produces positive long-term results.

Diversification is another key to successful wealth building. Experts in the field recommend well planned asset allocation models. No investment is risk free but finding the right balance between that risk and your return potential is very important to any solid investment strategy. Diversification cannot protect you against a loss, but it is one way you can help reduce your risk. Experts in the field recommend building a portfolio that includes different types of investments that may perform differently over time. The investor should continue to track their long-term goals and monitor closely their risk. Our endowment plan here at CLC will continue to grow and provide opportunities for the congregation to be long term stewards and assure the financial future of our church.

If you would like more information on the CLC Endowment Fund, feel free to contact any committee member: Charlie Bach, Conny Bakker-Gerhardt, Jim Dunn, Ron Larnar, Bonnie Scranton, Roger Wegehenkel, Bill Wolters.

## From the Fellowship Committee

By Char Tooke

We had a good turnout at 'Gods Work, Our Hands' Sunday. We had about 50 people and we had leftover sandwiches that we sent with the Quanada group. Thank you everyone!



The new dishwasher has been installed and is working well. The donation of the dishwasher and cost of installation by Dave (and Daune) McCulloch is greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank everyone who participates in the fellowship groups for their hard work throughout the year.

## QU Presents "Moments" Choral Concert

On Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m., Quincy University will be presenting their "Moments" choral concert. Amy Stollberg is the conductor and Laura Kammerer is on piano. The concert is at the Connie Niemann Center for Music on 17<sup>th</sup> and Seminary Road. Admission is free and there will be a 50/50 raffle fundraiser. For more information, call 217-228-5090.



## BRIEFLY. . .

- ❑ **Pastoral Support is Available!** CLC Members, just a reminder that pastoral support is available should you need it in the event of an emergency. A number of pastors in the area have offered to help. Just contact Bonnie Scranton and she will get in touch with one of them for you. Bonnie's cell number is 217-577-9086.

- ❑ **Remember there are openings for Worship Assistants on the chart for October and November!** Please sign up for a slot if you are able. All of your help, helps to keep the church running smoothly! Thank you.



## LEARNING TEAM BRIEFS

By Trish Santos

- ❑ **We are in need of more Sunday School teachers and Nursery volunteers!** If you are interested, please let Trish Santos know at 217-653-3545 or tas148@hotmail.com.
- ❑ **Sunday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> after church our Blessing Buddies will go bowling and have pizza at Casino Lanes!** Also, Sunday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> 5 – 7 p.m. our first event with our joint youth group! Grades 6 – 12 will meet at the church for a cookout and fun! All youth are welcome to bring friends. You can contact Trish Santos with any questions.
- ❑ **The next 'Kids' Night Out' will be Friday, November 1 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.** Mark your calendar now, more information to follow!
- ❑ **Our joint youth group will be having their second event for grades 6 through 12 on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.** They will be having a scary movie night at LMC where there will be pizza and snacks!



## AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

Month	2018	2019
January	90	82
February	88	91
March	90	88
April	116	122
May	99	97

June	86	85
July	98	125
August	93	85
September	95	80
Year to Date	95	94

## Operating Budget Highlights through August 31, 2019

*By Bonnie Scranton, Treasurer*

When taking 2019 pre-pays into consideration we continue to operate in the black for the year. Thank you for your faithfulness in fulfilling your pledges for 2019. It makes a huge difference!

As I noted last month, we have begun working on the 2020 budget. Meetings are being scheduled to deal with budgeted needs for such areas as staffing compensation, capital improvements, and technology. Ministry teams need to be putting together their 2020 budget requests in October as they are due by the November 12 council meeting. And planning for the annual stewardship campaign is well underway as described in the cover page article from Matt.

As we enter into the last quarter of 2019 and begin preparations for the 2020 budget, don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the church's finances in general, or the budget process in particular. And please know that the council continues to be thankful to all of you for your faithful giving as we work together to fulfill the Lord's mission for Christ Lutheran.

Category	Actual Through 8/31/19	Budgeted Through 8/31/19	Actual as % of Budget
<b>Year-to-Date Budgeted Receipts</b>			
Pledged Offerings	\$116,022.44	\$127,655.32	90.9%
Non-Pledged Offerings	\$10,366.00	\$11,590.56	89.4%
Other Budgeted Offerings	\$3,542.72	\$2,283.36	155.2%
<b>Total YTD Budgeted Receipts*</b>	\$129,931.16	\$141,529.24	91.8%
<b>YTD Budgeted Expenses</b>	\$132,125.49	\$141,529.24	93.4%
<b>YTD Budgeted Income (Deficit)</b>	(\$2,194.33)	\$0.00	
*Pre-pays are NOT included in this amount			
<b>Total Balance of All Funds*</b>	\$171,269.81		
Checking	\$51,905.76		
Savings	\$119,364.05		

*\*Excludes the Endowment Fund of \$55,869.14*





# OCTOBER 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>29</b> 9:30 am Worship – Pr. Paul Schwartzkopf presiding 10:30 Coffee Hour (Group 4) 5 – 7 pm Youth Group	<b>30</b> 5:30 pm Scouts	<b>1</b> 10 Prayer Shawl Group 4:30 Garden Cmte 5:15 Communications 6 pm League of Women Voters	<b>2</b> 9 am Property Party 7:15 pm Choir	<b>3</b> 6:30 pm The Table 6:30 Tai Chi	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 9:30 am Worship – Pr. Jim Trutwin presiding 10:30 Coffee Hour (Group 5) 1:00 pm CROP Walk	<b>7</b> 5:30 pm Scouts	<b>8</b> 12 pm Ladies Birthday Lunch, Thyme Square 5:30 pm Exec Cmte. 6:30 pm Church Council	<b>9</b> 9 am Property Party 7:15 pm Choir	<b>10</b> 6:30 pm The Table 6:30 Tai Chi	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> 9:30 am Worship – Pr. Jeff Rasche presiding 10:30 Coffee Hour (Group 6)	<b>14</b> 5:30 Scouts	<b>15</b> 10 am Coffee & Devo, Good Samaritan Home 10 Prayer Shawl Group 5:30 pm Paddles for a Purpose 5:30 Books N' Brew, Fazoli's	<b>16</b> 9 am Property Party 5:00 pm Worship Team Meeting 7:15 pm Choir	<b>17</b> 6:00 pm Community Program – Adverse Childhood Experiences 6:30 pm The Table 6:30 Tai Chi	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> 9:30 am Worship – Dan Wilson, S.A.M. presiding 10:30 Coffee Hour (Group 7)	<b>21</b> 1:30 pm Fellowship Meeting 5:30 Scouts	<b>22</b> 6 pm Newcomers	<b>23</b> 9 am Property Party 7:15 pm Choir	<b>24</b> 6:30 The Table 6:30 Tai Chi	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> 9:30 am Worship – Pr. Jim Trutwin presiding 10:30 Coffee Hour (Group 1) 11 Blessing Buddies 5 – 7 pm Youth Group	<b>28</b> 9 am & 1 pm Create-A-Card Class 5:30 Scouts	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 9 am Property Party 6:00 pm Shepherd Leaders 7:15 pm Choir	<b>31</b> 6:30 The Table 6:30 Tai Chi	<b>1</b> 5:30 pm Kids' Night Out	<b>2</b>

# Christ Lutheran

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## **Assisting with Worship in October 2019**

POSITION	October 6	October 13	October 20	October 27
Asst Minister	Sue Reeder	TBD	TBD	TBD
Deacon	Pat Bell	Ruth Dunn	TBD	TBD
Greeters	Judy & Roger Wegehenkel	Carol Akers, Carol Gustison	Darlene Perry	TBD
Reader	Amy Stollberg	Roger Schaefer	TBD	TBD
Sound Tech	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Usher	Stu Bell	TBD	Roger Wegehenkel	TBD
Sun. School	Patty Kruse	Kensey McGartland	Donna Parke	Darlene Perry
Nursery	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Altar Guild	Marcia Johnson	Carol Akers, Carol Gustison	TBD	TBD
Vergers	TBD	TBD	Judy Wegehenkel	TBD
Coffee Hour	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Acolyte	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Altar Flowers	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A