

CHRIST THE SERVANT LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Messenger

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Our mission is to
Welcome all
into our fellowship,
Worship and pray together,
Grow in our faith and
Serve God's world as caring
disciples of Jesus Christ.

FROM THE PASTOR

Welcome to the Lab: Learning and Teaching Together

In a couple of weeks, we will joyfully welcome Vicar Marissa Becklin as our full-time pastoral intern for the coming year. Having had a great planning chat with her yesterday, I can't wait for all of us to serve alongside her. She brings a ton of experience, wisdom, excitement, and passion for the Gospel.

As we welcome her into our life together, I want to try and set the stage for the journey we are embarking on. In choosing to be an internship site, we have claimed the ministry of education and exploration. In short, we have agreed to be a *laboratory for ministry*.

Labs are places for discovery, where settled theories, rules, and processes come together with new questions, ideas, and surprises for the sake of learning, innovation, and problem-solving. They are places where tried and true methods get stretched by new approaches, where past learning informs but does not limit the possibilities for what comes next.

I'm excited for CTS to claim this ministry of helping to form an emerging leader for the church of today and tomorrow. We all know that the world and the church have changed and are changing. Pastors and congregations of tomorrow will be doing ministry with the same solid stuff (Water, Wine, Wheat, Word, and people to share them) in a world that is shaped and re-shaped by quickly shifting paradigms.

I have found CTS to be a delightfully open and flexible group of truly welcoming and creative people. We're both very "ordinary" (yup: looks like church!) and also quite "extraordinary" in how we welcome, worship, grow and serve.

As such, we have much to teach Vicar Marissa, and she has much to teach us, as we experiment together in how to be the church today and tomorrow. She will come with fresh eyes, learn about how we do things, ask lots of questions, and (probably, hopefully) ask us to try new things.

As with any lab, not all experiments get the desired results. Some innovations prove to be empty or flawed. Some successes end up having unintended negative consequences. Some mistakes end up laying the groundwork for whole new worlds of insight. (Penicillin was first discovered as a mold contaminating a petri dish that probably wasn't cleaned properly.)

Vicar Marissa, the great people and staff of CTS, and I together will do great things this year. We'll all make mistakes, too. As we enter into this ministry, may God grant us the gifts of patience, curiosity, graciousness, wonder, gratitude, generosity, and joy. It's going to be a great year.

Peace,
Pr Jay

July at a Glance

See online calendar for times and for other events at christtheservant.org

- July 2.....Coffee with Council
- July 8.....CTS Golf Outing
- July 9.....Special Congregation Meeting
- July 11...Tue. Book Study Group Begins
- July 12.....holy ground
- July 13...Thurs. Book Study Group Begins
- July 15.....Memorial Garden Blitz!
- July 16.....Welcome Vicar Marissa!
- July 18.....Altar Guild Meeting
- July 19.....Lunch Bunch
- July 30.....Loaves and Fishes

Committee Gatherings

See online calendar for times

- July 6Intern Lay Committee
- July 20.....Pastoral Support Team
- July 25.....Council Meeting

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Rev. Jay McDivitt, Pastor
Jennifer Hauser, Music Director
Jonel Snider, Cross+Generational Ministry Coordinator
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OUR CTS FAMILY



Remembering in Prayer

(Please keep the following people with long-term health issues in your prayers):

Ed Boehmke * Al Dahl * Gene Drevs * Yolanda Gonzalez, friend of Kay Styza* Dawn, daughter of Lenny Graffin * Stefanie Fox, granddaughter of Gerri Kabitzke * Joe Grundman * Dave and Georgia Henry * Norma Herbrand * LaVerne, cousin of Kathy Boehmke * Bev Littlefield * Hermann Rack * Lou Riek * Randy Riek, son of Marilyn Schlei * Marilyn Schlei * Rosemary Schultz * Erin Schwabenlender * Susan Seiler * Ali Vaughan-Stroebel * Ashley Vaughan-Stroebel * Jake Vaughan-Stroebel * Kay Styza

And all those currently deployed with the military:

James Oldenhoff, great-grandson of Bee Klatt, serving in the Air Force * Colin Dewey, husband of Barb Koltermann's granddaughter serving in the Navy.

If you know of anyone that should be included in these lists, please contact the office, Linda Gatlin at tgatlin@wi.rr.com, or send an email to CTSprayerchain@gmail.com.

In the Hospital?

If you or a family member are hospitalized, please notify the office so our Pastor Jay is able to visit you. Give us a call at 262-542-7100.



Spiritual Education

Sunday Adult Forum (9:30 am) - Sunday 7/2 our Adult Forum time will be a special "Coffee with Council" meeting to discuss church projects. On **Sunday 7/9** join us in Sanctuary at 9:30 for a special Congregation Meeting.

FORUM ON JULY 16 - At 9:30am, join Pr Jay in the Ark to continue Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi: Worship Matters. All summer long, we will explore how what we do when we gather for worship reflects and shapes our faith - what we believe about God, our neighbors, ourselves, and our mission in the world. We'll have videos, discussion, and plenty of time for whatever questions you might have.

"Open Space" Mission and Ministry Gathering is scheduled for **August 6**. All are welcome to connect with committees and ministries at CTS.

Thursday Morning Bible Study (10:00 am)

Join us in The Ark Thursday mornings as we explore the Book of Exodus. All are welcome! Bring a friend, your Bible and your brain.

holy ground for holy people: Food, Fun, Fellowship and Faith Formation on Wednesday Nights

Gather with us on Wednesday, July 12 and August 16 for a potluck dinner, activities and worship for all ages. We'll gather from 6:00-7:30pm, outside (weather permitting).

Bring something tasty to share with friends and blankets or camp chairs to sit on. We will celebrate Holy Communion, sing songs, and creatively explore the "Four Ws of Worship":

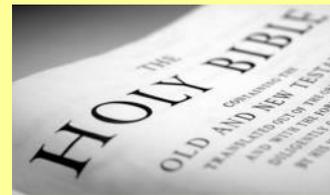
July 12: "Wine & Wheat"

The Baptized stick together—with each other and with God—by sharing a Meal. Wine and Wheat come from God's Good Earth, and this Meal reminds us that all that God has made—including us—can be very good indeed.



August 16: "Word"

We are a story-telling people. God's Word of Promise has filled the world with Hope, from our ancestors down to us and onto our children's children. We will gather around the campfire to tell stories of grace and life, then and now.



Get the Weekly Synod Newsletter

Want to receive the Weekly Email Newsletter of the Greater Milwaukee Synod ELCA? It contains the latest news on what is happening throughout the Synod. To sign up, go to: <https://milwaukee-synod.org/subscribe>

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

So far, the Endowment Committee has a total of \$5,000.00 to work with in 2017. To date, we have set aside \$1,250.00 to be used toward expenses of our Intern, Vicar Marissa Becklin, who will be starting at CTS on July 15. (The Endowment Fund is committed to donating the same amount in 2018, as well). We plan to contribute \$1,250.00 toward the CTS Handicap Accessibility Fund for making it easier for all to join us for worship, and we plan to bless the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation with \$500.00.

We are looking for suggestions on how CTS can best donate the remaining \$2,000.00. It must be used for missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, nationally and worldwide, including, but not limited to, grants to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America for new congregation development, professional leadership, educational ministries, global mission, ecumenism, evangelism, social ministries and capital financing. We can subdivide the \$2,000.00 between 2 or 3 worthy causes.

Through the ongoing, generous donations of our members, and from Memorial donations in memory of some of our previous members, who are now angels, we are able to bless others.

If you would like to learn more about the Endowment Committee, how to include CTS in your estate planning, or if you would like to submit suggestions, please direct them to: Kay Styza, kstyza@gmail.com or (414) 333-4364.

REFORMATION LUTHERAN CHURCH S.A.L.T.— Serving & Learning Together

CTS will be purchasing items to make lunches for participants in the Reformation S.A.L.T. program. **We have signed up to provide 60-65 lunches per day on July 25, 26 and 27.** We need monetary donations to go shopping and purchase items for the lunches and we need volunteers to help prepare lunches each morning on July 25, 26 and 27.

For cash and check donation make sure to note on the memo line that they are for the Reformation S.A.L.T. program and drop them off at the CTS Office or in the offering plate on Sunday. All donations need to be made by July 20th to allow for shopping and preparations.

A few volunteers are needed each morning on July 25, 26 and 27 to arrive at CTS at 9:30am. Preparing the lunches will take an hour or so. If you can volunteer,

please contact Sonia Danuser at 262-271-0456 or tom4226@att.net.

Some Information About the Program

The Reformation S.A.L.T. (Serving and Learning Together) Youth ministry begins again this summer at the end of June and continues through the end of July. About 65 youth will be helping in the homes/yards of the elderly and disabled. They will also be cleaning up neighborhood lots, and streets, and working in the Reformation Community Garden. In a profound way, lives are transformed in faith, as the neighborhood surrounding Reformation Lutheran Church is transformed. Students who complete the program receive a back pack, school supplies and a stipend to help with school clothing for the next school year. Participants are celebrated and given their gifts during a worship celebration and all are invited to attend.

Reformation Store Needs-Summer 2017

- * Baby/toddler clothing & supplies for spring/summer
- * Bath & hand towels, washcloths, beach towels
- * Coolers, fishing equipment in good repair and outdoor folding chairs, small grill, picnic baskets
- * Gift items for adults - Father's Day/birthdays, etc.
- * Jewelry, watches
- * Lamps, small
- * Pots & pans, kitchen utensils & linens
- * Queen sheet sets, bed pillows, blankets/quilts/comforters (no afghans, please)
- * Small appliances, i.e., deep fryers, 12-cup coffee makers, microwaves, fans, blenders, radios, electric fry pan, irons
- * Silverware
- * Spring jackets & swimsuits for all ages
- * Wall clocks

Items can be left in the bin for Reformation in the narthex at CTS or delivered right to Reformation. They love to have folks visit! To arrange a delivery directly to Reformation, please call ahead at 414-444-0440.

LOAVES AND FISHES

The next meal to be served at the Hope Center is Sunday, July 30, 2017. If you would like to assist in preparing and serving a meal or would like to donate a food item, please contact Kristin Demo at dkdemo4@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL BRICKS NOW AVAILABLE TO CAPTURE SPECIAL MEMORIES

Memorial Bricks are now available to memorialize those special people or events in your life. The bricks can be engraved with symbols, letters and numbers to capture that special wedding date, graduation, baptism, years at

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CTS, our great nation, etc. Please stop by the "BRICK" display next to the Welcome Center for information on size of brick, engraving options and prices.

Take a stroll down in our Memorial Garden and enjoy the wonderful design made with some of these bricks. Memories to cherish for a lifetime...and beyond! Any questions, contact Steve Schmidtknecht at skshome2012@gmail.com.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

What is it? The Prayer Shawl Ministry is a special outreach ministry. This ministry makes and presents shawls to those in need of comfort at times of illness or stress; times of celebration, such as graduation, weddings or births, giving recipients a tangible reminder of God's presence, care and love.

Over the centuries, shawls have come to symbolize shelter, peace and spiritual sustenance. Members of prayer shawl ministries have lovingly donated their time and talents by creating hand-knitted, crocheted or tied fleece shawls, filled with the power of prayer for those in need.

Who shall I contact if I know of someone who would benefit from receiving a prayer shawl via our ministry? You may contact Beth Grossmeyer at 262-364-6078, Janet Drevs at 262-993-2732 or Yvette Schambow at 262-470-0187.

How can I help this ministry? You may help in many ways: **Join our ministry** and help to create shawls * **Donate materials** for the making of the prayer shawls (yarn, fleece, knitting and/or crochet needles) * **Remember** our ministry in your prayers.

JAIL MINISTRY

Orientation Classes Offered to Those Interested in Participation in the Huber Ministry

Below is the HUBER Volunteer Orientation schedule for the 2017 Calendar year. Please note orientation begins at 5:00 (arrival time by 4:45pm, for security screening).

The Huber Facility is at: 1400 Northview Road, Parking and entrance is in the back.

Tuesday, September 19th, 2017 (Cut-off date: Sept. 5th)

Please send the following details to Kay Styza, if you are wanting to join a group no later than the cut-off date noted above, prior to the date of Orientation:

Name: First Middle Initial Last (example: James R. Jones)

Gender: (example: Male)

Date of birth : MM/DD/YEAR (example: 01/01/1990)

If you care about helping people through a difficult

time in their lives, please consider being part of our jail bible study or driver sponsor program. You do not need to be a bible expert, you just need to care.

DRIVER/SPONSORS NEEDED on Sundays, to pick-up one resident who has met strict requirements in order to join us for worship at CTS. Become their mentor, spiritual guide and friend. The resident's family or loved ones are invited to join them for worship. This allows children to be reunited with their parent, in a healthy, Christian worship setting. Kay has been a Sponsor/Driver since 1999, and she has made great, longtime friends as a result.

CONTACT: Kay Styza at 414-333-4364 or kstyza@gmail.com

WOMEN'S AFTERCARE

Linda Pischke has led the Friday night Women's Aftercare group called "Joyful Souls" for 5 years. The group is made up of ladies, who have been dealing with addiction and/or mental health issues, and a number of mentors. This is a Christian based, safe haven, where we have lots of fun and make long-lasting friendships.

Our ladies need your prayers. If you would like to provide a snack, share your talent with us or if you would like to find out other ways of becoming involved, please speak with Linda.

CONTACT: Linda Pischke at opischke@wi.rr.com or 262-506-8366.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

We are currently in communication with the Habitat for Humanity outreach team to determine to build a relationship with the organization. If you would like to participate in getting this ministry off the ground, please contact Steve Smart at stevensmart@gmail.com.

SIENA HOUSE

If you would like to participate in serving a hot meal and rich fellowship, please consider the Siena House. Every Monday 1-3 members take a meal to the Siena House shelter for men, eat and enjoy some good conversation. Please contact Ken Sodemann at ken.sodemann@gmail.com if you are interested.

MORE BLOOD DONORS NEEDED

Save the Date!

Thursday, September 14

WE ARE LOOKING FOR MORE BLOOD DONORS!

By scheduling your blood donation(s) with Blood Center of Wisconsin, you are a part of a life-saving plan in the lives of friends, family members, and neighbors that need blood

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each and every day. Each day the Blood Center of WI needs to collect more than 800 units of blood, fifty percent of that total comes directly from mobile drives such as the ones that CTS sponsors. We value our association with Blood Center of WI and the volunteer donors of CTS!

You can sign up at: www.bcw.edu/CTS, sign-up at the CTS Welcome Center or contact Kay Styza at 414-333-4364 or kstyza@gmail.com

OUTREACH TO EL SALVADOR AND NICARAGUA

CTS will be exploring the possibility of joining another congregation to become a partner church with a church in El Salvador.

Specifically, CTS might join forces with either Lake Park or Ascension as delegates in 2018 to the Eastern Micro Region of El Salvador. If you would like to participate in the ministry, please contact Pastor Jay.

HOPE CENTER

Serving meals: Serving the guests is simple and works best with about 5 individuals give or take a few. We ask that you bring enough food to feed approximately 30-40 people for each meal.

In making Breakfast and you need our kitchen to prepare arrival should be 7:30am. We serve Breakfast at 9am. If making ahead of time then arrival should be between 8am & 8:30am. Clean up is usually done by 10:30am.

It only takes a few hours to make a huge difference in the lives of our guests. The smiles on their faces and the conversations will make you thankful for every day you have.

CONTACT: Bob Huck at rhuck6@wi.rr.com or 414-840-1265 if you would like to get involved.

Hope Center Clothing Shop: Groups of 5-7 people are needed to sort through clothing. Contact the Hope Center if interested. Availability: Mon. - Sat. 8am – 12pm; Mon. – Fri. 12pm – 4pm and Wed. Evenings 6pm – 8pm. (Keep in mind we cannot guarantee the dates availability).

TUTORS NEEDED

Ascension Lutheran Church has started a tutoring program for individuals wanting to improve their English skills. Most students are refugees from Burma from the Karen ethnic group. Some are Spanish speakers and some are studying for their citizenship test. English proficiency among the group ranges from none to pretty good. Sessions are Saturday mornings from 10am-12pm at Ascension. If you are interested please contact: Shirley Wehmeier at pwehmeier@wi.rr.com or Barbara Nordberg at bnordberg@wi.rr.com

ANY COLOR JEAN COLLECTION

We will continue to collect Men's and Children's new and slightly used jeans of all colors & sizes. Keep this in mind when you are checking out the Rummage Sales or cleaning out your drawers! They should be placed in The Hope Center bin in the Narthex.

CONTACT: Kay Styza at 414-333-4364 or kstyza@gmail.com

SERENITY INNS FOR MEN

Men's new, or gently used socks, underwear, clothes, jackets and bus passes are needed for the male residents. Serenity Inns is also in need of gently used, men's winter coats of all sizes, for up to 12 men who are going through a 7-month Addiction Rehabilitation Program.

Please help support Serenity Inns. The program helps men to overcome their addictions through an intense, seven-month program. On the first Tuesday of even numbered months, Tom, Sonia, and a volunteer or two, bring a hot meal, share our faith, and enjoy fellowship. If you are interested in this ministry, please accept our invitation.

CONTACT: Tom or Sonia Danuser at tom4226@att.net or 262-542-4197.

SOPHIA

CTS is a member of SOPHIA, and **we need CORE TEAM MEMBERS.**

SOPHIA is dedicated to dialogue with individuals, agencies and public officials to stimulate creative and effective efforts to improve our communities in Waukesha County. SOPHIA addresses social injustices in our increasingly fragmented world. We join hands with others to bring effective change rather than isolated self interest.

•**SOPHIA is an interfaith organization of people actively living our faith and values.**

•**SOPHIA works to build community by intentionally developing relationships within in our faith communities and with leaders in our county.**

•**SOPHIA members honor the rich diversity and dignity of all individuals and act on our common beliefs and values.**

•**SOPHIA CORE TEAMS** are encouraged to be developed in each congregation or faith community.

The SOPHIA office is located at: 100 E. Broadway, Waukesha, WI 53186.

If you would like to get involved with SOPHIA, please **CONTACT:** Bob Grady at 414-628-0291 or robertvgrady@gmail.com

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Nate Kretlow	07/01
Vivian Czuta	07/02
Jo Pirlott	07/02
David Banting	07/03
Sarah Lind	07/03
Charlene Pease	07/04
Bob Grossmeyer	07/05
Kelly Kuhl	07/05
Lincoln Banting	07/06
Megan Stamm	07/07
Denise Stimart	07/07
Dave Mulqueen	07/08
Sophie Ritzka	07/08
Missy Schober	07/08
Cameron Snider	07/08
William Tyndall	07/08
Barb Koltermann	07/11
Gracie Walker	07/11
Keanan Davis	07/13
Cheryl Schober	07/13
Sue Williams	07/13
Catherine Redetzke	07/14
Joshua Ducharme	07/17
Sandy Hunt	07/18
Bob Grady	07/19
Zack Eschenburg	07/20
Gary Kuhl	07/20
Lauren Rees	07/20
Hannah Marti	07/21
Susan Schwabenlender	07/21
Connor Donovan	07/22
Brynn Dutelle	07/23
Amy Woodzick	07/23
Kayla Hauser	07/24
Christian Carek	07/25
Tessa Kuhl	07/25
Liam Bonell	07/28
Dale Buhrandt	07/29
Bev Littlefield	07/29
Carlee Vetrone	07/29
Nathan Knopick	07/30
Debra Schlehlein	07/30
Angela Valbuena	07/30
Pennie Morris	07/31

CALLING ALL GARDENERS!



YOUR HELP is needed for a Memorial Garden Blitz on **Saturday, July 15th, 9am to 11am.**

The weeds in the Memorial Garden have gotten ahead of us and your assistance is needed to pull weeds and put down mulch. Please bring your gloves and other gardening tools and join us for a morning of gardening fun. All ages and abilities are welcome.

If you are interested, but not available on the 15th, please feel free to pick a date and do what you can. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Marti at 262-424-2417 or jpmarti85@gmail.com.

Scholarships Presented July 9th

*Olivia Nyman will be awarded the Erik Redetzke Memorial Scholarship.
Marissa Knopick will be awarded the Pat Koch Memorial scholarship.*

Congratulations to our recipients for these two scholarships. Recipients will receive \$1,000.00 to put towards their education. We had five highly qualified applications this year. Thank you to all who applied and good luck on your future endeavors.

The awards will be presented on Sunday, July 9 at the 10:45am service.

Pictorial Membership Directory Now on Website

All the member photos recently taken have been placed alongside member's names. The Membership Directory has now been uploaded to the CTS Website. As a reminder, you may access our directory through our website's "Member's Only" section.

Enter the password CTS2016 when prompted.

You should be able to print out the directory from the website.

Thank You!

Dear Pastor Jay & members of Christ the Servant,

Thank you for inviting me to speak during your Forum hour recently.

I enjoyed meeting your members and sharing information about our services and opportunities.

Thank you for your support of our mission!

Gratefully,
Heather Stoskopf
ERAs Senior Network

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lunch Bunch

On **Wednesday, July 19** the Lunch Bunch will be heading to *The Forum Restaurant* at 4711 S. 108th and Layton in Greenfield. The carpool leaves CTS at 12:30 pm and the group plans on being there at 1:00 pm. **CONTACT:** Leah Huse at 262-547-4909 for more information. ***Come join us for fellowship and fun!***

Altar Guild

I want to thank everyone who volunteered for the 3rd Quarter of 2017 to work the weekends. Everyone knows which weekends they have signed up for, but if anyone has a problem with their assignment, contact me.

Remember the next Altar Guild meeting is on **July 18th at 6:30pm**. Lois Wegner will be in charge of that meeting as I have out of town guests then. All are welcome.

Also, please remember if anyone from Altar Guild attends one of the summer Wednesday holy ground services, please help clean up afterwards. Thank you in advance for your service.

—Jelene Peot, 262-544-0820

Book Discussion Group

We will not be meeting during the summer, but will resume in September, planning to read "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman. The following is our Summer Reading List:

After You by Jojo Moyes

The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg

The Best Yes by Lysa Terkeurst

Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty

The Book of Joy by The Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu

The Book that Matters Most by Ann Hood

Circling the Sun by Paula McLain

The Coincidence of Coconut Cake by Amy E Reichert

For One More Day by Mitch Albom

A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles

Hallelujah Anyway by Anne Lamott

Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis
by J. D. Vance

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger

Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult

The Things We Keep by Sally Hepworth

This Must be the Place by Maggie O'Farrell

We Were Liars by E. Lockhart

When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi

The Zookeeper's Wife by Diane Ackerman

Official Notice: Special Congregation Meeting Sunday, July 9, 9:30 am

All members are encouraged to attend a Special Meeting of the Congregation at 9:30am in the Sanctuary on **Sunday, July 9**. The purpose of this meeting is to consider a recommendation from Council to: a) reallocate/rename existing funds; b) authorize expenditures for four capital improvement projects [parking lot, doors, paint/drywall, sound system]; c) authorize refinancing the mortgage and borrowing additional funds to offset some of these costs.

We will also introduce a capital campaign scheduled to begin this fall.

Join us for a special "Coffee with Council" at **9:30am on Sunday July 2 in the Sanctuary**. Additional info is available at the Welcome Center and upon request from the office.



**Save
the Date!
Sunday,
August 27th**

**One service at CTS at 9:30 am
Picnic at Rivers Crossing Park at 11am**

CTS Golf Outing—Saturday, July 8



We have secured a time and date for our CTS Golf Outing.

**Saturday, July 8 at 9:30am
at the Brookfield Hills Golf Course.**

If interested, please see the sign up sheet on bulletin board in Narthex.

Please print your name and phone number.

Any questions, please contact Tom Danuser at 262-271-0263 (cell) or 262-542-4197 (home).

JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 8:15am Worship 9:30 am Coffee with Council 10:45 am Worship 6:00 pm Women's AA	3	4 7:00 pm AA INDEPENDENCE DAY	5	6 10:00 am Bible Study 6:30 pm CODA 6:30 pm Intern Lay Committee	7	8 9:30 am CTS GOLF OUTING 10:00 am Banting Bday Party
9 8:15am Worship 9:30 am Special Congregation Meeting 10:45 am Worship (Scholarships Presented) 6:00 pm Women's AA	10	11 4:00 pm Book Study Group 7:00 pm AA	12 6:00 pm holy ground 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	13 10:00 am Bible Study 1:30 pm Book Study Group 6:30 pm CODA	14	15 9:00 am Memorial Garden Blitz
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Financial Report May 2017

	<u>Current</u> <u>Period Actual</u>	<u>Current</u> <u>Period Budget</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Budget</u>
Income totals	\$19,123.00	\$19,625.00	\$106,121.00	\$101,175.00
Expense totals	\$20,151.00	\$3,404.00	\$100,557.00	\$100,405.00
Difference	(\$1,028.00)	\$16,221.00	\$5,564.00	\$770.00

<u>Mortgage Status</u>	<u>Current</u> <u>Period Actual</u>	<u>Mortgage</u> <u>Payment</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Mtg. Payments</u>
May 2017				
Mortgage Bal. 5/17/17	\$550,000.00	—	—	—
Mortgage Payment	—	—	\$23,889.00	\$23,889.00
Mortgage Bal. 5/17/17	\$550,000.00			

<u>Pass-through Funds Status</u>	<u>4/30/2017</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>5/31/2017</u>
World Hunger	\$1,761.00	—	\$1,285.00	\$476.00
Special Appeals	\$935.00	\$101.00	—	\$1,036.00
Loaves & Fishes	\$233.00	—	—	\$233.00
Christmas/Refugee Families	\$3,333.00	—	\$134.00	\$3,199.00
Grocery Receipts (Food Pantry)	—	—	—	—
Misc. Benevolence Pass-thru**	\$370.00	—	\$70.00	\$300.00
Youth Events/Can Money	\$1,529.00	—	\$350.00	\$1,179.00
SCS Offering	\$556.00	—	\$43.00	\$513.00
Vacation Bible School	\$208.00	—	—	\$208.00
Confirmation Camp	—	\$200.00	—	\$200.00
Confirmation Money	—	—	—	—
Misc. Pass Thru	\$370.00	—	—	\$370.00
Designated Gifts	\$1,500.00	—	—	\$1,500.00
Memorial Funds	\$1,027.20	—	—	\$1,027.20
Kitchen Projects	\$939.43	—	—	\$939.43
Wedding/Baptism Deposits	\$25.00	\$25.00	—	\$50.00
Investment Funds	—	—	—	—
Special Projects	—	\$50,000.00	—	\$50,000.00
Scholarship	\$209.75	—	—	<u>\$209.75</u>
Pass-through Funds TOTAL				\$61,400.38

** This is a holding account for member's specified contributions until requested distributions are made.

Treasurer's Comments:

May's income/expense ratio and year to date are tracking as anticipated. Expenses are slightly higher than income, due to the Holiday Weekend. All bills are paid to date, including all capital projects.

We have refinanced our mortgage with the ELCA Mission Investment Fund , meeting the 5/19 readjust date of our mortgage with Waukesha State Bank. The mortgage amount is \$500,000 amortized at 15 years at 4.375% with a 7 year adjust period. Closing costs were \$3,796 paid out of the mortgage account. The new monthly payment is \$4,172.00 due July 1. We are going to continue budgeting the \$5,206 making additional principal payments with the difference, thus reducing the principal and shortening the term of the note. Our first payment will be due July 1, allowing the mortgage account to rebuild to cover the closing costs.

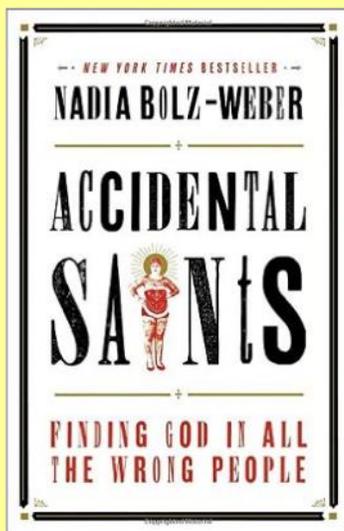
The external audit began May 15 by Bob Kabitzke from Scrima and Associates. Linda Gatlin provided documentation he requested. He will review all the information and complete audit within next several weeks.

Good Order Roundtable meeting was held between services June 4. This is a meeting of Financial, Property and Stewardship committees. Topics discussed were a Special Council Meeting held on June 13 to determine a plan to borrow money or hire someone to assist in fundraising for the improvements to parking lot, handicapped entrance doors, sound system, drywall repair and repainting sacristy. We have received a \$50,000 anonymous gift, greatly appreciated, to make the lot and entrance ADA handicapped accessible. This will greatly assist in completing the project.

Results of meeting will be published at a later date. Please note anyone and all input is welcome at these meetings.

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Summer Book Study Starts in July

Our summer book study groups, which will gather weekly to reflect upon and discuss the book *Accidental Saints: Finding God in All the Wrong People*, will start meeting the week of July 10th and will run for 8 consecutive weeks throughout the rest of the summer.

A signup sheet is on the narthex bulletin board, but we prefer you sign up online by filling in a slot through SignUpGenius if possible (see the weekly email for the link).

If you would like a copy of the book, please email PrJay so he can order one for you and get your money to him as soon as you can (purchase price is \$10 through Amazon). Or, you may purchase the Kindle version for \$11.99. Questions? Contact Kim Dutelle at gemini6667@aol.com.