

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.

October at a Glance

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

- Oct. 1.....Open Space Ministry
- Oct. 5.....Seasoned Seniors
- Oct. 6.....Painting with an Artist
- Oct. 7.....Set Up for 2020 Banquet
- Oct. 8.....CTS 2020 Luncheon Banquet
- Oct. 12.....holy ground
- Oct. 18.....Lunch Bunch
- Oct. 23.....Book Discussion Group
- Oct. 27.....Trivia Night

Committee Gatherings

See online calendar for times

- Oct. 17.....Nominating Committee
- Oct. 18.....Internship Committee Mtg.
- Oct. 19.....Pastoral Support Team
- Oct. 24.....Council Meeting

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FROM THE PASTOR

Called to Be Loved and to Love

On October 31, 2017, we mark the 500th anniversary of the day when Martin Luther shook the church to its core by asking: "What if grace matters more than anything else?"

During the month of October, we will be continuing Luther's conversation in worship and Adult Forum as we ponder what it means to be heirs of a reforming church. A church that asks: What does it mean to be baptized?

When we are baptized, we (or those who love us) make 5 promises. In October, we will explore each one in turn:

10/1: Called to speak out: Knowing that we (and the whole world) are loved beyond measure, we are called to strive for justice and peace in all the world. God called Moses and Aaron to speak for those who could not speak for themselves. God calls us to do the same.

10/8: Called to receive grace: As bread falls from heaven, so does God's grace flow into our lives. We are called to worship: To hear God's word and share in the Lord's Supper. This is the heart of who we are.

10/15: Called to serve: Samuel was called to serve the Lord in the Temple. We are called to serve God wherever we are - at church, at home, in the world. God calls... and we try to listen.

10/22: Called to be authentically you: God sees and loves your heart - the you that is really you. Just as God saw David's heart before God saw David's strength or beauty, so God sees who you really are, and that is more than enough. We rejoice in the gift of being who we are, connected to all the other folks who are called to be who God has made them to be, too.

10/29: Called to be changed - and to change the world: God's world is always changing; God's church and God's people are along for the ride. As we remember Luther's spark that lit the fire of reformation, we are called to be a part of God's endless work of making all things new. This is God's Story, and we are sent to tell it to the whole world!

It's a great month to be Lutherans. It's also a month like any other month. From baptism to death and beyond, we are always called and called and called again: called to belong, called to worship, called to tell God's story, called to serve, and called to make the world a better place.

Peace be with you,
Pr Jay



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 .

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) in October -

"Always Reforming: Luther's Legacy and the Future of a Gospel-shaped Church." Join us on 10/8, 10/15, 10/22 and 10/29 as we explore Martin Luther's life and thought, the historical setting(s) of the 16th-century reformation(s), and the present and future of a church that is always reforming.

Sunday Youth Discussion (9:30 am) — The Youth Group meets each week from 9:30-10:30 am in the youth room. We've been having great discussions and welcome anyone from 6th grade through senior year.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study (6:30 pm) Join us as we study 1 John 3:1 and bring your favorite Bible. If you have any questions in the meantime, contact Paul Wegner at 262-363-7067.

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.

CTS Fall
Clean Up Day
Saturday,
October 14
9 am to Noon



All Are Welcome!

We will be focusing on outside projects such as bush trimming and window washing, along with a few inside projects.

Please see the sign up sheet in the Narthex or contact Jeff Marti at 262-424-2417.

holy ground for holy people: Food, Fun, Fellowship and Faith Thursday, October 12: Blessing of the Animals

Gather with us for a potluck dinner, activities and worship for all ages. We share a meal at 6pm and transition into worship at 6:30pm. This month, we remember St. Francis of Assisi and invite non-human animals to join us for worship!

Bring something tasty to share with friends and a pet if you have one who can safely join us. We will celebrate Holy Communion as we sing through the *Holden Evening Prayer*.

Please join us as we welcome some folk from HAWS starting around 5:30pm.

Feel free to bring your pet to be blessed during worship, and listen to these dedicated folk tell you about their mission.



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

FREE HOPE THANKSGIVING DINNER & AUCTION TICKETS

Would you like to attend this event on Thursday, November 16, 2017 with 5:00 p.m. cocktails and 7:00 p.m. dinner and live auction?

I am donating up to 10 tickets for the event for free, and I have 5 people who requested tickets so far. Please let me know if you would like a ticket before they are gone. We are trying to have a great representation from CTS, and support the Hope Center! Contact Kay Styza at kstyza@gmail.com or 414-333-4364.

PINE RIDGE — CHRISTMAS BOXES

The approximate size of a box for Pine Ridge should be 14" x 9" x 5".

Brand new donations of socks, hats, gloves, mittens, scarves are welcome. Both boys and girls, sizes infant to 17 years old.

Also accepting donations of activity books, games or toys; picture books for infants, craft items, balls, card games, small puzzles, crayons, coloring books and stickers. Also head bands and barrettes and for girls.

Please NO cowboy and Indian toys or anything that requires batteries.

Donation Collection Times

These donations can be brought to the warehouse on the following 2 dates:

Monday, October 16th from 4pm to 8pm

Thursday, October 26th from 12pm to 4pm

If these dates do not work for you, please contact the names below.

The address for donation deliveries is: W229 N1687 Westwood Drive, Unit D, Waukesha 53186. For more specific directions, please contact persons listed below. This is also the address where we will be packing the Christmas gift boxes.

Again, any questions, please let me know. If you are unable to reach me and need immediate assistance, please contact Sam Mayek.

Thank you so much for your generosity.

Gloria Klomsten 262-370-7506

Sam Mayek 414-303-2101

REFORMATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

In the midst of trouble our community and country are facing, I hear the lament, "What can one person do?" We do make a difference individually, and have an even greater resource as a faith community. How much more powerful when faith communities come together!

We must learn to be in the midst of others who are different than us. How can we possibly understand each

other if we do not talk and walk with each other in our faith communities? A perfect opportunity exists to learn and be in fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ - worship and eat a meal together. It is a small step, but for some, a big leap!

Reformation worships Sundays 10 am at 3910 W. Lisbon Avenue. We encourage you and other members of your congregation join us for worship. And on the first Sunday of the month we ask for one partner congregation to sign up to be with us for potluck (although everyone is welcome) and worship at our daily ministry site at 3806 W. Lisbon Avenue. This fall we need a congregation to sign up to be with us for each month. Could it be your congregation that gets to know Reformation and its families through worship and meal fellowship? A small, Spirit-filled step, but one that can be a leap in understanding -

Contact me for any thoughts, questions. I look forward to hearing from you and your faith community!

Marge Johnson

Ministry Coordinator, Reformation ELCA

P.O. Box 80666, 3806 W. Lisbon Ave.

Milwaukee, WI 53208

414.444.0440, Ext. 1

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 started 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. We have received a few suggestions so far. 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

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE (CONTINUED)

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.

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.

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.

JAIL MINISTRY

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

Below is the HUBER Volunteer Orientation schedule for the 2018 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.

2018 Orientation Dates Will Be Available Soon

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

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 stevenrsmart@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 2018 CTS Commitment Dates

Tuesday, January 16

Wednesday, May 9

Thursday, September 13

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 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

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

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

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Erin Schwabenlender	10/01
Will Snider	10/01
Craig Schambow	10/05
Mike Alf	10/06
Ed Boehmke	10/08
Johana Felton	10/08
Jenna Loeschmann	10/15
Ann Williams	10/15
Grant Wiorek	10/15
Jeff Wittrock	10/19
Ali Vaughan-Stroebel	10/21
Joanne Dutelle	10/23
Cameron Becker	10/24
Kathy Boehmke	10/25
Amy Woodzick	10/25
Mark Snider	10/26
Ari Bonell	10/29
Jessica Stamm	10/29
Nicole Stamm	10/29



Sat., Oct. 28, 2017
Reformation Celebration
500 Years
in the Making

Martin Luther Church

9235 W. Bluemound Road

*Program begins at 5:00 pm,
 followed by a potluck dinner.*

For more info, call Ronna at 414-476-9411

- Meet and listen to the wisdom of Martin Luther.
- Enjoy great choral music by the combined voices of Martin Luther, First Lutheran and Mt Hope Lutheran churches.
- Greater Milwaukee Synod Bishop Rev. Paul Erickson will bring greetings.

FROM THE VICAR

Why Do I Wear a Clerical Collar?

One of the most holy and wonderful things about being a vicar (a pastoral intern) thus far has been responding to questions and curiosities that this community has about my role, my experience, and about God and faith in general. One of the questions that I receive most often here is this: “Why do you wear a clerical collar?” Here’s my answer!

I’m not required by anyone to wear a collar, but I have chosen to. My choice to do this occurred after a long process of discernment about what the role of being a vicar (and later, by the grace of God, being a pastor) means for me. When I wake up in the morning and I prepare to do any number of tasks that I engage in as a vicar, I look in the mirror and I put on my collar. This symbol reminds me that I am part of something bigger than myself—that in ministry I am connected to the wider church (bigger even than the ELCA), and that I am serving as a representative of God and the church in this community. This helps me realize both that I am not alone, and that I have a responsibility to God and to this congregation.

When I am in public, people in this community who don’t even know me are able to approach me and ask to pray with me, or ask me a question about God, or share something painful that they have experienced with church. I believe that the church exists for the sake of the world, and that my role as a vicar extends into this community (just as our role as Christian community does). I have had countless beautiful conversations with people in Waukesha and the surrounding area due to the fact that I was wearing my collar.

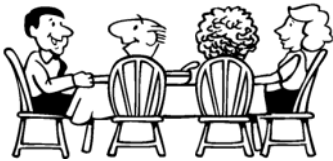
I am poignantly aware of the fact that *many* people have had negative experiences of the church, and have experienced pain, trauma, and shame from someone wearing a clerical collar. It is important to me to wear this symbol with integrity, and in a manner that affords dignity to others. I hope that by doing so, and by listening intently to those painful stories and being able to apologize for some of the horrific things that this collar has represented to people, that a bit of healing might occur. In a way, my act of wearing a collar while rejecting harmful narratives is a way of reclaiming a symbol that has been defiled by others.

Finally, in a world that can be antagonistic toward women in ministry, I am a woman who is called by God to be in ministry. When I see myself in a collar I am reminded that God stands with me, and I hope to represent that reality to the world as well. God calls me to do this work *because* of who I am, not in spite of it, and God calls you to live your baptismal life because of who you are, too.

It is a joy to be in ministry with you, and a privilege to be your vicar!

Peace,
Vicar Marissa

UPCOMING EVENTS



Seasoned Seniors

Seniors will be meeting in the Ark on **Thursday, October 5th** at 12:30 pm for their monthly

luncheon. Anyone over 55 years old is encouraged to join them. Contact Leah Huse at 262-547-4909 for more information.

Lunch Bunch

On **Wednesday, October 18th** the Lunch Bunch will be heading to The Machine Shed in Pewaukee, N14 W24145 Tower Place; just off Exit 294. 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

Hope everyone had a nice summer. It went by fast and Fall is showing up all around us. Our last meeting of the year is **November 21st at 6:00 pm**. As usual for that meeting, we start with a potluck meal. This meeting would be a good time for anyone interested in joining to attend to get to know everyone and enjoy good food.

We will be discussing Christmas set ups and also electing officers. We are always looking for new volunteers to fill the various positions. If any member has any questions, comments or complaints, always know that I am willing to help in anyway I can. Thanks for all the help this year. —*Jelene Peot*

Book Discussion Group

The Book Discussion Group meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in front of the fireplace at church. All are welcome any time, even if you haven't read the book. On **Monday, October 23**, we will be discussing "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks" by Rebecca Skloot. Our November book will be "Big Little Lies" by Liane Moriarty.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our next meeting will be on **October 18**. We gather the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm around the Narthex fireplace.

CONTACT: Yvette Schambow at ymsbelieves3@gmail.com or 262-392-9194 with any questions.

CTS 2020 Celebration Banquet Sunday, October 8th

Join us for a celebration lunch on Sunday, October 8, at noon, in The Ark. This meal is free, catered and served, and we would love to have you join us if you're able!

If you did not receive a mailing about the CTS 2020 campaign, please contact the office so we can be sure to update our records.



Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our mission and ministry in this place!



Let's Paint! Friday, October 6th

This class will be taught in The Ark by local artist Cecelia Blenker (check out her website at www.ceceliablenkerart.com).

She'll lead us step by step and our paintings will be fabulous! All supplies will be provided. We can also bring our own snacks and 'beverages'!

Questions? Contact Melinda McNulty at 262-352-9755 or Glori Kurth at 414-651-1123.

**Friday, October 6, from
6:30-8:30 in The Ark
1 lesson, 2 hours, \$35 per person.**

October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8:15 am Worship 9:30 am "Open Space" Mission & Ministry 9:30 am All Church at Font 9:45 am SS/Youth 10:45 am Worship 12 Noon Confirmation 6:00 pm Women's AA	2	3 7:00 pm AA 7:00 pm Wau. Choral Rehearsal	4 6:30 pm Bible Study	5 8:30 am Staff Meeting 10:00 am Bible Study 12:30 pm Seasoned Srs 6:30 pm CODA 7:00 pm St. John Neumann Group	6 6:30 pm Painting with Artist	7 9:00 am Set Up for CTS 2020 Banquet 6:30 pm St. John Neumann Group
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Financial Report August 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	\$18,666.00	\$18,925.00	\$170,884.00	\$160,650.00
Expense totals	\$27,634.00	\$20,633.00	\$166,811.00	\$165,882.00
Difference	(\$8,968.00)	(\$1,708.00)	\$4,073.00	(\$5,232.00)
<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>
July 2017				
Mortgage Bal. 7/31/17	\$546,661.00	—	—	—
Mortgage Payment	—	—	\$28,060.00	\$28,060.00
Mortgage Bal. 7/31/17	\$548,795.00			
<u>Pass-through Funds Status</u>	<u>7/30/2017</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>8/01/2017</u>
World Hunger	\$1,103.00	—	\$70.00	\$406.00
Special Appeals	\$811.00	\$20.00	—	\$1,061.00
Loaves & Fishes	\$233.00	—	—	\$233.00
Christmas/Refugee Families	\$3,199.00	—	—	\$3,199.00
Grocery Receipts (Food Pantry)	—	—	—	—
Misc. Benevolence Pass-thru**	\$300.00	\$200.00	—	\$300.00
Youth Events/Can Money	\$2,725.00	\$2,000.00	—	2,545.00
SCS Offering	\$513.00	—	—	\$513.00
Vacation Bible School	\$208.00	—	—	\$208.00
Confirmation Camp	(\$575.00)	—	\$775.00	(\$575.00)
Confirmation Money	—	—	—	—
Misc. Pass Thru	\$370.00	—	—	\$370.00
Designated Gifts	\$1,350.00	—	—	\$1,500.00
Memorial Funds	\$1,028.00	—	—	\$1,028.00
Kitchen Projects	\$895.00	—	\$44.00	\$895.00
Wedding/Baptism Deposits	\$25.00	\$25.00	—	\$50.00
Investment Funds	—	—	—	—
Special Projects	\$45,000.00	—	\$45,000.00	\$45,560.00
Capital Campaign***	—	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	—
Scholarship	\$209.75	—	—	<u>\$209.75</u>
Pass-through Funds TOTAL				\$14,414.75

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

***Account created to keep track of monies donated and spent for the Capital Campaign Projects.

Treasurer's Comments:

August and year to date are tracking as anticipated. As noted above, the income/expense ratio changes from month to month. The key is the year to date ratio. All bills are paid to date, including all current completed capital projects.

We have closed on the new mortgage; the total borrowed was \$705,000. The rate and adjust period are 4.375%, 7 year adjust, amortized at 20 years. Closing costs were \$2,635 and the new monthly payment will be \$4,414. 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.

The external audit began May 15 by Bob Kabitzke from Scrima and Associates Accounting. He is reviewing all the information and hopefully will complete his audit soon.

We have received a \$50,000 anonymous gift, greatly appreciated, to make the parking lot and church entrance handicapped accessible. We have utilized the total amount of this gift on the automatic doors and the new parking lot. This is making access to our church for the handicapped and elderly much easier! Thank you again!

Please note we will be getting the stained glass window repaired this fall. Estimated repair cost is \$2,000.

As always, feel free to contact me if you have any concerns or comments.

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CTS TRIVIA NIGHT

Get your teams ready for another great night of trivia in The Ark at CTS!

Once again there will be a prize for the 1st Place team AND for the best team costume!



WHEN: Friday, October 27th, 6:30 pm

WHO: You and Your Team

(Sign up sheet is on the narthex bulletin board!)

COST: \$10 per player

Concessions, beer and wine will be available for purchase!

Thank you for supporting the CTS Youth!