



GLORY OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Newsletter

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Pastor's Letter

Rev. Jeremiah Johnson

Missions in Comm(uni)on

There are a *lot* of new faces around here, and we love it. As we welcome more and more new folks in, we always want to make sure that everyone is up to speed on the things going on around here at Glory of Christ, and one of those things is *Missionsfest*.

What is Missionsfest? It's an auction. It's a party. It's a story. It's all for missions. Every year, we give between 10% and 15% of our yearly budget to various missions throughout the world, and a big chunk of that giving happens at Missionsfest. At Missionsfest, you get to hear a little bit about each of the missions we support, and you get to have a good time together giving to them. After all, we're *celebrating* the gifts that God has given us and how they are being put to good use at home and abroad.

But this is also an opportunity for a deeper question: why? Why do we do support missions *as a congregation*? Why don't we all just write individual checks to missionaries or Luther Academy or whatever else we're eager to support? Why do we do it together? Why do we have missions *in common*? Short answer: because we are in communion.

For the long answer, let's go back to the early church.

The Jerusalem Christians were in need.

Without modern logistics and supply chains, crop shortages in the ancient world were common and deadly, and the Christians in Jerusalem, especially the poor, were being threatened with famine there. As St. Paul journeyed throughout what today is Greece and Turkey, the churches there were gathering money to send to their poor brothers and sisters suffering in Jerusalem. Here is what Paul says about some of the believers in Macedonia:

For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, begging us earnestly for the favor of *taking part* in the relief of the saints- and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. (2 Corinthians 8:3-5)

You wouldn't recognize it in English, but when Paul says "*taking part* in the relief of the saints," he uses the Greek word *koinonia*, which gets translated in other parts of the New Testament as *communion*. Of course this doesn't mean that the Macedonian Christians are boxing up the body and blood of Jesus and shipping it off to the Christians in Jerusalem, but there is a connection between their gifts and the Lord's Supper.

Communion means to participate in a common thing, and it's *that thing* that binds you together. In the case of the Lord's Supper, the common thing is the body and blood of Jesus. As one of my seminary professors was always fond of saying, at the Lord's table, "He bodies and bloods you together as one." If the thing in common, the body and blood of Christ, makes us one in the Supper, then it only seems natural that they would share their gift for the saints in Jerusalem in common too. It's worth noting that Paul never mentions any one giver by name. Nobody gets a special shout-out or memorial plaque. When the Christians in Macedonia give, they give *together, as one body*.

They have the body and blood of Jesus in common, and so their gifts are in common too.

And when we give, we give in common as well. That's just what we do as His body.

I don't give to the work in Mexico, *we* do. *You* don't contribute to Luther Academy, *we* do. When we received the flesh and blood together, we shared all things together. Jesus made us one body, so we give as one body.

When the body and blood of Jesus are in common, then the giving is too.

That's why we do missions the way we do.

So certainly, come and join us at Missionsfest. Celebrate with all your brothers and sisters. Put what God has given you, to work together with the church. Raise a glass to missions. But most of all, rejoice in the One we have in common who binds us together with each other and the Christians in Mexico or the Philippines or even Jerusalem. And rejoice in the favor of *taking part together* in the Lord's work.

Pastor Johnson



Worship this Month

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 7, 2019

Luke 20:9-20

Like most of them that Jesus tells, the parable of the leased vineyard is intentionally over-the-top. We're *supposed* to gasp when we see the caretaker farmers refuse the master and abuse the servants and kill the son. It's *supposed* to shock us. And all the violence and presumption by the farmers stems from one basic fact: they didn't understand who the vineyard really belongs to. It doesn't belong to them; it belongs to the lord.

The vineyard stands for the people of God, and so this parable was initially an indictment against the religious leadership of Jesus' day. But it also applies to the church today. For us, this parable is both comfort and warning. On the one hand, we dare not act like the church ever *belongs* to us. The church is always and ever *His* church, not ours. But this is also our comfort. *We are* always His church. No matter how the caretakers of the Lord's church may stray, they cannot ultimately scuttle His church.

Take comfort in Jesus' assurance, "I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand." (John 10:28)

The Sunday of the Passion

April 14, 2019

Luke 23:1-56

The service of Passion Sunday, beginning with the procession of palms, reflects the contrasting attitudes toward Jesus that were on display during the days leading up to His crucifixion. "Palm Sunday" is named after the palms that were spread before Jesus as He entered Jerusalem. The acclamation of the people, "Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord," clearly reveals that they hailed Jesus as the messianic king. Yet only days later, our Lord would hear the cry "Crucify!" This contrast is reflected on this day as the joy of His triumphal entry into Jerusalem gives way to the somber remembrance of His passion (from the Latin *passio* which means "suffering"). The extended reading from the passion narrative sets before the faithful all that our Lord did on our behalf. Thus is the Church prepared to enter Holy Week – the most important week of the entire Church Year.

The Resurrection of our Lord

April 21, 2019

Luke 24:1-12

Yesterday I was crucified with Christ; today I will be glorified with him.

Yesterday I died with Christ; today I will return to life with him.

Yesterday I was buried with Christ; today I will rise with him from the tomb.

Gregory of Nazianzus (4th century)

The Second Sunday of Easter/Confirmation Sunday

April 28, 2019

John 20:19-31

"Blessed are you!"

Ever since our first parents doubted God's word, the human heart has trusted in that which it **should** really **doubt** and doubted that which it **should** really **trust**. We live in an age that idolizes trust in feelings and glorifies doubt in the revelation of God's Word. Thomas is the perfect example **of our own struggle** in heeding God's word over our own feelings and experiences. Of course, Thomas didn't believe that the crucified, dead and buried Jesus was alive... Who would if they experienced Good Friday first hand? The story of Thomas is so telling because it's so real! We can relate to Thomas's realistic and reasonable belief that the dead stay dead... That Jesus death ended in death. But blessed are you, for you have not seem, but believe... Jesus died, but He's NOT dead!



General News & Updates

Altar Flower Chart: The cost of the Altar flowers is \$40 per Sunday and you will be able to take your flowers home with you after the service in a box located *in the kitchen on the shelf above the triple sink*. To have your payment for flowers applied correctly, please use one of the *Designated Offering* envelopes found in your box of envelopes or label the outside of one of your regular envelopes with the words 'Altar flowers'. *If you take the black liners home, please be sure to bring them back to church by the following Wednesday*. Janice Hartness is our flower coordinator. If you have any special requests, please contact her at 763-355-5427 by the Wednesday prior. ***The 2019 Flower chart is available for you to sign up for Flowers. The following people have signed up through May:***

April 7th – Garry & Cheryl McCreary
April 14th – Tom & Brenda Richards
April 21st – Easter Flowers
April 28th – Easter Flowers
May 5th – Janet Preus
May 12th – David & Louise Werts
May 19th – Dan & Joy O'Bresky
May 26th – Travis & Kelly Dorweiler

Sunday Schedule: Divine Service 9:00 AM; followed by Bible Class at 10:30.

Saturday Evening Divine Service 5:00 PM – *LAST REGULAR ONE ON APRIL 13TH*

Monday Evening Divine Service 7:00 PM – *Begins on April 29th*

Wednesday morning Prayer Service and Bible Study – ***Morning Prayer services WILL NOT take place again until after Easter.*** Bible Study is at 10:00 am.

Northwest Suburban Circuit Congregation Prayers – Each week we will be praying for a congregation in the circuit and for others who have or have had a connection with them. This month, we are asking for Rev. Matthew Harrison, our Synod President and all our elected officers and board members in the LCMS, Rev. Lucas Woodford, our District President, and all of our elected officers and board members in the MN South District, Rev. John Fehrmann and his work with Confessional Lutheran Educational Foundation (CLEF) in other nations, and To All Generations District Campaign and Concordia University, Saint Paul.

Everyone Welcome! Pastor Johnson and Pastor Krueger are doing **monthly Chapel Services** at Cherrywood Pointe in Plymouth - 18405 Old Rockford Rd, Plymouth, MN 55446. The next one will be on **Monday April 8th** at 11:00 am. Please feel free to attend this service.



Looking for an easy way to support Lutheran education? GOC is now collecting Box Tops for Education. These small rectangles are each worth 10 cents and can be found on tons of General Mills products—everything from Kleenex to dishwasher tabs to cereal. Simply clip and drop into the jar in the narthex to help support St. John's Lutheran School.

“Putting the gifts to good use.”

1 Peter 4:10 “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

We would like to introduce you to the **Long Range Planning Committee members:**

Mari Houck, Al Lindh, Jill Eickhoff, Laura Thurk, Tyler Gangestad, Travis Dorweiler, Mike Connealy, Chelsie Ofsthun, Christian Preus, Patton Hoffarth, and Kord Brashear.

We will be encouraging you to engage in the process of determining the needs and wants of the congregation for 1-5-10-20 years. Do you have any questions or suggestions? Please see one of the committee members. Watch for more news to come!

2019 Directory photos are ready! An All-Member email has gone out on how to order and/or download your photo. If you do not have a computer, please talk to Christine Zitzlperger on how to order yours!

Remember in our Prayers: Sean Breining, Arta Walter, Lee & Doris Hart, Velva Kosel, Jack Jakupciak, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Kevin Gruenhagen (Dan Gruenhagen’s Father), Enya Abel, Dorita Uhler (Janet Preus’s sister), Mac (The son of a good friend of Dave & Naomi Teske), Henry & Carl Burmeister (Brothers of Charlotte Smith), Carl Hartness, Sandy McCoy (Friend of Tom and Brenda Richards) and Rev. Lucas Woodford.

	<h1>VBS</h1>	<p>Dawn Rolf, 612-296-9479 dawnrolf@gmail.com</p>
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VBS 2019 is titled "Out of Egypt I Called My Son" - June 10-13 (4 days this year) 9am-12pm.



	<h1>Compassion Circle</h1>	<p>Louise Werts louise6522@aol.com</p>
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COMPASSION CIRCLE: The Compassion Circle will be meeting next on **Monday April 8th** at 1:00 with a devotion, dessert, meeting, and fellowship. Anyone is welcome to join us!

ANNOUNCING!

A Congress on the Lutheran Confessions

May 8 - 10, 2019

Crowne Plaza Aire*
Bloomington, Minnesota

THEME

ANTINOMIANISM New & Old:

The Return of Seminex theology in Light of the Lutheran Confessions

Presentation Topics:

- The Third Use of the Law: Seminex and Today
- The Atonement: When did Lutherans Start Denying It?
- Gerhard Forde and the Theology of Radical Lutheranism
- Hermeneutics & Textual Criticism: Seminex and Today
- The Death of the Word of God
- Lutheran Pastoral Practice: Avoiding Law-Gospel Reductionism
- Preaching Antinomianism (banquet)
- Gender Theology and the Splitting of the ELCA
- Drums, Saxophones & Bouncing Balls
- Trinity and the Amoral God / and Surviving the Storms
- Drums, Saxophones, and Bouncing Balls

Registration Fees:

ACL Member - \$80.00 / spouse - \$60.00
Banquet: \$30.00 ea.

Non-ACL Member - \$90.00 / spouse - \$70.00
Banquet: \$30.00 ea.

* The cut-off date for accepting reservations into the special Congress room block is Tuesday, April 16, 2019. The special room rate (single and double) is \$125.00 per night (plus tax). To make room reservations, please call the hotel directly at 952-854-9000 or toll-free at 1-800-227-6963 and reference "Congress on the Lutheran Confessions."

Association of Confessional Lutherans: TheACL.org / TheACL@TheACL.org



SMALL CLASSES HELP KIDS SOAR! Pre-Kindergarten – 8th Grade

Now enrolling **NEW** families for 2019/20 school year!

St. John's Lutheran School students...

- Learn to love and trust God's Word
- Are confident participants in small classes
- Discover and use their God-given talents

Play together, encourage each other, and witness to one another

Contact Suzanne Haag to schedule a tour
suzanne.haag@stjlutheran.org 763-420-2426.



Missions

Hear ye, hear ye!
Save the Date



Missions Fest
May 18th, 2019
3pm

**Dropeth off thy donations in the room across from
the kitchen!**

Donation forms and sign up forms on the table in the Narthex

MissionFest Website Registration & Donations

The 'internets' enwheel information & summon thy correspondence regarding this years Mission Fest. Thee may wish to RSVP or ent'r thy donation form on the interwebs, found here: <http://bit.ly/MissionsFest>



Music

Organists: Carla Claussen, Zelda Malo, Maddie Marshall, Sarah Miller
Adult Choir Director: Carla Claussen
Bell Choir Director: Brenda Richards
Music Coordinator: Zelda Malo
Children's Choir: Maddie Marshall
Chimes Director: Abby Hoselton

Gloria Christi Music Camp: Don't miss Gloria Christi Music Camp this year! Led by experienced music educators, this unique half-day camp is designed to develop children's singing voices and musicianship through choir, Orff instruments, chimes, and games. We aim to foster joyful, faithful, and skillful proclamation of God's Word through music, and the culminating activity will be the camp choir's participation in the Divine Service at Glory of Christ Lutheran Church on Sunday, July 21. Visit www.gloryofchrist.org/events/gloria-christi-music-camp for a registration form and to pay online. Camp fee is \$50. Space is limited. Camp will be Monday - Friday, July 15 - 19, from 9:00am - 12:00pm at Glory of Christ Lutheran Church in Plymouth. Open to students entering grades 2 - 8 in fall 2019. Our 2019 theme is "Magnificat"! With questions about the camp, please contact Alyssa Burdick at alyssa.burdick.mezzo@gmail.com.



Youth

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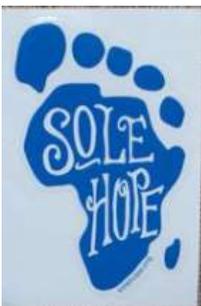
Youth Group!

On March 17th, our Youth Group was invited to an informal Volleyball Tournament with several other LCMS churches at the new field house at Mayer Lutheran. There were more than 30 youths playing, competing, and praying together. We look forward to more gatherings in the future with nearby Youth Groups!

Next Youth Group: Sunday, April 14th - Palm Sunday after Bible Study for lunch, devotions and a mission project.

We will be preparing materials for *Sole Hope* for shoes to be made to protect the feet of children and adults alike from jiggers and their injuries which prevents the people of Uganda from walking to school and work.

Everyone should bring an old pair of jeans & heavy fabric scissors to cut according to the stencils provided. These plus a few simple materials will become new shoes! Once finished, we will mail them to Sole Hope for stitching, finishing and distributing! Sign up with Julie Anderson julesanders@live.com



Please check out their website www.solehope.org to learn more.

Listen to
Pastor Jeremiah Johnson
and host
Pastor Jonathan Fisk

on



Tue., April 9, at 8:00 a.m. CT
for
Sharper Iron
Lectionary study on
“How it Began” Series
Genesis 14:1-16



Lent

The Forty days before Easter

Lenten Services: March 13th – April 10th

Morning Services – 11:30 am

Evening Service: 7:00 pm

Lenten Meals:

Soup lunches - Served after every morning service **beginning March 6th**

****Compassion Circle is providing bars for all Lenten lunches. Thank You Ladies!!**

Lenten Dinners - Served every Wednesday evening prior to the Mid-Week Lenten Services, beginning at 6:00 pm. The following groups will be providing the meals:

Groups Serving Dinners during the Lenten Season:

April 10th – Young Adults – Homemade Soups and breads



Easter

Resurrection of Jesus Christ

Holy Week, Easter Vigil and Easter Services:

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be on April 18th and 19th at 7:00 pm. We are having an Easter Vigil with Evening Prayer service on Saturday April 20th at 7:00 pm and two Easter services at 8:00 am and 10:30 am on Sunday, April 21st. Elders will once again serve a wonderful Easter breakfast between the services that morning. Please plan to join us!



Treasurer's Report

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Glory of Christ Lutheran Church February 2019 YTD Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Income February 28, 2019

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS	Feb-19			YTD 2019		
	Actual	Budget	Fav (Unfav) to Budget	Actual	Budget	Fav (Unfav) to Budget
Income						
General Offerings	85,307.00	51,940.58	13,386.42	108,062.10	113,236.87	(7,174.57)
Interest Income	154.61	83.33	71.28	315.50	166.66	148.84
Other Income	572.00	1,016.66	(444.66)	872.00	2,053.32	(1,181.32)
Silent Auction Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sunday School Offerings	27.06	111.11	(84.05)	88.01	222.22	(134.21)
Total Income	\$ 66,060.67	\$ 53,151.68	\$ 12,908.99	\$ 107,337.61	\$ 115,678.87	\$ (8,341.26)
Expenses						
Education	6,476.91	5,831.22	(645.69)	11,809.13	11,662.44	(146.69)
General and Administration	5,060.37	5,763.29	702.92	9,113.61	11,526.66	2,412.85
Missions	13,500.00	5,500.00	(8,000.00)	16,000.00	8,000.00	(8,000.00)
Music	3,975.24	4,183.27	208.03	8,507.95	8,366.54	(141.41)
Occupancy	23,187.52	15,137.90	(8,049.62)	35,763.39	30,264.80	(5,478.49)
Pastoral Support	23,160.32	23,717.01	556.69	48,071.11	47,434.04	1,362.93
Total Expenses	\$ 75,360.36	\$ 60,132.69	\$ (15,227.67)	\$ 127,264.39	\$ 117,274.68	\$ (9,989.81)
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (9,299.69)	\$ (6,981.01)	\$ (2,318.68)	\$ (19,926.78)	\$ (1,595.71)	\$ (18,331.07)
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME						
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (9,299.69)	\$ (6,981.01)	\$ (2,318.68)	\$ (19,926.78)	\$ (1,595.71)	\$ (18,331.07)
Less: Depreciation expense (non-cash)	(12,189.63)	(12,188.83)	-	(24,379.66)	(24,379.66)	-
Net Comprehensive Income (Loss)	\$ (21,489.52)	\$ (19,170.84)	\$ (2,318.68)	\$ (44,306.44)	\$ (25,975.37)	\$ (18,331.07)

Summary of Results:

- General offerings are \$13.4k favorable to budget for the month and are \$(7.2)k unfavorable YTD 2019.
- Education YTD expenses are unfavorable to budget due to timing of Sunday School expenses and Higher Things prepayment.
- G&A expenses are favorable YTD due to timing of photo directory expenses.
- Missions funded in February were University Lutheran Chapel \$5.5k, and Mexico Mission \$8.0k.
- Occupancy expense is unfavorable in February due to the accrual of an additional \$7.5k for snow plow expenses incurred.
- Pastoral expenses were favorable driven by favorable Concordia plan expenses, and timing of health reimbursement expenses.
- Net Operating Loss of \$(9.3)k was unfavorable to budget by \$(2.3)k for the month of February 2019. When including non-cash depreciation charges, Net Comprehensive loss of \$(21.5)k was \$(2.3)k unfavorable to budget for month of February 2019.
- Net Operating Loss of \$(19.9)k was unfavorable to budget by \$(18.3)k YTD for 2019. When including non-cash depreciation charges, Net Comprehensive loss of \$(44.3)k was \$(18.3)k unfavorable to budget YTD for 2019.

Glory of Christ Lutheran Church
Balance Sheet
February 28, 2019

	Total		
	Feb-19	Jan-19	Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash			
Checking - Hamel	34,032.34	32,100.77	1,931.57
LCEF Endowment Fund	25,885.15	25,885.15	-
LCEF Stewardship Account	202,328.11	197,774.84	4,554.47
Savings - Hamel	46,965.83	46,965.83	-
Total Cash	\$ 309,212.43	\$ 302,726.39	\$ 6,486.04
Other Current Assets			
Accounts Receivable	-	-	-
Due from CLEF	5,806.07	6,784.74	(978.67)
Marketable Securities	820,847.02	597,386.63	23,460.39
Prepaid Expenses	30,892.60	30,654.22	238.38
Total Other Current Assets	657,547.69	634,805.59	22,742.10
Total Current Assets	\$ 966,760.12	\$ 937,531.98	\$ 29,228.14
Fixed Assets			
Church Building (net)	4,016,347.14	4,027,087.05	(10,739.91)
Equipment (net)	71,136.04	71,376.79	(240.75)
Furniture & Fixtures (net)	67,037.90	67,842.31	(804.41)
Land	70,000.00	70,000.00	-
Signage (net)	71,297.25	71,642.01	(344.76)
Total Fixed Assets	\$ 4,295,758.33	\$ 4,307,948.16	\$ (12,189.83)
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,262,518.45	\$ 5,245,480.14	\$ 17,038.31
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	8,500.00	500.00	8,000.00
Payroll Liabilities (current)	(62.43)	162.01	(224.44)
Building Loan (long-term)	1,471,020.52	1,474,065.39	(3,044.87)
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,478,458.09	\$ 1,474,727.40	\$ 4,730.69
Equity			
Designated Fund Balances			
Capital Campaign Fund	116,158.18	108,344.18	9,814.00
Endowment Fund	25,885.15	25,885.15	-
Estate Donations	716,913.90	692,940.76	23,973.14
Missions	1,252.69	1,242.69	10.00
Youth	(988.50)	(988.50)	-
Total Designated Fund Balances	859,223.42	825,426.28	33,797.14
Opening Bal Equity	148,131.40	148,131.40	-
Paid-in Capital or Surplus	1,588,593.90	1,588,593.90	-
Retained Earnings	1,221,418.08	1,221,418.08	-
Net Income	(44,305.44)	(22,816.92)	(21,489.52)
Total Equity	\$ 3,783,060.36	\$ 3,770,752.74	\$ 12,307.62
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	5,262,518.45	5,245,480.14	17,038.31

Glory of Christ Lutheran Church
Statement of Cash Flows
February 28, 2019

	Feb-19	YTD 2019
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net Income	\$ (21,489.52)	\$ (44,306.44)
Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations:		
Accounts Receivable	-	6,130.00
Due from CLEF	976.67	1,953.34
Prepaid Expenses	(6,735.77)	(6,735.77)
Prepaid Expenses:Prepaid Expenses - Day School Expenses	5,331.22	10,862.44
Prepaid Expenses:Prepaid Expenses - Insurance	1,166.17	2,332.34
Church Building:Accumulated Depreciation - Building	10,739.91	21,479.82
Equipment:Accumulated Depreciation - Equipment	240.75	481.50
Furniture & Fixtures:Accumulated Depreciation - Furniture & Fixtures	804.41	1,808.82
Signage:Accumulated Depreciation - Signage	404.76	809.52
Accounts Payable	8,000.00	(6,063.76)
403(b) Liabilities:403(b) - Krueger	(160.00)	-
SelectCare Liabilities:FSA - Johnson	(152.23)	(78.31)
SelectCare Liabilities:FSA - Krueger	87.80	15.89
Total Adjustments to reconcile Net Income to Net Cash provided by operations:	\$ 20,703.68	\$ 32,595.82
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (785.84)	\$ (11,710.62)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Marketable Securities:Estate Donations	(23,480.39)	(62,409.73)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	\$ (23,480.39)	\$ (62,409.73)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Building Loan - Hamel	(3,044.87)	(6,080.59)
Designated Fund Balances - Equity:Capital Campaign Fund:Member Contributions	9,814.00	18,215.06
Designated Fund Balances - Equity:Estate Donations	23,973.14	62,988.44
Designated Fund Balances - Equity:Missions	10.00	10.00
Designated Fund Balances - Equity:Youth	-	(1,590.00)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	\$ 30,752.27	\$ 73,542.91
Net cash increase for period	\$ 6,486.04	\$ (577.44)
Cash at beginning of period	302,726.39	309,789.87
Cash at end of period	\$ 309,212.43	\$ 309,212.43



President's Letter

Josh Christian, 260-515-3294
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Brothers and Sisters of Glory of Christ,

The Council met on March 12th. Andy Madson reported on the Elders' effort to update and organize various policies that Glory of Christ has in place regarding building usage, tuition reimbursement, and missions support, among others. Travis Dorweiler created a checklist to help individuals and groups that use the Fellowship Hall to navigate the dos and don'ts of the facility.

The next council meeting will be on April 9th.

Our Renaissance-themed Missionsfest will be held on May 18th, starting at 3:00 pm. Last month I highlighted the impact your donations have made in Mexico. While the work in Central American is certainly important, we often forget that the mission field can also be found in our own back yard! Many of our mission dollars stay right here in Minnesota.

Glory of Christ has long supported University Lutheran Chapel and Joy Academy.

University Lutheran Chapel serves the students at the University of Minnesota and the surrounding community. Students, often far from home and facing new challenges to their faith, can take refuge in the solid Christian teaching that ULC provides. The large international student population offers unique and exciting opportunities to spread the Gospel across the globe.

Joy Academy is a grade school that is part of Bethlehem Lutheran in St. Paul. The church and school serve a substantial Hmong community. What a blessing to be able to support missions so close to home!

In Christ,

Josh Christian
Council President



Birthdays & Anniversaries

April 3 rd	Bruce & Jill Larson	Anniversary
April 4 th	Mari Houck	Birthday
April 5 th	Ruth Decker Nora Bell	Birthday Birthday
April 8 th	Garry McCreary	Birthday
April 10 th	Alexis Qualle	Birthday
April 11 th	Kiley Lavanger Nora Madson	Birthday Birthday
April 12 th	Arlys Edson	Birthday
April 14 th	Jonathan Schultz	Birthday
April 15 th	Kevin Skau	Birthday
April 16 th	Tracey Taylor	Birthday
April 17 th	Jennifer Schaumburg	Birthday
April 21 st	Janet Preus	Birthday
April 22 nd	Tom & Brenda Richards Bruce Larson Austin Corey	Anniversary Birthday Birthday
April 23 rd	Henry Rolf	Birthday
April 25 th	Lydia DeBlois	Birthday
April 27 th	Jean Small	Birthday
April 28 th	Andrew Diemand Andy & Elizabeth Madson Paul Koosman	Birthday Anniversary Birthday
April 29 th	Gayle McGriff	Birthday
April 30 th	Jerry & LouAnn Jespersen Debbie Cheek	Anniversary Birthday



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 7p-8p Elders	3 10a-11a Bible Study 11:30a-12p Lenten Morning Service 4:45p-5:30p Children's Chimes Rehearsal 5:30p-6:30p Confirmation 6:15p-7:55p Gloria Christi Choir Rehearsal 6:15p-6:45p Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7p-7:45p Lenten Evening Service 7:45p-8:30p Adult Choir Rehearsal	4	5 Bridal Shower - Cory Olson Wedding	6 Bridal Shower - Cory Olson Wedding 5p-6p Divine Service
7 9a-10a Divine Service 10:30a-11:30a Bible Class 12p-1p Sunday School Meeting 7p-9p Young Adults	8 11a-11:30a Cherrywood Service 1p-2:30p Compassion Circle (Gloria of Christ Lutheran Church, 4040 MN-101, Minneapolis, MN 5)	9 6:30p-7:30p Council	10 10a-11a Bible Study 11:30a-12p Lenten Morning Service 4:45p-5:30p Children's Chimes Rehearsal 5:30p-6:30p Confirmation 5:30p-6:30p Moma' Group 6:15p-7:55p Gloria Christi Choir Rehearsal 6:15p-6:45p Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7p-7:45p Lenten Evening Service 7:45p-8:30p Adult Choir Rehearsal	11	12	13 5p-6p Divine Service
14 9a-10a Divine Service 10:30a-11:30a Bible Class 12p-2p Youth Group	15	16 6:30p-8p Long-range Planning Committee	17 10a-11a Bible Study 7:30p-8:30p Adult Choir Rehearsal	18 7p-8p Maundy Thursday Divine Service	19 7p-8p Good Friday Service	20 7p-8p Easter Vigil Service
21 8a-9a Divine Service 9:15a-10:15a Easter Breakfast 10:30a-11a Divine Service 7p-9p Young Adults	22	23	24 9:15a-9:45a Morning Prayer Service 10a-11a Bible Study 4:45p-5:30p Children's Chimes Rehearsal 5:30p-6:30p Confirmation 5:30p-6:30p Moma' Group 6:15p-7:55p Gloria Christi Choir Rehearsal 6:15p-6:45p Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7p-7:45p Lenten Evening Service 7:45p-8:30p Adult Choir Rehearsal	25	26	27 12p-5p Grandma Palmer 80th Birthday Party
28 Confirmation Sunday 9a-10a Divine Service 10:30a-11:30a Bible Class 5p-7:30p Young Adults Trivia Night	29 7p-8p 7 pm Divine Service 7p-8p Divine Service	30	Notes:			