

THE WITTENBERG WITNESS

The Monthly Edition of Wittenberg Lutheran Church's Newsletter

March 2024

Greetings, Wittenberg family.

At the end March, we will be celebrating the Resurrection of Our Lord on Easter. Through the victory of Christ's death, he has conquered death and sin. Death becomes a means to enter more fully into the life of God. This dying in Christ begins at Holy Baptism and continues past our physical death into resurrected eternal life. What we celebrate and look forward to is our own resurrection, in which we are completely redeemed in body and soul. Too often we think of resurrection as our soul going to heaven but what the Church has always affirmed is a bodily resurrection. There is life after death, after death. Souls in heaven will be united with their resurrected immortal, imperishable bodies to live in God's new Jerusalem, his kingdom on earth. The trials, and troubles, and sorrows of this world are the birth pangs of the world as it groans toward new resurrected life. God calls us to participate in his changing the world and renewing his creation.

Through participation in the liturgy, we are able to be united with God to see with sanctified vision, which enables us to spread God's kingdom on earth to all those in our community and around the world. In the Word of Holy Scripture spoken and proclaimed in sermons, the Spirit enters into our ears and travels into our hearts, filling it with a burning joy and desire to spread the life-altering good news of Jesus Christ. In Holy Communion, we have a foretaste of the wedding feast to come and are united to God and one another through the broken body and poured blood of Christ on the Cross as we experience this offering of his life in bread broken and wine poured in the Eucharist. Just as Jesus gave us his life on the cross as an offering of love to his Father, so he continues to give his life to us, the Church, in every time and place, in this means of God's love. In all these means of grace, Christ increases in us as the old sinful self decreases, and we daily die to sin to be resurrected to new life. Our Christian journey toward Easter is always a movement from death into abundant, meaningful, divine life. In Christ, we celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death, precisely because we share in that victory. Joining our voices with the church on earth and in heaven, we eagerly anticipate our Lord's coming again, singing and shouting, "Alleluia! Jesus is risen!"

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Keith



ELCA VISION:

Claimed by God's grace for the sake of the world, we are a new creation through God's living word by the power of the Holy Spirit;

Gathered by God's grace for the sake of the world, we will live among God's faithful people, hear God's word and share Christ's supper;

Sent by God's grace for the sake of the world, we will proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, serve all people following the example of our Lord Jesus, and strive for justice and peace in all the world.

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Greetings Wittenberg,
It's hard to believe it's almost March. I'd like to use this month's column to offer a variety of thank yous and appreciation.

- Many thanks to everyone who turned out for All Committee Night on February 18th. It's great to see so many members of our congregation working together to keep Wittenberg going strong!
- I appreciate our council members and church staff for their efforts – particularly our newly elected council members who have jumped in with both feet to begin their terms.
- And thanks to all of you who do the "little things" (and sometimes not so "little" things)

to assist the church, our members, the physical plant, and our community. I don't want to start naming names because I'd undoubtedly leave folks out, and most of these folks wouldn't necessarily want recognition anyway. We don't always see the behind the scenes activities, but we know there are angels at work here at Wittenberg Lutheran!

- I thank everyone who joins us for worship on Sundays at 8:30 or 11, and now on Wednesday nights during Lent. It's wonderful to see connections being made as we come together to worship. If you've been away but you're reading this note, please come back and be with us on Sunday – we'd love to see you!
- As always, feel free to reach out to wlcouncilpres@gmail.com with any questions or ideas you may have for me or our council members.

Best wishes and peace,

Andrew Hendrix

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Food Ministries Update

For the month of January the Food Pantry served 186 families. The Soup Kitchen served 153 meals as well as providing bag lunches to the Food Pantry patrons each remaining Saturday of the month. Thanks to all our many volunteers who keep these important ministries running smoothly and to our congregation for their continued financial support. We received the following donations from the community: canned goods from Leesville United Methodist Church; loaves of bread for Soup Kitchen bag lunches from Bob Hall. Blessings abound from our congregation and community!



WLPP

Wittenberg Lutheran Preschool Program

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Our month started off with our teachers going to Greenville for training. They attended the South Carolina Early Childhood Association Conference. This was a 3 day conference full of lots of learning and team building for our staff. It is always good to spend time together away from preschool and get to know one another better.

We celebrated Valentine's day with a party at lunch and learned about God's love being the greatest love of all. We also have celebrated one year with Ms. Nina and two years with Ms. Kara as employees with WLPP.

The preschool held a career week where parents and members of the community came in to share about their careers with the children. We had a cosmetologist, Hannah Jumper come in and share with the children the different ways she styles hair. They discussed the different types and colors of hair. She sent the students home with their own new brush or comb. Hannah can be found working her magic at Main Street Hair Salon. Mrs. Nancy Upchurch is a local artist who came to share her talent of painting on olive wood with us. She did not start painting until she was 59 when the Lord blessed her with the ability to create beautiful pieces of artwork. Her wood comes straight from the olive trees of Bethlehem. The students got to see many different cuts of wood and see different shapes that the wood can be cut into along with various paintings on the wood. Mrs. Nancy sent each student home with an olive tree wooden cross. Her work can be found in a couple stores on main street in Batesburg. One of our parents, Brittany Taylor, who works in the ER as a nurse came and shared how she helps treat boo boos and injuries. She brought some of the instruments with her that she uses on the job. We also had Mr. Justin Munn come and teach us about how he puts up the light poles so we can have electricity.





Serving in the Food Pantry this month:

Friday, March 1: Rondoll Watson, JoAnn Williams

Saturday, March 2: Mike & Virginia Nichols

Friday, March 8: Robert & Wendy Epting

Saturday, March 9: Debbie Reynolds, Marti Burns

Friday, March 15: Rondoll Watson, JoAnn Williams

Saturday, March 16: Debbie Black & Volunteer Needed

Friday, March 22: Mike & Virginia Nichols

Saturday, March 23: Larry Dasher & Volunteer Needed

Friday, March 29: Mike & Virginia Nichols

Saturday, March 30: Volunteers Needed

Serving In Worship This Month:

GREETERS: Donice & Ricky Frick

ALTAR GUILD: Wendy Epting, Laura Getz, Pam Humphries

USHERS (8:30):

3..... Chris Taylor
 10..... Robert Epting
 17..... Harriet Householder
 24..... Debbie Black
 31..... Landis Price

USHERS (11:00): Ervin Caughman, Todd Frick

LAY READER: Steven Humphries

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:
 Steven & Pam Humphries

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING: Harriet Householder

ACOLYTES:

3..... Benjamin Barnes
 6 (Wed) TBD
 10..... Mary Dority
 13 (Wed) TBD
 17..... Emma Kate Gresham
 20 (Wed) TBD
 24..... (Palm Sunday) James Shealy
 28..... (Maundy Thursday) Jack Shealy
 29..... (Good Friday) Wyatt Hendrix

ALMSBEARER:

3..... Kate Shealy
 10..... Skyler Frick
 17..... Ansley Gresham
 24..... (Palm Sunday) Henry Bouknight
 28..... (Maundy Thursday) Shayla Bedenbaugh

CRUCIFER:

3..... Jaycob Banks
 10..... Graham Watson
 17..... Lily Price
 24..... (Palm Sunday) Jack Bouknight
 28..... (Maundy Thursday) Jayden Banks

EASTER SUNDAY (March 31)

Acolytes/Torch Bearers: Susie Reed, Graham Watson
 Banner Bearer: Smith Kirby
 Almsbearer/Bible Bearer: Zane Price
 Crucifer: Pierce Kirby

ALTAR FLOWERS:

3..... By: Ervin & Annette Caughman
 10..... By: Patricia Tiffner
 17..... By: Rondoll Watson
 24..... By: Kayce & Brian Shealy
 31..... By: Todd & Cher Davis
 Easter Cross: Ernestine Sharpe, Joann Wells

BBW:

3..... Sally Sherman
 10..... Betsy Dority
 17..... Debbie Sawyer
 24..... Ricky & Donice Frick
 31..... Easter Breakfast

TELLERS:

3..... Jarrod Frick, Michael Guerette
 10..... Andrew Hendrix, Betsy McEwen
 17..... Mike Nichols, Robin Taylor
 24..... Patricia Tiffner, Justin Trotter
 31..... Debbie Black, Ross Cary

If for some reason you can not do the duty you were assigned, please let the church office know ASAP so a substitute can be arranged. Thank you.

Dear Wittenberg Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$100.00 to Lutheran Disaster Response. Your Spirit-filled generosity helps families and communities reeling from disasters and enables people to rebuild their lives.

In Christ,
 Amanda White
 Director, Congregational Generosity



Parish Events & Announcements:

Soup Kitchen: The soup kitchen will be serving on Saturday, **MARCH 23** 10:30am - 12n. Please contact Jennifer Spradley or Jennifer Patrick with any questions, donations, or volunteer times.

Coffee and Conversation will take place on Mondays at 9:00 a.m.

Dorcas Quilters: Dorcas Quilters group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:00am on the 3rd floor of the educational building. You do not need prior experience with sewing nor quilting to join us.

Lutheran Men: The monthly Lutheran Men meeting will take place on Monday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m.

Noisy Offering: Noisy Offering will take place on the third Sunday of each month (March 17).

First Sunday Lunch hosted by the Property Committee will take place on March 3 after 11:00 worship.

Thank you to all who donated items to the Lexington District 3 backpack program. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

The 2024 Flower Calendar still needs a few sponsors! The cost will be \$80.25 this year. You can give Becky a call in the office (803)532-4636 or sign up in the Narthex. Please remember to state who you would like to honor or remember when you sign up on the flower calendar.

Tuesday Theology Brewed in a Lutheran Pot: Pastor Keith will be offering an evening class at 7:00 pm on March 5

Taco Tuesday will meet on March 12 at 6:30 pm at Mi Rancho.

The Merry Widows will be meeting at Angelo's in Leesville on March 19th at 5:30pm. Please RSVP to Patricia Tiffner if you are able to attend. We will also be going to Aiken shopping and lunch on April 26. Plan to meet at church at 10am and ride together. Please RSVP Patricia Tiffner if you are able to go and/drive.

Carson Peter and Iron Mountain will be in concert at St. Luke's Church, Prosperity, SC on Sunday, March 17 at 3:00 p.m. The concert is free, but a love offering will be taken up. For more information, [click here](#). This information will also be posted on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary.

The Community Good Friday service, sponsored by the B-L Ministerial Alliance will take place at B-L Presbyterian this year on March 29 from 11:00 am-1:00 pm.

Holy Week Schedule: The following worship services will start at 7:00 P.M.: March 28 Maundy Thursday (including the stripping of the altar); March 29 Good Friday (Tenebrae). This year, we will have only one Easter service, which will be on March 31. The following are times for Easter events: 9:30 Sunday School; 10:15 Easter Breakfast; 11:00 Worship; Procession of Lilies to the cemetery following the worship service.



Don't forget to "Spring Forward" on Sunday, March 10!

CIRCLE INFORMATION:

<u>Circle</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Leader/Hostess</u>
Morning	March 6, 2024	10:00 a.m.	Hebrews Café	Susie Hendrix
IV	March 13, 2024	10:00 a.m.	Church	Wendy Epting
L	March 11, 2024	6:00 p.m.	Mi Rancho	

Monthly Witness Reporting
as of 1/31/2024



Offering Report	January	YTD
Regular Offering	\$ 23,075	\$ 23,075
Food Pantry Offering	2,411	2,411
Total Offering to Budgeted Operations	\$ 25,487	\$ 25,487

Vision 20 + 20 Offering	503	503
Other Designated Offering/Income	\$ 7,502	\$ 7,502

Expense Report	January	YTD
Budgeted Expenses	\$ 28,148	\$ 28,148
Actual Expenses	29,211	29,211
Budget vs. Actual - Over/(Under)	\$ (1,063)	\$ (1,063)

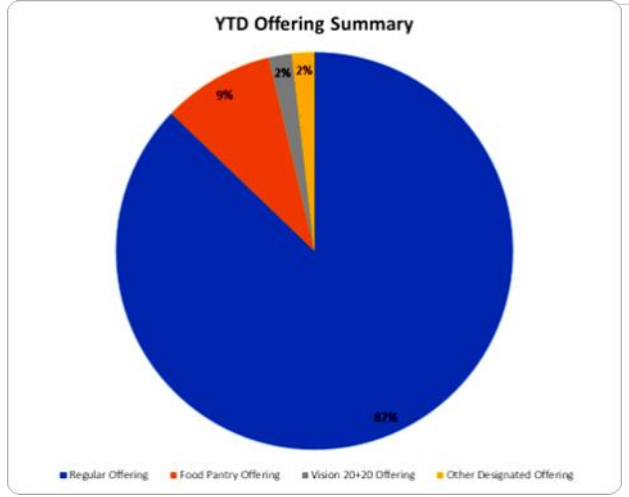
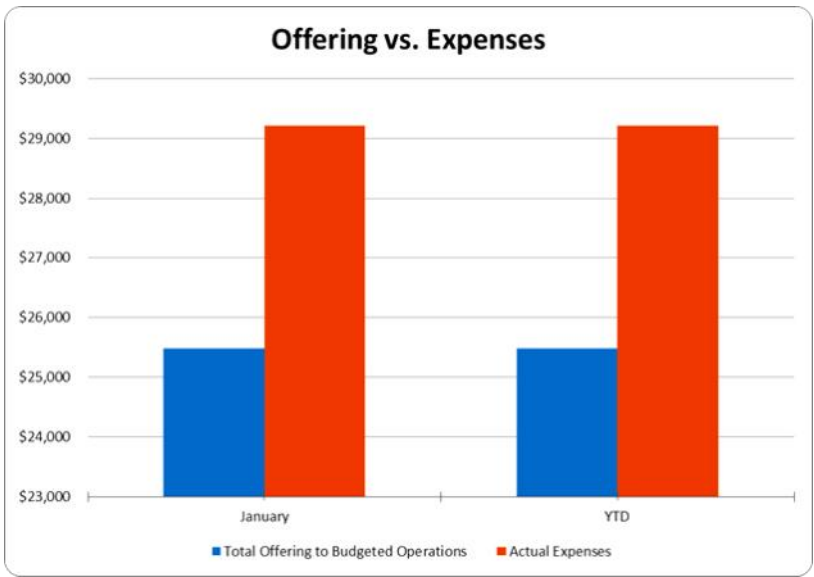
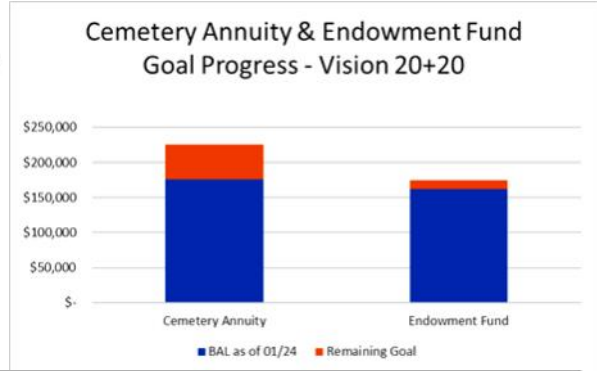
Food Pantry Report	January	YTD
Expenses	\$ 1,673	\$ 1,673
Balance	\$ 15,819	

Soup Kitchen Report	January	YTD
Balance	\$ 9,331	

Fund Report	BAL as of 01/24	BAL Last YTD	Vision 20+20 Goal
Cemetery Annuity	\$ 175,777	\$ 169,262	\$ 225,000
Endowment Fund	162,101	146,769	175,000
Vision 20+20 Fund	521,791	518,167	

Preschool Report	January	YTD
Offerings	\$ -	\$ -
Operating Income	15,513	15,513
Expenses	13,402	13,402
Net	\$ 2,112	\$ 2,112

Thank You for Your Generosity!
Your financial gifts and your gifts of time and talent are the fuel for our ministry here at Wittenberg. Not only do you support our local congregation, but our synod, the ELCA, and the church around the world. Your gifts have global reach. Thank you for making a difference!





Hey, Middle and High School Youth!

You are all invited to join in these activities of faith formation, fun, and service this winter. Check it out!

March 23, 9-12 - Town of B-L Spring Clean Service Project

March 23, 9-12 - Soup Kitchen Helpers

March 30 – 10-11:30 am—KICS Easter Egg Hunt

March 31, 10:10 am – Easter Sunday Breakfast

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Youth Faith Formation Activities occur every week in Sunday School @ 9:50am. Confirmation Youth have a complimentary program along with this calendar of fun and service activities.

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Summer Trip Opportunities:

- [NovusWay Camps](#) (Wittenberg pays 50% registration)
- Summer Youth Service & Fun Trip to Coastal SC TBD

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Additional detail will be published about each event as it gets closer. For now, please mark your calendars!!

Update contact information [here](#) or email wittenbergyouth@gmail.com. Shareable Google Calendar link [here](#).



Join us for the KICS Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30 from 10:00-11:30 am. All ages-5th grade are welcome to attend!

WITHIN THE WITTENBERG FAMILY



Angela Leaphart	3/2	Gregory Dority	3/16
Sara Reed	3/2	Sherri Shealy	3/19
Betsy Shealy	3/2	Britt Taylor	3/19
Larry Dasher	3/5	Liz Walker	3/20
Bucky Johnson	3/8	Jaycob Banks	3/22
George Barnes	3/9	Jayden Banks	3/22
Sophia Hunter	3/9	Mary Hendrix	3/23
Virginia Nichols	3/9	Elena Price	3/23
Theo Walker	3/11	Tissy Price	3/24
Margaret Caughman	3/12	Jerry Price	3/28
Ann Nichols	3/13	Dennis Bedenbaugh	3/29
Allie Riddle	3/14	Arthur Howard	3/29
Ginger Furtick	3/14	Michael Patrick	3/31
Jack Henning	3/15	Ava Jane Trotter	3/31



Ervin & Annette Caughman	3/4
Gregg & Jan Long	3/5
Wade & Robin Watts	3/15
Brent & Summer Lawson	3/24

LET US PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS:

Mary Cook	Tissy Price
Helen Dasher	Mona Henderson
Marvin Epting	Freida Banks
Rondoll Watson	Henrietta Gill
Debbie Reynolds	Doris Freeze
Sue Ruff	Pierce Kirby
Heather Gresham	

LET US PRAY FOR FRIENDS & FAMILY:

Kiersten Ray (*friend of Jarrod Frick*)
 Tommy Epting (*brother of Robert Epting*)
 Charlie Clamp (*friend of Pierce Kirby*)
 Nancy Jordan (*cousin of Pam Humphries*)
 Matt Derrick (*son-in-law of Henrietta Gill*)
 Natalie Derrick (*stepdaughter of Henrietta Gill*)
 Erwin Drafall (*friend of the Guerette family*)
 Ann Cameron (*friend of the Guerette family*)
 Billy Cockrell (*friend of Tracy & Dawn Bedenbaugh*)
 Cheryl Lybrand Smith (*friend of Sonya Cary*)
 Jim Aaron (*brother-in-law of Robert & Wendy Epting*)
 Hope Wheeler (*sister of Donice Frick*)
 Janie Kay Hallman (*friend of the Fricks*)
 Yonaton & Tamar David-Kattevan (*friends of the Nichols*)
 Selena Player (*sister of Elwanda Lorick*)
 Cooper Baker & Family (*friends of Sonya Cary*)
 Jesse Wade Watts (*father-in-law of Robin Watts*)
 Myra Davenport (*friend of Betsy McEwen*)
 Earl Holley Bobbit (*friend of Sonya Cary*)
 Aiden Alexander & Family (*friends of Toshia Banks*)
 Beth Asbill (*friend of Diane & Sandy Spradley*)
 Chris Smith (*son of Walter Smith*)
 Jada Leaphart (*friend of Chancie Frick*)
 Cason Smith (*friend of the Cary Family*)
 Michael Branham (*friend of Mary Ann Shealy*)
 Larry Shuman & Family (*brother of Sally Sherman*)
 Jim Young (*husband of Rachel Young*)
 Beverly Meadows (*friend of the Hendrix family*)
 Jeannie Sweeney (*aunt of Virginia Nichols*)
 Debbie Cole (*cousin of Virginia Nichols*)
 Jane Albright (*friend of Jarrod Frick*)

ARMED FORCES:

Jon Rogers	Karl Smith
Ross Shealy	Capt. Will Cary
Elijah M. Sherman	Abigail Sherman

WE REMEMBER:

Gates Meadows (*friend of the Hendrix family*)
 Evelyn & George Sawyer (*family of Tom & Debbie Sawyer*)
 Melissa Layton (*friend of Barbie Rodgers*)
 Jimmy Holley (*cousin of Rachel Young*)
 Jim Caulder (*father of Debra McDonald*)

If you have corrections, please email or the church office.



Women of Wittenberg- Save the date:

On Sunday March 17th from 3-5 Wittenberg will be host for the spring meeting of the Western Conference Women of the ELCA. ALL women are considered members of WELCA and are invited. Please make plans to attend to this important meeting to find out what's happening within our conference as well as statewide. Our very own Pam Humphries will present a short presentation on the Christmon Ministry. Refreshments will be served. If you would like more information or to join a women's group at Wittenberg please contact the church office, Connie Kramer or Wendy Epting. Hope to see you there!

Family and friends,

The anniversary of Rhonda's passing is approaching. The best we can hope for in life is that we don't have to go through something alone. The monetary donations, cards, food, telephone calls, visits, and especially your prayers were so helpful and meaningful to our family. We did not go through this alone. Words cannot express how grateful we are for all your love, kindness and concern. It is such a hard time, but the support and love from family and friends made it a little more bearable.

Our family's life was changed in an instant. Please remember to always let your family and friends know how much they mean to you.

Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers.

Thank you,
Family of Rhonda Watson Bedenbaugh



Many thanks to our Wittenberg family and Service Groups for all of the food, prayers, and donations during Chris' illness. We really appreciate everything. Please continue to pray for Chris.

Walter Smith and family



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your organization's recent gift of \$180 to Lutheran World Relief! When you love your neighbors with your generous gifts to LWR, you change lives in amazing ways. Thank you again, and God bless you!

Warm Regards,

Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard
President and CEO



Dear Wittenberg Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$681.50 to ELCA Good Gifts. Through these resources, you equip God's people around the world and around the corner, with what they need to live abundant lives.

With gratitude,

Rachel Wind, Executive for Development

Approved Council Meeting Minutes, February 18, 2023:

Members Present: Robin Taylor, Wendy Epting, Mike Nichols, Brent Shealy, Pastor Keith Getz, Ross Cary, Jarrod Frick, Connie Kramer, Patricia Tiffner, Betsy Dority, Michael Guerette, Debbie Black and Andrew Hendrix.

Andrew called the meeting to order at 6:08pm.

Andrew Hendrix shared a fond childhood memory of growing up at Wittenberg then read a devotion on the 3rd chapter of John. Pastor Keith offered a prayer.

Prayer Concerns – Larry Dasher has been in the hospital and is back home. Helen Dasher has been in the hospital. Ben Barnes broke his pinky finger before church.

Pastor shared his report as previously emailed.

Our attendance has increased. Ash Wednesday attendance was in the 50s. He feels a lot of energy amongst the congregation. Taco Tuesdays, Coffee & Conversation, monthly Evening Bible Study and Bingo Night 2/17 have all been well attended and has been a good sense of fellowship and worship.

Wednesdays in Lent are looking exciting – he is hopeful this will be a series of powerful prayer services.

Confirmation class is going well with good conversations.

Jarrold motioned to accept the Pastor's Report. Ross seconded. All in favor.

Brent gave a Treasurer's Report.

Our WLC checking balance is \$22,537.61. Out of this amount are the following Restricted Funds:

Food Pantry \$15,818.87

Soup Kitchen \$9,330.98

Chrismon \$2,395.59

Prayer Garden \$4,533.00

Deficit as of January 31 - \$9,540.

All CDs and Money Market accounts are updated as of 1/31/23. Most of them have been renewed for between 3 to 9 months.

The 2 Annuities at Thrivent are updated once a year. Edward Jones Endowment fund is reconciled each month. All are updated for 2023 and are reflected in January statements.

One correction caught in the S&F meeting earlier: Money categorized in Evangelism Expense \$1,212.96 should be reclassified into Food Pantry. This is the total of credit card purchases from 1/1 – 1/23. This will be adjusted and reflected in the next month's report.

We will contribute the maximum amount (\$6500) for the Cemetery Annuity when we are able to.

Wendy asked what figures are in each Sunday's Bulletin financial report. Brent answered that the Bulletin report reflects as how we stand compared to the budget and not compared to our account balances. This is our Budget vs. Actual. Our YTD offerings are up 21.3%. Brent suggested Temple Talks about financials could be helpful at the Sunday School opening and in worship services.

Ross made a motion to accept Brent's Financial Report. Debbie seconded. All in favor.

Connie gave a Financial Secretary's Report.

January was not as good as December but that is to be expected.

Ross motioned to accept Connie's Financial Secretary's Report. Debbie seconded. All in favor.

Andrew gave a President's Report.

Kara Jefferson with Sole Stepping will be here on March 10 to give us information on her organization and how they would like to use our facilities.

Andrew shared and passed around Thank you cards from Rachel and Mary Ann from their Workplace Anniversaries.

Wendy motioned to accept Presidents report. Mike seconded. All approved.

Committee Reports

AV – Betsy D. did not have a report.

Christian Ed – Andrew reported in Betsy M.'s absence that they will be meeting soon, and the Easter Egg hunt will be the Saturday before Easter.

Endowment Committee – Andrew reported they will be meeting at 7pm with the goal to revise the application and make available for individuals or organizations to submit for our grant.

Evangelism/Christin Care – Wendy reported meals were taken to 4 persons. Debbie Sawyer has started making cinnamon rolls and is taking to shut ins and visiting.

Mutual Ministry – Andrew reported they had a good meeting and discussed ways to involve the youth in our worship service through serving as readers, greeters and ushers.

Parish Life – Robin reported the Property Committee has 1st Sunday Lunch in March.

Preschool Committee – Debbie reported Mary Ann Shealy will be taking over as leader of the Preschool Board. She has compiled an updated Preschool Board Members list. They are addressing their storage problem and hope by next meeting, they will have prices on new storage building options. This will help clean out things in the Fellowship Hall & WLC Storage Building. They looked at 2024 Budget. Current Enrollment: 14 Full time children (1 being a scholarship recipient), 20 After School program children, 2 half day children.

Property – Ross reported the sink in basement has been replaced thanks to Mike and Ervin. Ervin and Todd finished the electrical work in basement. Ross and Gregg received of copy of the new Food Pantry building plans, but pavement was incorrect.

They have sent it back and are waiting on the corrected plans.

Social Ministry – Wendy reported the Food Pantry served 186 families and the Soup Kitchen served 153 meals in January. We received donations of canned goods from Leesville Methodist Church. Bob Hall is continuing to provide bread for the sandwiches.

Stewardship & Finance – Andrew reported they met tonight before Council.

Youth – Jarrod reported the Youth are helping with the Soup Kitchen on 2/24. The Shrove Tuesday meal was a success.

Worship & Music – Patricia reported Rebecca Reed and Jarrod conducted OSJ trainings. Pastor held an alter guild training on 2/7. Ervin, Steven and others put up the cross near the front lawn of the church. The Ash Wednesday Service was well attended. Meals to be provided by service groups before Lenten Wednesday night services.

Cemetery Report - Michael reported he will make sure the year-end report from last year has been sent into Becky.

Jared motioned for all committee reports to be accepted. Ross seconded. All in favor.

Other New Business

Wendy requested to switch teller duties for next Sunday. Michael and Wendy to switch.

Pastor asked if we wanted to financially support Confirmation camp for students in their 2nd year of Confirmation. In the past, students go to camp before they start confirmation classes in the summer before 7th grade. We currently pay for all 1st year students to attend camp. Would we like to financially support students seeking to attend camp in their 2nd year of Confirmation? Andrew suggested covering the full amount.

Jarrold made a motion to pay for the second year in full. Patricia seconded. All in favor.

Michael noted our August meeting is scheduled for August 14. Andrew stated this needs to be corrected to Sunday, August 11.

Thank you to Robin and Chris for a good meal and fun fellowship at Bingo Night!

Old Business – none

Debbie made a motion to adjourned for all committee night meetings to begin at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Dority

March 2024

EARLY SERVICE—8:30 A.M. + SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:50 A.M. + WORSHIP SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School Opening 10:10 AM Last Sunday Breakfast 11:00 AM Worship 4:00 PM Handbell Practice 5:30-7:30 PM Girl Scouts	26 9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation 7:00 PM Lutheran Men	27 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel 10:00 AM Staff Meeting	28 Bulletin Deadline 10 a.m. 6:00 PM Meal 7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:30 PM Choir Practice 	29	1 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open	2 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open
3 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School Opening 10:35 AM BBW 11:00 AM Worship First Sunday Lunch Sponsored by Property Committee 4:00 PM Handbell Practice	4 9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation	5 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Tuesday Theology	6 Bulletin Deadline 10 a.m. 10:00 AM Morning Circle 6:00 PM Meal 7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:30 PM Choir Practice 	7	8 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open	9 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open
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17 8:30 AM Worship/Noisy Offering 9:30 AM Sunday School Opening 10:35 AM BBW 11:00 AM Worship/Noisy Offering 3:00-5:00 PM WELCA Western Conference 4:00 PM Handbell Practice 5:30-7:30 PM Girl Scouts	18 9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation	19 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Merry Widows at Angelo's	20 Newsletter Deadline Bulletin Deadline 10 a.m. 10:00 AM Dorcas Quilters 6:00 PM Meal 7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:30 PM Choir Practice 	21	22 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open	23 9:00 AM-12:00 PM Town of B-L Clean Up 9:00 AM Food Pantry 10:30 AM Soup Kitchen/Youth Volunteers 
24 Palm Sunday 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School Opening 10:35 AM BBW 11:00 AM Worship 4:00 PM Handbell Practice	25 9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation 7:00 PM Lutheran Men	26 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel 10:00 AM Staff Meeting	27 Bulletin Deadline 10 a.m. 7:30 PM Choir Practice	28 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service 	29 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open 11:00 AM-1:00 PM Community Good Friday Service 7:00 PM Good Friday Worship 	30 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open 10:00-11:30 AM KICS Easter Egg Hunt 
31 Easter Sunday 9:30 AM Sunday School Opening 10:10 AM Easter Breakfast 11:00 AM Worship 	1 Easter Monday-Office Closed Pastor Keith-vacation 9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation-canceled	2 Pastor Keith-vacation 9:30 AM Preschool Chapel canceled 10:00 AM Staff Meeting canceled	3 Pastor Keith-vacation Bulletin Deadline 10 a.m. 10:00 AM Morning Circle	4 Pastor Keith-vacation	5 Pastor Keith-vacation 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open	6 9:00 AM Food Pantry Open

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