
THE PULSE BEAT

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A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

This “NO”vember Acknowledge the “NO”, but Focus on the “NOW”
by Interim Pastor Dave Patterson

Saying “NO”, and hearing the word “NO” is part of our earthly lives. Good parents keep their children safe by exclaiming, “NO!”. We say “NO” to drugs, injustice; “NO” to racism, lust, to bullying; say “NO” to exploitation, bigotry and hatred. Some people in the church, and other organizations say “NO” when they are asked to volunteer and give their time and talents, because they know their plates are too full already. Some have heard the shattering word “NO”, when they asked the love of their life to marry them. Others have heard the painful word “NO”, when they applied to college, a job, or applied for a home mortgage loan. We have known special saints who instead of seeking revenge, said, “NO, I choose to forgive as Jesus has forgiven me”. I have known many people who said “NO” to continued medical treatments, and chose to enroll in palliative or hospice care.

The Bible has many instances where “NO” is spoken. God told Adam and Eve “NO” in regards to the forbidden fruit. Sarah and Abraham laughingly cried, “NO way” when they were told that in their old age they would have a child. Moses’s mother, Jochebed said “NO” when the Egyptian government demanded that she hand over her newborn son to be killed. The Ten Commandments are loving words of “NO” that keep us safe from sin, and empower us to live in God’s grace. Daniel said “NO” when he was told to worship a false God. John the Baptist boldly proclaimed “NO” to Herod and his sinful ways. In the wilderness, Jesus said “NO” to the temptations of Satan, the world and his flesh. In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus prayerfully said “NO” to end the plan of salvation, when he said, “Not my will, but Thy will be done”. Our risen Lord said “NO” to Mary Magdalen when she asked to hold him on Easter morn. When ordered by Government officials that they should not teach or preach about Jesus, in the face of arrest and death, the disciples said, “NO. We must follow God rather than human beings”. Someone wiser than I said, “God always answers our prayers: Sometimes his answer is “NO”, sometimes it’s “SLOW”, sometimes it’s “GROW”, sometimes His answer is “GO”.

Perhaps when you heard the sad announcement that St. John was entering a time of pastoral transition you whispered, “OH NO”. As we begin the Interim Process, there will be times as a congregation you may need to prayerfully say, “NO”, but I hope we can also move forward together and claim the “NOW”. As Saint Luke says in his Gospel, “For with God all things are possible”. Amen! - “Yes I believe it to be true!”

Pastor Dave

Greetings to the members of St. John Lutheran Church,

I am pleased that St. John, with the support of the Greater Milwaukee Synod, has extended the Covenant for me to serve as your part-time Interim Pastor beginning in November. I understand that St. John has been blessed most recently with the faithful ministry of Pastor Jim. As we see, via the news and on social media, we live in difficult times in which many people are frightened, angrily striking out at others in violence, and branding people who differ from them as enemies to be destroyed. The world needs the church more than ever. From what I have already learned of St. John, the congregation is blessed with a gifted and dedicated staff, committed church council members, faithful and caring members, and committed volunteers who working together provide opportunities for worship, education, outreach, service and fellowship.

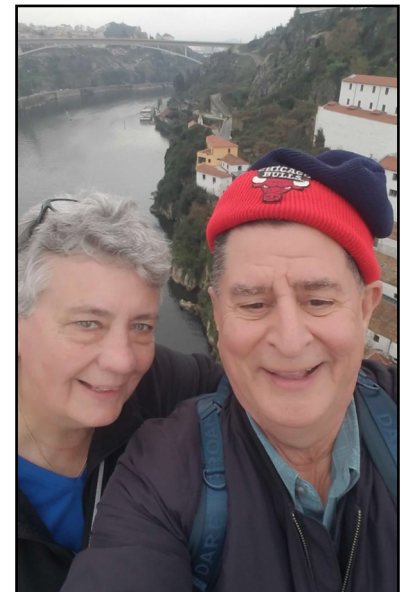
I have been in the ordained ministry for 39 years. I have been privileged to have served two established congregations, and plant and develop a mission congregation of the ELCA. I have served as the Director of Pastoral Care at Luther Manor - a long term Senior Community in Wauwatosa, and have served as the Spiritual Care Coordinator at several hospice ministries. I have served as the Interim Pastor at three congregations - Vernon Lutheran in Mukwonago, Gloria Dei in Menomonee Falls, and St. Luke in Sheboygan Falls. I am blessed to be married to my wife Barb for 42 years. My wife is a retired ICU nurse. We have three children, all of whom are married and are involved in the medical field. We are blessed with 8 grandchildren. We live in Brookfield, and are members at Unity Lutheran Church, which is also in the process of interviewing candidates to fill two pastoral vacancies. I will most likely do extended hours on Sundays while I am in the Grafton area, and will probably come one more day to the Grafton area during the week based on the pastoral needs of the congregation. I will be available for special services as they arise. As I begin the Interim Ministry in November, I look forward to getting to know the members, providing Pastoral care and support, visitation, helping with the education programs, keeping the ministry moving forward, supporting the staff, facilitating constructive dialogue, preparing you for the Ministry Exploration Process, and the development of your Ministry Site Profile. Together, with the support of the Synod, we trust all things will work together for good, for us who are all sinners saved by God's grace through faith.

During our time together, we'll shed some tears. We'll pray for one another. We will be strengthened by the Sacraments. We'll love one another, especially the most vulnerable. We'll listen to one another. We'll marvel at the children and young people who will lead us. We will work hard in unity, and hopefully have some fun, as we continue to grow in faith, hope and love. We will strive to share the Gospel unto the ends of the earth. To help during this time I encourage you to pray for St. John, the surrounding community, invite an unchurched relative, co-worker or neighbor to join you at St. John, and read the Gospels, the Book of Acts, along with Luther's Small Catechism.

"He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!'
Then he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.'"
Revelation 21:5

November

Pastor Dave Patterson



THOUGHTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Changes and transitions...this has certainly been St. John's theme for the last couple of months. While we've kind of been in limbo since Pastor Jim's retirement the end of June, we are now ready to start the actual process of moving forward! We will officially welcome our Interim, Pastor Dave Patterson, to the St. John family on November 3. And then the real work begins – starting the journey to find the permanent voice for our pulpit and leader of our congregation. Are you excited? Maybe a little nervous? That's all OK! I've talked about it before – transitions and changes are hard! Let me share one of mine with you.

Dale and I just celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary on October 20. Quite a feat, in my own opinion! And I know a lot of people in our congregation have celebrated bigger numbers than ours, so you know what I am talking about. But 40 years ago, Dale was already living in South Dakota, and I was living in Cedarburg. We had been apart for a year, as he left for the Air Force the previous October, and we had seen each other twice during that time. We got married on Saturday, left for our honeymoon on Sunday, and the following week packed up my apartment and got ready to move. Dale had picked out a house to rent in Rapid City (sight unseen for me), and off we went.

I think this move was probably the hardest transition I've ever gone through. Being a newlywed was a change all by itself, but now I was living 900 miles away from home and my family, with no friends, no job, and I had no idea where to find anything. Shortly after we got there, Dale went back to work on the base, which was about 10 miles away, and he was on alert, so he was gone for a week at a time, and it was me and the dog.

And I thought, what did I get myself into? So besides having the TV schedule memorized from the time I got up until the time I went to bed, I kept on going! I learned my way around town, figured out how to navigate the base, and got a job and met people...I persevered and pressed on! Even if I didn't realize it at the time, God was certainly boosting me up and helping me every step of the way. I'm sure many of you have similar stories of your own, where you met change head on, and with God's help, succeeded as well.

There are lots of examples of change and transition in the bible that teach us about embracing them with faith. Noah's story highlights the importance of steadfast faith in the face of criticism and massive life changes, urging believers to trust God's plan even when it seems unconventional or challenging. Moses' journey from shepherd to leader of Israel illustrates the power of divine calling and the importance of stepping into new roles with courage, despite feeling unprepared or inadequate. Joseph's transition from slave to ruler in Egypt demonstrates how setbacks can become setups for greater achievements, emphasizing resilience, integrity and the belief in God's presence through every situation.

Change is hard, transitions are messy, unknowns can be scary...but we have a God who is faithful! He is with us! So let's trust Him and lean on Him during this transition.

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Hugs and prayers to you all! *Sandy*

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GENERAL INTEREST NEWS



Delaney Allen, Anna Bullio (great-granddaughter of Florence Van Cleave), Cathy Collins (Florence Van Cleave’s daughter), Amanda Combs (friend of Laura Christenson), Nan Donner (friend of Diane & Roger Wendorf), Erich Dowe, Henry Frier (Marian Witte’s son-in-law), Pat & Sandy Granrath, Merry Lou Green, Pastor Jerry Groth, Erma & Oswald Hegenbarth (Peter McClelland’s in-laws), Sharon Kaddatz (friend of Bob & Carol Butt), Sheila Kapke, Joanne Levenick, Anita Lucht, Scott Maronde (nephew of Gary & Sue Haas), Ken Matthews (Kayla Matthews’ father-in-law), Borgne McClelland, Chuck & Cary Mueller (friends of Glenn Sievers), Alice Murphy (family of MerryLou Green), Duane O’Reilly (Debbi O’Reilly-Christensen’s brother), Sugeily Pineiro-Garcia, Joe Porth, Karen Rautenberg (Sue Dowe’s mother), Becka Rogahn (Tom & Jackie’s daughter), Tom & Jackie Rogahn, Glenn Sievers, Melanie Smith (MerryLou Green’s daughter), Evie Tetzlaff, Wendy Tomter, Virginia (friend of Fritz & Sue Dowe), Wendy Werner (Sandy Allen’s sister-in-law), **Military personnel:** Kyle Christenson **“Home away from home” members:** Jeanine Burhop (sister of the late Marilyn Speranza) – Lasata; Tim McClosky – at home with sister Merry Lou Green

Welcome

Pastor David Patterson will begin his Interim Ministry with us on Friday, November 1st. He will be guiding the members of St. John through the process of calling a new, permanent pastor.

Please join us on Sunday, November 3rd for a welcome brunch following the worship service at 11:00. Please call Robin in the office at 262 377-0410 if you would like to attend.

Pastor Patterson has shared a little bit about himself elsewhere in this newsletter.

YOUTH & EDUCATION NEWS**Epic Youth Ministry
Report September 2024****Confirmation Class**

We started our year together with a Kick Off Cookout outside at Trinity. This night focused on fun with games, roasting hot dogs and marshmallows over a fire, and a few “get to know each other” activities.

Our confirmation class size has really grown this year! We went from 21 to 29 registered youth, and there is the possibility of another youth joining us. The family has asked about the program, but hasn't joined yet. We have had to make a few adjustments in how we conduct the classes, but it has been working out. We break into smaller groups for discussion, activities, and highs and lows. The pre-class dinners continue to be popular and several families have signed up to provide dinner. This week I extended the invitation to make dinners to other members of our congregations.

The first part of the year the class will be looking at the Apostles' Creed. In addition to looking at different parts of the Creed, we wrote a lesson on what a creed is and talked about the Apostles' Creed in general.

Because of the size of the group and one pastor teaching the “Back to Basics” each week, I have invited some parents to become involved in supervising the game room and helping with discussion.

Service Opportunities

During evaluation we talked about adding more service opportunities. As mentioned in the previous report, we had youth bake for Immanuel hosting the Ozaukee Food Alliance Dinner. I am working with churches to help with fall grounds clean up. It looks like only Advent and Faith have things scheduled at this time, but youth from all churches can participate. Youth will also have the opportunity to help with Advent's anniversary brunch. In exchange, the group will make a donation to the joint youth ministry account which could be used to offset some of the retreat cost.

Joint Children's Christmas Program

Advent, Faith, St. John, and Trinity will be working together again for a joint children's Christmas Program. The program will be held at Faith Lutheran Church on Dec. 15. The tentative time is 11:15 AM. I have met with the music director to look at program ideas.

Lisa Wegner, Youth Director

The EPIC confirmation program is a shared ministry of Advent, Faith, Immanuel, St. John, and Trinity Lutheran Churches. The program is directed by Lisa Wegner (lisa@adventchurch.org/414-315-3104).

Confirmation prep is for youth in grades 6-8. Topics are in a three year rotation. The classes are taught by the pastors and Lisa on a rotating basis. When youth have completed confirmation prep, they are confirmed in their home church according to the tradition of the congregation. The program is from 5:15 PM-7:15 PM with classes held at Trinity Lutheran Church, N60W6047 Columbia Rd, Cedarburg. We begin with dinner, followed by a time for fun, before beginning class at 6:00 PM. Class is a lively combination of videos, discussion, and activities. Additionally, we have some field trips and celebrations that take place elsewhere.

The November Sunday School class at St. John is scheduled for November 24. Start time is 11:00 and runs 30-45 minutes.

I would be thankful if you would join me to talk about what we are thankful for and make craft.

Contact Sue Dowe with questions sadowe1966@gmail.com



- 11/3 Mary Ellen Levra
- 11/4 Steve Schauer
- 11/5 Marian Witte
- 11/5 Addison Heusdens
- 11/10 Tim McCloskey
- 11/10 Robert McClelland
- 11/12 Sheila Kapke
- 11/14 Savion Christenson
- 11/24 April Heusdens
- 11/26 Rebecca Schauer



11/30/1963 Robert & Borgne McClelland

Please notify Church Office if we have missed someone. Thank you!



Bible study in November:
Monday, November 11, 1:00 PM at church



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS ON SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3.
REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR

Sunday, November 3

Join us for worship at 9:30 am, as we remember St. John members, as well as, family and friends called home to the



Lord during the past year:
Marion Meyer, Harvey Salger, and Pat Biedenbender Leaman

Feel free to share photos of your loved ones on a display table set-up in remembrance.



November 5

As we pay tribute to our veterans on November 11th, remember the right for you to make your voice heard that they fought for.

NOVEMBER 11

ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, MARINES, COAST GUARD, NATIONAL GUARD - WE GIVE OUR THANKS FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND SACRIFICE.



November



<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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3 Daylight Saving Time ends All Saints Day 9:30 am - Holy Communion 10:30 am - Fellowship hour 11:00 am - Welcome brunch for Pastor Patterson	4	5 	6 5:30 pm - Confirmation class at Trinity	7	8	9
10 9:30 am - Holy Communion 10:30 am - Fellowship hour 11:00 am - Choir rehearsal	11 9:00 am - Quilting 1:00 pm - Women's Bible study 	12	13 5:30 pm - Confirmation class at Trinity	14	15	16
17 9:30 am - Holy Communion 10:30 am - Fellowship hour 11:00 am - Choir rehearsal	18	19	20 5:30 pm - Confirmation class at Trinity	21	22	23
24 9:30 am - Holy Communion 10:30 am - Fellowship hour 11:00 am - Choir rehearsal	25 9:00 am - Quilting 5:30 pm - Family Promise dinner	26	27	28 	29	30

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

November, the beginning of the holiday season, starting with Thanksgiving. It is also the time when we emphasize stewardship in our congregation and begin to consider our pledges to the work of the church for next year. And really, it is fitting that Thanksgiving and our stewardship emphasis come together, because it is a time during which we especially give thanks for our many blessings.

Here, at St. John, I have tried to keep stewardship, with its many facets before you and in your thinking, all year round, through the articles in the Pulsebeat.

In the article God and Money, Hall Powell, a veteran minister and expert fundraiser, shares his take on the significant role finances play in a Christian's life. The following is a portion of what he has to say and are direct quotes from his article.

The purpose of money:

The Holy Spirit, the author of the Bible, devotes twice as many verses to money (about 2,350 of them) than to faith and prayer combined.

Why would Jesus say more about money than heaven or hell? 15% of his recorded words were spent on this one subject.

- * I suggest that he wants us to understand that wealth presents a barrier to genuine spiritual birth and growth.
- * A timeless spiritual principle: There is a direct relationship between our attitude and actions concerning money and possessions.
- * Zacchaeus (Luke 19): - Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor...Jesus gauged his true spiritual condition by his willingness to part with his money.
- * The rich young ruler (Matthew 19:16) - If you want to be perfect, go sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven ...he went away sad: Jesus gauged his spiritual condition by his unwillingness to part with his money.
- * The depth of transformation in the lives of the early church was evidenced by their willingness to share their assets to meet each others needs.

Hall Powell Asks, "Why is Money Important to God?"

Help Us Grow Spiritually:

- * Our beliefs about money are not only radically different from God's but diametrically opposed to them.
- * Our handling of money is a litmus test for our true character and an index of our spiritual lives.
- * The stewardship of our money and possessions becomes the story of our lives.
- * Isn't it interesting that in the account of the poor widow (Mark 12:42- 44) that Jesus watched the people putting money into the temple treasury? He was interested enough in what was going on to use it as an object lesson for His disciples.
- * Our money is God's business. Why?
- * Can we truly say that we have died to self, taken up our crosses, putting Jesus first in our lives with no apparent effect on what we do with our money and possessions?
- * We are told to give Him the first fruits for the work of the Kingdom; we are promised if we do that, He will bless us abundantly (Mal.3)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER , cont.

Two Kingdoms: Heaven & Earth: - He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose. Jim Elliot

- * Matthew 6: 19-24 (read). In this discourse, Jesus tells us the proper relationship to money and possessions.
- * Luke 12: 13-21 - The parable of the rich fool: This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich towards God.
- * Jesus is appealing to what we do value: temporary earthly treasure - in order to make an analogy about what we should value: eternal heavenly treasure.
- * When money is spent on earthly treasures, it is ultimately consumed, stolen, wears out, or is destroyed.
- * But when money is spent on heavenly treasures: God, His Word, and people, the results change drastically: we pay it forward.
- * Earthly treasures don't last. Heavenly ones do. Earthly treasures leave us one way or another: they are either lost or we die and leave them behind.
- * Jesus promises that those who sacrifice on earth will receive 100 times as much in heaven (Matt. 19:29).
- * Jesus Himself is our ultimate treasure, heaven is next, and our treasures are last.
- * Who are you living for? What place are you living for? What treasures are you living for?

Testimony

Randy Alcorn in his book *The Treasure Principle*, says this: "When it comes to giving, churches operate under a 'don't ask, don't tell policy.' We lack communication, accountability, and modeling. It is as if we have an unspoken agreement: 'I won't talk about it if you won't,' so we can go right on living as we are. Think about it. How does a young Christian in the church learn to give? Where can he or she go to see what giving looks like in the life of a believer captivated by Christ?"

- * What a testimony, especially in these days, to tell of God's faithfulness.
- * God owns everything, we are his money managers.

How To Give:

Remember that the Bible tells us that the tithe belongs to the Lord (Lev.27:30).

- * We first give to God.
- * The act of giving is a vivid reminder that our life is all about God, and not about us.
- * We should give generously, regularly, sacrificially, cheerfully, worship fully, and with excellence: 2 Cor.8:7 - See that you also excel in the grace of giving.
- * We give because God first gave to us. giving is worship as much as singing or praying.

Conclusion:

1. What are you holding onto that is robbing you of present joy and future rewards?
2. Are you treating God as the Lord of your assets or only as a financial consultant to Whom you give a tip from time to time?
3. Has money become your idol?
4. Can you trust God to meet all of your needs, or should you hold back just in case He doesn't come through?
5. Five minutes after I die, what will I wish that I had given away while I had the opportunity?

Sharlene Sandquist, Stewardship Ministry

COMMUNITY NEWS

Makers Market

Saturday, November 2

9 am - 3 pm

Village Pointe Commons

101 Walnut Circle, Grafton

Featuring:

*Local artisans, hand crafted gifts, home décor,
jewelry, soaps, ornaments*

Food will be available for purchase.

44th Annual Country Fair

Saturday, November 9

9am - 2pm

St. Paul Lutheran Church

701 Washington St., Grafton

*Vendors, crafts, quilts, homemade bakery,
Christmas cookies & more!*

\$10 Ham sandwich luncheon with

German potato salad and homemade pie

Sponsored by the St. Paul's Women's Guild



Register Now!

Event Date: Friday, November 1, 2024

Time: 12:00pm - 1:30pm

Location: Grafton High School,

1950 Washington Street, Grafton, WI 53024

Register at: <https://www.familysharingozaukee.org/news-events/>

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Assisting Minister:

November 3 - Dennis Jaeger

10 - Dennis Jaeger

17 - Robin Fatla

24 - Bob Butt

Usher:

November 3 - Jim & Carole Litvinoff

10 - Tom Rogahn

17 - Bob Butt

24 - Peter Viesselmann

Lector:

November 3 - Dennis Jaeger

10 - Borgne McClelland

17 - Robert McClelland

24 - Judy McMullin

Altar bouquets:

November 3 - Marian Witte/ **OPEN**

10 - Dale & Sandy Allen/

Robert & Borgne McClelland

17 - **OPEN/ OPEN**

24 - **OPEN/ OPEN**

Fellowship:

November 3 - Marian Witte

10 - **OPEN**

17 - **OPEN**

24 - **OPEN**



Plans for a joint EPIC church service are being finalized. Please watch for updates on date, time, and place.



Please contact Robin Fatla if you would like to help provide the evening meal at Portlight Shelter on Monday, November 25th from 5:30 - 7:00 pm.

St John Evangelical Lutheran Church
Financial Summary For September 2024

	September 2024			Year To Date 2024		
	Actual	Budget	Actual Over (under) Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual Over (under) Budget
Unified Income	\$ 9,540	\$ 12,000	\$ (2,460)	\$ 86,741	\$ 110,000	\$ (23,259)
Expense Summary:						
Education	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53	\$ 175	\$ (122)
Outreach	\$ 48	\$ 50	\$ (2)	\$ 114	\$ 400	\$ (286)
Worship	\$ 1,440	\$ 815	\$ 625	\$ 8,674	\$ 7,360	\$ 1,314
Youth	\$ -	\$ 125	\$ (125)	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,125	\$ 375
Stewardship	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 191	\$ 225	\$ (34)
Public Relations	\$ 16	\$ 83	\$ (67)	\$ 484	\$ 747	\$ (263)
Property	\$ 2,522	\$ 1,666	\$ 856	\$ 20,227	\$ 19,388	\$ 839
Finance (incl.Mission Support)	\$ 1,527	\$ 9,104	\$ (7,577)	\$ 74,154	\$ 93,281	\$ (19,128)
Total Expenses	\$ 5,552	\$ 11,843	\$ (6,291)	\$ 105,397	\$ 122,701	\$ (17,305)
Net Income (Deficit)	\$ 3,988	\$ 157	\$ 3,831	\$ (18,655)	\$ (12,701)	\$ (5,954)

Comparative 2023 Figures:

	@ 9/30/2023
Unified Income	\$ 84,539
Total Expenses	\$ (121,540)
Net Income (Deficit)	\$ (37,000)

Major Differences 2024 vs. 2023: Income for year-to-date 2024 is \$2,200 more than last year.
Expenses for year-to-date 2024 are \$16,100 less than last year.

Major year-to-date expense item differences:

- - Gas Utility expense \$1,100 less than last year.
- - Wages and benefits net expense \$16,100 less than last year.
- - Property maintenance expense \$2,400 more than last year.
- - Mission support payments \$2,240 less than last year.

Thrivent Choice Gifts Rec. 2024: \$1,472

Memorial Gifts Received 2024: \$1,280 (John Clasen Memorial+Harvey Salger Memorial+Gift in Honor of Anita Lucht's 100th birthday+Pat Beidenbender Memorial+Clarice Buchholz Memorial+Elayne LaCourt Memorial)

Budgeted Mission Support 2024: \$10,680 (All paid in February 2024)

Added Mission Support 2024: \$0

	@ 9/30/2024	Comparative @ 9/30/2023
Assets At End Of Month	\$ 144,148	\$ 145,626

Assets Are Needed to Support The Following Funds:

Audio Fund (formerly Cassette)	\$ -	\$ -
Contingency Fund	\$ 9,401	\$ 24,961
Family Promise Fund	\$ 484	\$ 484
Fully Funded	\$ 195	\$ (164)
Library Fund	\$ 505	\$ 505
Memorial Fund	\$ 136,166 <(incl. \$6,761 restricted)	\$ 134,886 <(incl. \$6,761 restricted)
Mercy Fund	\$ (52)	\$ 2,760
Music Fund	\$ 114	\$ 162
Organ Repair Fund	\$ -	\$ -
Outreach Fund	\$ 852	\$ 592
Pastoral Education Fund	\$ 2,176	\$ 2,150
Property Fund	\$ 10,483	\$ 12,586
Scholarship Fund	\$ 539	\$ 1,839
Youth Fund	\$ 1,942	\$ 1,867
Total Fund Requirements	\$ 162,804	\$ 182,626
= Asset Excess (Shortage)	\$ (18,655)	\$ (37,000)
(Excess = budget surplus; Shortage = budget deficit)		

November 2024 Pulse Beat



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"In God's Word, Serving You and the World"

Worship Schedule

- Sunday Morning - 9:30 a.m.
- Education hour - 11:00 a.m.

IT IS OUR MISSION as people called by God into the Congregation of St. John Lutheran Church to:

- Proclaim the Gospel in worship and daily life.
- Study and teach God's Word.
- Fellowship among people of this congregation.
- Serve people in our surrounding community.

This is the **MISSION** and **MINISTRY** that we accept as fellow Christians at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Lakefield.

"Faithfully Serving Christ Since 1866"



I am GRATEFUL FOR:

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WORD SEARCH

TURKEY E G M X
GATHER H R G V
DPRKVYAAUQ
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FSOCAREFRA
AQNLMTSUPN
LOOBIGHTLUK
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