

Growing Together

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Our mission:

**Bring people to
Christ.**

**Teach Christians
to be disciples.**

**Send disciples to
reach the world.**



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From the Pastor's desk at Cross Lutheran Church-NALC,

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” (Joshua 1:9)



How wonderful those words must have sounded to Joshua when he was commissioned to lead the Israelites into the Promised Land. ***“Do not be afraid.”***

How wonderful those words must have also sounded to others in the Bible that heard, ***“Do not be afraid.”*** (There are approximately 70 instances in the NIV translation) Many were called by God to serve: Abraham, Jacob, Moses, the Israelites, Joshua, Gideon, Elijah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Joseph, Mary, Mary Magdalene, Zechariah, the Shepherds, Jesus' disciples, Paul, and John. And how wonderful

it is to have those same words proclaimed to us? If only we would believe them when we are feeling doubt and fear...

We work each day to be more in control of our happiness. When we have both feet firmly planted on the ground—we feel that we have the power to find our own peace. We love to feel safe and confident. But when we step outside of our safety zones, our comfort zones, our *“that's the way we've always done it”* zones, we realize our weaknesses, our vulnerability, our mortality. We lack confidence, we doubt, we fear. It becomes overwhelming. We can no longer comfortably carry the burdens, and our sinful, selfish lives leave us alone and afraid. Only God's words of promise give us our only strength and hope. How wonderful it is to hear God's promise when we go forward each day. ***“Be bold and courageous, do not be afraid, I will be with you wherever you go.”***

I have a picture in my church office that is a wonderful reminder of those words. It is a picture that I received at my 9th grade confirmation that shows a young man at the helm of a boat. His hands are on the ship's wheel at 9 o'clock and at 2 o'clock. The sky is dark and the clouds are billowing and rolling with the wind. The sea is churning and waves are coming over the side of the vessel.

If you look at the face of the young man, his eyes are looking straight ahead and his face is relaxed, yet focused on the view ahead. And standing behind this young man with His left hand on the young man's shoulder and His right hand outstretched with his finger pointing forward, is the artist's portrayal of Jesus

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Christ. As you look at the expression on the young man's face, it begins to look more like the expression on Jesus' face. It projects a sense of peace, yet at the same time courage to go forward. These gifts can only come from God!

There is a well-known hymn, whose first verse vividly describes what we may encounter during our life's journey. Edward Hopper wrote "*Jesus, Savior Pilot Me*" with sailors in mind, but it speaks to all of us. It reminds us that God will lead and guide us, if we listen and follow His Word.

*Jesus, Savior, pilot me, over life's tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll, hiding rock and treach'rous shoal;
Chart and compass come from thee. Jesus, Savior, pilot me.*

How wonderful! God is our guide, our refuge, our calm in every storm.

"For you are my rock and my fortress; and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me."

(Psalm 31:3)

In His Service, Pastor Glenn Sokolowski

Preparing for Worship

August 7 - Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Genesis 15:1-6, P – Psalm 33:12-22, 2R – Hebrews 11:1-16, G – Luke 12:22-34 (35-40)

August 14 - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

1R - Jeremiah 23:16-29, P – Psalm 119:81-88, 2R – Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3, G – Luke 12:49-53 (54-56)

August 21 - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

1R - Isaiah 66:18-23, P - Psalm 50:1-15, 2R - Hebrews 12:4-24 (25-29), G - Luke 13:22-30

August 28 - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

1R - Proverbs 25:2-10, P – Psalm 131, 2R – Hebrews 13:1-17, G – Luke 14:1-14

Remember Those in Need of Continued Prayer...

Janet Schumacher, Dave Jarvis, Larry Adams, Al Collison, Rachel Higgins, Michelle Walsh, Anna House, Susan Beller, Hope Kittel, Bill Hurdelbrink, Delores Johnson, Inez Buchholz, Noah Adams, Kyle Walker, Whitney Peyer, Kay Schuette, Roberta Danks, Posie Tuckey, Corey Messing, Marvin Trost, Kevin Faupel, Ezra Sturm, Deann Lewis, Robert Krzeszewski, Delores Elftman and Martin Knost.

Those in Honorable Service Our Country...

- Nathan Schulz and Ryan Schulz, U.S. Marines, sons of Lonnie Schulz & grandsons of Bonnie Schulz
- Nicholas Swanson, U.S. Air Force, son of Randy & Suzie Swanson & grandson of Nancy Schuette.
- Michael Cox, U.S. Navy, son of Kim Sears.



Celebrate



August
BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Tom Shupe
- 3 Ron Bergman
- 4 Terry Sturm
- 7 Todd Gunden
- Sandra Haley
- Caden Carriveau
- Kent McKenzie
- 11 Julia Heck
- 12 Bruce Baur
- Bernice Shupe
- Duane Peterson
- 13 Keeley Baur
- 14 Randy Swanson
- Corey Messing
- Randy Swanson
- 15 Nicholas Swanson
- 16 Margaret Edler
- 17 Gwynne Barry
- Khloe Carriveau
- 19 Gretchen Roestel
- 20 Larry Rosenthal
- 22 Kayle Thepsourinthone
- 23 Wynne Thepsourinthone
- 25 Karen Schuette
- 26 Brian Koehler
- Nancy Schuette
- 27 Max Eden

- 30 Dave Jarvis
- 31 Joshua Higgins
- Stephen Schuette

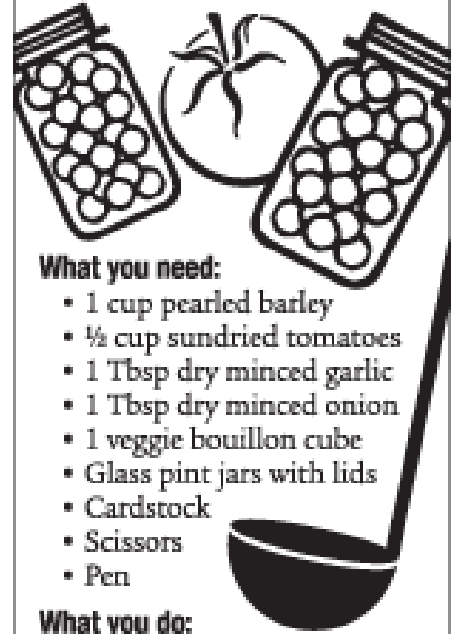


August
ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Pat & Kathy Azarovitz, 47 yrs
- 3 Mike & Laura Trost, 26 yrs
- 4 Kyle & Victoria Yackle, 15 yrs
- 5 Gregory & Rebecca Yackle, 16 yrs
- 6 JB & Gwynne Barry, 39 yrs
- 8 Ben & Kayla Smith, 14 yrs
- 10 Mike & Heather Koroleski, 9 yrs
- 11 Brian & Dawn Rosenthal, 41 yrs
- 15 Todd & Gretchen Roestel, 30 yrs
- 16 Neil & Connie Herford, 53 yrs
- James & Susan Licht, 42 years
- 21 Tom & Bernice Shupe, 51 yrs
- 21 Phil & Carol Schadd, 29 yrs
- 22 Debbie & Henry Lange, 35 yrs
- 23 Stephen & Kris Schuette, 25 yrs
- Nate & Jessica Licht, 8 yrs
- 27 David & Joyce Jarvis, 45 yrs
- 28 Norm & Tonja Nelson, 51 yrs

Friendship SOUP

Make jars of Italian barley soup to share love and warmth with friends.



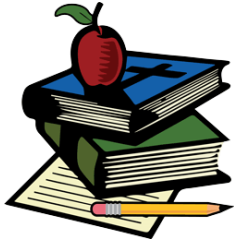
What you need:

- 1 cup pearly barley
- ½ cup sundried tomatoes
- 1 Tbsp dry minced garlic
- 1 Tbsp dry minced onion
- 1 veggie bouillon cube
- Glass pint jars with lids
- Cardstock
- Scissors
- Pen

What you do:

1. In order, layer the first five ingredients into the jar.
2. Trace the outline of the lid onto cardstock. Cut out.
3. On the card, write these directions: Remove wrapper from bouillon cube. Add contents of jar to saucepan. Add 4 cups water and a can of diced tomatoes. Bring to a boil over high heat, reduce to low. Simmer about 20 minutes, until barley is tender. Serve with parmesan cheese.
4. Place the card atop the lid. Screw on the canning ring to keep it in place.

From the Desk of...David Faupel



Greetings, Cross Lutheran Family! I hope you have been having a blessed summer. It is incredible how summer seems to fly by so quickly every year. How can it be August already? Time, in general, seems to pass us by faster and faster. This will be my 13th year at Cross and 5th as principal. It doesn't seem possible. This has been a particularly busy and blessed summer for me as I was married in June, traveled to Hawaii for our honeymoon, and then moved. We are very happy and looking forward to this new stage of our lives!

It has also been a busy summer here at Cross. As you know, the daycare runs through the summer. We are blessed to have our daycare full! Our daycare director, Mackenzie Roestel stepped down from her position July 1 for family reasons. We are thankful for her leadership this past year. As we search for a permanent director, Mrs. Jessica Schwartz has stepped into the role of Interim Director with extra assistance from Assistant Director, Miki Thick. Please join us in praying for the next leader that God will bring.

The school was blessed for the second year in a row to be able to offer a four-week summer support and enrichment program to help our students maintain learning during the summer. The program was organized by our Title I teacher, Mrs. Sara du Toit, and funded by a grant.

We are also blessed to have all of our teachers returning next year! We are hoping to hire a few additional part-time support staff, including a PE teacher, Art Teacher, and 3rd-8th grade support teacher/paraprofessional. We are also looking for a part-time kitchen assistant to replace Lori London, who will not be returning next year.

As the school continues to grow, we continue to face the challenge of finding space to put everybody and everything. Please continue to pray for short and long term solutions to this challenge. God is good! We are thankful to have our school and daycare bursting at the seams! What a tremendous opportunity to impact so many young lives with the message and love of Jesus Christ!

Thank you for all of your prayers and support of Cross Lutheran School and our students, families, and staff as we continue to work together in ministry!

“ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God....And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

Col. 3:1-3, 17



August Calendar

8/24 Open House/Back to School night 5:30 to 7:00 pm

8/29 1st Day of School

memorials & gifts

These gifts were received to the glory of God in memory or honor of the following people:

In memory of Fred Haley, for Cross Building fund:

Don & Nancy Heck

In memory of Fred Haley, for Cross Lutheran Church:

Robert & Rebecca Stauffer

Dean & Patricia Watts

In memory of Sharon Crawford, for Cross Lutheran School:

Art Rathke

In memory of Elaine Licht, for Cross Building fund:

Don & Nancy Heck

Bill & Joy Armstrong

In honor of Olga Renn, for Cross Building fund:

Don & Nancy Heck

In memory of Dave Blecke, for Cross Lutheran Church:

Mike & Lorraine LePage

Lydia Decker

George & Linda Gardy

In memory of Carol Forster, for Cross Lutheran Church:

JB & Gwynne Barry

Ron Bendrey

Lorraine Sturm Perry

Gary & Vickie Forster

Roger & Sally Buschlen

Bill & Linda Bruce

Tom & Julie O'Connor

Deen Forster & family

Rhonda Matelski

Ron & Patti Damm

Randy & Kathy Konieczny

Neal & Annie Eichler

Steve & Lori Limberger

Dorothy Henne

Rob & Deb Henne

Nancy Cosens

Denny & Leanne Smith

Jim & Judy Ewald

Chris Forster

Jim & Karen Elsesser

Chuck & Sue AndersonEd & Colleen Braun

Steve & Michelle Gayari

Ted & Peg Leipprandt

Lorraine Kuhl

Jeff & Kim Leipprandt

Marion Kuhl

Don & Jeanne Lindenberg

Norma King

Bob Ziel

Peggy Hellwig

Pete & Jan Prill

William & Sharon McPhee

Buschlen Transport

In memory of Carol Forster, for Cross Building fund:

Carol Diener

Shirley Deering

In memory of Carol Forster, for Cross Cemetery fund:

Ron & Cherilyn Diebel

In memory of Carol Forster, for Cross Lutheran School:

Kimberly Fritz

Worship and Music Ministry

June 7, 2022

Pastor Glenn and Beth shared resources to help us construct Music Staff evaluations and job descriptions. One performance review will be adapted to use as an evaluation instrument.

We discussed and honed goals and responsibilities for Worship and Music. This will be given to the Constitution and Bylaw Revision committee.

After months of research and discussion Mike suggested that we choose a vendor to carry out repairs and upgrades for our organ. Motion made by Mike and seconded by Barb to select Allen and Company as the vendor to help us begin the process of repairing and upgrades. Passed. Mike will write an article for the August newsletter to inform the congregation.

CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, June 14, 2022, (Pending approval at August Council Meeting)

The meeting was called to order by Church Council President, Matt Zimmerman, at 7:00 p.m.

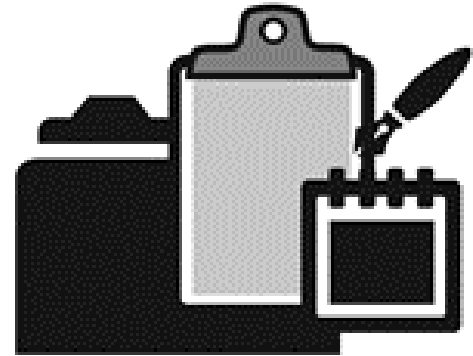
Present: Matt Zimmerman, Kristy Carriveau, Nancy Schuette, Dick Koehler, Al Licht, John House, Norm Nelson, Kim Sears, and Pastor Glenn S. Sokolowski. Absent: Jason Shaw

Guests: Phil Schadd, David Faupel and Mackenzie Roestel

DEVOTIONS: Pastor shared a devotion and prayer.

AGENDA: *Nancy Schuette made a motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by John House, Motion carried.*

MINUTES: *Nancy Schuette made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by John House. Motion carried.*



Church Council Minutes

GUESTS PRESENTATIONS AND REQUESTS:

David Faupel reported for Cross School:

68 students enrolled for 2022-2023 school year

Summer school will run from 6/12- 7/14/2022 and is funded by a grant from the state

There are a few open positions at this time- 3rd-8th Grade Support Teacher, PE/Art Teacher, Kitchen Assistant

All teachers are returning for the new school year

The first day of school will be 8/29/2022

Ideally new space will be needed for the 2023-2024 school year, an ad hoc committee has been formed to address this and are hoping to meet in July

Mackenzie Roestel reported for Daycare:

65 kids enrolled right now, 36 on the wait list

This summer they started a “preschool prep room” for the three-year-olds

An enhanced security system was suggested to allow access to parents for drop off and pickup

OFFICER REPORTS:

Matt Zimmerman, President- Nothing to report.

Kristy Carriveau, Secretary – Communications: Scheurer Hospital Auxiliary asked if they could hold their annual Fall Fashion Show in the Cross School gym on October 9, 2022, at 2:00 pm. Kristy will follow up with April Bieniek to confirm date and to see if set up is needed.

Kim Sears, Treasurer- Reported that we’re \$15,510.98 over budget. The Parsonage Building Fund is able to borrow from the General Fund to make payments if need be. *Norm Nelson Motion was made by to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented, seconded by John House . Motion carried.*

ADVISOR’S REPORTS

PASTOR'S REPORT:

Presented at the May 12th Daycare Staff Meeting (introduced myself and the church)

Fred Haley Funeral Service-May 13th

Traveled to Warren, MI to interview a potential NALC Pastoral Candidate-May 19th

Baptism class and Baptism for Layla LePage-May 21st

Piano Recital on May 22nd

Constitution Meeting-finalized the first draft-May 24th

Hosted Cross Lutheran School and Daycare staff end of school party-June 3rd

Michigan Mission District Meeting via Zoom-June 4th

Leading Weekly Bible Study and providing music at Country Bay during the month of June

Provided the opening prayer for the Cross Lutheran Garage Sale-June 9th

Helping during VBS Week-June 13th -16th

Carol Forster Funeral Service-June 17th

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Dick Koehler, School Board President - Nothing new to report

MINISTRIES REPORTS – TRUSTEES

Property: Al Licht reporting

The refrigerator has been replaced

Discussion on naive lighting and different options are being had but no decisions made yet

Security locks for several rooms in the church and school is being explored by Dick Koehler

Music & Worship: John House reporting

The Worship and Music Committee recommended to the council the purchase of Advent paraments in the chancel for approximately \$1,500; the exact amount to be determined by the Altar Guild. ***Motion was made by Dick Koehler to accept, seconded by Nancy Schuette. Motion carried.***

The Worship and Music Committee will provide information in the newsletter regarding organ repair for the congregation

Stewardship: Norm Nelson reporting

Raylene Henkelmann submitted a letter announcing her resignation as financial secretary effective July 15, 2022.

Mission Outreach: Nancy Schuette reporting

From 5/17 garage sale went well, they made \$5,100

Parish Life: Nancy Schuette: Nothing to report

Youth: Jason Shaw- not present

OLD BUSINESS:

Roof Repair - insurance company is waiting on another quote

NEW BUSINESS:

Teachers Wages - Wage negotiations will begin in August.

Helm Caulking – Estimate is \$16,400 to do all expansion joints, tuck pointing, facia, power washing, grinding several cracked areas, etc. The school will pay for anything on the school but most of the work needs to be done on the church. ***Motion was made by Norm Nelson to accept, seconded by John House. Motion carried.***

OTHER BUSINESS:

Next Council Meeting – Tuesday, August 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Kristy Carriveau, Secretary

Cross Lutheran School Board Minutes from:

Thursday, June 9, 2022

to be approved at August 4 meeting



Members present: Dick Koehler, David Faupel, Rebecca Yackle, Eileen Johnson,

Michelle Walsh. Absent: Kevin Trost, Kevin Stachowiak

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 by Dick Koehler. David Faupel led with prayer.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Michelle W. to approve the agenda of the Thursday, June 9, 2022, meeting and seconded by Rebecca Y. Motion carried.

Agenda:

A motion was made by Rebecca Y. to approve the minutes of the Thursday, May 5, 2022, meeting. It was supported by Michelle and unanimously approved.

Guest: No guests

Treasurer's Report:

School balance: \$90,209.59

CEA balance: \$ 4,591.57

Hot Lunch balance: \$3,183.08

A motion was made by Michelle and supported by Rebecca to approve the Treasurers' reports. It was approved.

CEA President's Report:

At their recent meeting, plans were made for events and fund raising for the 2022-23 school year. This is to help the parents be aware of upcoming events and fundraisers at an earlier date. Lindsey Stachowiack will be the new vice president for 2022-2023.

Principal's Report:

Projected enrollment for 2022-2023 is 68 students.

Calendar:

The school year calendar was presented. Michelle made a motion to accept the 2022-2023 calendar. It was seconded by Rebecca and the motion was carried.

Summer school will be taught by Sarah du Toit two days a week for 4 weeks. Her wages are paid by a State of Michigan grant.

Old Business:

Ideas for the use of the donation made to the school were tabled.

The refrigerator was replaced. We will discuss the sharing of costs with the Day Care.

Hot lunch costs will be raised to \$3.50 due to increased food costs. A motion was made by Michelle, seconded by Rebecca and passed unanimously.

There were no updates on the exterior building work, the storage shed, and evacuation procedures.

New Business:

Tuition assistance for the 2021-2022 year was \$1,278.50. A motion was made by Rebecca and seconded by Michelle to pay this amount. It was carried.

The band teacher's salary is paid by the Laker district. Cross is responsible for extra hours he works. The total we are responsible for is \$813.75. Michelle made a motion to pay this amount, it was seconded by Rebecca, and was carried.

Some summer purchases to be made that are paid for with a State of Michigan grant are projector updates, 10 new desks and chairs, and Chrome Books. Consumable materials will be paid from the annual funds.

A rack to place electronic devices in the storage room on will be purchased as well as some updating so there is continuous power to the computers at a cost of \$806.50. Rebecca made a motion to make these purchases, seconded by Michelle and unanimously passed.

Mrs. Eberly, the DK/K teacher, requested the purchase of Abeka Curriculum teacher additions at a one-time cost of \$424.50. Michelle made a motion to purchase these materials, it was seconded by Rebecca, and passed.

The following positions are to be posted: Kitchen Assistant; 3-8th grade support teacher to be paid with a grant; Art and PE shared time teacher.

There was discussion, and the board decided to send a letter to the Council President as a show of support for our teachers concerning their hard work, added students, and costs of living at this time.

The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer at 6:58 p.m. The next meeting is
Thursday, August 4, 2022.

CLECC Meeting June 14th, 2022

Mackenzie opened in prayer.

Mike made a motion to approve the agenda and last meetings minutes. Second by David.

Spent \$1100 on outside toys.

We will discuss staff discounts when the entire board is present.

A Discussion was had about DHS payments.

Christmas and New Year's Break Take Monday the 26th off and Monday after New Year's off as well. Floor waxing - we will need to close for 1 or 2 days for waxing. August 5th Closed for Waxing Floors. Gym will be closed off for a week for Waxing. Date to be determined. Waxing in the winter tabled until next meeting.

Discussed leads in each room. Continued Education, CDA's

New Refrigerator had to get fixed then a new one arrived. The school has paid for it. Church is paying for a portion. Mike made a motion to contribute \$2000 towards the new refrigerator.

Pat is meeting with land owner on the 16th about the potential purchase of property that we would like to use for the playground. Temporary fence for now?

Discussed Cameras in the 4 year old and Latchkey rooms for summer.

Large pre-made sheds on the corner of M24 and M46. Michelle will check it out later this month.

Waiting for all the materials to arrive to install the flooring in the wobbler/toddler room.

Update Door locks by the office. Keep the church doors locked. Mackenzie will be bringing this to church council. Complete Update 12,000. 4-5,000 to increase security. Mike made a motion to spend up to \$5000 to update security further.

Mackenzie Roestel announced her resignation from her position as Director of CLECC. Her resignation was accepted with regret. We fully support the decision she has made. Briefly discussed who will be Interim Director and Assistant Director. We will be Meeting on Monday to discuss further. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted by Michelle Walsh

July 2022 CLECC meeting minutes

The temporary Fence placement has been approved by properties and is being installed.

There was a unanimous decision to grant email access to Jess and Miki.

Director applications will go to Kayle and she will forward them to the entire CLECC Board. Post Director opening on Facebook, linked in, Cross website. David and Shannon will work together in this. Sign on bonus. Pay Range based on experience.

Discussed Contracts for 5 days per/week starting with the infants. We are at full capacity and have a substantial wait list so we will begin to implement full time contracts for all incoming infants. New contracts for all families need to be signed before the beginning of next school year.

Input forms into Brightwheel:

Student schedules.

Staff schedules.

Immunization records

Staff records

Lead preschool teacher needed for summers. Discussed who will be working with Beth in the Pre-school room when school starts.

We are very concerned about the need for immediate action to update the security system. We are willing to pay our portion. We will be contacting Jim Harper about our options.

Possibilities of who will be on the interview committee:

Pastor

Kayle

David

Whitney Perek

Gwynne

We will ask Jessica/Miki to write a letter to the parents that the center will be closed August 5th for floor waxing.

Discussed what a typical day would be like as a director.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Walsh



From the Worship and Music Committee

As many of you know, the W&M Committee has been investigating how to maintain our pipe organ and to prepare it for use as we move forward into the future.

Our instrument was made by the Tellers Organ Company in 1964. The organ has served us well and has had two maintenance instances in all that time, aside from regular tunings. It is a historic instrument to this church and is highly valued in the tradition of our church.

The organ has now reached an age where a major overhaul is required consisting of several items of necessity. The console, the part you all see every Sunday where Beth sits, is worn out. The keyboards require frequent attention, and the internals no longer have parts available for repair. Many repairs have already been attempted with varying degrees of success by using seat-of-the-pants engineering. The organ itself, which lives in the loft behind the nave, needs reconditioned bellows, air supply repairs, and new actuator mechanisms for the shades which help control volume. There are also some additional minor repairs required. All of these issues are not abnormal considering the age of the organ and should be considered normal wear and tear.

The W&M Committee with technical guidance from Beth and Mike have been gathering information about the repair process as well as vendors that would be available to do the job. We have been keeping an eye on the direction of worship at cross and would like any changes to be compatible not only with traditional worship and hymn singing but new contemporary styles as well.

A short presentation has already been made to the council that outlined various options and vendors. We have now decided on a particular vendor that would suit our needs. The Evola Music Company and representative Lance Luce have been selected as the preferred vendor. They represent the Allen Organ Company based in Macungie, PA. They were chosen for many reasons some of which are: being local, two hours away on the north side of Bloomfield Hills; full-service company providing installation, service and parts; expertise of numerous installations in the area as well as world-wide; and finally, openness to the idea of a hybrid instrument.

A hybrid instrument is one in which the remodeling effort includes and uses the existing organ and supplements it with electronic voices and controls. Although there would be room in the organ to add some additional pipes (voices) it is cost prohibitive when compared with electronic voicing. Also, replacing the console is such a significant expense in and of itself, it only makes sense to make the organ as capable as possible. This would include at least the following: MIDI capability which allows the playing of additional voices on another instrument or by another instrument; a sequencer, should we lose an organist due to vacation or transition, to allow playing pre-recorded hymns through the organ; and better controls with a possible third keyboard to allow the playing of more expanded literature.

There is no timetable established for any of this at present. The scope of a project like this will require not only consideration of council but ultimately funding and approval by the entire congregation.

The step of selecting a vendor allows us to fine tune specifications and get accurate estimates that we can present to both council and congregation for consideration. It is likely that we will have specific information for you all by the fall time frame. We will keep you apprised of any developments. In the meantime, please give this some thought and bring any questions you may have to any of us on the W&M Committee. We are here to serve the congregation. We also feel that a strong music program with the resources to support it not only enhances our worship but also helps us make a joyful noise and is attractive to those visiting our space.

Mike Sting for
Worship and Music

| <u>COMBINED GENERAL AND OTHER FUNDS:</u> | | June | 2022 | |
|--|-----------|---------------|-------------|-----------|
| BALANCE ON HAND | 6/1/2022 | TNBT COMBINED | | 79,151.14 |
| INCOME: | | | | |
| CHURCH/SCHOOL INCOME/ALL SOURCES | | 21,798.50 | | |
| SCHOOL REGISTRATION & PAYROLL TAXES | | 984.51 | | |
| Transfer from CD 35210 for Warju tile flooring | | 8,386.00 | | |
| THRIVENT MATCHING FUNDS | | - | | |
| CEMETERY FUND | | - | | |
| Memorials | | 515.00 | | |
| FUND RAISERS | | 63.08 | | |
| LEAF | | - | | |
| DONATIONS | | 1,740.00 | | |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND | | - | | |
| TOTAL INCOME: | | 33,487.09 | 33,487.09 | |
| EXPENSES: | | | | |
| Warju tile flooring | | (8,386.00) | | |
| Downpayment - Helms caulking - seal exterior of church | | (3,200.00) | | |
| CHURCH AND SCHOOL EXPENSES | | (42,383.00) | | |
| | | | (53,969.00) | |
| NET INCOME | | | (20,481.91) | |
| BALANCE ON HAND | 6/30/2022 | | | 58,669.23 |

| <u>GENERAL FUND SEGMENTED:</u> | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--|--|
| SPECIAL EVENT ACCOUNT | 12,825.87 | | |
| CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND | 19,576.03 | | |
| LEAF FUND | 1,378.59 | | |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND | 500.77 | | |
| ORGAN REPAIR FUND | 12,560.74 | | |
| School Funding EE Offerings | 13,238.15 | | |
| Praise & Worship | 506.94 | | |
| Unallocated general fund | (13,215.58) | | |
| TBT PAYROLL ACCOUNT | 11,297.72 | | |
| TOTAL: | 58,669.23 | | |

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| CD-BEQUEST | 7,405.46 |
| CD # 35210 | 14,471.56 |

| <u>BUILDING FUND & PARSONAGE BUILDING FUND:</u> | | Combined Parsonage & Building Fund Balance | 3,500.52 |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|------------|
| BALANCE ON HAND | 6/1/2022 | | |
| DONATIONS, PLEDGES & MEMORIALS | | | |
| | | 1,730.00 | |
| FUND RAISERS | | | |
| | | - | |
| TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND | | | |
| | | - | |
| TOTAL INCOME: | | 1,730.00 | 1,730.00 |
| EXPENSE EXPENSES | | | |
| MORTGAGE RENEWAL FEES | | - | |
| INTEREST ON MORTGAGE LOAN 2.50% | | 305.32 | |
| PRINCIPAL ON MORTGAGE | | 2,415.53 | |
| TOTAL EXPENSE | | 2,720.85 | |
| NET INCOME/EXPENSE | | | (2,720.85) |
| BALANCE ON HAND | 6/30/2022 (COMBINED FUND BALANCE) | | 2,509.67 |

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT TO THE BUILDING FUND & PARSONAGE BUILDING FUND - MONTHLY NEED \$3,000.00

| | | | |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|--|
| <u>GENERAL FUND</u> | | | |
| BUDGETED NEED-MAY-ALL SOURCES | | (43,054.21) | |
| RECEIPTS - MAY - ALL SOURCES | | 33,487.09 | |
| | UNDER BUDGET | (9,567.12) | |
| | Total (Shortage/Overage) - | (9,567.12) | |
| DEBT OWING 6/30/2022 | | | |
| PARSONAGE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION LOAN | 139,654.67 | Interest rate 2.5% | |
| (INCLUDES BALANCE OF PRIVATE LOANS - SCHOOL BUILDING FUND) | | | |



August 2022



Sun

Mon


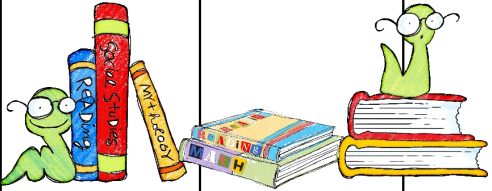
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|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|-----------|-----------|
| | 1 | 2 Worship & Music 3 pm | 3 Women's Bible 1:30 pm Mission/Outreach 6:30 pm | 4 School Board 5:30 pm Properties 7 pm | 5 | 6 |
| Comm. Service 9:30 7 | 8 Stewardship 5:30 pm | 9 Council 7 pm | 10 Quilters 1 pm | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| Comm. Service 9:30 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Comm. Service 9:30 21 | 22 Office returns to normal hours Newsletter deadline | 23 | 24 Quilters 1 pm Open House/Back to school 5:30 - 7 pm | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| Comm. Service 9:30 28 |  29 1st day of school Opening Chapel | 30 | 31 |  | | |



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**If you find a path with no obstacles,
it probably doesn't lead anywhere.**