

Growing Together

November 2022

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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,



Once again, we hear the words, “Fall Back,” and we are asked to turn our clocks back an hour to adjust for the hours of light that we receive this time of year. And once again, personal opinions and feelings will be shared about another change. There are many that would rather, “Spring Back” instead of “Springing Ahead!”

Looking back on past experiences and memories is a good way to relive what may have seemed to be the “good old days.” Yes, it is an important to celebrate the things that worked well and felt seemingly right during that particular place in time but continuing to live in the past can also help us to turn our backs to the future. The concern with reliving memories is that it makes it difficult for us to “Spring Ahead,” which are words that we will hear again in the Spring. Therefore, it is important to know the history in order to plan for the future, meaning that we should look forward – first understanding where we’ve been.

According to the Cross Lutheran Church Website: Fall of 1871, “Lutheran Synod of Michigan President Klingman makes mission tour through State to determine needs of settlers. Pastor Carl R. Boehner...would serve church at Berne.” In 1888, C. Richard Praetorius (is) called as pastor of St. John’s of Berne. Summer 1891, “Eight men and Pastor Praetorius decide to leave St. John’s and form a new congregation at Pigeon.” On August 23, 1891, the first meeting to organize Cross Lutheran Church was held.

That first church meeting was 131 years ago, and by God’s grace, Cross Lutheran Church is still standing amid all of the good and the “not so good” through the years. Beginning with the called ministry of Rev. C. Richard Praetorius and continuing through the called ministries of Rev. Henry Meuser, Rev. Robert Born, Rev. Emil Richter, Rev. Ernst Henkelmann, Rev. Raymond Orth, Rev. Dellis Hudson, Rev. Joe Wold, Rev. Tom Zollman, Rev. Timothy Loehrke, and Rev. Mike Tammoria, God has, is, and will lead Cross Lutheran Church – past, present, and future.

In November of 2019, I was called to be the Pastor of Cross Lutheran Church. As you may remember, it was five short months before COVID-19 appeared and changed what we thought would never change. The doors of the church were closed, and our weekly worship services disappeared overnight. When something that we’ve known for a long time is taken away from us, we get angry and most times demand that it be returned. Looking back, I think that we can agree that those will not be memories of the “good old days.”

When I look out upon the congregation on a Sunday morning, I can now see the faces that were once covered with face masks. Other changes are that parishioners are sitting next to each other instead of six feet apart. We are now able to reach out

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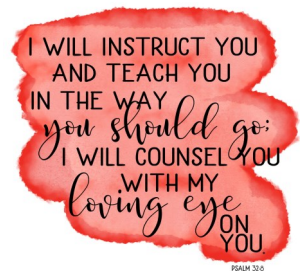
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and shake hands or give hugs that were once avoided. Do you remember when we didn't sing hymns during the service, but now we comfortably sing out each Sunday? Now that life is almost back to the way it used to be, we are not only content once more, but our anger and demands are quickly forgotten. We comfortably fall into the same old habits once again.

Throughout this year, I have been reading the past annual reports and newsletter articles authored by Cross Lutheran's previous pastors. They have allowed me to learn the history of Cross Lutheran Church. They have also allowed me to know the church's history in order to plan for the future, meaning that we should look forward – first understanding where we've been. The following is an excerpt from Pastor Raymond Orth's first annual report in 1974. It is also interesting to note that the average Sunday worship attendance was 292. The proposed income for 1975 is \$58,500. There is also a reminder: *"to meet our budget would require: \$302.00 per family unit, \$148.00 per confirmed member.*

"A significant event of the year was marked by the installation of the fifth pastor of the congregation on May 26, 1974. A change of pastors can't help but usher in many other changes since no two men on earth do the same job in the same way. Some changes have taken place. Other changes will come about. No one, however, likes change. On the other hand, anything that is alive and growing is in a constant state of change. But be assured that whenever changes do come, they will come gradually and with prior warning and instruction. We have lived as pastor and congregation for almost a year now. Hopefully trust and respect for one another has begun to grow to the point where together with Christ we can enter a new year facing its challenges and fulfilling our tasks as God's people daring to be different in Christ because we face a different day. Let the "seven last words of the church" not be spoken here: WE NEVER DID IT THAT WAY BEFORE. After all, our victorious Lord has said, BEHOLD, I AM MAKING ALL THINGS NEW. (Rev. 21:5)"

It is interesting to note that all the pastoral reports and newsletter articles mention the reality of change, and offer encouragement for the future of Cross Lutheran Church. Their message has not changed. Through the years, Cross Lutheran Church's pastors have shared that change is necessary for the continued growth of the church. Will change in our church happen as we "fall back" or will change in our church happen as we plant new seeds, and care for new growth "Springing Ahead?" Pray for Cross Lutheran Church and its ministry, and if you feel moved by the Holy Spirit, what changes will you yourself make beginning this day?



"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 118:24)

In Christ, Pastor Glenn

Remember Those in Need of Continued Prayer...

John Finneren, Kay Schuette, Delores Lange, Emalee Osentoski, Lydia Decker, Robbi Shaffer, Dorothy Henne, Joe Stodola, Matt Edler, Janet Schumacher, Dave Jarvis, Larry Adams, Al Collison, Rachel Higgins, Michelle Walsh, Anna House, Susan Beller, Hope Kittel, Inez Buchholz, Noah Adams, Kyle Walker, Whitney Peyer, Kayle Thepsourinthone, 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, 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



ANNUAL MEETING DEADLINES

- ◆ Deadline for acct. books for audit - 1/6/23
- ◆ Audit Committee to meet & review books – week of 1/9/23
- ◆ Account books picked-up from office – week of 1/16/23
- ◆ Deadline for all reports – 1/23/23
- ◆ Annual Report available 1/29/23
- ◆ Annual Meeting 2/13/23

Birthdays

- 4 Eric Gardy
Shane Schulze
Bella Smith
- 5 Dorothy Rummel
Don Wheeler
- 6 Peter Shupe
- 9 Bob Johnson
Joshua Rosenthal
- 11 Steve Schulze
Duane Baur
- 13 Mark Kretzschmer
Randy Buchholz
- 14 Jim Smith
- 16 Delores Lange
- 17 Austin Roestel
Gina Smith
- 22 Kassidy Swanson
- 24 Travis Fritz
- 25 Mike Sting
- 28 Grace Higgins

Anniversaries

- 9 Gene & Pearl Parsell, 54 yr
- 19 Cody & Haley Cucinello, 3 yr

Advent Hope, Christmas Joy



A choral and handbell concert
Sunday, Dec. 11, 2022
3:00 p.m.

Join us for a program of choral and handbell music,
Scripture readings and congregational carols

Cross Lutheran Church
200 Ruppert Street, Pigeon, MI

From the Desk of...Gwynne Barry

All You Works of God by Marty Haugen

Refrain: All you works of God—ev'ry mountain, star and tree

Bless the One who shapes your beauty, who has caused you all to be

One great song of love and grace, ever ancient, ever new;

Raise your voices all you works of God!

This is a call and response song that Pastor Glenn has taught us. We are greeted each chapel morning with his gift of music on the guitar and song. The verses to the song speak of what God has created.

Sun and moon—Bless your Maker!

Stars of heaven—Chant your praise Showers and dew—Raise up your joyful song!

There are many verses and in my classroom, if one student begins humming it, another joins in and all of a sudden the entire class is singing it. This happened today as we were sewing our moccasins. Yes, sewing moccasins...out of felt...cutting out the patterns...threading needles...tying knots...learning the blanket stitch...pinning ...it's a big job. The kids are SO excited and are anxious to complete them to wear while we are studying Native Americans.

I think we could make up more verses to the song to go with the field trip we took to Wallace Stone Quarry on October 24. We have been studying processes that shape the earth and Eric Gardy guided us through the quarry. I have taken many classes to this treasure of the Thumb, but it was the first time we were able to see them blast. Impressive! That event and finding rocks, especially Chinese writing and fool's gold were highlights. Some even found chert balls. The kids really learned a lot and talked and talked about our time there.

Aggregates—Bless your Maker!

Trucks and Loaders—Chant your praise

Limestone and rocks—Raise up your joyful song!

(Our version, can you tell?)

I am blessed to have a class who loves to learn.

They are an enthusiastic group!

I hope they continue to have a song in their hearts as they grow in the Lord!

All who live—Bless your Maker!

Men and women—Chant your praise

Servants of God—Raise up your joyful song!

Raising up a joyful song!

November Calendar

11/02	Grandparents Day
	1/2 day of School
11/03	MANS Conf. - NO School
11/04	MANS Conf. - NO School
11/06	Students sing in church
11/08	Picture Make-up Day
11/15	Full day of School - No Laker Buses
11/18	Robotics Tournament
11/23	1/2 day of School
11/24	NO School - Thanksgiving Break
11/25	NO School - Thanksgiving Break



Preparing for Worship

November 6 - All Saints Day

1R – Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17, P – Psalm 149,
2R – 1 John 3:1-3, G – Matthew 5:1-12

November 13 - Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

1R - Malachi 4:1-6, P – Psalm 98,
2R – 2 Thessalonians 3:(1-5) 6-13, G – Luke 21:5-28 (29-36)

November 20 - Christ the King

1R - Malachi 3:13-18, P - Psalm 95:1-7a or 46,
2R - Colossians 1:13-20, G - Luke 23:27-43

November 24 - Thanksgiving Day

1R - Deuteronomy 26:1-11, P – Psalm 100,
2R – Philippians 4:4-9, G – John 6:25-35

November 27 - First Sunday of Advent

1R - Isaiah 2:1-5, P - Psalm 122,
2R - Romans 13:(8-10) 11-14, G - Matthew 24:36-44



Property has been busy as usual, taking care of many small issues requiring attention. We are still waiting for Booms Construction to come and finish the siding on the gym. Marlette Roofing is also returning this fall to finish the garage roof and look at

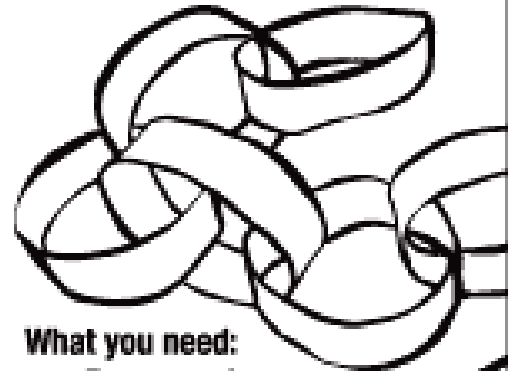
patching some leaks on the school and church flat roofs. These issues will complete the repairs from our spring windstorm.

In addition, you may not have noticed that there are some leaks in Pastor's conference room and the storage closet at the opposite end of the hallway. These two issues as well as some evidence of leaks on the overflow wall led us to have Marlette Roofing look at the flat roof on the church. They found several locations that may be leaking. They also indicated that the general condition of the flat roof is not good. The seams are letting go and more leaks will be forthcoming. They recommend replacement of the flat roof membrane on the North and West side of the church. They will do their best, during completion of the planned work, to close the leaks with caulking to help us through the winter. This is temporary, however, and a new roof will likely be needed early next year. The Property Committee will be working with Council to budget for this major expense. Any gifts designated toward this necessary effort will be most gratefully accepted.

Sincerely,
Mike Sting for the Property Committee

Links of GRATITUDE

Make this meaningful decoration for your Thanksgiving table.

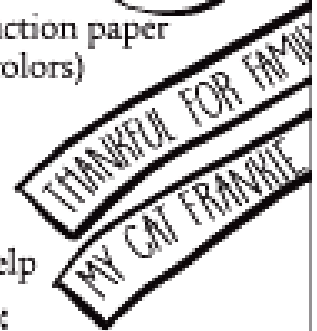


What you need:

- Construction paper (in fall colors)
- Scissors
- Pen
- Jar
- Stapler
- Adult help

What you do:

1. Cut the paper into strips about 2 inches wide.
2. Place the strips and pen in the jar. Then set it in a prominent place in your home.
3. Throughout November, have family discussions about what you're thankful to God for. Write or draw each item on a paper strip.
4. Make a paper chain by linking and carefully stapling the strips.
5. Keep adding to your decoration and display it during your Thanksgiving meal.



CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Church Council President, Matt Zimmerman, at 7:01 pm

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

Guests: No Guests

DEVOTIONS: Pastor shared a devotion and prayer.

AGENDA: Kim Sears *made a motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Dick Koehler, Motion carried.*

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

GUESTS PRESENTATIONS AND REQUESTS:

Principal's Report for Cross School:

- Total students enrolled for 2022-2023: 68
- October 23- CEA pancake breakfast after church
- October 27- ½ day of school
- October 28- STEAM Day with Zion Lutheran School @ Cross (3-8 grades)
- November 2- Grandparents Day, ½ Day of School
- November 3-4- Teachers gone to a conference; No School

Daycare Report:

- The board is in the rebuilding stage

OFFICER REPORTS:

Matt Zimmerman, President- Nothing to report.

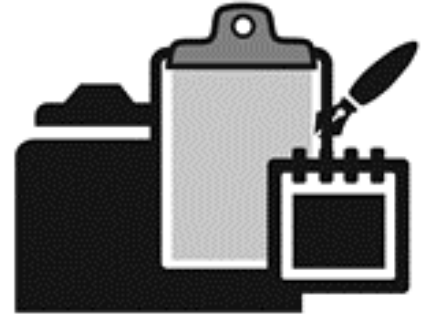
Kristy Carriveau, Secretary – Nothing to report.

Kim Sears, Treasurer- Reported that we're over budget, \$10,077.30. Several measures will continue to increase the balance on hand, including a phone blast, printing the actual numbers in the bulletin, and also in the newsletter. *Motion was made by John House to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by Dick Koehler, carried.*

ADVISOR'S REPORTS

PASTOR'S REPORT:

- Confirmation classes are being held from 8:00 to 9:00 am before each Sunday's service.
- Visited with former Cross Lutheran Church Pastor Tim and Sue Loehrke during their vacation in Pigeon
- LuAnne and Pastor volunteered in the kitchen and lunchroom when needed during Marcine's absence.
- Attended Online NALC Interim Ministry training (6 hours)
- Officiated at Delores Johnson Funeral at Cross (Sept. 28)
- Baptisms: Conner Schuette (Sept. 25), Eleanor King, and Matthew Egan (October 2)
- New Members: Doug and Robin Stack, Crystal Hill, Erica King, Eleanor King, Matthew Egan (October 2)



Church Council
Minutes

- Confirmation will be held on October 30, there are three confirmands- Caden Carriveau, Son of Trevor and Kristy Carriveau, Ava Gardy, Daughter of Eric and Jennifer Gardy and Grant Buchholz, Son of Blaine Buchholz and Erin Tolbert. Council voted to make each one a member. ***Motion was made by Dick Koehler to accept the confirmands as members of the congregation, seconded by Kim Sears, carried.***

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Dick Koehler, School Board President

- Nothing to report, the next meeting will take place on 10/13

MINISTRIES REPORTS – TRUSTEES

Property: Al Licht

- New transmitter and headpiece for Pastor
- Booms Construction will repair steel roof

Music & Worship: John House

- Music director evaluation will take place in October
- Christmas Concert 2022- Sunday, December 11th at 3:00 p.m.

Stewardship: Norm Nelson

- Benevolence envelopes will be more generic going forward

Mission Outreach: Nancy Schuette

- Shoe boxes- plan on packing 200, Cross school kids will pack them

Parish Life: Nancy Schuette

- Coffee Hour- there has been a bump in sign ups
- Confirmation Students- corsages/ boutonnieres and a cake will be ordered

Youth: Jason Shaw

- Christmas Eve Children's program will be December 24th at 5:30 p.m., directly after the **4:00 p.m. service**

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Nominating Committee**

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Proposed salary increases for church & school staff, more information is needed**
- **Looking for new sidewalk snow removal personal**
- **Hearing assist for parishioners is being looked at *Kim Sears made a motion to approve the investigation, seconded by Dick Koehler, Motion carried.***
- **Pastor's vacation- Leaving on Sunday, 10/16 after the service and will return Thursday, 10/27**

Next Council Meeting – Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at 7:00 pm

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 8:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristy Carriveau, Secretary

Cross Lutheran School Board Minutes from:

October 20, 2022

Members present: Dick Koehler, Michelle Walsh, David Faupel, Rebecca Yackle, Kevin Trost, Kevin Stachowiak, Eileen Johnson

The meeting was called to order by President Dick Koehler at 5:30 pm. Prayer was led by David Faupel.



Agenda:

A **motion** was made by Michelle to accept the agenda and seconded by Rebecca. It was approved.

Minutes:

A **motion** was made by Rebecca and seconded by Michelle to accept the minutes of the September 1, 2022, meeting. It was approved.

Treasurers' Reports:

School Balance: \$60,160.96

CEA/PTO Balance: \$4259.73

Hot Lunch: \$17,624.52

A **motion** was made by Michelle and seconded by Kevin T. to accept the reports. It was carried.

CEA President's Report:

Michelle reported they are having a Pancake Breakfast October 23, 2022. The CEA will do a fundraising sale of Walsh's meat sticks, and they will have a Christmas Bazaar for the children. They will also pay for the DK-2nd grade trip to the Pumpkin Farm in Freeland.

Principal's Report:

- Enrollment remains the same at:
- **DK/K: 17 1st/2nd: 20 3rd-5th: 19 6th-8th: 12**
- Oct. 21: End of marking period
- Oct. 26-27: Parent Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 27: ½ day of school
- Oct. 28: STEAM Day with Zion School at Cross (3rd-8th grades)
- Nov. 2: Grandparents Day, ½ day of school
- Nov. 3-4: Teachers at conference, No School
- Nov. 18: Robotics Tournament
- Nov. 23: ½ day of school
- Nov. 24-25: Thanksgiving Break

There are several grant opportunities available. One is through the State of Michigan for school safety. Another is for robotics of which some must be spent for the robotics coach. Last is by the State of Michigan and must be spent on Covid related items.

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Old Business:

There is no update on the storage shed or Statement of Faith.

An Evacuation Plan was presented. Kevin S. made a **motion** to pass the plan. It was seconded by Michelle and passed.

The Security Policy has made progress. There will be a system set up, but installation is delayed due to difficulty getting the needed supplies.

New Business:

There was a discussion of the stipend to be paid to the Robotics coach. A determination of the amount will be decided after the Robotic Grant is received. The school will match 25% of the grant that is issued.

There was a short discussion of leave days as stated in the Staff Handbook.

The meeting closed at 6:35 with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 1, 5:30 P.M.

memorials & gifts

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

In memory of Jim Yackle, for Cross Lutheran School:

Sheila Yackle

In memory of Delores Johnson, for Cross Building fund:

Bonnie Schulz

In honor of Delores Johnson, for Cross Lutheran School:

Denny & LeAnne Smith

Sheila Yackle

Carol Diener

Karen Anklam

Linda Fietzer

Pat & Kathy Azarovitz

Del & Evelyn Conkright

Tom & Bernice Shupe

Mike & Jeanne Sting

Bob & Eileen Johnson

Jason & Sarah Shaw

Dan & Molly Azarovitz

Nancy Schuette & family



Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study will meet in the church at 1:30pm on **Wednesday, November 2nd.**

We will continue our study on Finding Peace in Anxious Times-Freedom, session 3.

Books are available at the study or contact Leanne Smith 989-553-4241.

We look forward to seeing you!



Daylight Savings Time ends **November 6th.**

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour!

Women of Faith Devotional/Bible Study - The next two meeting dates are Saturday, November 19 and Saturday, December 17.

We have a **beginning time of 9:30 AM** and are done in approximately one hour. You are welcome to join in at any time. Please speak with LuAnne Sokolowski or contact the church office if you are interested.

Worship and Music Ministry

October 4, 2022

*We decided to have an informational meeting for our congregation to discuss repairs and updates for the organ. Mike will talk to Matt Zimmerman to request approval for this meeting.

*Karen will talk to Matt Zimmerman to set a date for the Music Director Review.

*A budget was finalized for Worship and Music (2023). Karen will submit our recommendation to Phil to be considered.

*Advent/Christmas concert was approved by Council for Sunday, December 11, 2022.

NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 AT 5PM

Mission Outreach Ministry

October 5, 2022

The meeting of Mission Outreach was called to order by Lorraine LePage. Those in attendance were Lorraine LePage, Tonja Nelson, Krisie Fritz, Lori Smith and Connie Eden. A prayer was given by Lorraine LePage.

The secretary's minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given and approved.

The group's by-laws were discussed and revised.

Mission Sunday was discussed and our next group meeting to finalize plans will be October 19th at 6:30 pm. Krisie will be putting sign-up sheets out on October 16, 23, and 30. Church members can sign up if they plan on attending the meal and if they plan on bringing a salad or dessert.

Mission Outreach members will do the Fall decorating of the church on October 19 at 5:30 pm.

The Pigeon Food Pantry is in need of donations. Church members will be informed of their needs in November. Items needed are toilet paper, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, cereal, cake mix, tuna fish, boxes of macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, dish soap, and personal hygiene products.

Lori Smith has volunteered to char the "Operation Christmas Child Shoebox project". We will be filling 200 boxes. Collection dates will be November 4 – 21. Packing date will be announced at a later time.

The Mission Outreach Ministry will be doing coffee hour the Sundays of October 9th and 20th.

The Giving Tree project will be discussed at our November meeting.

Advent calendars will be sent to our senior shut-ins. Connie Eden will be in charge of this.

Our next meeting will be November 2, 2022. Meeting was adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Tonja Nelson

Help Cross Lutheran Church STUFF The NALC Disaster Response Truck

Items Needed: Bibles, 5-gallon bucket with lid, bleach, trash bags, paper towels, pine sol or liquid cleaners, scrub brushes, mobs, brooms, shovels, rubber gloves, bar soap, toothpaste, shampoo, wash cloths, towels, combs, disposable baby diapers, quilts, blankets, gift cards from Home Depot, Lowes or Walmart and your prayers.



Trucks are deployed to natural disaster areas and most recently to help with the Florida Hurricane and the California Mosquito Wildfires.

Cross Lutheran Church, Pigeon will be collecting throughout all October. Items can be placed in the totes located in the church overflow area and will be picked up on Mission Sunday, November 6th



Cross Lutheran Church & School 2022 Operation Christmas Child

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted everyday life for millions of people around the world, yet Samaritan's Purse continues to share the eternal hope of the gospel and to serve in Jesus' name.

We want boys and girls around the world to know that God loves them and that he has not forgotten them. Children need joy now more than ever. Most of all, they need the hope found only in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Will you partner with us to share hope to children around the world, many whom have never heard the name of Jesus?

Cross Lutheran Mission Outreach Ministry will once again collect shoebox gifts and individual filler items for shoeboxes. We will be collecting October 9–November 9. If you wish to join us in this effort, items may be dropped off in the marked bins in the entrances of the church and school.

We are hoping to pack about 200 boxes.

We also need to collect \$10 per shoebox for shipping costs and Christian learning materials.

As we get closer to the November collection date, plans will be made for a sorting time for anyone interested in helping.

The Cross school children will be doing the actual packing of the shoeboxes!

*If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Cross Lutheran Mission Outreach ministry.
Lori Smith, Lorraine LePage, Nancy Heck,
Connie Eden, Tonja Nelson, Kim Delpiere, and
Krisie Fritz.*

SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS

"WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Shoes

TOYS

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators

ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)

DO NOT INCLUDE

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; seeds; food; liquid or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans

For additional gift suggestions and more, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ



<u>COMBINED GENERAL AND OTHER FUNDS:</u>		September	2022	
BALANCE ON HAND	9/1/2022	TNBT COMBINED		66,675.34
INCOME:				
CHURCH/SCHOOL INCOME/ALL SOURCES			21,370.50	
SCHOOL REGISTRATION & PAYROLL TAXES			37,181.50	
			-	
THRIVENT MATCHING FUNDS			-	
CEMETERY FUND			-	
Memorials			-	
FUND RAISERS			304.96	
LEAF			-	
DONATIONS			10,340.19	
			-	
TOTAL INCOME:			69,197.15	69,197.15
EXPENSES:				
			-	
			-	
CHURCH AND SCHOOL EXPENSES			(41,010.89)	
				(41,010.89)
NET INCOME				28,186.26
BALANCE ON HAND 9/30/2022				94,861.60
GENERAL FUND SEGMENTED:				
SPECIAL EVENT ACCOUNT		12,825.87		
CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND		20,626.03		
LEAF FUND		1,378.59		
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND		500.77		
ORGAN REPAIR FUND		12,270.74		
School Funding EE Offerings		13,238.15		
Praise & Worship		506.94		
Unallocated general fund		13,226.15		
TBT PAYROLL ACCOUNT		20,288.36		
TOTAL:		94,861.60		

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

<u>BUILDING FUND & PARSONAGE BUILDING FUND:</u>		Combined Parsonage & Building Fund Balance	
BALANCE ON HAND	9/1/2022		4,857.97
DONATIONS, PLEDGES & MEMORIALS			
		7,940.19	
FUND RAISERS			
		-	
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND			
		-	
TOTAL INCOME:		7,940.19	7,940.19
EXPENSE EXPENSES			
MORTGAGE RENEWAL FEES		-	
INTEREST ON MORTGAGE LOAN 2.50%		308.35	
PRINCIPAL ON MORTGAGE		2,412.50	
TOTAL EXPENSE		2,720.85	
NET INCOME/EXPENSE			(2,720.85)
BALANCE ON HAND 9/30/2022	(COMBINED FUND BALANCE)		10,077.31

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

GENERAL FUND	
BUDGETED NEED-AUGUST-ALL SOURCES	(43,054.21)
RECEIPTS - AUGUST - ALL SOURCES	69,197.15
	INCOME OVER BUDGET 26,142.94
	Total (Shortage/Overage) - 26,142.94
DEBT OWING 9/30/2022	
PARSONAGE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION LOAN	\$ 132,143.95
(INCLUDES BALANCE OF PRIVATE LOANS - SCHOOL BUILDING FUND)	Interest rate 2.5%

GIVE Thanks



November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		<p>1</p> <p>Worship & Music 5 pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Chapel 8:05 am Grandparents Day - 1/2 day of School Women's Bible 1:30 pm Mission/outreach 6:30 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>MANS Conf. NO School Jean Quilts 1 pm School Board 5:30 pm Propertties 7 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>MANS Conf. NO School</p>	<p>5</p>	
<p>6</p> <p>Comm. Service 9:30 am All Saints Sunday/Mission Sunday Dinner following Students sing Daylight Savings Time ends</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Stewardship 5:30 pm Bels 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Picture Retake day Council 7 pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Chapel 8:05 am Quilters 1 pm New Song - Beth 4:30 pm</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Veteran's Day </p>	<p>12</p>	
<p>13</p> <p>Ccomm. Service 9:30 am</p>	<p>14</p> <p>CEA Family Fun Night for Christmas Fair 5:30 pm Bels 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Chapel 8:05 am</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Jean Quilts 1 pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Robotics Tournament</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Women of Faith Study 9:30 am</p>	
<p>20</p> <p>Christ the King Comm. Service 9:30 am</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Newsletter Deadline Bells 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Chapel 8:05 am 1/2 day of school Dismiss at 11 am Quilters 1 pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day NO School Office Closed</p>	<p>25</p> <p>NO School Office Closed</p>	<p>26</p>	
<p>27</p> <p>Advent 1 Comm. Serv 9:30 am</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Bells 6:30 pm Choir 7:30 pm</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Chapel 8:05 am New Song - Beth 4:30 pm Potluck 5:30 pm Advent Serv 6:30</p>				

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*Updated 10/12/22*

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WHETHER YOU TAKE THINGS FOR GRANTED  
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