



*Shepherd*  
OF THE PRAIRIE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH  
*Caring For All God's Children*

**Congregational  
Newsletter**  
*April 2014*

## **SOTP Statement of Purpose**

*"We care for God's children of all ages  
by growing disciples who make disciples."*

## **LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP**

*"Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"*

*We find peace and healing when we lay what is broken  
at the foot of the cross.*



Wednesday, April 2—6:00 p.m. Soup Supper, 7:00 p.m. Worship  
"Broken Promises" (Matthew 26:69-75)

Wednesday, April 9—6:00 p.m. Soup Supper, 7:00 p.m. Worship  
"Broken Justice" (2 Corinthians 5:20-21)

## **HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

### **Maundy Thursday, April 17**

7:00 p.m.—Living Last Supper

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### **Good Friday, April 18**

10:00 a.m.—Children's Worship

7:00 p.m.—The Lord's Supper with Tenebrae

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### **Resurrection Weekend**

Saturday, April 19—5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 20—7:00 a.m. Sunrise Worship

9:00 a.m.—Traditional Worship

10:45 a.m.—Contemporary Worship

## *A Note From Pastor Mark*

Dear Christian Friends,

Whatever your level of belief, know that Jesus is in charge of both life and death. He walks with us each day. He allows the real stuff of life challenge us and teach us. He rescues us from being destroyed by the hardness of life.

He gives us peace of mind when we are confused. He promises to be there for us at death's door and beyond.

Looking at Gospel that will be read Easter morning we see the words "Peace be with you" spoken by Jesus to his followers on the next evening following his resurrection. His disciples were probably feeling anything but peace as the political and religious powers went about destroying remnants of Jesus' ministry.

They clung together behind locked doors in fear. But Jesus found them, walking right through the locked door.

A week later he comes to them again and repeats "Peace be with you."

I remember times when Jesus' peace was with me in difficult situations and I couldn't understand how it could be: When my mother was dying and in her last days and I longed to be with her several hundred miles away, but I needed to be at my job.

When we were getting ready to move because of a job transfer and a church group surprised me with a farewell gathering.

When our first child was due and was affirmed in a dream that all was well. I recall waking in the morning with a strong sense of peace and calm.

But there were many other times that I felt like Peter at the tomb, confused and bewildered about life's happenings, and didn't open my heart and mind to Jesus' peace.

Jesus tells us that he knows his own. He not only knows our name and thoughts but he knows how many hairs are on our head. He knows how we were formed in our mother's womb. It is a relief to know that when Jesus called Mary by name at the tomb, her confusion and despondency left her and she recognized her Maker.

We have hope that when Jesus calls each of our names, our eyes will be opened, our hearts will burn with love and understanding, and peace will come upon us as we see the "Truth" face to face.

Meanwhile, until death's call, we have the privilege of walking with Jesus through his Word and in prayer with him. Even though life will still be confusing and difficult at times, we can continue to build our relationship with him.

I hope you will be able to join us in worship as we anticipate and celebrate the promised hope of the resurrection.

I'll see you in worship,

*Pastor Mark*

## *Pastor Bill's Adult Education News*

The month of April brings with it a mixed bag for adult education. We'll conclude our study of "Grace--An Invitation to a Way of Life" on Sunday, April 6 and on Sunday, April 13, as well as on the Tuesdays and Wednesdays that follow. Then, on Sunday, April 20, we'll be celebrating the Resurrection of Our Lord--Easter! On this Day of Days our adult education classes won't be meeting, nor will we meet on the following Tuesday (April 22), nor on Wednesday, April 23. However, classes will resume on Sunday, April 27 and run through the week of June 1, as we conclude with the final six session of our church history study, begun earlier this winter.

Using a video series with Dr. Timothy Paul Jones, church history professor at Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, we'll continue

to explore who we are as the Church of Jesus Christ. We'll learn about the impact of the Bubonic Plague, the Reformation, the American Revolution, and the Civil Rights movement on the life of the Church. Names like John Wycliffe, Jan Hus, Ann Hutchinson, George Whitfield, Dwight Moody, even Dietrich Bonhoeffer will become familiar to us. For the events of history and the people who make up these events are keys to understanding, not only who we are as the people of God, but what God wants from us as we move into the future that is held in God's gracious hand.

There's a lot to look forward to during the month of April. Come join us!

Blessings,

*Pastor Bill*

Adult  
Christian  
Education



## WELCA NEWS

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### **SOTP WELCA Spring Retreat – “Lord, Teach Us to Pray”**

You are cordially invited to attend a Spring Retreat, hosted by WELCA-W4-Women Who Work Wonders, on **Saturday, April 5, 2014, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** The tickets are \$8.00 which includes coffee, tea, sweet rolls & lunch from Tropical Café.

- Pastor Bill Waxenberg will direct the program **“Lord Teach Us to Pray”** followed with Break-Out Sessions
- Opening and Closing Worship Service
- Testimony and Recognition: SOTP Prayer Chain Facilitators



This is a special, significant opportunity to grow during Lent. With Pastor Bill's direction and teaching, we will learn about our prayer strengths. We pray our prayer lives will grow after this experience.

### **Mary Martha**

Mary Martha will meet **Thursday, April 17, 2014 - 1:00-3:00 p.m.** Our bible study, Session 8 is from the April 2014 Gather Magazine, "*Rizpah, A Vigilant Mourner*". We invite all women of SOTP to join us.

### **WELCA Planning Committee**

- Chicagoland Friends of Lutheran World Relief, 2014 Spring Luncheon on **Friday, April 11.**
- Lunch served at noon, doors open at 11:00 a.m.
- Manzo's Banquets, 1541 S. Elmhurst Rd. Des Plaines, IL
- Reservations: \$23.00 each due April 1
- Guest speaker: The Rev. Dr. Dean Lueking's presentation **"Thinking Globally, Acting Locally"**

## NEW MEMBER GATHERING

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If you have been worshipping with us, and you would like to learn more about our church, or if you think you might be interested in becoming a member, we invite you to consider attending our upcoming New Member Gathering on **Sunday, April 27** from **2:00-4:30 p.m.**

This is an opportunity for you to find out more about the life and ministry of our church and to give prayerful consideration to whether you want to enter into membership. Those who desire to become members will be welcomed during worship on Sunday, May 4.

Please call the church office at (847)669-9448 to let us know if you will be participating with us and if you will need child care for the afternoon.

### From The Word...

Christian parents should desire nothing more than for their kids to come to faith and embrace Christianity as their own. But growing up in a Christian home isn't enough. Neither is attending church, youth group, or even a Christian school. Our kids have to make their faith their own. They can't ride into heaven on their parents' coat tails. Nor can we drag them kicking and screaming into God's Kingdom. Our goal should not be behavioral conformity to Christian standards that make us and our kids look good, but the deep Spirit-driven heart change that results in a transformed life.

Part of leading our kids to a true and deep faith is knowing God's unchanging Word and the penetrating Gospel that speaks to all of life. How can we tell our children the Good News if we don't read it, know it, and live it ourselves? We must know the message, both God's written Word and the incarnate Word, Jesus Christ. To know Him means that we have entered into a growing relationship with Him. Knowing Christ means that we view all of life through the framework and lens of God's Word.

The first and greatest need for those of us who are missionaries to the emerging generation is to know God and His Gospel, for that Gospel is "the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile" (Rom. 1:16) - and for the young person at the dawn of this new millennium. God has chosen to disclose Himself through His Son and His written Word. Spend time in God's Word so that the Gospel penetrates and transforms your life. Your kids are watching. Pray that they would see the Gospel and be transformed by its power.

*"I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile."  
—Romans 1:16*

### Youth Culture Hot Quote

*"Social media is running rampant. We could get to the point where without those phones or iPads or whatever kids are texting or typing on, they (young people) won't even know how to communicate, how to sit down and have a conversation with each other verbally."*

—Legendary Motown singer/composer Smokey Robinson,  
USA Today, January 28, 2014



## **TRENDS**

### Affluenza

If we relentlessly pursue “the American Dream” and the desire to pass the material benefits of the good life on to our kids, bad things happen. Experts who work with kids who have been given too much by their parents have developed diagnoses known as “Affluenza” and “Rich Kids Syndrome.” Its

victims aren’t just from wealthy homes.

The disease is as common in middle-class and lower-class homes as it is in homes with lots of money. The danger lies in the fact that we are fostering and encouraging idolatry. What’s the option to giving our kids the good life? It’s giving them the “best life.” Our lives and actions should communicate to our kids that the best life is found by living in relationship with God, living out His will, and by pursuing His standards of “success.” The “best life” consists of directing all we have, all we do, and all we are toward loving and serving God in every nook, cranny, and minute of our lives. The best life comes in the pursuit of Christ-likeness.



## **LATEST RESEARCH**

### Marriage and Cohabitation

No doubt, marriage is sometimes hard work. But this wonderful institution created by God and given to us as a gift is also very fulfilling. But it is important that we understand what marriage is while maintaining realistic expectations. In a world where marriage is largely misunderstood and

even scorned by some, it should come as no surprise that fewer couples are getting married, while more and more couples are living together. Between 2006 and 2010, nearly half of all heterosexual women ages fifteen to forty-four said they were not married to their spouse or partner when they first lived together. This compares to forty-three percent who said the same thing in 2002, and thirty-four percent in 1995. Because your kids are growing up in a world that sends confusing and often-times un-Godly marriage attitudes and expectations, it’s important that you both live out and talk about what makes a Godly marriage. Your kids need to hear from you about marriage.

## **QUICK STATS**

- 64% of students reported inadvertently using a form of shorthand native to texting or social networking in the classroom. (Pew Internet & American Life Project)
- Experts recommend that television and other entertainment media should be avoided for infants and children under age 2. (American Academy of Pediatrics)

## CREATION RESTORATION 4.0

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Our youth mission trip team has a heart to take care of the creation that God has given us, and a desire for serving others. In Genesis, after God created Heaven and Earth, sky and water, and plants and animals, He created man and woman, and then placed them in the garden to take care of it. Additionally, when Jesus was asked what the greatest commandment is, His response was “Love God with all of your heart, soul and mind, and love your neighbor as yourself”. We will be modeling these two passages with our upcoming mission trip. From June 15th to June 24th, we’ll be



travelling to the Yellowstone National Park area to grow in our faith and to serve those who are less fortunate. In addition to all of the great things we’ll see and do while we are at Yellowstone, we will be serving the community of Cody, Wyoming. Cody is a town of about 10,000 people, with many people living below the poverty level. We will do home repairs for people who don’t have the funds or physical ability to do things for themselves. We also hope to construct a playground near a ministry center in one of the poorest neighborhoods. We’d like to ask for your support, by specifically praying for:

- The team’s preparation for the trip.
- The team’s safety – while travelling and while serving in Wyoming.
- The continued passion for our youth to serve those who are less fortunate
- The successful accomplishment of our mission to help those in need.

In the upcoming months, we’ll be holding several fundraisers, which you may wish to be a part of, in order to help fund our trip. You can purchase gift cards, to stores you normally shop at, from our table at church. We get a small percentage for all gift cards that are purchased through us. We’ll be hosting a Trivia Night fundraiser, where teams can show off their trivia skills for great prizes (start putting together your 6-person team...you won’t want to miss out on this one). Need some help with Spring Cleaning? We’ll have a job board where you can post what you need done and what you’re willing to pay—Members of the mission trip team would love to help you out. We’ll also be having a car wash, and a Culver’s fundraising night. Keep an eye out for the official announcements and dates of our fundraisers.

***Thank you for supporting our youth!***

## **SOTP SUPPER CLUB—“EAT, GREET AND MEET”**

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### **MUNCH A BUNCH** (aka SOTP Supper Club)

#### **NEW PEOPLE: WHERE ARE YOU???**

The end of April through August we will be sharing hospitality and food within small groups of 6 to 8 people. Groups are made up from the sign up list in the Crossroads and the online signup (see below). Singles are welcome.

Each group determines what, when and how they will meet. Often one home hosts the main meal while others bring salad, desserts, etc. Some groups decide to “eat out” or “order in” for one or all of their meals. The decision is made by the folks in that particular small group.

Look for the Yellow signup sheet on the Bulletin Board in the Crossroads or sign up online on our website (click “Registration” at the top of the home page, then “April-August Supper Club”).

For more information or questions please contact Sandy Hupert. Phone 224-569-6041 or E-Mail [sandyhupert@gmail.com](mailto:sandyhupert@gmail.com)

### **Á BON APPÉTIT!**

## **LITTLE LAMBS EARLY LEARNING REGISTRATION**

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Little Lambs Early Learning Program is now accepting registrations for the 2014-2015 school year. Our program is Bible-story-based and includes developmentally appropriate structured time (craft, music, calendar, learning activities, etc.), as well as free play. We have programs for children ages 2 - 4 by September 1, 2013. Children do not need to be potty trained. Our class sizes are small (not more than 10 children in the 1 day classes or 12 in the 2 day class). Classes meet from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Our classes are open to members and non-members of SOTP. For more information, availability, and tuition/registration fees, please contact Jill Gillming at [littlelambs@sotpmail.com](mailto:littlelambs@sotpmail.com). Additional information and registration materials are available on our website.

## **QUILTER’S SILENT AUCTION**

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The Prairie Point Quilters will be holding a "Silent Auction" of a beautiful handmade quilt the first weekend of April (April 5 & 6) before and after church services. This will be in conjunction with the Prairie Point Crafter's Spring Craft Boutique. All proceeds from the auction will go towards purchasing batting, material and other quilting supplies. Notification of the winner will be announced following the 10:45 a.m. service on Sunday, April 6.

## MISSION TEAM NEWS

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### LENTEN OFFERING

#### **Lutheran Outdoor Ministry Center**

Half of the Lenten Offering (Ash Wednesday, Lent, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday) will be sent to LOMC. It is a year-round camp and retreat facility and ministry of the three Evangelical Lutheran Church in America synods in Illinois. Located on 640 acres of hills, prairies, pond and forests near Oregon, Illinois, it offers experiences connecting the Word of God with the World of God. Programs for youth, adults, families, and congregations are offered. Many of our SOTP youth and adults have attended programs at LOMC, and SOTP hosted the LOMC Swing Choir a couple of years ago.

We have an opportunity to learn more about LOMC when Russ Senti, Executive Director of LOMC, will speak at our Lenten Wednesday Service on April 2. You can check out the LOMC website at <http://www.lomc.org/>.

#### **Senior Care Volunteer Network (formerly Faith in Action)**

Half of the Lenten Offering will be sent to the Senior Care Volunteer Network, which assists our senior neighbors in McHenry County and Sun City to live independently in their own homes. Last year 375 volunteers provided the following no-cost services for 1000 seniors: 220,000 miles of transportation, 24,000 volunteer hours (such as respite for caregivers, companionship) 16,000 unique services (such as home and yard maintenance). To learn more check the website at

**<http://www.scvnmchenrycounty.org/>**

Do you or a family member need services? If you are age 60 or older and live at home in McHenry County or Sun City Huntley, you are eligible. If you can use a little help with minor home maintenance, transportation, friendly visits or phone calls, and many other services, contact the Senior Care Volunteer Network in Crystal Lake, Illinois at 815-455-3120.

#### **Celebration of Hope Dinner**

**Friday, April 11, 2014, 6:30 - 9:30 pm**

Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace

This is an annual opportunity to hear inspiring stories and celebrate the ministry of welcoming refugees. The dinner is complimentary, but you will be given an opportunity to give a gift to this ministry. Reservations are required. If you would like to attend or have questions, contact Sandy Hupert at (224)569-6041 or [sandyhupert@gmail.com](mailto:sandyhupert@gmail.com).

For more information about the Celebration Hope Dinner or about the work of Exodus World Service, check the website at

**<http://www.e-w-s.org/>**

## HEARTLAND VOICES CONCERT AT SOTP

# HEARTLAND VOICES

THROUGH MUSIC, THE HEART SOARS

15<sup>th</sup>  
Concert  
Season

Heartland Voices, under the direction of Dr. John Slawson, will be performing their 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary concert at SOTP. This special free concert will feature a world premiere by composer Jocelyn Hagen and include some of our favorite songs from the past 15 years. And yes there will be spirituals and plenty of toe tapping. The concert will also feature SOTP's very own Spirit Ringers. The concert will be on **Saturday April 26 at 7:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary and is open to anyone and everyone. Bring all your friends and neighbors. One of our members, Chris Brittain, has been with the group for three seasons and is excited to perform for SOTP.

Heartland Voices is a chorus made up of 35 professionally trained singers committed to the performance, advancement and preservation of choral music for their community, patrons and youth. They have performed all around the Chicago area and internationally, displaying their diverse repertoire and delicate harmonies. For more information please visit us at <http://www.heartlandvoices.org/> and we will see you on April 26.

But wait, there's more! Before the concert, please come by for some fellowship as Heartland Voices will be sponsoring a pasta dinner. All are invited. The dinner will begin after the 5:00 p.m. service and run until the Choral Celebration concert. Thank you to SOTP for hosting this great event.



## BUILDING FUND UPDATE FOR APRIL, 2014

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Loan Balance	\$885,588.94
Estimated Payoff Date	6/1/2020

## SIMPLY GIVING MEDALLIONS

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If you are enrolled in the "Simply Giving" EFT program, you may want to use a Medallion to put in the offering plate. They are on the Usher's table. If you are not enrolled and want information regarding "Simply Giving," contact the Church office or Ralph Wehnes at 224-569-2808.

## STEWARDSHIP

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The Stewardship Committee/Team is looking for additional volunteers. The Stewardship team plans the pledge drive, investigates various workshops, and looks for ways to encourage members to utilize their interests in SOTP. If you are interested, please contact Donna Kelly ([donna@sotpmail.com](mailto:donna@sotpmail.com)) or Ralph Wehnes ([ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ralphwehnes@sbcglobal.net)) for more information.

## STEWARDSHIP TALES

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**Stewardship**  
*a way of life*

As the collection plate is passed today's Christian is apt to be disillusioned about the need for money. There are many Christians who give five dollars if they feel flush at the moment, and consider their duty done. But is one's duty to Christ ever done? And don't we need a greater commitment than

that, if we are to save ourselves and our families in this mad, hedonistic world? Most Christians are willing to embrace a good cause, if they feel there is a definite need for it. But some feel the pastor drives a better car than they do, and he entertains better, and they wish they could do as well. And they feel the basket is passed for him. This is not true. We give on a weekend what we feel we can for the cause of Christianity in today's world. The pastor must be supported, but even more than that, Christ must be supported financially and spiritually, if we wish His church to grow and be nourished. We do not give to a structure of stone and steel and glass, but to a pulsating, thriving spirituality that is even now being fired and cleansed of its dross in the furnace of today's unrest. The spirituality will go on with or without us. Yet, if we would enjoy its greatest benefits, we must give of ourselves. And part of that contribution will certainly be financial. If we feel involved in our church, we will want to be a part of the whole picture, and will be glad to help in our church's support.

## TWENTIETH YEAR FOR LENTEN CONCERT SERIES

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Twenty years ago, Phyllis Connelly, a talented and dedicated local organist, conceived of a time when Christians of all denominations would join together in Lenten reflection through the sharing of music, song, prayer and fellowship. Sadly, Phyllis passed away in 2012, but her dream lives on.

The culminating event of the series is always an Interfaith Palm Sunday Festival Concert which features a mass choir from many local churches, two handbell choirs, local instrumental soloists, and clergy from area churches. It will be held on Sunday, April 13 at St. Catherine of Siena Church in West Dundee. The 20<sup>th</sup> annual Palm Sunday Festival will start at **3:00 p.m. Sunday, April 13**. A prelude of instrumental music will begin at 2:45 p.m.

In celebrating the twentieth year, the planning committee has commissioned a piece in honor of Phyllis Connelly and the many musicians involved in this tradition. This endeavor has resulted in a piece written by nationally acclaimed composer, Bradley Ellingboe. It is entitled **"The King Of Glory"** and references Matthew 21:9 and Psalm 24:7-10. It is written for Choir, trumpet, handbells, and piano.

This Palm Sunday Concert will truly be a celebration of twenty years of music, faith, and fellowship. Please consider attending this wonderful event.

## COMMUNION FROM THE ASSEMBLY TRAINEES NEEDED

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This ministry has been very successful and as our church grows and many shut-ins are looking forward to having a Minister of Communion visit them, we are looking to add people to this ministry.

We will be having a two session training the latter part of May. This will be led by Pastor Ken Pohlmann. The training will be followed by a Commission Service in early June.

Please call Sharon Neubauer [847-659-1619](tel:847-659-1619) if you need more information and if you would like to join this very special ministry.



## FOOD PANTRY

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Items needed this month for the Grafton Food Pantry:

**Tomato paste, toothpaste, deodorant,  
toilet paper & baby wipes.**

Thank you so very much for all you do.



# April Volunteer Schedules

## ALTAR GUILD

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### Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Becky Tuzik, Tom & Darlene Polzin & Volunteers

### Sunday 9:00 a.m. (setup) and 10:45 a.m. (re-set)

Judie Symbal, Donna Newbanks (Caryl Fabian & Sue Wehnes as alternates)

### Sunday 10:45 a.m. (take-down)

#### April 6

Merrily Burkland  
& Barb Beaudette

#### April 13

Sandy Hupert &  
Barb Beaudette

#### April 20

Sandy Hupert  
& Linda Jahr

#### April 27

Jan & Don  
Koerner

### Special Dates

April 17 (Maundy Thursday) ..... Setup: Sue Wehnes & Judie Symbal  
..... Take-down: Jan & Don Koerner

April 20 (Easter) ..... Setup @ 6:00 a.m.: Sue Wehnes  
..... Re-set for 9:00 a.m.: Sue Wehnes  
..... Re-set for 10:45 a.m.: Sue Wehnes & Helpers

I continue to encourage our members to become a member of Altar Guild. If you have interest in serving please contact Sue Wehnes at (224)569-2808. On-the-job training is available.

## WORSHIP GREETERS

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### Saturday 5:00 p.m. Services

#### April 5

Stevie Massei

#### April 12

Lois Kenyon

#### April 19

Becky Tuzik

#### April 26

Brian &  
Jamie Bremer

### Sunday 9:00 a.m. Services

#### April 6

Joanne Klinger &  
Alice Murphy

#### April 13

Ron &  
PJ Knudsen

#### April 20

Chris &  
Sara Solem

#### April 27

Ron &  
PJ Knudsen

### Sunday 10:45 a.m. Services

Bob & Carolyn Malm

# Financial News

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Operating Budget Year-to-Date as of February 28, 2014:

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
General Fund Income:	\$ 99,792.42	\$ 85,890.00
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 88,440.45	\$ 85,884.00
Net Income:	\$ 11,351.97	\$ 6.00

**General Fund Notes:** Through February, operating revenues exceed expenses. Member contributions continue to exceed budget primarily due to Prepaid Pledges of \$15,480.00 from 2013 being recognized in January 2014. Expenses are over budget primarily due to the expense categories headed Facilities and Church Insurance in Other Church Expenses account. These insurance expenses should even out as we spread it over the next six months. Facilities Lawncare/Snow Removal is in excess of budget because of the number of snow events we have had this year we will be working with Council to identify and plan our options.

Building Fund Year-to-Date as of February 28, 2014:

Building Fund Begin Balance 02/28/2014: \$ 60,255.25

Building Fund Donations: \$ 38,715.85

Prepaid Building Fund Donations 2013: \$ 6,533.40

Loan Principal Payments: \$ 22,970.36

Loan Interest Payments: \$ 4,377.64

Principal Only Payments: \$ 13,337.02

Total Building Fund Expenses: \$ 40,685.02

Ending Fund Balance: \$ 64,819.40

Net Income: \$ 4,564.15

The current building loan balance is \$885,588.94. In addition to our regular principal and interest payment in February we made an additional debt reduction payment of approximately \$13,337.02 for a February total principal reduction of \$36,307.38 for the month. Thanks to your faithful giving we continue to reduce our building loan obligation.

Jim Henley  
SOTP Treasurer

## THANKS!

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I would like to thank PM, PB & Carol for their hospital visits. Also the Prairie Quilters & Friends Bible Study ladies for their prayers & cards. I miss you all. God bless all of you  
—Joan Kimminau

## April Birthdays

Apr	Name
1	Jacob Riebock
2	Mary Tabatt
3	Dave Frederickson, Kristen Bala, Robin Anderson
4	Amy Casablanca
5	Darlene Soest, Mary Lee Rishel
6	Dorothy Carlborg, Janet Suski
7	Larry Scimeca, Dotty Lucia, Lynn Moran
8	Lindsay Debolt
9	Mitchell Flanagan, Roger Clausen, Cole Raines, Addison Raistrick
10	Donald Kundich, Debbie Lindquist, Kerry Miller, Paige Cordle, Ryder Reed, Camden Dean
12	Frank Cesario, Ellie Torkelson
13	Jack Conti, Suzanne Alpert, Delaine Black
14	Marc Piskule, Catherine Johnson, Cecilia Ramey
15	Joan Kimminau, Kim Fren dreis, Kathleen Bloomfield, Wylder Weston, Jianna Trevino
16	Ernest Hermes, Roberta Seroni, Linda Dungey, Jill Behm, Jenn Huston
17	Kathy McGuine
18	John Boehler, Marcie Schlachta, Alan Torkelson
19	Angela Crase
20	Troy Fleener, Zachary Ulmer
21	Jeffrey Cordle, Juliette Riebock
22	Allison McCann, Calle Mejd rich
23	Jeff Roberts, Kyle Fren dreis, Matthew Kann
24	Dorothea Grate
25	Kane Luedtke
26	Janice Burseth, Kelvin Walker, Jill Lamb, Rebecca Hennessey, Jamison Mathiesen
27	Andrew Brown
28	Walter Roth
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30	Ken Lemke

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*Little Lambs*

### **Sandy Martin**

*Cherub Choir*

### **Michael Waal**

*Blessings Choir*

### **Denise James**

*Joy Ringers*

### **Michael Parmele**

*Sunday School Director*

### **Sue Wehnes, Renae Greene**

*Contributions Secretaries*

### **Tammy Uteg**

*Music Librarian*

### **Congregation Council**

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**Kathy McGuine**, *Vice President*

**Mike McCann**, *Secretary*

**Jim Henley**, *Treasurer*

**Adam Adams**

**Marlene Boehler**

**Amy Brittain**

**Larry Newbanks**

**Wayne Schmidt**