

CROSS WALK

NEWSLETTER OF FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO

When Death Grabs Our Attention

Every year around this time we're reminded that Halloween has become one of the largest retail holidays in America, second only to Christmas. For many Christians, that statistic raises an uncomfortable question: What has happened to our society? Why are we so fascinated by skeletons, ghosts, graveyards, monsters, and all things associated with death?

Perhaps the better question is whether humanity has ever really stopped being fascinated by such things.

While our modern celebration of Halloween often focuses on costumes, candy, and entertainment, its roots reach back to the Christian observance of All Hallows' Eve, the evening before All Saints' Day. In fact, during the Middle Ages, the celebrations surrounding All Saints' Day often drew even greater attention than Christmas. That may seem difficult for us to imagine, but life was very different then. Disease, famine, war, and high mortality rates meant that death was never far away. People lived with a constant awareness of their mortality, and what happened after death was an even greater concern.

Into that atmosphere stepped what might be called an insurance salesperson's dream. As fears about death, judgment, and eternity grew, the church's sale of indulgences flourished. To many ordinary believers, indulgences sounded a lot like a papally-authorized spiritual "fire insurance," protection that could help reduce punishment after death for themselves or for loved ones. The more fearful people became about eternity, the more attractive such promises appeared. Fear had become a powerful economy. (Perhaps our times aren't so different??)

Then came an Augustinian monk named Martin Luther.

As Luther studied Scripture, he came to a revolutionary conclusion: God's love cannot be bought, earned, or sold. Salvation is not a transaction. The Bible proclaims that we are saved by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone. Forgiveness is God's gift, freely given through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. No indulgence, no payment, and no human effort can add to what Christ has already accomplished on the cross.

It is no coincidence that Luther posted his Ninety-Five Theses of protests on October 31, the eve of All Saints' Day. At a time when people were preoccupied with death and anxious about eternity, Luther challenged a system that profited from fear and redirected people's attention to the promises of God. He effectively popped the pope's spiritual "fire insurance" bubble by reminding Christians that their confidence rests not in what they can purchase, but in what Christ has already done for them.

In some ways, not much has changed. Our culture remains fascinated with death, darkness, and fear. Yet as Christians, we gather around a different message. We do not worship death. We worship the risen Christ who conquered it. We do not live in fear of judgment. We live in the confidence of God's grace. And we do not place our hope in what we can do for God, but in what God has already done for us through Jesus.

As we observe Halloween, Reformation Day, and All Saints' Day, may we remember the truth that transformed Luther's life and can continue to transform ours: *"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God"* (Ephesians 2:8).

In Christ,
Pastor Mike





PENNY POWER

KIDS MAKING A DIFFERENCE!



Penny Power for September will be sent to Lutheran World Relief to buy animals that will be given to families in need in far away countries. We will be asking the children during Sunday School what animals they want to purchase based on the amount received. A goat, chickens, a pig?



In October we will begin collecting funds to purchase items for Operation Christmas Child boxes that are sent around the world by the Samaritan's Purse Organization.

Do Not Include

Soap is no longer allowed in shoebox gifts because of the complications it causes in customs in some nations.

Soap; candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans; alcohol wipes.

Happy Stitchers are having a packing party Friday, November 6th at 1pm for Operation Christmas Child.

The supply need is hygiene items.

For details please contact Irena or Amelia McDaniel.



FISH and FELC - What a Combo!

Through your generous donations, FISH delivered approximately 400 school backpacks this year! Each backpack was filled with the supplies needed to help a child start the school year prepared and ready to succeed in the classroom.

And we're not stopping there! We have also started delivering weekend food backpacks to 25 children at five local schools. These backpacks provide food for students to take home over the weekend, helping make sure they have something to eat when they are away from school. What a wonderful partnership between FISH and First Lutheran! Your generosity is making a real difference in the lives of children in our community. Thank you for helping us support local students, one backpack at a time!

MISSIONS

Thank you, Happy Stitchers and Anne Seymore, for all the beautiful quilts given to the Madrigal family after losing their home to a fire a few weeks ago. Also, thank you Carole Mason for helping this family by introducing them to the Rescue Mission. They feel the love coming from First Evangelical Lutheran Church with the quilts and offers to help with whatever they need. Right now, the insurance company helped them get into a nice townhouse until they can get their house rebuilt. The structure is so badly damaged, it will need to be torn down and rebuilt. They have a long road ahead but they know their Heavenly Father is looking out for them.

Thanks again from the Madrigal family. They were thrilled to get the quilts.
God bless,
Cathi Bean

LOOK WHO GOT A VISIT FROM SENATOR RISCH!

"While in Idaho Falls yesterday, I stopped by Champ's Heart to talk with Larry Cudmore, one of my Idaho Service Spotlight recipients. Larry and his team showed me around their facility and let me see the horse encounters they offer to children impacted by cancer. Thank you to Larry and Champs Heart for all that you do for Idaho! "



WEDNESDAY LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays from 2:00 - 3:00 pm, in the library.
Questions? Contact Carole (caroleplwm982@gmail.com)
or Marda (Marda@silverstar.com).

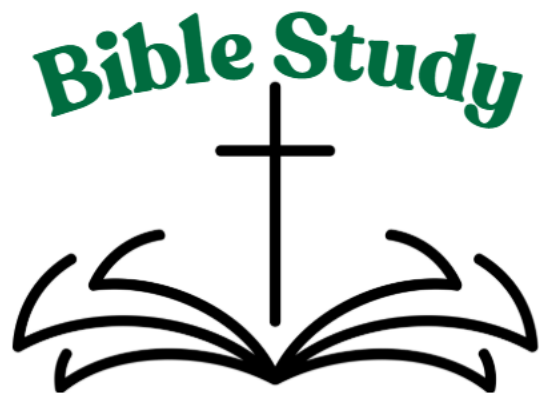
GATHERING IN GRACE LADIES' BIBLE STUDY



1st & 3rd Tuesdays from 12:00-1:30 in the library.
If you would like more Information,
please contact Linda Lerum.

THURSDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

9AM ON THURSDAYS: COME JOIN US IN THE LIBRARY.
STAY FOR ☕ KAFFEEKLATSCH!



ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Details can be found at BSFinternational.org

OCTOBER SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

October 4th: Passover

October 11th: Crossing the Red Sea

October 18th: Quails and Manna

October 25th: The 10 Commandments

NEW MEMBER CLASS

INQUIRERS/NEW MEMBER CLASS STARTS IN OCTOBER:

Pastor Mike will be offering “Lutheranism 101” starting Sunday **October 11th** for those curious about the Lutheran faith, those who wish to become members, or those established Lutherans who just want a refresher.

Topics and class sessions are as follows:

Sunday, October 11th | 9 am |

GRACE ALONE

What’s so Amazing about Grace?

Sunday, October 18th | 9 am |

FAITH ALONE

How does our Faith Life deal with Real Life?

Sunday, October 25th | 9 am |

SCRIPTURE ALONE

What kind of authority does ancient scripture have in a modern world?

Sunday, November 1st | 9 am |

BAPTISM & COMMUNION

Spiritual rituals meant to grow faithful relationships.

Sunday, November 8th | 9 am |

GOD’S CHURCH

Is it a hospital for sinners or a museum for saints?

Sunday, November 15th | 9 am |

IN MISSION FOR CHRIST

God’s Spirit moving through FELC’s past, present, and future.

If you are interested in attending, please contact the church office or Pastor Mike.

Those considering membership need to attend at least four of the six classes. Knowing how many are attending, and if there are nursery needs helps us to recruit nursery volunteers, get the right size room to meet in, and have enough materials.

ANNUAL REPORTS & CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

It’s that time of year again! Annual reports from ministry teams will be due to the office no later than **October 11th**. These reports are needed for our yearly congregational report and our upcoming congregational meeting on **Sunday, November 8th**. Please submit your reports to the office in person or send to office@firstlc.com. Please plan to be in attendance at the congregational meeting.



WORSHIP & MUSIC



REFORMATION SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 25TH

Sunday, October 25th FELC will be celebrating its roots in the Reformation by remembering the day (Oct. 31, 1517) Augustinian monk, Martin Luther, posted his protest of the practice of selling indulgences on the doors of the Wittenberg Church. This call to return to the central doctrine of Christianity of being “Saved by Grace through Faith,” started the Reformation. This is a “red letter day” for Christianity and we ask you to join in the celebration by wearing red.

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER WE OBSERVE ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

All Saints Day is Sunday, November 1st. During the worship service portion of the “Prayers of the People,” we will be lifting up in prayer the names of faithful loved ones that were called to the saints in light this past year. If you have a loved one who passed away this year that you’d like included in our remembrance, please fill out an All Saints form (this will be a bulletin insert in the next few weeks). Family members are invited to light a candle in their memory when their loved one’s name is read aloud.

- † **Choir Rehearsal 9:00 am**
- † **King’s Men Rehearsal 11:30 am**
- † **Handbell Rehearsal Tuesdays at 6:30 pm**
- † **Praise Band Wednesdays at 5:00 pm**



ARE YOU HIDING MUSICAL TALENTS?

Our vocal choirs could use more singers, and our handbell choir could use more ringers. Or, perhaps you play an instrument and would like to play it during worship? If any of this strikes a chord (splendid!) with you (*pun definitely intended*), please ask our Music Director, Michelle Hanson, to find out more!

Thank you so much to all who donated memorial funds at Judy Sahr's funeral. The Altar Guild was able to purchase the 3 banners that are standing in the Narthex of our beautiful church. We are ordering a couple more banners since we have the funds to get more. Judy was a big part of Altar Guild for many years. She took care of ordering and making the big banners that hang in the Sanctuary. We are all so grateful for all Judy did for us in Altar Guild. Thank you again for your generous donations in Judy's name. We are so blessed and grateful.
~ Cathi Bean; Altar Guild Chair

We would also like to thank the Sahr family for designating the memorial funds to Altar Guild. We are very blessed.



YOUTH & FAMILY

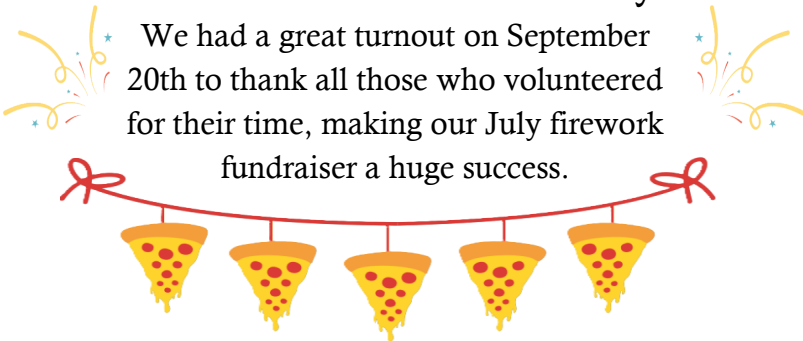
Intergenerational Watch Party:

FELC's Family Ministry Team and Missions Team collaborated to provide discount movie tickets for 30 members & friends to view the newly released film "Daniel and the Fiery Furnace" in the comfort of our local Regal Theater. This quality production film retold the story of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, as they stay true to God despite fiery trials. It was inspiring to be reminded of God's faithfulness, how God refines our faith throughout life's trials, and that God is always with us.



Firework Volunteer Pizza Party

We had a great turnout on September 20th to thank all those who volunteered for their time, making our July firework fundraiser a huge success.



Confirmation Class:

Due to confirmation family feedback, the Sunday Night Confirmation classes have been restructured. Students grade 6-10 wishing to participate can meet the confirmation year's criteria by attending Sunday School on Sundays at 9am. Students wanting confirmation credit will be assigned make-up assignments for classes missed.



Thank you to the volunteers that helped make light the task of deep cleaning our nursery on Saturday, September 26th. Keeping our nursery safe and updated is an important part of providing this much needed resource to our families.

Youth Group Kick-off

(Grades 6th through 12th)

On Saturday, October 10th at 4pm our youth will be meeting at New Sweden Farms Corn Maze and Pumpkin Patch. This is open to all youth and their friends grades 6-12.



Exciting News!

The Bible Bucks Store has received a makeover and opened on Sunday September 27th. The new and improved Bible Buck Store will provide an opportunity and incentive for students to continue earning bible bucks for attendance, bible verse memorization, and participation. The new permanent structure will also be used as a welcome center for visitors to FELC.



FELC Annual Community Trunk or Treat Carnival and Chili Cook-Off!!

This year's Trunk or Treat will be preceded with a Chili Cook-Off! Bring a pot of your best chili and see if your recipe has what it takes to be the FELC Chili Cook-Off Champion. Or just bring a side dish and cheer on your favorite chef. The community trunk or treat will follow with this year's carnival theme. Sign up to decorate your trunk. Invite your friends and neighbors for a fun family, all ages event.



DON'T GHOST US!

Sign up to join the fun and help us scare up some candy for our Trunk or Treat! The sign-up sheets and candy donation drop-off box are ready and waiting in the Narthex.



FELC RALLY DAY "WANTED BY GOD" SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF & CHURCH-WIDE PICNIC



FELC had a successful and fun start to Sunday school by being emersed in a western theme environment. After service, families participated in a church-wide BBQ picnic. Champ's Heart was there to provide carriage rides, and some fun family games with the miniature horses.





Students traveled from classroom to classroom participating in different faith theme activities that set the tone for a new Sunday School year.



BLESSING OF THE QUILTS



On Sunday September 27th, the congregation had the pleasure of blessing over 270 quilts. These quilts, lovingly made by our Happy Stitchers, will be given away to hospitals, foster care, and resilience rooms, to bless those in need of an extra covering of comfort within our community.



WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

Date	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS # = Gluten-free server	LITURGISTS/ READERS	GREETERS	USHERS # = Coordinator	COUNTERS	STREAMING	ALTAR GUILD
Oct 4	Natalie Meyer# Carole Mason Cathi Bean, Beth Nicholas Cheryl Swenson	Liturgist: Sheryl Schaffer	Geri Magnuson Beth Nicholas	Jim Sahr# Lisa Swenson Richard Magnuson	Lisa Swenson Paul Bayless	Paul Bayless	Diane Sheldon Deb Nowatzki
Oct 11	Diana Murphy# Kim Bermensolo Carole Mason, DiAnn Brown Bev Thomas	Liturgist: Deb Nowatzki	Jan Galbraith Mary Hanek	Scott Berger # Phil Forbord Paul Worth	Phil & Tessa Forbord	Ian Dahlberg	Diane Sheldon Deb Nowatzki
Oct 18	Linda Lerum# Debra Holst Shawn Cleverly, Debra Hogg Beth Nicholas	Liturgist: Steve Galbraith	Michelle Cleverly Mary Pilkington	Richard Magnuson# Geri Magnuson Tom Pilkington	Debra Holst Beth Nicholas	Paul Lerum	Diane Sheldon Deb Nowatzki
Oct 25	Cathi Bean# DiAnn Brown Ginny Conricode, Diana Murphy Carole Mason, Pat Christenson	Reader: Alex Dean	Anne Mitchell Sheryl Schaffer	Ryan Dixon# Scott Berger Greg Stultz	Greg & Kathy Katainen	Randy Kay	Diane Sheldon Deb Nowatzki



HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

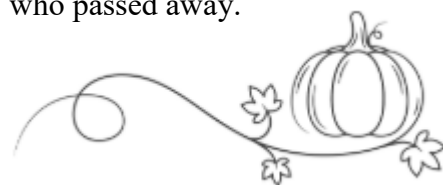
If you have a prayer request, please fill out a purple prayer request card and drop it in the offering plate or you can email office@firstlc.com. All requests remain confidential - only with permission are individual names placed on the written prayer list below.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL, RECOVERING, OR GOING THROUGH A DIFFICULT TIME:

Donna Amundson; Tom Amundson; Charlotte Benson; Dean Benson; Shayla Berry; Kevin Call; Jean-nie Campbell; Bailey Chamberlain; Carol Clark; Tracy Coburn; Devyn, Corden & Elias Cox; Wendy Cudmore; Dayna Dabauras; Janet Dean; Laura Dean; Joan Douglas; Josephine Fife; Sharon Gilbert; Jo & Al Glissendorf; Diane Hackman; Steve Hammond; Grayson Hansen; Josie Holtz; Charles Hunt; Ann Hurley; Lexi Jensen; Vickie John; Mary Krippner; Pat Lance; Austin Leger; Allan Magnuson; Mike Martin; Adara McClure; Bob McGee; Tim Metcalf; Vicky Mickelson; Cal Miller; Wendy Morgan; Bob Neff; Josh Neis; Don Newman; Heidi Parker; Mary Pilkington; Mark Pischer; Patricia Richardson; Julie Sagnimeni; Laura Schoonmaker; Betty Smith; Jason & Kelly Smith; Joyce Stultz; Julie Sundberg; Kathy Tauscher; Deborah Vavra; Linn Watson; Chris Weaver; Joyce White; Daniel & Sarah Young

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES TO:

- ◆ Friends and family of Camille Ronnebaum, friend of Kathy Katainen, who passed away on September 4th.
- ◆ Friends and family of Elaine Scott, Vernal Swenson's sister, who passed away.
- ◆ Friends and family of Brandon Rainey, Debbie Clement's grandnephew, who passed away.



AMUNDSON'S ANECDOTES



Martin Luther's 95 Theses (A Modern Translation)

Out of love for the truth and from desire to elucidate it, the Reverend Father Martin Luther, Master of Arts and Sacred Theology, and ordinary lecturer therein at Wittenberg, intends to defend the following statements and to dispute on them in that place. Therefore he asks that those who cannot be present and dispute with him orally shall do so in their absence by letter. In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

1. When Jesus said "repent" he meant that believers should live a whole life repenting.
2. Only God can give salvation - not a priest.
3. Inwards penitence must be accompanied with a suitable change in lifestyle.
4. Sin will always remain until we enter Heaven.
5. The Pope must act according to canon law.
6. Only God can forgive - the Pope can only reassure people that God will do this.
7. A sinner must be humbled in front of his priest before God can forgive him.
8. Canon law applies only to the living not to the dead.
9. However, the Holy Spirit will make exceptions to this when required to do so.
10. The priest must not threaten those dying with the penalty of Purgatory.
11. The church through church penalties is producing a 'human crop of weeds'.
12. In days gone by, church penalties were imposed before release from guilt to show true repentance.
13. When you die all your debts to the church are wiped out and those debts are free from being judged.
14. When someone is dying they might have bad/incorrect thoughts against the church and they will be scared. This fear is enough penalty.
15. This fear is so bad that it is enough to cleanse the soul.
16. Purgatory = Hell. Heaven = Assurance.
17. Souls in Purgatory need to find love - the more love the less their sin.
18. A sinful soul does not have to be always sinful. It can be cleansed.
19. There is no proof that a person is free from sin.
20. Even the Pope - who can offer forgiveness - cannot totally forgive sins held within.
21. An indulgence will not save a man.
22. A dead soul cannot be saved by an indulgence.
23. Only a very few sinners can be pardoned. These people would have to be perfect.
24. Therefore most people are being deceived by indulgences.
25. The Pope's power over Purgatory is the same as a priest's.
26. When the Pope intervenes to save an individual, he does so by the will of God.
27. It is nonsense to teach that a dead soul in Purgatory can be saved by money.
28. Money causes greed - only God can save souls.
29. Do we know if the souls in Purgatory want to be saved?
30. No one is sure of the reality of his own penitence - no one can be sure of receiving complete forgiveness.
31. A man who truly buys an indulgence (i.e. believes it is to be what it is) is as rare as someone who truly repents all sin (i.e. very rare).
32. People who believe that indulgences will let them live in salvation will always be damned - along with those who teach it.
33. Do not believe those who say that a papal indulgence is a wonderful gift which allows salvation.
34. Indulgences only offer Man something which has been agreed to by Man.
35. We should not teach that those who aim to buy salvation do not need to be contrite.
36. A man can be free of sin if he sincerely repents - an indulgence is not needed.
37. Any Christian - dead or alive - can gain the benefit and love of Christ without an indulgence.
38. Do not despise the Pope's forgiveness but his forgiveness is not the most important.
39. The most educated theologians cannot preach about indulgences and real repentance at the same time.
40. A true repenter will be sorry for his sins and happily pay for them. Indulgences trivialize this issue.
41. If a pardon is given it should be given cautiously in case people think it's more important than doing good works.
42. Christians should be taught that the buying of indulgences does not compare with being forgiven by Christ.
43. A Christian who gives to the poor or lends to those in need is doing better in God's eyes than one who buys 'forgiveness'.
44. This is because of loving others, love grows and you become a better person. A person buying an indulgence does not become a better person.
45. A person who passes by a beggar but buys an indulgence will gain the anger and disappointment of God.
46. A Christian should buy what is necessary for life, not waste money on an indulgence.
47. Christians should be taught that they do not need an indulgence.

48. The Pope should have more desire for devout prayer than for ready money.

49. Christians should be taught not to rely on an indulgence. They should never lose their fear of God through them.

50. If a Pope knew how much people were being charged for an indulgence - he would prefer to demolish St. Peter's.

51. The Pope should give his own money to replace that which is taken from pardoners.

52. It is vain to rely on an indulgence to forgive your sins.

53. Those who forbid the word of God to be preached and who preach pardons as a norm are enemies of both the Pope and Christ.

54. It is blasphemy that the word of God is preached less than that of indulgences.

55. The Pope should enforce that the Gospel - a very great matter - must be celebrated more than indulgences.

56. The treasure of the church is not sufficiently known about among the followers of Christ.

57. The treasures of the Church are temporal (of this life).

58. Relics are not the relics of Christ, although they may seem to be. They are, in fact, evil in concept.

59. St. Laurence misinterpreted this as the poor gave money to the church for relics and forgiveness.

60. Salvation can be sought for through the church as it has been granted this by Christ.

61. It is clear that the power of the church is adequate, by itself, for the forgiveness of sins.

62. The main treasure of the church should be the Gospels and the grace of God.

63. Indulgences make the most evil seem unjustly good.

64. Therefore evil seems good without penance or forgiveness.

65. The treasured items in the Gospels are the nets used by the workers.

66. Indulgences are used to net an income for the wealthy.

67. It is wrong that merchants praise indulgences.

68. They are the furthest from the grace of God and the piety and love of the cross.

69. Bishops are duty-bound to sell indulgences and support them as part of their job.

70. But bishops are under a much greater obligation to prevent men preaching their own dreams.

71. People who deny the pardons of the Apostles will be cursed.

72. Blessed are they who think about being forgiven.

73. The Pope is angered at those who claim that pardons are meaningless.

74. He will be even angrier with those who use indulgences to criticize holy love.

75. It is wrong to think that papal pardons have the power to absolve all sin.

76. You should feel guilt after being pardoned. A papal pardon cannot remove guilt.

77. Not even St. Peter could remove guilt.

78. Even so, St. Peter and the Pope possess great gifts of grace.

79. It is blasphemy to say that the insignia of the cross is of equal value with the cross of Christ.

80. Bishops who authorize such preaching will have to answer for it.

81. Pardoners make the intelligent appear disrespectful because of the Pope's position.

82. Why doesn't the Pope clean feet for holy love, not for money?

83. Indulgences bought for the dead should be repaid by the Pope.

84. Evil men must not buy their salvation when a poor man, who is a friend of God, cannot.

85. Why are indulgences still bought from the church?

86. The Pope should rebuild St. Peter's with his own money.

87. Why does the Pope forgive those who serve against him?

88. What good would be done to the church if the Pope was to forgive hundreds of people each day?

89. Why are indulgences only issued when the Pope sees fit to issue them?

90. To suppress the above is to expose the church for what it is and to make true Christians unhappy.

91. If the Pope had worked as he should (and by example), all the problems stated above would not have existed.

92. All those who say there is no problem must go. Problems must be tackled.

93. Those in the church who claim there is no problem must go.

94. Christians must follow Christ at all cost.

95. Let Christians experience problems if they must - and overcome them - rather than live a false life based on present Catholic teaching.



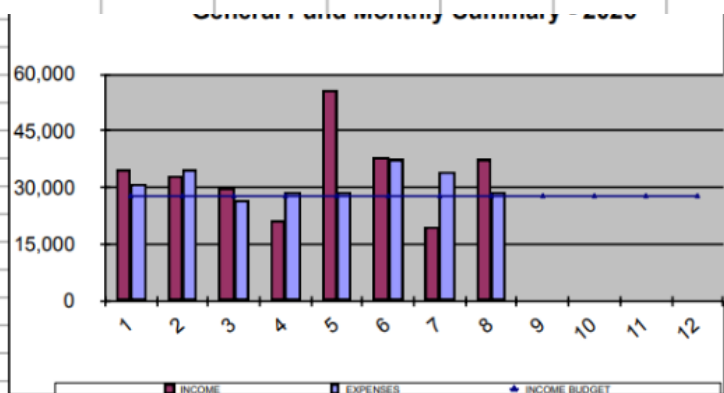
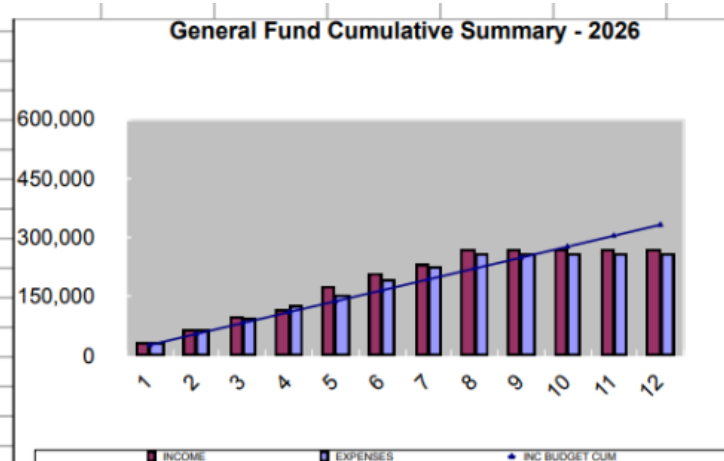
FINANCES

STEWARDSHIP THANK YOU!

The stewardship team would like to express our appreciation to the many members who have returned their personal stewardship plan cards; we've had an excellent response rate. Also thanks to the brave folks who shared their reasons for giving to FELC in Temple Talks this year: Alex Dean, Clinton Dahlberg, and Chris Brooks. Well done, good and faithful servants! :-) If you haven't turned in a pledge yet, **Sunday, October 4th** is the last day to get it in for it to be included in our planning for next year. Don't mail it! Bring it with you to church. The Finance Ministry and Church Council will be presenting the 2027 proposed budget at the November 8th Congregational Meeting.

FELC ENDOWMENT 2026

The FELC Endowment Fund has had a very interesting year and is currently enjoying the largest balance that anyone can remember. This is due to continued congregational support and prudent investments in appropriate stock funds. Because the Fund does not withdraw any congregational gifts, but uses only interest and dividends from the investments, the integrity of the endowment is able to be maintained and provide annual grants for the benefit of special church projects. If the stock market continues its current pattern of growth through the end of the year, there will be an excess of \$7,000 available for special church needs after January 1, 2027. As a reminder, student scholarships are also available for grant applications. Required Minimum Distribution Funds and regular contributions are the basis of a successful Endowment Program and you are encouraged to participate.



Current Month:	August	
Current Month Income		37,634.32
Current Month Expenses		28,664.51
Difference		8,969.81
Year to Date Income		268,985.73
*Year to Date Expenses		257,596.51
Difference		11,389.22
Budget Comparison 2026:		
Year to Date Actual Income		268,985.73
Year to Date Budget Income		221,666.67
Difference		47,319.06
Year to Date Actual Expenses		257,596.51
Year to Date Budget Expenses		221,841.67
Difference		35,754.84



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