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News And Views

PASTOR CARL'S 2019 ANNUAL REPORT



Every month I report to the Church Council the pastoral acts I have performed that month. Pastoral acts include baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals. I perform these acts on your behalf as an important part of the ministry of St. Luke's. I would like here to report to you about my pastoral acts

since beginning to serve as your pastor in August of 1993.

I have performed two-hundred and nineteen baptisms as your pastor. This has been a delight for me. Ushering folks into the family of God is a privilege and an honor. If you would like to have someone baptized this year, or you would like to get baptized yourself, please let me know. Believe me, I would be only too happy to take care of it.

I have performed eighty-three confirmations. This year I am scheduled to perform up to ten confirmations on Sunday, June 14. The youth being confirmed, and their families, will help vitalize St. Luke's for years to come.

I have performed ninety-five marriages. It has been a real blessing to get to be a part of this special time of promise and celebration. If you or someone you know would like to have me perform a wedding

this year, please let me know. It is a special ministry for me.

I have performed two-hundred and thirty-four funerals as your pastor. Although challenging at times, I find this ministry to be vital and a great opportunity to share the Gospel message. I have tried my best to not turn anyone away when they are in need of this ministry.

These pastoral acts are reserved for the pastor of the congregation to perform. It is a tremendous blessing to serve in this position. Through these acts and many other activities and involvements, I work hard to help further the mission of St. Luke's to "Spread the Good News, Serve those in need, and Share the Victory of Jesus Christ Throughout the World."

In this issue of the News and Views you will read a number of annual reports on how the Lord has used us mightily for His work during 2019. May God bless us as we continue into a new decade as a strong, mission-oriented congregation.

Spreading, Serving, and Sharing with You,
Pastor Carl

GOD FOR US

“God is for us”. That is the wonderful message of Scripture. God is for us in Jesus Christ. God is for us in life, death, and in eternity. God is for us, and nothing can separate us from God’s love, which is ours through Jesus Christ. The message that God is for us is easily lost among the many demands and challenges of life. We can lose sight of the possibility to rest and be revitalized in the realization that God is for us. Beginning in February, there will be an opportunity to be restored in the reality that God is for us.

God For Us will be the theme of a 9-session Sunday morning and Tuesday morning adult class Pastor Carl will be leading starting February 16 and 18. The Sunday morning class will be at 9:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary Study Room. The Tuesday morning class will be at 10:15 a.m. in the church office. You are most welcome join one of the groups as we go through the Bible and Luther’s Small Catechism to see together how God is for us. This class would be especially helpful to those who would like to learn more about Christianity from a Lutheran perspective.



“SOUP”ER Bowl Sunday



Our Annual “Soup”er Bowl event is coming on February 2, 2020. If you are able to bring one or more cans of soup this year, you will be helping an increasing number of working class residents that simply cannot make it through the month without the help of the food bank. Thank you so much for your help.

-Community Concerns Committee



PRESIDENT’S REPORT



“Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we accept God’s call to spread the Good News, Serve those in need, and Share the Victory of Jesus Christ throughout the world.”

-St. Luke Lutheran Church’s Mission Statement

Once again, the Congregation has experienced a stellar year as we continue to actively live and perform the mission of St. Luke’s. As we reflect on 2019, looking at all the wonderful work our church has performed, we know that the power of the Holy Spirit is truly working and we’re ready for 2020.

In this edition of the News and Views, the Board Leaders will summarize their boards completed projects. You will see, as you read each report, that our boards are dedicated to the mission of our church. A “Big Thank You” is in order to all those who serve and volunteer their time and talents. To Pastor Carl, on behalf of myself and the Congregation, “Thank You.” Your leadership, spiritual guidance and bountiful knowledge is so very much appreciated.

Lastly, I would like to say “Thank You” for all the support I have received this past year. It is a privilege and an honor to serve as your Church President, and I look forward to working with and for you in 2020.

Your Fellow Servant,
Carolyn Andrews



Our year began with our Epiphany Breakfast and Service on Sunday, January 6, 2019. We had a wonderful breakfast of casserole's, fruit, muffins & breads. Pastor Carl conducted the Sunday Service and Communion in Schultz Hall. We had around a 100 people in attendance.

Ash Wednesday, March 6th, began with our Lenten Soup Suppers and Services. W-ELCA hosted our first Lenten Soup Supper and we all shared in the Holy Communion Worship Service. Five more soup suppers (hosted by our Boards, Church Council and the Congregation) worship services followed. We enjoyed many delicious soups, breads and desserts each Wednesday.

Easter Sunday fell on April 21st. We planned on 250 guests for Easter Breakfast. However we did not have as many people as anticipated. We all had a lovely time. We had scrambled eggs, ham, French toast, fruit salad, muffins, etc. Thank you to all who helped cook, serve, set-up and clean up.

To honor all the special men in our congregation, we served pie and ice cream on Father's Day June 16th. It was a special day for all at St. Luke's Lutheran Church.

June 2019 we organized our small Diner's Group. It was our intent to invite New Members and Members who normally do not participate in the Diner's Group.

We hosted our annual summer root beer and orange soda floats on Sunday July 14th. Great event on a hot afternoon.



Our Outreach Luncheon on August 10th was at Sizzler Restaurant. Great food and a good time was had by all.

Our Congregational BBQ Picnic was held on Sunday, September 8th. Thank you to Ed and Kirsten Ireton who manned the BBQ this year. We had plenty of tables and shade for everyone. Lots of great salads to share.

Reformation and Potluck was held on Sunday, October 27th. Pastor Carl found a Bingo for Martin Luther and Reformation. We had so much fun with this activity. Lots of great food.

We had our Ministry Fair on November 10th. We had several sign up for Greeters, Serving Refreshments and Visitor's Gifts.

On November 17th St Luke's hosted the Conference Assembly. The Evangelism Board provided refreshments for this conference.

Our Congregational Meeting and Potluck was held on December 15. We had lots of great food. We had

beautiful Table Decorations provided by W-ELCA. The Board continues with the after service refreshments, visiting shut-ins and visitor's welcome gifts.

It has been a wonderful and busy year and would not be possible without my

blessed board, Carolyn Andrews, Pauline Arndt, Walt Arndt, Kelly Boyer, Carol Carney, Joyce Jensen and Pat Webb.

I would like to Thank Pastor Carl for his love, support and guidance this past year.

In Christ,

Carole Vance
Evangelism Board



BOARD OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC

The 2019 Worship and Music Board was chaired by Peggy Moser. Mary Harris, Karen Linfor, Marlene Kiser, Carolyn Andrews, Paul Maki, Shirley Prouty and Triss Hoppman served as members with Pastor Carl and Jane Fanucci as ex-officio members.

The rotating schedules for Communion Servers, Welcome Leaders and Altar Care continued in 2019. Communion servers are scheduled by Mary Harris, Welcome Leaders by Peggy Moser and Altar Care by Marlene Kiser. Barbara Manlapig continued as coordinator for Readers and Prayer Leaders. The schedules for these are set in the fall.



Larry Dockter continued as coordinator for the ushers. Jeff Kiser faithfully filled the candles with oil each week.

Black History Month was recognized on February 17 with a special sermon, "Futile or Fruitful Faith" highlighting several Civil Rights leaders. Lenten services began March 6 with Ash Wednesday Holy Communion. Weekly services were held after the Lenten soup suppers. Dramas were presented featuring Pastor Carl and others entitled "Follow the Master" focused on the Passion from the perspective of several participants. The services and suppers were well attended. Lenten

devotionals and Coin Folders were made available. A Lenten offering envelope was also made available for those who prefer to write a check. The proceeds from the Lenten offerings went to the Pastoral Assistance fund.

Holy week began with Palm Sunday, April 14, and featured the usual activities with a cleaning day and decorating with palms the Saturday before Palm Sunday. As always, thank you to Bruce Kiser for providing the palms. Maundy Thursday Holy Communion was celebrated on April 18 and Good Friday observed with the service of shadows on April 19. On April 20 the sanctuary was decorated with Easter lilies and the beautiful living cross. Thank you to Holly Hoppman and Rachel Kiser for decorating the cross and to everyone who purchased Easter lilies for our Easter celebration.

The annual Luau was held in September. The choir performed some classic rock and the bell choir introduced "Boom Wackers" – color coded and tuned plastic tubes that can be used to play music. It is the hope of the Board that the children will

learn to play these. The luau was well attended and a good time was had by all. The Choir resumed in September and began work on the Christmas Cantata. This year the cantata was a collection of Christmas anthems and related Bible readings. It was an opportunity to sing some favorite Christmas music that there often isn't time for in Advent and the brief Christmas season

In November, as in the past, Veterans were honored at the Veterans Day service with a special choir anthem and the display of the veterans' banners. The women of the ELCA lead the annual Thankoffering service the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving Holy Communion was

celebrated the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. The opportunity for the congregation to purchase poinsettias for Christmas in memory or honor of someone continued for Christmas. Dave Saxby once again purchased a beautiful tree. The Choir presented its annual Christmas cantata on December 15. It featured solos by Karen Linfor, Suzanne Zemke, Pastor Carl and Mark Silver. Christmas Holy Communion was celebrated December 22 and the traditional Christmas Eve Candle-lighting service was held at 7:00 p.m. December 24.

Respectfully submitted,
Triss Hoppman for the Board of Worship and Music



Part of our mission as a congregation is to “Serve those in Need”. St Luke’s congregation was busy doing that in 2019! Thank you all for your support of the Community Concerns ministries!

1. February 3rd - Soup-er Bowl Sunday Soup Collection to help the Elk Grove Food Closet; Soup-er Bowl Sunday Soup Collection is scheduled for February 2,2020.
2. February 24 - Winter Sanctuary. We served 100 homeless guests, both men and women, by providing them dinner, a night’s lodging in Schultz Hall, breakfast, and a lunch to take with them. They really enjoyed the Sacramento

Youth Jazz Band, and a movie. We had help from 4-5 Sacramento Steps Forward staffers. They also collected the leftover lunches and donated them to Loaves & Fishes.

3. All year -The Children’s Clothing Closet (CCC) is a free children’s clothing source we have here at St. Luke’s. We gratefully receive donations of gently used children’s clothes from the congregation and community. These clothes are then distributed to community members in need of clothes for their children. The Clothing Closet has become quite popular with families in our neighborhood, and community, and many families found much needed clothing in the CCC for their families.
4. The month of April had 2 surprises, first was our sock drive. We gathered 86 pairs of socks for the needy. Second we had a mug drive for Loaves and Fishes where we gathered approximately 100 mugs.
5. August 4 - Back-to-School Backpacks for Charles Mack and Parkway Elementary were very gratefully received by both schools and I think some teachers were a little teary-eyed over their supplies! These packs are filled during the summer with generous donations of school supplies from our congregation.
6. October 18 – Our 4th year of participating in the Share-A-Sole shoe giveaway was a great success – we fitted 224 children with new shoes at Charles Mack Elementary and all those who participated had a great time.



7. October 24 – Our 2nd Annual Trunk-or-Treat event was a great success! We partnered up with Valley Hi Resource Center, one of St. Luke’s community organizations we help, had 19 “trunks”, 15 games, cupcake walk, face painting, and 800-plus people and a whole lot of fun! I kept hearing “I can’t WAIT for next year!”



8. All year – We coordinated the tithing our congregation shares with the community from the proceeds of the Crab Feed, the Fireworks Booth and the Luau. During 2019 we were blessed to share the following:

Union Gospel Mission	\$500
Habitat for Humanity	\$400
Valley High Resources Center	\$200
Chicks in Crisis	\$200
Elk Grove Food Bank	\$200
Sacto Youth Band	\$200
Love, Inc	\$200
Salvation Army	\$200
Relay for Life	\$175
Sacto Children's Home	\$175
WIND	\$175
Wellness Recovery Center	\$175
Stanford Youth Solutions	\$175
Alternative Pregnancy Center	\$175
Warm Line Family	\$175
Total	\$3,325

(This amount equals 10% of what was raised by several Fundraisers.)

Yours in Christ,
Faith Thomas, Chair
Community Concerns



I want to thank all the members of St. Luke Church for the continue support that has made W-ELCA such a fun and successful group.

A special thank you to the ladies who help every month by coming early to set up for the W-ELCA meetings and to those who stayed later and always help clean up. It would not have been possible to have successful meetings without you.

2019 At A Glance

January was a review of the benevolence for the year, mission support was Union Gospel Mission. February was the celebration of Valentine Day’s, with our mission support being the Winter Sanctuary Service Project. March was the celebration of St. Patrick’s Day, and the hosting of Ash Wednesday’s Soup Supper, mission support was Courageous Connections. April was made up of the Passover Lamb Dinner (Thank you all for your hard on this dinner.) and Easter, mission support Kiwanis Family House. May was the always enjoyable Mother’s Day Celebration, mission support Saint Johns Program for Real Change. June Bunco (thank you all) event was fun and successful again this year. Fun was had by all who attended, mission support was for the Sacramento SPCA. July & August included the successful Summer Bible classes and potlucks, and mission support was the backpack drive for Parkway and Charles Mack Elementary Schools. September started the Fall



year with out restaurant outing to Chicago Fire, mission support was Chicks in Crisis. October was the successful Fall Festival, a lot of work done by all but well worth the success we had. November's meeting brought a great speaker from My Sister's House that was very informative, mission support was Valley High Family Resource Center. December brought the



year to an end with our annual Christmas Celebration, mission support the Christmas Families. 2019 was a very fun and successful year, thank you all for all the support and all the hard work done by all.

Marlene Kiser
W-ELCA President



TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2019

The following pages provide the 2019 year-end reports for the "Special Funds" and "General Fund and Budget". For reference the Special Funds are those donations/receipts designated for special purposes such as memorials, Sunday School offerings, crab feed, fireworks, etc. This account was managed by Ron Webb as the appointed Special Funds Recorder. The General Fund includes all receipts by means of offerings, facility use donations, etc. and the budgeted expenses approved at the Congregational Meeting in December 2018. This account was managed by Bob Behr as the elected Treasurer. The Finance Board provides oversight for both accounts. As before, the data presented in the reports are "unaudited" pending completion of an audit in 2020.

General Fund and Budget

The General Fund report shows the budgeted and expensed items by budget account for December 2019 and for the entire year 2019. Compared to the budgeted amounts, the envelope offerings were below budgeted but the loose cash and flower and facility-use donations were above expectations. The expenses, which are managed directly by the various Boards, were below the budgeted amounts approved by the Congregation in December 2018. The final review shows that the income from all sources was \$4,878 above the total expenses.

Looking Forward to 2020

We will continue to maintain/manage our financial assets and expenses in accordance with the adopted budget for 2020 and the various policies and procedures in place. We look forward to working together to support our mission with the various donations while maintaining our financial focus.

Bob D. Behr
Treasurer

**General Fund and Budget Report
December 2019**

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	December		Entire Year 2019	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Income				
Major 40, Church Income // Minor 10, Designated Giving				
01 - Envelope Offerings	25,155.00	18,928.50	215,000.00	208,285.51
02 - Loose Cash Offerings	450.00	410.04	3,000.00	4,125.30
03 - Flower Income	700.00	405.00	3,500.00	3,579.00
04 - Facility Usage	1,000.00	2,372.00	9,400.00	10,207.00
05 - Reimbursements/Rebates	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
06 - Other Income	0.00	300.00	0.00	1,712.00
	<u>27,305.00</u>	<u>22,415.54</u>	<u>230,900.00</u>	<u>227,908.81</u>
Total Income	27,305.00	22,415.54	230,900.00	227,908.81
Expense				
Major 51, General Budget // Minor 10, Synod/ELCA				
01 - Synod Benevolence	2,560.00	2,010.00	21,800.00	21,241.00
02 - Other ELCA Benevolence	0.00	0.00	0.00	566.00
	<u>2,560.00</u>	<u>2,010.00</u>	<u>21,800.00</u>	<u>21,807.00</u>
Major 52, General Budget Expense // Minor 10, Executive Committee				
01 - Pastor Wages	2,834.00	2,834.00	31,608.00	31,608.00
02 - Pastor SSEA	222.00	222.00	2,664.00	2,664.00
03 - Pastor Housing Allowance	3,774.00	3,774.00	45,288.00	45,288.00
04 - Pastor Benefits	1,830.41	1,830.42	21,965.00	21,965.04
05 - Pastor Continuing Educ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
06 - Office Secretary Wages	975.00	975.00	12,675.00	12,675.00
07 - Sub Pastors & Others	0.00	0.00	900.00	1,200.00
08 - Stewardship Program Exp	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
09 - Staff Training/Checks	0.00	0.00	350.00	259.00
10 - Other Expenses	250.00	0.00	1,000.00	196.00
	<u>9,685.41</u>	<u>9,435.42</u>	<u>116,650.00</u>	<u>115,855.04</u>
Major 53, General Budget // Minor 10, Community Concerns				
01 - CC Program Exp	0.00	0.00	500.00	322.06
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>322.06</u>
Major 54, General Budget // Minor 10, Education Board				
01 - Sunday School	250.00	0.00	1,255.00	1,146.92
02 - Adult Education Curriculum	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
03 - Other Education Expenses	25.00	0.00	50.00	0.00
	<u>275.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,305.00</u>	<u>1,146.92</u>
Major 55, General Budget // Minor 10, Evangelism Board				
01 - Evangelism Program Exp	125.00	0.00	500.00	411.73
	<u>125.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>411.73</u>
Major 56, General Budget // Minor 10, W & M Board				
01 - Organist/Choir Director	1,192.00	1,192.00	14,304.00	14,304.00
02 - Worship Supplies	700.00	201.74	2,090.00	1,406.93
03 - Flower Exp	700.00	593.75	3,500.00	3,133.00
04 - W&M Other Exp	175.00	100.00	700.00	145.70
	<u>2,767.00</u>	<u>2,087.49</u>	<u>20,594.00</u>	<u>18,989.63</u>

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	December		Entire Year 2019	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Major 57, General Budget // Minor 10, Finance Board				
01 - Payroll Taxes	166.00	165.78	2,064.00	2,063.92
02 - Workers Comp Ins	195.00	188.35	780.00	722.79
03 - Property Fees & Taxes	0.00	0.00	3,200.00	3,145.62
04 - Liability Property Ins	1,545.00	1,604.50	6,180.00	6,384.68
05 - Pastor Mileage	125.00	121.80	1,500.00	1,542.44
06 - Office Supplies	125.00	82.62	1,500.00	667.06
07 - Telephone	106.00	110.25	1,272.00	1,286.62
08 - Postage	100.00	110.00	950.00	905.50
09 - Internet	70.00	74.90	840.00	849.80
10 - Copier/ Off.Equip. Suppt	335.00	308.15	3,705.00	4,055.81
11 - Computer/Sftwr Supp	0.00	0.00	1,250.00	599.99
12 - Conferences/Conventions	0.00	0.00	900.00	600.00
13 - Misc. Fees & Taxes	107.00	0.00	557.00	10.00
	2,874.00	2,762.35	24,698.00	22,834.23
Major 58, General Budget // Minor 10, Property Board				
01 - Facility Maintenance	325.00	502.48	3,900.00	3,082.30
02 - Janitorial Svc Contract	510.00	510.00	6,120.00	6,120.00
03 - Floor Care	0.00	0.00	2,200.00	1,025.40
04 - Landscape Svc Contract	650.00	650.00	8,550.00	8,700.00
05 - Refuse Services	350.00	309.08	4,650.00	4,495.66
06 - Electricity	450.00	378.19	5,000.00	4,454.18
07 - Natural Gas	450.00	322.03	3,000.00	2,399.07
08 - Sewer Charges	0.00	0.00	1,700.00	1,596.36
09 - Water Charges	200.00	208.86	2,900.00	3,147.44
10 - Storm Drainage Fees	386.00	386.32	4,640.00	4,635.84
11 - Street Sweeping Fees	4.00	4.38	53.00	52.56
12 - Janitorial Supplies	275.00	226.34	1,100.00	1,001.70
13 - Furniture/Eqpmt	0.00	0.00	1,040.00	953.09
14 - Other Property Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	3,600.00	3,497.68	44,853.00	41,663.60
Total Expense	21,886.41	19,792.94	230,900.00	223,030.21
Income Less Expense	\$5,418.59	\$2,622.60	\$0.00	\$4,878.60

General Fund Bank Balance December 31, 2019 **\$37,560.89**

Robert D. Behr
Treasurer

Special Funds

In January 2019 the Finance Board invested \$15,000 in the Reserve subaccount in a 1-year Certificate of Deposit (CD) with our bank, F&M Bank. The objective was to earn some interest on our funds while still having access to these emergency set-aside funds. An additional \$15,000 has been set aside at the end of 2019 for either another CD or in the subaccount. The Reserve Fund is used primarily for emergency and/or unexpected needs that need to be met quickly with oversight provided by the Church Council and /or Congregation in accordance with the Church Constitution and By-Laws. For example, in 2019 Reserve Funds were used to speedily repair the sidewalk entry way from Center Parkway (on the Property Board to-do list awaiting funds) after two tripping incidents resulted in personal injuries at the Fall Festival. Other activity of note in the Special Funds account was the designation of 10% of the receipts from the Crab Feed, Fireworks, and Luau events to a number of community agencies upon the recommendations provided by the Community Concerns Board.

SPECIAL FUNDS REPORT December 2019

Sub-Fund		
Memorials:	Number	Balance
Under \$99.99	0	\$0.00
\$100.00 to \$249.99	1	\$100.00
\$250.00 to \$499.99	3	\$1,016.89
\$499.99 to \$999.99	3	\$1,898.73
Over \$1,000.00	0	\$0.00
Subtotal		\$3,015.62
Special Funds Accounts		
Community Concerns		\$392.07
Crab Feed Fund		\$500.07
Evangelism Board Fund		\$1,115.41
Fireworks Booth		\$500.00
Luau Music		\$3,568.64
Parking Lot Fund		\$4,000.00
Pastoral Assistance Fund		\$844.69
Property Board		\$4,431.02
Reserve Fund		\$30,988.48
Reule Handbell Fund		\$1,633.17
Sunday School Fund		\$1,704.18
F&M Bank CD		\$15,000.00
Subtotal		\$64,677.73
TOTAL		\$67,693.35

Bank Statement Balance	12/31/2019	\$53,894.37
Checks not cleared/posted	Net	(\$1,201.02)
Bank Statement Total		\$52,693.35
Reserve CD 12 months 0.55%		\$15,000.00
Total Special Funds Balance		\$67,693.35

Ronald L. Webb
Special Fund Recorder



PROPERTY ANNUAL REPORT

The St. Luke's Bylaws states that the Property Board is responsible for the "general custodial management of this congregation's property and facilities". These responsibilities include the care, maintenance, and improvement of St. Luke's equipment, furnishings, buildings, and grounds.

It is a big job! A partial list of St. Luke's facilities is shown below.

- 4.6 acres of land.
- 22,120 square feet of structures, including a 330-seat Sanctuary, 2,800-square foot fellowship hall, and an Education Wing with five classrooms.
- One kitchen and four kitchenettes, with a total of two double ovens, a commercial dishwasher and cooktop, a range, four refrigerators (one large), an icemaker, and seven sinks.
- Eight restrooms (three of which are ADA compliant) having a total of 14 toilets, five urinals, and 12 lavatories.
- Seven HVAC systems, with a 15-ton Sanctuary system.
- Seven hot water heaters, including a large heater for the kitchen and dishwasher.
- An asphalt concrete parking lot with 60 plus spaces.
- Four irrigation systems with a total of 22 watering zones. 14 zones are controlled by a weather station.
- Two, external storage sheds.
- Numerous exterior lighting fixtures, including a lighted parking lot.

Permanent, On-Going Service Contracts: Two service contracts, one a janitorial contract and another for landscape services, are retained to assist the Property Board, primarily to aid in keeping the facilities and grounds clean, neat, and orderly.

In 2019, The Board negotiated a revised Landscape Service Contract that became effective January 1, 2020. The revised contract increases the contracted work and the monthly fee. The Janitorial Services Contract was not revised and continues under the provisions of the current contract.

2019 Major Projects Completed:

- Refurnished the Original Men's Restroom – \$3,083.
- Refinished the oak, double doors – \$800.
- Reserved \$2,000 for sealing and restriping the parking lot on a scheduled basis.
- Painted all fascia boars without gutters – \$4,632.
- Replaced the Center Parkway Walkway – \$5,750.
- Unplugged the north storm drain line – \$550.

The listed major projects were funded by the Property Board Special Funds, except the last two projects were considered “emergencies” and were funded by Reserve Funds. The major projects are completed through contracted, licensed contractors.

Note: The Property Board Special Funds are critical for maintaining and improving the facilities and are received **solely** from the annual Crab Feed and Fireworks Booth fundraiser events. Your support for these events is appreciated. Thank you.

2019 Other Projects Completed:

- Cleaned the Schultz Hall carpet – no cost. Completed by St. Luke's member Michael Duffek". Thank you, Mike.
- Repaired the lighting for the Office – \$400.
- Purchased a new, commercial vacuum cleaner for Schultz Hall – \$356.
- Stripped and waxed selected vinyl tile floors – \$1,025.

- Refurbished the kitchenette located in the Schultz Hall addition – \$297. Completed by Board members.
- Reduced the length of a Choir pew – no cost. Completed by Board members.
- Replaced the Multiple Purpose Room exterior lighting fixture – \$167.
- Replaced the Courtyard lighting fixture and installed a switch for the light – \$404.
- Assisted the installation of three memorials – Harry and Adeline Weston (Office steps), Carolyn and Erwin Kiser (bench), and Jerry Carney (planting plot adjacent to Narthex).
- Installed exterior trim around the three Narthex windows – \$350, two-thirds were reimbursed by Jerry Carney's memorial funds.
- Constructed two carts for storing items under the Schultz Hall stage – \$434. Completed by Board members.

The “Other Projects” were funded by the General Budget. Except as noted, the “Other Projects” were completed by specialized, licensed contractors.

Routine Maintenance Efforts: The routine tasks required to maintain St. Luke's facilities are typical of those required for any medium-sized commercial, **public** establishment.

A few examples completed in 2019 are: changed the HVAC filters, negotiated a revised refuse disposal contract that reduced the cost \$108/month, changed expired bulbs, installed cork boards, researched shade structures, changed the icemaker filter, received donated equipment (thank you Clarence Korhonen and the Carney family), changed the dishwasher sanitizer, pruned roses, unplugged the Sanctuary HVAC drain line, investigated solar energy installations, replaced the Multiple Purpose Room HVAC registers, disposed of obsolete electronic equipment, repaired irrigation lines and heads (a frequent task), and removed debris from the gutters and downspouts.

The Board conducted two “All Members Work Day” events – one in the spring to prepare the facilities for Easter and one in the fall to prepare for the rainy, winter months. The participation in both events was sparse and disappointing.

Occasionally, the Board members escort various representatives through the St. Luke's facilities for specific property-related needs. In 2019, guidance was provided for a City Fire Department officer (annual inspection), cell tower contractor (site inspection for a possible cell tower). Guide One insurance inspector (a loss control survey), and Sacramento Fire Extinguisher Company worker (annual inspection and recharging of 10 extinguishers - \$250).

The expense to complete each routine task is generally less than \$100 and is charged to the General Budget. In 2019, all **routine tasks** were completed by the Property Board members, which is unusual. *Generally, at least a plumber must be called to unplug a sewer line.*

Homeless and Vandalism Issues: The homeless issues continue but were sporadic and minor in 2019. At the year's end, there were no significant issues. The installations of the wrought iron fences have made a significant, positive impact on the homeless issues.

Other than one incident, vandalism was minor in 2019. The incident involved a broken window caused by an attempted break in. Other than the broken window and frame, no other losses were discovered. The window was replaced by Board members (cost \$108).

There were several occurrences of nuisance-type vandalism incidents - a toilet paper dispenser was broken, and, on two occasions, a toilet was made inoperable by objects placed inside the tank.

Sad Note: In February of 2019, the Property Board lost an eminent member of the Board, Jerry Carey. Jerry was an experienced, knowledgeable, and skilled craftsman. He was a long-time member of the Property Board, including serving as Chairperson. Most importantly, he was **always** available and willing to serve. Over the years, Jerry accumulated

extensive knowledge of the church facilities, which he freely shared. Needless to say, the Property Board greatly misses Jerry.

Closing: The Property Board members in 2019 were Kelly Boyer (chairperson), Ben Briel, Jerry Carney, Gaylen Everett, Jack Fenske, Ed Ireton, Bruce Kiser, and Clarence Korhonen. On St. Luke's behalf, I thank the Board members for their dedication and hours of devoted work. A special thank you is extended to Kelly Boyer who has served as Property Board Chairperson for the last four years (two, full terms). A job well done Kelly, thanks.



Clarence Korhonen has graciously volunteered to serve as the Property Board chairperson for the next term. Thank you, Clarence.

HELP: The Property Board is in desperate need of younger, able individuals to assist the Board. Several of the members are over 80 years old and soon will be unable to serve. Please contact Clarence if you have any interest. Thank you.

Prepared by Jack Fenske for the St. Luke's Property Board and Kelly Boyer, Chairperson



St. Luke's Youth 2019 Highlights



Winter Sanctuary



Art Auction



Mount Cross Retreat



Pumpkin
Bread
Making





Theodore Lewis Orcutt

Parents: Lauren & John Orcutt

Siblings: Lucy & Jack

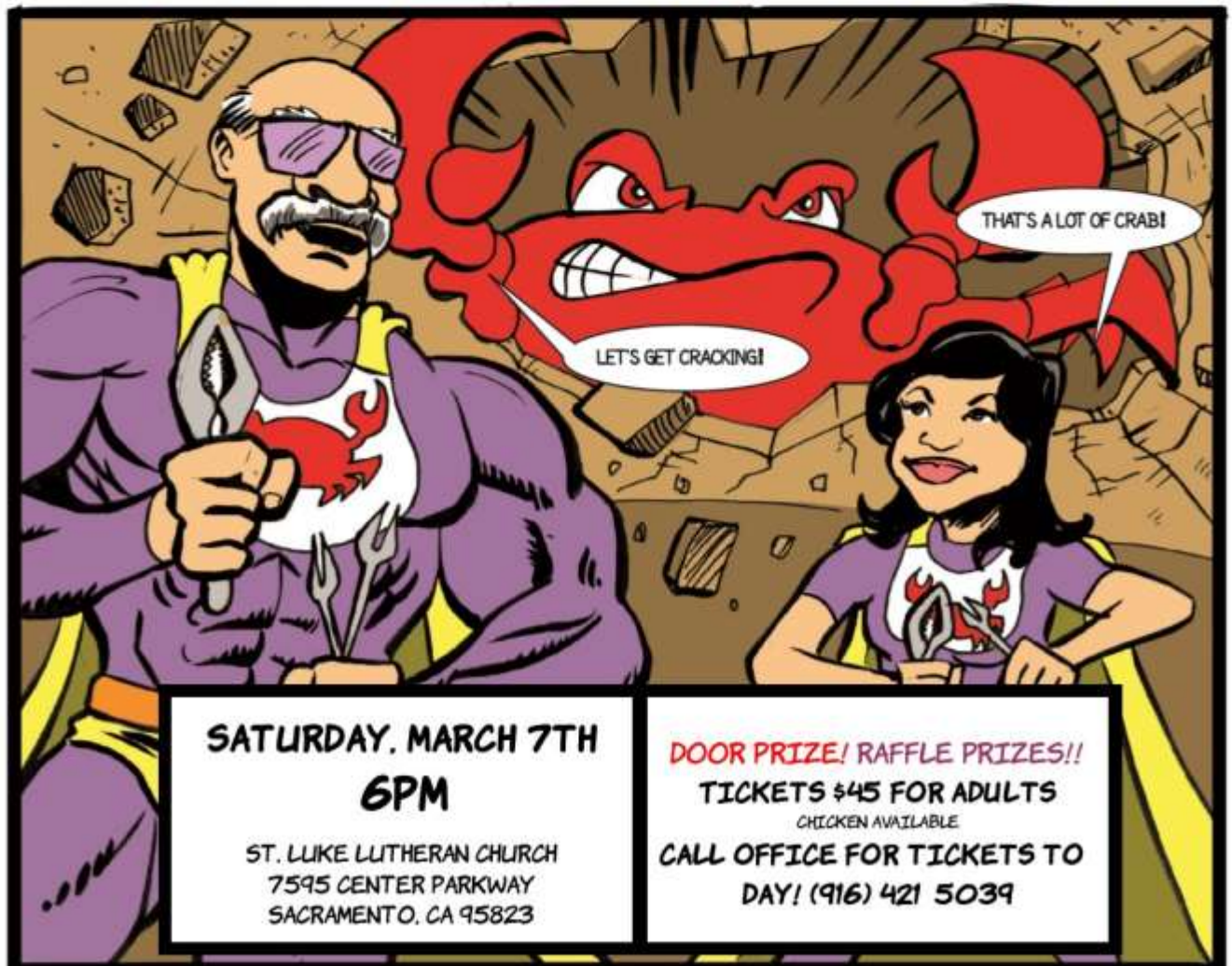
Sponsors: Shawn & Brittany Hibdon



Epiphany
Breakfast
January 6, 2020

CALLING ALL SUPER HEROES!

Help us defeat Lord Dungeness and his six legged crustaceans ...





- Feb 2 *Needed*
- Feb 9 **Pastor Carl & Triss**
For Holly's Birthday
- Feb 16 **Jon Linfor & Lauren Weaver**
For Laura's Birthday
- Tom & Faith Harper**
For their 21st Wedding
Anniversary
- Feb 23 **Pat Webb**
For Ron's Birthday
- Bob Behr**
For Megan Thomas's Birthday



With heartfelt appreciation to all who sent cards and messages to John during his illness and to me when he passed away. I want to thank Pastor Carl for the very meaningful service for John and for his beautiful solo. I also want to thank Judy Saxby for reciting the "Lord's Prayer" in Norwegian and Jane and the choir for their special music.

The ladies were great in preparing and serving such a delicious lunch which was enjoyed by all.

You are a blessing and I pray that the Lord will continue to bless each of you.

Thelma Williams



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| Daniel Connell | February 03 |
| LaRayna Osako-Cain | February 03 |
| Jesse Iniguez | February 07 |
| Holly Hoppman | February 10 |
| Lacey King | February 10 |
| Lindsay King | February 10 |
| Brooklyn Moser | February 10 |
| Kim Osako | February 12 |
| Robin Zoesch | February 13 |
| Ed Ireton | February 15 |
| Rochelle Jaeger | February 17 |
| Eric Linblade | February 17 |
| Andrew Encinas | February 18 |
| Ron Webb | February 22 |
| Lajuan Andrews | February 24 |
| Eli Korhonen | February 24 |
| Megan Thomas | February 27 |
| Cheryl Franklin | February 28 |



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FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

December & Year End Report - 2019

Comments:

December 2019 and 2019 Totals –

- a. As the table shows, this year's December contributions were considerably less than last year's totals.
- b. The total contributions for 2019 fell about \$5,600 short of the 2019 Budget, as a result of the shortfall in December's contributions.
- c. However, when compared to the 2018 contributions, the 2019 total is essentially the same as 2018, only a \$456 difference.
- d. In 2019, the average number of discrete monthly contributors decreased by 10 from 2018. This is a continuing concern.

General –

- e. Annual statements of contributions for 2019 will be distributed in January 2019, for all contributors. If you do not receive a statement and believe you should have, please contact me as noted below.
- f. I encourage all members to use numbered envelopes, if feasible. The use of numbered envelopes speeds up the Sunday counting process, makes record keeping easier, and most importantly, minimizes errors.
- g. When you need numbered envelopes, either contact me or drop a note in the offering.
- h. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the Financial Secretary's duties or reports, please do not hesitate to contact me.
- i. Your continuing support is appreciated. Thank you.

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General Fund (Only) Contributions - 2019		
Data	December	2019 Total
Total Contributions	\$19,339	\$212,411
Compared to Budget	-\$6,266	-\$5,590
	-24.5%	-2.6%
Compared to 2018	-\$5,654	-\$456
	-22.6%	-0.2%
No. of Contributors		
2019 (This Year)	84	75 avg.
2018 (Last Year)	99	85 avg.

Note: Plus values are good; minus values are not.

Other Contributions - 2019		
	December	Total
Sunday School	\$32	\$241
Memorials		\$1,588
Special Gifts	\$300	\$1,681
Lenten Offerings		\$324
Thank Offering		\$1,016
Soup Suppers		\$197
Crab Feed		\$4,180
Flowers	\$145	\$2,515
Easter Lilies		\$584
Poinsettias	\$260	\$480



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Altar Care

(8:15 a.m.) Cheryl Franklin
(10:30 a.m.)
Feb 2 Steven Lee, Shirley Prouty
Feb 9 Marlene Kiser
Feb 16 Connie Reule, Linda Duffek
Feb 23 Faith Harper
Feb 26 Peggy Moser, Marlene Kiser

Communion Servers

Feb 2 Karen Linfor, Shirley Prouty,
Connie Reule
Feb 16 David Saxby, Faith Thomas,
Howard Triebwasser
Feb 26 Gail Weber
(Ash Wed,)

Counters

Feb 2 Debi Lentsch, Connie Reule
Feb 9 John Orcutt, Triss Hoppman
Feb 16 Kelly Boyer, Barbara Manlapig
Feb 23 Holly Hoppman, Marlene Kiser

Greeters

Feb 2 Brenda Sulzmann, Carole Johnson
Feb 9 Carol Carney, Ofelia Ojeda
Feb 16 Carole Vance
Feb 23 *Needed*

Prayer Leaders

Feb 2 Barbara Manlapig
Feb 9 Faith Thomas
Feb 16 Laura Tice
Feb 23 Pat Webb
Feb 26 Kelly Boyer

Psalms Leaders

Feb 2 Kimiya Ricciardi
Feb 9 Aiyana Tice
Feb 16 Lucy Orcutt
Feb 23 Lauren Richey
Feb 26 Amber Mansfield

Head Ushers

8:15 a.m. Ron Franklin
10:30 a.m. Ralph Zbrog
Readers (8:15 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.)
Feb 2 Sarah Madison; Betty Englund
Feb 9 Phil Petersen; Faith Harper
Feb 16 Ron Webb; Mary Frances Harris
Feb 23 Christiana Wilson; Holly Hoppman
Feb 26 Karen Linfor

Refreshments

Feb 2 Carole Vance & Ofelia Ojeda
Feb 9 Pauline Arndt
Feb 16 Mack & Carole Vance
Feb 23 Carol Carney

Visitors' Gifts

Feb 2 Merle Zbrog
Feb 9 Carole Vance
Feb 16 Gail Weber
Feb 23 Pat Webb

Acolytes

Feb 2 Lauren Richey
Feb 9 Noella Sondrini, Anthony Basquez
Feb 16 Claire Kerian, Elizabeth Wilson
Feb 23 Lucy Orcutt, Kimiya Ricciardi
Feb 26 Amber Mansfield, Angie Martinez

Welcome Leaders

Feb 2 Lois Sherrets
Feb 9 Karen Linfor
Feb 16 Merle Zbrog
Feb 23 Betty Englund

Sunday School Teachers

Feb 2 Lauren Orcutt, Christina Hisamoto, Peggy Moser
Feb 9 Laura Tice, Samantha Basquez, Peggy Moser
Feb 16 Alison Thomas, Lajuan Andrews, Peggy Moser
Feb 23 Samantha Basquez, Laura Tice, Peggy Moser
Feb 26 Alison Thomas, Laura Tice, Peggy Moser



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Lent Begins
February 26
Ash Wednesday
