



St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church March Newsletter

March 2021



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Worship Schedule

Sundays:

- 8:00 am Divine Service
(live-streamed on our website: stjlutheran.org)
- 9:30 am Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 am Divine Service

Address Updates:

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Special points of interest:

- March Birthdays
- Monthly Calendar
- Pastoral Inspiration
- Education Report
- ~~Worship and Those who Serve Schedules~~
- Minutes of the Deacon Council Meeting
- Financial Updates
- ~~Misc. Information about our church and events~~



Please remember...

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, it is up

Did you know that the students in our school memorize part of the catechism and a verse from the Bible over the course of each week? We get to practice together, talk about the selections, and see the fruits of their efforts at the end of the week during chapel (and for the older students, after chapel as well). We also have a hymn selection that we use for a six-week span that fits in with the time in the church year, put on a three-year cycle (meaning that a student will have had opportunity to hear, learn, and memorize approximately seven hymns each year for twenty-one total hymns repeated three times over the course of a full "career" at St. John's Lutheran School). The hymn for this Lent is "Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing," found as hymn 421 in Lutheran Service Book. Drawing on a resource that I both mentioned and used for last November's newsletter article, let's take a little look at this hymn together.

As you may recall, the resource titled *Lutheran Service Book: Companion to the Hymns* has a full set of notes on each hymn's text and tune found in our current hymnal. Accompanying each entry is a brief devotional and theological reflection on the given hymn. One interesting thing to note about our Lenten hymn (LSB 421) is that the author who examines the text and provides the theological reflection on "Jesus, Grant that Balm and Healing" is none other than Rev. Dr. D. Richard Stuckwisch, one-time vicar here at St. John's and currently Pastor of Emmaus Lutheran Church in South Bend, Indiana. In what follows I will occasionally quote from his writing (indicated via quotation marks), while at other times I will provide some of my own reflection on this hymn.

First of all, note how the title continues with an initially surprising statement: "Jesus, grant that balm and healing...*in Your holy wounds I find.*" While this is definitely not the normal way of thinking and speaking or singing, it certainly is the biblical way, based on Isaiah 53:4-5 ("surely He [the Suffering Servant of the Lord] has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and *with His stripes* [wounds...from whipping] *we are healed*") and 1 Peter 2:24 ("He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. *By His wounds you have been healed*"). I would like to emphasize that this last verse from 1 Peter picks up the major theme of Isaiah 53 (the vicarious suffering of Christ as the Servant of the Lord and Savior of man) and ties to it the theme of our baptismal life and the receptive response of faith, which is to fight against our spiritual enemies (the devil, the world, and our sinful nature) with the strength that comes from Christ alone (given in our baptism and in God's promises). Our strength is found in Christ and in His *weakness*, His *suffering*, and His *death*.

The hymn provides another big surprise when it portrays a vivid, true, realistic description of the fight of faith. Few children and few Christians think and speak or sing this way, and yet our school children will be given clear insight into the battle faith wages during this mortal life. Let me share with you some of this realistic and vivid portrait: feeling pains of body and mind every hour, I have a treacherous heart, I need to be shown the peril of evil thoughts and to be kept from even their first beginning, lust and sharp temptation can fascinate my sinful mind, I gain new courage when drawn to the cross of Christ, I resist the devil and force him to flee when he presses me hard by being on my guard through the Gospel and saying "Christ for me was wounded," the world wants to entice my heart with a broad and easy road (of false promises), I resist the seductive/sinful vices it promotes as "virtues" by weighing the awful load Christ was willing to endure for me (and for the very false world), temptation should be answered by prayer and meditation (Christian prayer trusts in the Triune God alone and Christian meditation is on the holy Word of God alone), the



Pastor Johnson's article continued:



wounds I suffer in battle within a fallen world (and within my own conscience) are made whole by the wounds of Christ, when I faint and am nearly ready to give up Jesus' cross revives me and grants new life to my soul, every bitter cup that comes to me as I stay in the fight is rendered sweet by Jesus' comfort (since He is faithful and true and since His all-atoning passion has procured my soul's salvation). For this last point, see 2 Corinthians 1:3-7, where Paul writes wonderfully of suffering and comfort, and how these are distributed and shared within the body of Christ, between Christ, His apostles, and Christians with one another.

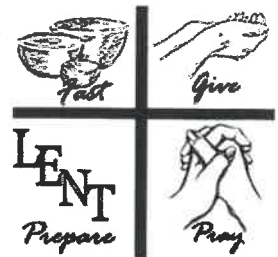
Lent begins with Christ's temptation in the wilderness by the devil after forty days of Jesus' fasting and prayer all alone. It ends with the crucifixion and death, burial and resurrection of the Son of God, our Savior. This Lenten hymn, likewise, ends with a strong focus on the death and resurrection of my God, my Savior, and my mighty fortress: "O my God, my rock and tower / Grant that in Your death I trust, / Knowing death has lost its power / Since You crushed it in the dust. / Savior, let Your agony / Ever help and comfort me; / When I die be my protection, / Light and life and resurrection."

Stuckwisch's final theological statements on this hymn are given here to conclude this newsletter article. "The special focus of this hymn brings to mind Thomas and the other apostles, who were brought from doubting unbelief to confident faith and joyful confession of Christ by the testimony of His wounded hands and side (John 20:24-28; Luke 24:36-41). He now lovingly extends to us through the preaching of the Gospel and the administration of His Baptism and His cup the salvific benefits flowing from His holy wounds (Luke 24:36-49; Mark 16:14-18; Matthew 28:18-20; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; 11:23-26). It is by the proclamation of His resurrection, precisely as the One who was crucified for us and wounded for our transgressions (Revelation 5:6-10; 1 Corinthians 15:3-5; Romans 4:24-25; 10:9-10), that Christ Jesus sustains us in the face of all temptations, sin, and death. His cross and resurrection are the rock and tower that protect us and defend us against all evil[...]. For by His death He has abolished death, and in His rising from the dead He has 'brought life and immortality to light through the gospel' (2 Timothy 1:10). He has crushed the head of Satan under the wounded heel of His foot, so that we are raised again from the dust of the earth to live (Genesis 3:14-19; 1 Corinthians 15:19-27, 45-49). Satan has been stripped of his power over us, because all our sin is forgiven and all the condemnation of the Law is removed (Hebrews 2:14-15, 18; Romans 8:1-2). Hence, the hymn ends with the resurrection, in which the help and comfort of the Gospel are manifested against all manner of temptation (*Companion to the Hymnal*—p. 240)."

God bless each one of you in the baptized life given you by God's grace, for Christ Himself is with you in the fight with His good gifts and Spirit. He comes quickly with forgiveness for the penitent and contrite spirit, and empowers and emboldens us in the fight of our life, that daily return to divine mercy and that total allegiance to Christ whose wounds have made us whole, whose death is now my life indeed!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Johnson



† LENTEN SERVICES †

Wednesdays February 24 – March 24: Lenten Midweek Vespers 7:00 pm

† HOLY WEEK SERVICES †

Palm Sunday (March 28) Divine Services 8:00 & 10:30 am

Monday – Wednesday (March 29-31) Evening Devotions 7:00 pm

Maundy Thursday (April 1): Divine Service & Stripping of the Altar 7:00 pm

Good Friday (April 2): Chief Service of the Word 12:30 pm

Tenebrae Vespers 7:00 pm

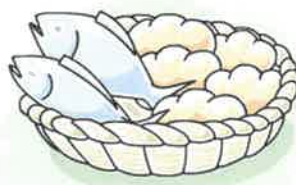
Easter Vigil 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday (April 3):

EASTER SUNDAY (April 4):

Sunrise Divine Service 6:00 am

Divine Services 8:00 & 10:30 am



Deacon Meeting

Date: 1/14/21

Attendees:

Present?	First Name	Last Name	Present?	First Name	Last Name
X	Chris	Kruse	X	Dennis	Schwecke
X	Erik	Preus		Todd	Haag
X	Phil	Koehler	X	Sam	Kulberg
X	Jerry	Rogge	X	Rob	Borcherding
X	Joel	Johnson	X	Mark	Ellinger
X	Leif	Briel	X	Pastor	Johnson
X	Scott	Gehl	X	Pastor	Moss
	Mark	Dorethy	X	Gretchen	Dolan

Call to Order:

CTO by Chris at 7:03pm.

Opening Prayer:

By Pastor Moss lead us in prayer using Collect from prior Sunday.

Theological Study:

We discussed Large Catechism Part V – Essence of the Sacrament of the Alter

Deacon Minutes:

Motion Jerry, 2nd Phil, passed to accept Deacon Minutes from December Meeting

Deacon Board Reports:

Church Secretary:

Admission of New Members: *Motion Jerry, 2nd Rob, passed to approve membership for following people:*

NAME
Andrew Stavig
Birznieks, Grant, Kara & family
Peterson, Jim & Jamie and family
Josh Peterson
Ron & Chrys Tarvin
Jeff Holovnia

Transfer/Release: *Motion Jerry, 2nd _____, passed to approve transfer out of following people:*

Erin Oakland
Kyle & Courtney Gardner
Adam & Brittany Stroschein

Pastors Report:

Saturday services are discontinued after this upcoming weekend.

Ash Wednesday – No noon services just 7pm Divine Service

Four couples are now engaged!

Board of Administration:

Phil mentioned our sprinkler system will need updating. Nothing major. Two rooms are affected.

Board of Spiritual Life:

Jerry reported that first BSL meeting was held. Starting to create an org chart. Have major things to work through. Chris to touch base with DJ to discuss new reporting structure with safety team reporting direct to Deacons directly and meeting times.

Mark reported that Phil completed the SEWAC budget. Will be incorporated into BSL. SEWAC Handbook needs to be updated also.

Principal's Report:

Still working on pre-K license. Working with Mike Gaffer on getting subgroup together. Getting call committee going. Meeting on Feb 1st. Gretchen will take lead for now.

Board of Education:

Nothing additional beyond submitted report.

Congregational President:

Erik suggested we defer Spring assembly meeting discussion to February since meeting is in March.

Motion Jerry, 2nd Phil, passed to approve board reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rick Foggia – Budget Update 21/22 - Rick presented Surplus/Deficit Reconciliation for 2021/2022. Does not appear we would qualify for another PPP loan. Rick spent some time with Ruth re offerings, donations and pledges. She will be working up report of those who pledged last year vs. what they are giving this year. More info coming. Our actuals are within 5% of projected budget through Dec which has been extended through new projections. Covid had some budget impacts. Staff travel has been minimal but will be increased in new budget. Net/net we are at \$162K surplus for current budget year. Rolling that into 21/22 budget we are projecting a deficit of -\$27K. PPP loan, BOE event fund deficit reduction payment, and Barrett gift are not repeating. Pre-K tuition is going up as is enrollment. There may be some risk in ESP numbers. Church and school accounting is now combined.

Chris asked if anyone would like to bring motion to approve Rick's budget tonight vs. waiting 1 more month.

Motion Scott, 2nd Jerry, to approve Rick's 21/22 projected budget. Phil asked about waiting 1 more month and Rick didn't think budget forecast won't change much in 1-month. Vote was taken and motion to accept 21/22 budget passed.

2021 District Convention – Vote on Timing and Appointment of Lay Delegate -

We talked about moving our district convention to 2022 and Synod convention being extended to 2023. Material was in email from Pastor Moss:

The Referendum: Shall the Synod add a year to the current 2019-2022 triennium, allowing districts to hold their conventions in either 2021 or 2022, and moving the upcoming national Synod Convention from 2022 to 2023? [Thereafter, the triennium cycle will continue forward from 2023 in three-year increments, as before (i.e., with district conventions held in 2025, 2028, etc., and Synod Conventions held in 2026, 2029, etc.).]

We have three options: vote yes, vote no, or abstain (essentially a 'no' vote since Synod needs a 25% response rate, with a simple majority "Yes" to consider the referendum passed).

Motion Scott, 2nd Jerry, to vote "No" to moving Synod convention to 2023, passed with 1 nay.

Mark E volunteered to be lay delegate and Rob volunteered to be alternate lay delegate.

Motion Jerry, second ____, to accept volunteers of Mark and Rob, passed.

Pre-K Licensure Update – Gretchen –

Tori has been designated as point person navigate process. Gretchen will be presenting info to BOE next week. Brittany working on program plan and actual curriculum. She and Tori will write everything else. Looking at potential budget impacts of needed changes like staffing, building, etc. Not finding anything significant so far. ESP has to be covered by pre-K program and license. May need to add aides with two teachers. Have to identify controlling individuals and authorized agent are. Tori, Mike and Gretchen came up with ideas: Deacon Chair, Cong President and Treasurer and BOE Chair would become controlling individuals. Pre-K director would become authorized agent and controlling individual. Erik asked what controlling individual means and legal implications. Looking at staffing v enrollment. Looking at assigning Tori pre-K director position. Don't know what call process would look like with Covid.

Endowment Fund Advisory Council Update – Erik & Chris –

Erik gave overview of 3 documents: Operating plan, investing policy, and spending policy. Needs to be gifting account for parking money and true endowment account for scholarship and tuition assistance. The operating plan was then revised to delineate; It is now the "gifting and endowment fund operating plan". Investment and spending policy document was created. Staffing that oversees Endowment Fund Advisory Council was also added to plan. They did not consider cemetery or scholarship funds but will work on those. Resolution will be brought to next Deacon meeting and then be approved by congregation.

To-Do List:

Action Item	Board Responsible	Person(s) Responsible	Next Steps
Deacon Handbook – Where to store updated doc	Deacon Board	Joel	Handbook needs to be modified with new structure. Sharepoint can store the doc. Leave on to-do list for now.
Re-Strategize Sunday School Program	BSL	Pastor Johnson	Curriculum ready to go post Covid. Taking this off Deacon to-do list and BSL will take it from here.
Deacons to develop wish list for their respective boards	All	Deacons	Removing from to-do list.
Board Governance & Structure	Deacon Board	Chris K	Will stay on to-do list for now.
SharePoint Site for Storing Important Docs	Tech Board	Rob	Needs to be set-up.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business tonight.

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:10pm

Motion Jerry /2nd: Phil

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School
Balance Sheets
As of January 31, 2021

	Jan 2020	Mar 2020	Jun 2020	Sep 2020	Dec 2020	Jan 2021
ASSETS						
Current Assets						
Bank Accounts						
1001 General Fund Cash-FSBOH	8,186.51	91,736.48	171,885.44	261,642.58	246,143.99	298,174.95
1002 Endowment Fund-LCEF Steward Account	361,087.96	331,534.11	368,461.47	391,421.12	407,581.72	387,939.26
1003 Endowment Fund-LCEF Investments	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00
Total 1002 Endowment Fund-LCEF Steward Account	\$ 461,087.96	\$ 431,534.11	\$ 468,461.47	\$ 491,421.12	\$ 482,581.72	\$ 462,939.26
1004 School Bank Account-FSBOH	0.00	0.00	0.00	183,921.22	160,962.47	188,914.09
Total Bank Accounts	\$ 469,274.47	\$ 523,270.59	\$ 640,346.91	\$ 936,984.92	\$ 889,688.18	\$ 950,028.30
Other Current Assets						
12000 Prepaid Expenses	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1400 Due From School	1,294.49	2,305.60	0.00	0.00	2,333.23	0.00
1900 Payroll Suspende	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$ 1,294.50	\$ 2,305.61	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,333.23	\$ 0.00
Total Current Assets	\$ 470,568.97	\$ 525,576.20	\$ 647,346.91	\$ 936,984.92	\$ 892,021.41	\$ 950,028.30
Fixed Assets						
1950 Buildings/Contents-Insured Value						
1951 Church & School Bldg	8,050,858.00	8,050,858.00	8,050,858.00	8,050,858.00	8,050,858.00	8,050,858.00
1952 Equip/Furnishings-Church/School	2,251,181.00	2,251,181.00	2,251,181.00	2,251,181.00	2,251,181.00	2,251,181.00
1953 Outside Structures/Equipment	110,286.00	110,286.00	110,286.00	110,286.00	110,286.00	110,286.00
1954 Parsonage-Bldg & Contents	256,612.00	256,612.00	256,612.00	256,612.00	256,612.00	256,612.00
Total 1950 Buildings/Contents-Insured Value	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00	\$ 10,668,937.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 11,139,505.97	\$ 11,194,513.20	\$ 11,316,283.91	\$ 11,605,921.92	\$ 11,560,958.41	\$ 11,618,965.30
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY						
Liabilities						
Current Liabilities						
Other Current Liabilities						
2210 Chapel Offerings Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,592.09	5,093.20	4,046.60
2230 Washington DC Trip Funds Undistributed	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,839.72	1,839.72	1,839.72
2240 Due To Genl Fund-Tuition-Current Year	0.00	0.00	0.00	59,265.73	1,299.80	7,369.80
2245 Due To Genl Fund-Tuition-Next Year	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,991.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 62,697.54	\$ 8,232.72	\$ 19,247.12
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 62,697.54	\$ 8,232.72	\$ 19,247.12
Long-Term Liabilities						
Total 4018 Loan from School Fund	60,000.00	60,000.00	-	-	-	-
Total 4019 Loan from Endowment Fund	-	35,000.00	-	-	-	-
5900 Mortgage Payable-LCEF	346,757.45	328,687.14	304,769.45	243,562.00	220,154.00	208,179.00
5910 CARES Act PPP Loan Payable	0.00	0.00	256,270.00	256,270.00	0.00	0.00
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 406,757.45	\$ 423,687.14	\$ 561,039.45	\$ 499,832.00	\$ 220,154.00	\$ 208,179.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 406,757.45	\$ 423,687.14	\$ 561,039.45	\$ 562,529.54	\$ 228,386.72	\$ 227,426.12
Equity						
Total 25000 Endowment Funds	461,087.96	431,534.11	468,461.47	491,421.12	482,581.72	462,939.26
Total 26000 School L-T Future Use Funds	-	-	-	66,437.24	128,815.15	129,831.15
Total 31300 Perm. Restricted Net Assets	\$ 461,087.96	\$ 431,534.11	\$ 468,461.47	\$ 557,858.36	\$ 611,396.87	\$ 592,770.41
32000 Unrestricted Net Assets	10,218,556.02	10,236,626.33	10,260,544.02	10,434,544.12	10,457,952.12	10,469,927.12
Net Revenue	53,104.54	102,665.62	26,238.97	50,989.90	263,222.70	328,841.65
Total Equity	\$ 10,732,748.52	\$ 10,770,826.06	\$ 10,755,244.46	\$ 11,043,392.38	\$ 11,332,571.69	\$ 11,391,539.18
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 11,139,505.97	\$ 11,194,513.20	\$ 11,316,283.91	\$ 11,605,921.92	\$ 11,560,958.41	\$ 11,618,965.30

**St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School
Budget vs. Actual: FY 2020-21 -P&L**

	Jan 2021				Total (July 2020 - Jan 2021)			
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
Revenue								
4010 General Fund Offerings								
4011 General Fund Offerings	92,120.55	69,753.13	22,367.42	132.07%	328,262.47	371,016.87	-42,754.40	88.48%
4012 E-Giving	17,827.36	12,600.00	5,227.36	141.49%	137,864.70	86,100.00	51,764.70	160.12%
4014 Special Offerings	0.00	0.00	0.00		100.00	0.00	100.00	
Total 4010 General Fund Offerings	\$ 109,947.91	\$ 82,353.13	\$ 27,594.78	133.51%	\$ 466,227.17	\$ 457,116.87	\$ 9,110.30	101.99%
4020 Tuition	0.00	95,933.75	-95,933.75	0.00%	150,000.45	519,379.20	-369,378.75	28.88%
4021 TADS-Smart Tuition	46,840.96	0.00	46,840.96		327,503.71	0.00	327,503.71	
Total 4020 Tuition	\$ 46,840.96	\$ 95,933.75	-\$ 49,092.79	48.83%	\$ 477,504.16	\$ 519,379.20	-\$ 41,875.04	91.94%
4300 Registration Fees-School	26,144.50	18,000.00	8,144.50	145.25%	35,855.50	22,500.00	13,355.50	159.36%
4310 ESP Fees	2,488.62	15,000.00	-12,511.38	16.59%	12,994.09	75,000.00	-62,005.91	17.33%
4320 Bus Service Fees (Incl District Reimbs)	1,715.00	400.00	1,315.00	428.75%	6,264.51	4,000.00	2,264.51	156.61%
4400 Other Income (Incl 3rd Source)	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	100.00%	25,000.00	26,000.00	-1,000.00	96.15%
4013 Thrivent Funds	39.00	0.00	39.00		849.00	0.00	849.00	
4022 Tuition Assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00		40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	100.00%
4410 CARES Act PPP Loan Forgiveness	0.00	0.00	0.00		256,270.00	0.00	256,270.00	
Total 4400 Other Income (Incl 3rd Source)	\$ 25,039.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 39.00	100.16%	\$ 322,119.00	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 256,119.00	488.06%
4500 Interest	1.51	0.00	1.51		32.95	0.00	32.95	
Total Revenue	\$ 212,177.50	\$ 236,686.88	-\$ 24,509.38	89.64%	\$ 1,320,997.38	\$ 1,143,996.07	\$ 177,001.31	115.47%
Gross Profit	\$ 212,177.50	\$ 236,686.88	-\$ 24,509.38	89.64%	\$ 1,320,997.38	\$ 1,143,996.07	\$ 177,001.31	115.47%
Expenditures								
6060 Mortgage Payment	8,151.08	8,151.08	0.00	100.00%	57,057.56	57,057.56	0.00	100.00%
6200 Salaries & Wages								
6201 Pastors Salaries	10,933.08	10,933.08	0.00	100.00%	81,997.97	81,998.10	-0.13	100.00%
6211 Guest Pastor	100.00	200.00	-100.00	50.00%	100.00	1,000.00	-900.00	10.00%
Total 6201 Pastors Salaries	\$ 11,033.08	\$ 11,133.08	-\$ 100.00	99.10%	\$ 82,097.97	\$ 82,998.10	-\$ 900.13	98.92%
6202 Teacher Salaries	45,741.53	48,800.38	-3,058.85	93.73%	346,363.99	366,002.86	-19,638.87	94.63%
6203 Sub Teacher	177.00	680.67	-503.67	26.00%	118.00	3,403.35	-3,285.35	3.47%
6204 Teachers Aide	3,245.59	3,833.40	-587.81	84.67%	26,179.46	21,083.70	5,095.76	124.17%
6206 Secretary	4,748.73	4,229.00	519.73	112.29%	37,184.48	31,717.50	5,466.98	117.24%
6207 Custodial	4,290.98	3,605.38	685.60	119.02%	32,017.44	27,040.36	4,977.08	118.41%
6208 Director of Music	2,599.52	2,638.08	-38.56	98.54%	19,496.40	19,785.60	-289.20	98.54%
6209 Sub Organist	625.00	300.00	325.00	208.33%	1,450.00	2,400.00	-950.00	60.42%
6210 Bookkeeper	224.52	224.46	0.06	100.03%	1,683.90	1,683.45	0.45	100.03%
6230 Bus Salaries & Wages	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.00%	28.00	6,000.00	-5,972.00	0.47%
6235 ESP Salaries/Wages & Benefits	5,053.81	9,093.00	-4,039.19	55.58%	38,652.65	52,723.00	-14,070.35	73.31%
Total 6200 Salaries & Wages	\$ 77,739.76	\$ 85,537.45	-\$ 7,797.69	90.88%	\$ 585,272.29	\$ 614,837.92	-\$ 29,565.63	95.19%
6400 Benefits								
6401 Benefits - Insurance	8,688.60	10,339.68	-1,651.08	84.03%	56,849.36	67,605.60	-10,756.24	84.09%
6402 Disability & Retirement	7,433.83	7,905.23	-471.40	94.04%	50,373.63	53,022.83	-2,649.20	95.00%
6403 Payroll Taxes	1,907.17	2,440.16	-532.99	78.16%	14,659.18	15,351.14	-691.96	95.49%
6405 HSA Match	5,500.00	6,500.00	-1,000.00	84.62%	12,500.00	13,000.00	-500.00	96.15%
Total 6400 Benefits	\$ 23,529.60	\$ 27,185.07	-\$ 3,655.47	86.55%	\$ 134,382.17	\$ 148,979.57	-\$ 14,597.40	90.20%
6501 Staff Travel	219.82	633.33	-413.51	34.71%	498.80	4,433.31	-3,934.51	11.25%
6502 Youth Expense	0.00	125.00	-125.00	0.00%	0.00	875.00	-875.00	0.00%
6503 Continuing Education	0.00	338.00	-338.00	0.00%	-225.00	2,366.00	-2,591.00	-9.51%
6504 Parish Education	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.00%	759.78	1,750.00	-990.22	43.42%
6505 Pastors Cont Ed	0.00	144.33	-144.33	0.00%	1,053.16	1,010.31	42.85	104.24%
6507 SEWAC Expenses	0.00	880.42	-880.42	0.00%	241.79	6,162.94	-5,921.15	3.92%
6508 Technology	178.35	250.00	-71.65	71.34%	1,347.58	1,750.00	-402.42	77.00%
6509 Special Education Services	6,060.00	4,259.00	1,801.00	142.29%	36,360.00	25,554.00	10,806.00	142.29%
6550 Insurance	2,492.24	3,220.59	-728.35	77.38%	14,389.00	18,754.77	-4,365.77	76.72%
6560 Supplies Matls & Fees								
6561 Church	1,156.10	1,676.57	-520.47	68.96%	12,508.65	11,735.99	772.66	106.58%
6563 Payroll fees	1,213.23	1,281.15	-67.92	94.70%	8,873.68	8,968.05	-94.37	98.95%
6564 Select Account fees	227.00	189.80	37.20	119.60%	2,087.25	1,328.60	758.65	157.10%
6564 Select Account fees	0.00	15.82	-15.82	0.00%	0.00	110.74	-110.74	0.00%
Total 6560 Supplies Matls & Fees	\$ 2,596.33	\$ 3,163.34	-\$ 567.01	82.08%	\$ 23,469.58	\$ 22,143.38	\$ 1,326.20	105.99%
6570 Utilities and Maintenance								
6571 Maintenance	9,816.18	5,166.67	4,649.51	189.99%	40,053.77	36,166.69	3,887.08	110.75%
6572 Utilities	6,220.59	4,433.33	1,787.26	140.31%	32,881.32	31,033.31	1,848.01	105.95%
Total 6570 Utilities and Maintenance	\$ 16,036.77	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 6,436.77	167.05%	\$ 72,935.09	\$ 67,200.00	\$ 5,735.09	108.53%

**St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School
Budget vs. Actual: FY 2020-21 -P&L**

	Jan 2021				Total (July 2020 - Jan 2021)			
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
School Direct Expenses								
7100 Registration-Funded School Expenses								
7105 Athletics	0.00	0.00	0.00		-2,376.88	0.00	-2,376.88	
7110 Curriculum (Books, etc)	349.22	0.00	349.22		4,376.09	5,000.00	-623.91	87.52%
7115 Computers/IT	253.83	0.00	253.83		12,416.94	1,500.00	10,916.94	827.80%
7120 Field Trips-All Grades	-92.50	250.00	-342.50	-37.00%	-92.50	1,000.00	-1,092.50	-9.25%
7125 Library	201.78	50.00	151.78	403.56%	186.78	750.00	-563.22	24.90%
7130 Marketing-School	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.00%	1,624.00	1,750.00	-126.00	92.80%
7135 Online Subscriptions (Incl. TADS)	1,354.21	1,000.00	354.21	135.42%	23,029.23	12,000.00	11,029.23	191.91%
7150 Other Regis.-Funded Expenses	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.00%	0.00	1,750.00	-1,750.00	0.00%
Total 7100 Registration-Funded School Expenses	\$ 2,066.54	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 266.54	114.81%	\$ 39,163.66	\$ 23,750.00	\$ 15,413.66	164.90%
7300 Bus Service Expenses								
7310 Gas-Bus	0.00	0.00	0.00		1,486.52	0.00	1,486.52	
7320 Repairs & Maintenance-Bus	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.00%	401.37	2,700.00	-2,298.63	14.87%
Total 7300 Bus Service Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00	-\$ 500.00	0.00%	\$ 1,996.67	\$ 4,700.00	-\$ 2,703.33	42.48%
7900 Other School Expenses								
7900 Other School Expenses			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	
7910 ESP Supplies, Materials & Fees	167.40	1,986.00	-1,818.60	8.43%	1,759.72	9,930.00	-8,170.28	17.72%
7920 K-8 Supplies, Materials & Fees	882.43	300.00	582.43	294.14%	7,219.30	3,900.00	3,319.30	185.11%
7925 Credit Card Fees	4,440.30	150.00	4,290.30	2960.20%	4,765.54	950.00	3,815.54	501.64%
7930 Professional Development	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.00%	1,395.00	1,500.00	-105.00	93.00%
7935 Concessions/Spirit Wear (net of receipts)	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.00%	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.00%
7955 Yearbook (net of receipts)	0.00	0.00	0.00		539.31	0.00	539.31	
7960 Nurse Costs (net of District reimbs)	1,907.29	0.00	1,907.29		7,264.85	0.00	7,264.85	
7990 Miscellaneous School Expenses	90.64	200.00	-109.36	45.32%	509.88	1,400.00	-890.12	36.42%
Total 7900 Other School Expenses	\$ 7,488.06	\$ 2,936.00	\$ 4,552.06	255.04%	\$ 23,453.60	\$ 18,180.00	\$ 5,273.60	129.01%
Total Expenditures	\$ 146,558.55	\$ 148,973.61	-\$ 2,415.06	98.38%	\$ 992,155.73	\$ 1,019,504.76	-\$ 27,349.03	97.32%
Net Operating Revenue	\$ 65,618.95	\$ 87,713.27	-\$ 22,094.32	74.81%	\$ 328,841.65	\$ 124,491.31	\$ 204,350.34	264.15%

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St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School
Statement of Activity Comparison
 July 2020 - January 2021

	Total			
	Jul 2020 - Jan 2021	Jul 2019 - Jan 2020 (Prior Year)	Change	% Change
Revenue				
4010 General Fund Offerings				
4011 General Fund Offerings	328,262.47	355,596.02	-27,333.55	-7.69%
4012 E-Giving	137,864.70	77,663.43	60,201.27	77.52%
4014 Special Offerings	100.00	1,600.00	-1,500.00	-93.75%
Total 4010 General Fund Offerings	\$ 466,227.17	\$ 434,859.45	\$ 31,367.72	7.21%
4020 Tuition				
4021 TADS-Smart Tuition	327,503.71	221,026.07	106,477.64	48.17%
Total 4020 Tuition	\$ 477,504.16	\$ 414,546.18	\$ 62,957.98	15.19%
4400 Other Income (Incl 3rd Source)				
4403 Thrivent Funds	849.00	917.00	-68.00	-7.42%
4022 Tuition Assistance	40,000.00	29,000.00	11,000.00	37.93%
4410 CARES Act PPP Loan Forgiveness	256,270.00	0.00	256,270.00	
Total 4400 Other Income (Incl 3rd Source)	\$ 322,119.00	\$ 79,259.45	\$ 242,859.55	306.41%
4500 Interest	32.95	427.71	-394.76	-92.30%
Total Revenue	\$ 1,265,883.28	\$ 929,092.79	\$ 336,790.49	36.25%
Expenditures				
6060 Mortgage Payment	57,057.56	57,057.56	0.00	0.00%
6200 Salaries & Wages				
6201 Pastors Salaries	81,997.97	80,457.00	1,540.97	1.92%
6211 Guest Pastor	100.00	800.00	-700.00	-87.50%
Total 6201 Pastors Salaries	\$ 82,097.97	\$ 81,257.00	\$ 840.97	1.03%
6202 Teacher Salaries	346,363.99	370,650.61	-24,286.62	-6.55%
6203 Sub Teacher	118.00	3,363.00	-3,245.00	-96.49%
6204 Teachers Aide	26,179.46	17,013.12	9,166.34	53.88%
6206 Secretary	37,184.48	30,203.82	6,980.66	23.11%
6207 Custodial	32,017.44	29,012.46	3,004.98	10.36%
6208 Director of Music	19,496.40	19,496.39	0.01	0.00%
6209 Sub Organist	1,450.00	8,150.00	-6,700.00	-82.21%
6210 Bookkeeper	1,883.90	1,650.60	33.30	2.02%
6230 Bus Salaries & Wages	28.00	0.00	28.00	
6235 ESP Salaries/Wages & Benefits	38,852.65	0.00	38,852.65	
Total 6200 Salaries & Wages	\$ 585,272.29	\$ 560,797.00	\$ 24,475.29	4.36%
6400 Benefits				
6401 Benefits - Insurance	56,849.36	62,630.64	-5,781.28	-9.23%
6402 Disability & Retirement	50,373.63	51,670.29	-1,296.66	-2.51%
6403 Payroll Taxes	14,659.18	16,105.52	-1,446.34	-8.98%
6405 HSA Match	12,500.00	13,000.00	-500.00	-3.85%
Total 6400 Benefits	\$ 134,382.17	\$ 143,406.45	-\$ 9,024.28	-6.29%
6501 Staff Travel	498.80	2,018.40	-1,519.60	-75.29%
6503 Continuing Education	-225.00	419.46	-644.46	-153.64%
6504 Parish Education	759.78	1,174.06	-414.28	-35.29%
6505 Pastors Cont Ed	1,053.16	235.83	817.33	346.58%
6507 SEWAC Expenses	241.79	0.00	241.79	
6508 Technology	1,347.58	2,945.42	-1,597.84	-54.25%
6509 Special Education Services	36,360.00	0.00	36,360.00	
6550 Insurance	14,389.00	13,514.94	874.06	6.47%
6560 Supplies Matis & Fees	12,508.65	16,718.90	-4,210.25	-25.18%
6561 Church	8,873.68	9,481.42	-607.74	-6.41%
6562 School	0.00	-6.59	6.59	100.00%
6563 Payroll fees	2,087.25	1,715.25	372.00	21.69%
6564 Select Account fees	0.00	4.00	-4.00	-100.00%
Total 6560 Supplies Matis & Fees	\$ 23,469.58	\$ 27,912.98	-\$ 4,443.40	-15.92%
6569 Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00	456.80	-456.80	-100.00%
6570 Utilities and Maintenance				
6571 Maintenance	40,053.77	35,734.11	4,319.66	12.09%
6572 Utilities	32,881.32	30,315.24	2,566.08	8.46%
Total 6570 Utilities and Maintenance	\$ 72,935.09	\$ 66,049.35	\$ 6,885.74	10.43%

St. John's Lutheran School
School Long-Term Future Use Funds and Operating Cash Report
January 2021

School Cash Account Balance January 31, 2021 **\$ 188,914.09**

School Long-Term Future Use Funds at Month-End:

Athletics	\$ 2,061.01	
Bus (Future)	3,417.92	
Donations-School	61,775.78	
Gala-General	46,678.47	
Gala-Future School Endowment	-	
Tuition Assistance	-	
Golf Tournament	15,897.97	
Loans to General Fund	-	
Total Long-Term Future Use Funds	129,831.15	129,831.15

School Liabilities/Payables at Month-End:

Due To Hot Lunch Program	-	
Nurse Costs Due From School District	-	
Chapel Offerings Payable	4,046.60	
Undistributed Washington DC Trip Funds	1,839.72	
Due to General Fund-Tuition-Current Year	7,369.80	
Due to General Fund-Tuition-Next Year	5,991.00	
Due to PTL	-	
Total School Liabilities/Payables	19,247.12	19,247.12

Net School Operating Cash January 31, 2021 (See NOTE below) **\$ 39,835.82**

Net School Operating Cash December 31, 2020 **\$ 23,914.60**

Net School Operating Cash June 30, 2020 **\$ 86,553.68**

L-T Future Use Funds Year-to-Date Activity Summary:

Balance July 1, 2020 **\$ 109,237.97**

Income / Receipts:

School Donations Received (includes \$10,142 stock gift and company match)	\$ 29,109.62	
Gala Income (November 2020)	43,835.07	
Golf Tournament Income (September 2020)	5,900.00	
Loan Repayments From General Fund	49,000.00	
	127,844.69	127,844.69

Disbursements:

Transfer future school scholarship funds to Endowment Fund	(60,000.00)	
Transfer 20-21 tuition assistance funds to General Fund	(20,000.00)	
Transfer 20-21 Deacon-approved budget assistance dollars to General Fund	(20,000.00)	
Gala Expenses	(3,491.51)	
Golf Tournament Expenses	(3,760.00)	
	(107,251.51)	(107,251.51)

Balance January 31, 2021 **\$ 129,831.15**

NOTE: Decline in school operating cash since June 30 is attributable to very low ESP revenue, high online subscription and IT/computer costs and unbudgeted net school nurse costs.

St. John's Lutheran Church & School
Endowment Fund
January 2021

Endowment Fund Activity:

Endowment Fund Balance July 1, 2020 **\$ 468,461.47**

Income / Receipts:

Missions Offerings	12,830.00	
Principal / Debt Paydown	6,820.00	
From School account for future School Endowment	60,000.00	
Altar Guild Fund	188.13	
Improvement Fund	5,787.00	
Memorial Fund	1,165.00	
Mercy Fund (f/k/a Kindness Fund)	2,122.00	
All Other Offerings / Receipts	425.00	
Interest	2,055.43	91,392.56

Disbursements:

Principal / Debt Paydown-Normal Offerings	(6,820.00)	
Principal / Debt Paydown from C. Koepp CRT	(38,664.44)	
Principal / Debt Paydown from Barrett Gift	(25,000.00)	
Improvement Fund-Audio Visual Installation	(13,783.33)	
Youth Fund	(2,600.00)	
Missions Programs	(9,845.00)	
Other Disbursements	(202.00)	(96,914.77)

Endowment Fund Balance January 31, 2021 **\$ 462,939.26**

Endowment Fund Balances:

	Fund Balance	Fund Purpose / Notes
Altar Guild Fund	\$ 2,220.13	Fund administered by Altar Guild (under direction of the Board of Spiritual Life) and used for altar paraments, communion ware, altar gowns and vestments and the like.
School Endowment Fund	218,022.82	Funds generated from School third source funding and held for the future creation of a School Scholarship / Tuition Assistance Endowment. Old K-8 Scholarship Fund dollars (\$78,443) combined into this Fund in Feb. 2020. Administered by the Board of Education and the Endowment Fund Advisory Board.
Improvement Fund	37,272.18	Funds administered and approved by Property & Grounds Committee of the Board of Administration, and used for capital improvements and major repairs of property and grounds (above \$500). Costs above \$2,500 also require Board of Deacons approval. Not to be used for smaller, normal operating repairs and maintenance expenses (i.e. those less than \$500), which should be paid for out of the General Fund.
Improvement Fund-Roof Repair	28,448.37	Funds to be used under the direction and approval of the Property & Grounds Committee for future replacement church & school roof sections. Includes capital drive contributions made for this purpose.
Mercy (fka Kindness) Fund	9,986.96	Fund under the Board of Spiritual Life and administered on an interim basis by Jerry Rogge and Jill Gehl. Fund used for need-based emergency crisis assistance to St. John's members and their families.
Church Library Fund	4,801.30	Fund administered by Church Library Committee. Consists of designated memorial money to be used for the purchase of books, materials and software for the Church Library.
Memorial Fund	7,085.93	Fund administered by Board of Administration, funded by memorial contributions from individuals and estates and used for capital improvements and special purposes. Expenditures must be recommended by BOA for approval by Board of Deacons.
Youth Fund	18,284.53	Fund administered by Board of Spiritual Life and Youth Director. Fund consists of youth-sponsored fundraiser dollars allocated to individual youths and used to offset the costs of youth trips and events, which are not funded from the General Fund.
Cemetery Maintenance & Improvement Fund	54,516.22	To be used for cemetery maintenance and improvement costs and beautification projects which cannot be funded by the regular perpetual Cemetery Fund. Fund to be administered by the Cemetery Committee.
Clarence Koepp Charitable Reminder Trust Gift	-	In July 2020, the Board of Deacons approved the allocation of 50% of the \$77,329 gift to paydown the building mortgage and the remaining 50% to the Improvement Fund.
Principal / Debt Paydown	75,000.00	Funds given for and to be used to pay down principal balance on building mortgage or other outstanding external debt.
Mission Programs-Undistributed Offerings:		
-Synod Missions	428.50	Board of Spiritual Life-authorized mission programs for 2020 include Synod Missions, Wokoma (Nigeria), Dr. Jastrom (Asia) and Dr. Naumann (South Asia).
-Rev. P.A. Richard Wokoma (Nigeria)	930.50	
-Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram (Asia)	825.50	
-Rev. Dr. Edward Naumann (South Asia)	800.50	
-Africa-Pastor Briel	1,135.15	
-Issues, Etc.	3,180.67	
Endowment Fund Balance January 31, 2021	\$ 462,939.26	

Note: Except where specified, all Endowment Fund expenditures > \$5,000 require Board of Deacons approval.



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"Whether you are five or 35 or 65, there will be days when it seems to you that God has dropped it. When that happens, when the darkness threatens to close in on you, just go back to the simple truth that God taught you in your youth. Go back to the Word of Light, the Word that is Christ. 'Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.' That will lighten the way for you, for us all." Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer, The Lutheran Hour - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS AT ST. JOHN'S

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Laurie Bredenberg Josiah Brynjulfson Jennifer Day Karen Lucht	2 William Wandersee	3 Samantha Carter Jill Christopher Ron Eastbourne Gretchen Haver Ethan Matteson Lois Mellum Chrys Tarvin	4 John Meine	5 Janine Foggia Amelia Kaiser	6 Joyce O'Hern
7 John Costello	8 Elizabeth Crawford Karin Swiggum	9 Leah Gordon Dana Rossow Harold Schmidt Holly Von Ende	10 Michael Brown Ellie Bussing Anneliese Stavig	11 Pam Kothrade	12 Marian Tillmann	13 Charlene Abraham Curt Besel Faith Grant Dan Koehler Mason Phillip Leighton Spaulding
14 Patricia Hansen	15 Kara Beck Rachel Cooper	16 Gerald Anderson Kate Orbin Paul Schlueter	17 Samuel Ims Jacob Kothrade Gabriel Lodholz Darde Mathwig Krista Say	18 Brendon Priebe Russell Reznecheck	19 Vern Bagne Avery Benincasa Jason Brastad	20 David Kliche Phillip Kothrade Courtney Oakland
21	22 Tina Gapen	23 Lori Kaiser	24	25	26 Audrey Bahr	27 Elise Alvarez Carrie Mock Paige Pomeranke
28 Jada Clifford Carson Dufault	29 Joseph Baldwin Eileen Ballou Nick Brastad Douglas Cook	30 Gavin Blanck	31 James Day Darla Priebe			



Spring Congregational Assembly Meeting: Sunday, March 21st, at 1:30 pm

Daylight Saving Time Begins 3/14/21
 First Day of Spring is 3/20/21



March 2021



St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School
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**Divine Services Live-Streamed on Sundays at 8:00 am
Sunday Divine Service 10:30 am**



THE SERVICE OF INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION
is available this month by appointment only. Take advantage of this opportunity to hear
God's Word of forgiveness spoken to you individually in Jesus' Name.

"If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us
from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

LAST ONE OUT, PLEASE REMEMBER TO LOCK THE DOORS, PICK UP AFTER YOURSELVES.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!