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## Vacation Bible School

June 16 - 20

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## Going from “You” to “Y’all”

Greetings, sisters and brothers in Christ!

Alright, I’m going to confess something to you. I’m never sure what to do with church mission statements. It’s nice to have some lovely words that we can stick under our church name on letters or in the bulletin, but until they become part of who we are, they’re just nice words. So, in an effort to dig a little deeper, this is the first of three newsletter articles that focus on our Mission Statement: “We grow in Christ to serve others.” And this time I’ll be talking about the first part (and word!): “We.”

Why start with “we?” Because that word says plenty about the God who brings and binds us together, and invites us to be a loving faith community for the sake of the world.

My first class in seminary was a summer class which taught the ancient form of Greek used in writing the New Testament. Like most good things, it was terrifying, exhausting, and amazing. One of the first lessons I

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“WE.”**

learned is that the English translations sometimes don’t catch all of the second person plurals (“all of you”), which we Texans would probably describe as y’all. For example, look at this: “Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you?” (1 Corinthians 3:16). If I think about this verse focused only on myself, then my response is how I live out this call. But if we consider the plural, it becomes: “Do y’all not know that y’all are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in y’all?” Then the verse becomes about all of us together, and how we live out this incredible blessing

where God has fashioned us into God’s temple, and the Spirit dwells in us together. And this happens in Bible verses over and over again:

*Now y’all are the body of Christ and individually members of it. (1 Corinthians 12:27)*

*Y’all are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that y’all may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called y’all out of darkness into his marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9-10)*

This makes a difference in how we think about being Triumphant Lutheran Church. Rather than being just a loose grouping of individuals who happen to wander into the same worship space each week, we instead gather and become God’s temple, the body of Christ, God’s own people. And we are also called to keep that identity beyond the walls of the church building, and be that royal priesthood and holy nation that proclaims the mighty acts of God. This is God pushing against the idea that each of us is all alone, isolated, and individual, and instead declaring that we are each an essential, important, and beloved part of the Church.

You are part of a “We.” May God’s blessings be upon all of y’all!

# June Worship Schedule

June 1	5:00pm	Communion Asst	Mary Gandolfo
		Reader	Mary Gandolfo
June 2	8:30am	Assisting Minister	Walter Brown
		Reader	John Schultz
	11:00am	Assisting Minister	Rod Lleverino
		Reader	Maegan Lleverino
June 8	5:00pm	Communion Asst	Robin Koch
		Reader	Bobbie White
June 9	8:30am	Assisting Minister	Tom O'Berg
		Reader	Lori O'Berg
	11:00am	Assisting Minister	Isabella Garcia
		Reader	Lois Glazener
June 15	5:00pm	Communion Asst	Marshall Gomez
		Reader	Kathy Beierle
June 16	8:30am	Assisting Minister	Rose-Marie Smith
		Reader	Becky Sonnen
	11:00am	Assisting Minister	Debbie Roberts
		Reader	Aaron Theilengerdes
June 22	5:00pm	Communion Asst	Mickey Sanders
		Reader	Gayle Maltby
June 23	8:30am	Assisting Minister	Gordon Hengst
		Reader	Amy Beierle
	11:00am	Assisting Minister	Maegan Lleverino
		Reader	Brit St.Clair
June 29	5:00pm	Communion Asst	Mary Langenes
		Reader	Bobbie White
June 30	8:30am	Assisting Minister	Ken Weber
		Reader	Mary Langenes
	11:00am	Assisting Minister	James Fuller
		Reader	James Combs-Lay

Click the Audio Icon  
to listen to the  
latest sermon.



## This Month's Scripture Lessons

- Jun 2:** Acts 16:16-34  
Psalm 97  
Revelation 22:12-14,  
16-17, 20-21  
Luke 24:13-35
- Jun 9:** Acts 2:1-21  
John 14:8-17, 25-27
- Jun 16:** Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31  
Psalm 8  
Romans 5:1-5  
John 16:12-15
- Jun 23:** Isaiah 65:1-9  
Psalm 22:19-28  
Galatians 3:23-29  
Luke 8:26-39
- Jun 30:** 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21  
Psalm 16  
Galatians 5:1, 13-25  
Luke 9:51-62

## Altar Guild

Barbara Gore, DK Guebard,  
Debbie Roberts, Bruce Kilhefner

# Triumphant Ministry Teams



## Servant Outreach

Amy Coronado

**Summer of Service:** We have some great service opportunities in the works for this summer! Our first volunteer opportunity will be with the New Braunfels Food Bank during the morning of Saturday, June 22.



## FOOD PANTRY

We will be sorting food, making food boxes, stocking the pantry and refrigerators, and more. Volunteers of any age (including children) are invited to join us. After volunteering, we will have

a picnic lunch at a nearby park for any interested volunteers. More information about this opportunity will be sent out soon! We hope you can join us!



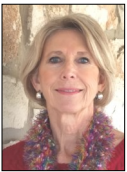
## Evangelism

Nancy Molter



## Early Childhood Programs

Marilyn Winters



## Property and Resources

Jackie Mitchell



## Stewardship

John Schultz



## Worship and Music

Ken Smith

Have you thanked an Acolyte today?

The word "acolyte" is derived from the Greek word "akolouthos," meaning companion, attendant, or helper. The ministry of acolytes has its roots in the Old Testament, where the prophet

Samuel is seen assisting Eli, the Levite priest, and Elisha is seen assisting Elijah, the prophet. When serving as acolytes, our youth at TLC are not only serving the church in an important ministry, but they are growing in their personal faith and confidence. You may not know that this ministry is wonderfully led by two of our youth, Maegan Lleverino and Isabella Garcia. Do you know someone who would like to serve in this important role? We're looking for candidates that are in third grade or higher, even adults! Contact me, or Deacon Chris for more info. Why not reach out this weekend and give an acolyte a fist-bump and say, "Thank you. Job well done!"



## Congregational Life

Renay Boyes



Wednesday Nite Live is on summer break and will return in September. Please consider volunteering to help with WNL meals in the fall. It is a very rewarding way to serve others! I have learned a ton from organizing WNL meals this year and can help any other volunteers now that I have experience. I want to thank all of this year's WNL volunteers, helpers, and cooks for all their help!

There are many things going on this summer here at TLC, so be sure to check the Announcements and the Trumpet regularly. Have a wonderful summer!



# Triumphant Ministry Teams



## President

Dennis Feuge

### ***What are you passionate about?***

That is a question I periodically ask my grandchildren or other younger relatives. Then somewhere in the conversation, I will also sometimes slip in, "What do you care about? How do you want to make a difference when you are older?" If the answers to the first and second set of questions match up, I then try to draw them out about how they might go about it. Their passion and excitement are really wonderful to see, and by the way, sometimes lead to additional conversations. Sometimes they even say something like, "That's cool, Papa." Well, don't get carried away --- sometimes they don't. But don't sell them short and don't be afraid to go into the deep end of the pool in those discussions. They are often smarter than you think, and just as importantly, they ARE thinking about things, lots of things. Of course, if the answers do not match up, one has to suggest maybe pondering or continuing to search for what they are really passionate about and how they want to make a difference. Sometimes you get to continue those conversations at a later date. Having conversations and making connections are important.

So how about you? What are you passionate about? How do you want to make a difference? If you have become a member of Triumphant, you have made a statement that says there are things you believe, things you care about, that you would like to make a difference doing, or that you are actually quite passionate about. If so, I invite you to see if some of the many things Triumphant is already doing might be a match for something you want to do and have been looking for. You are called, you know. Each of us is called to build His kingdom, to love others as ourselves, and doing that in a setting with other supportive Christians can be a really wonderful thing. Perhaps there is something Triumphant is not doing that you would like us to consider. Give all this some thought, and if there is a question that Pastor Aaron or Deacon Chris or a Council member or I can answer, go for it and ask. Those conversations are always held closely.



## Discipleship

Aaron Theilengerdes



## Ministry Support

Jerry Guebard

We are continuing to review recommendations about the amount of money reserve needed for the Building Fund. We should have a Continuing Resolution for the next Council meeting.

Deacon John Dellis from the Lutheran Foundation of the Southwest will meet with the Finance Committee on June 3 to discuss some financial best practices.

Also, we are doing some preliminary checking on new chairs for the Fellowship Hall since current ones are beginning to show their age.



## Vice President

John Gallo



## Secretary

Brian Krauss



## Financial Secretary

Marty Dumpys



## Treasurer

Tom O'Berg

Happy Father's Day!

# Vacation Bible School



SCAN CODE TO SIGN  
UP NOW



## To Mars and Beyond

June 16 - 20, 2019

6:00pm - 8:00pm (Dinner at 5:15pm)

\$10 per child or \$30 per family

Blast off with the first Vacation Bible School to land on Mars! Kids will discover the wonders of God's universe. Come for dinner at 5:15pm, followed by space exploration until 8pm.

Volunteers are needed to help make our VBS week successful. If you have a heart for children, learning, and fun, this is a terrific opportunity for you to give to your church community. For more information or to volunteer, [send an email to Melanie Lleverino](#).

Registration closed on May 30. To put your child on the wait list, scan the QR code or [click here to register your child or children](#). Children must be potty-trained 3-year-olds through current 6th graders.

We will be providing dinner for the children, parents, and volunteers. Please consider donating to this community service effort by providing some of the food items listed below. A sign up sheet is located in the Narthex. Please have your donation to the church by **Sunday, June 16**. THANK YOU!

- 4 ct. mixed fruit cups
- 14.5 oz. sliced carrots
- 20 oz. bottles of ketchup
- 14 oz. bottles of mustard
- 22 oz. bottles of mayo
- Graham crackers
- 32 oz. jars of sliced pickles
- 8.5 oz. bags of cheese balls
- 29 oz. cans of corn
- 32 ct. Rice Krispy Treats
- 32 oz. box Krusteaz pancake mix
- 20 oz. bottles of pancake syrup
- 6 ct. cups of applesauce
- 12 ct. boxes of moon pies
- Family-size box of Cheerios
- 20 oz. boxes of raisins
- 10.5 oz. bags of mini fruit marshmallows
- 16 oz. bottle of Ranch dressing
- 100 ct. Ziploc bags, sandwich-size

We also want to create an exciting space-themed scene in the Fellowship Hall to spark the kids' imaginations and encourage creativity. If you can loan us any of the following items, please label them with your name so we can return them to you afterward. THANK YOU!

- Lava lamps
- Fiber optic lamps
- Any light or star-projecting lamps
- Plug strips
- Black lights
- Rope lights (any color)
- Any space-themed items

**A**s we have observed previously, all that we have belongs to God. We are not owners, but managers and stewards. In this capacity, we have a responsibility to manage wisely what God has entrusted to us.

Solomon provided this admonition: “Be sure you know the condition of your flocks, give careful attention to your herds; for riches do not endure forever, and a crown is not secure for all generations” (Proverbs 27:23-24). Today, we might paraphrase his words, “Be diligent to know the state of your finances, and be careful about the status of your possessions. For riches do not endure forever.”

Diligence is the key. As stewards and managers, we are not to sit idly by without caring for or knowing about the status of the finances God has permitted us to have. You see, God has invested his wealth not in banks or in some other type of financial institutions, but with people. **Think about it: We are managing God’s wealth for him.**

Some people plan their finances based on what might be called the “pot and pan” theory. They are always looking for a “pot” of gold at the end of the rainbow, even as they hope against hope that things will somehow “pan” out. God wants us to be a little more specific than that as we manage our finances. This may mean having a budget. It certainly means having a priority list, planning, and keeping records. **Remember, the money we are handling is God’s money.**

There’s always a danger, of course, that we might make the care of money and material possessions our greatest focus. There’s also a danger that we might seek to increase God’s investment to such an extent that the status of our finances becomes an obsession for us.

**Remember this: Christians will stand before the Lord Jesus Christ someday to give an account of our lives.** Part of that accounting will no doubt include an evaluation of how we have managed God’s resources. Part of our accounting will also include an analysis of the money we have invested in God’s kingdom by giving to him.

A missionary who was home on furlough was invited to a dinner at a great summer resort where he met many women of prominence and position. After dinner, he went to his room and wrote this letter to his wife: “I had dinner tonight at the grand hotel. The company was wonderful. There were many women present. Some of them were wearing finery and jewels that I’m certain must have cost more than one church, forty cottages for orphans, and twenty libraries.” You see, in his great longing for money to provide the gospel for millions on the field, he could not refrain from estimating the value of the silks, satins, and diamonds of the guests at the dinner in terms of his people’s needs.

Stop to think about it: **If God sends us money to provide the good news of the Gospel to those in need, and we spend it for something else, what must he think of our actions?**

As you give your offering to the Lord and Triumphant Lutheran Church, please consider these questions: First, what kind of job are you doing in managing what God has entrusted to you? Second, as you envision standing before Christ someday to give an account, how will your offering today seem then? Will he be pleased with what you have given, especially in light of how much you have kept for yourself? Or will you wish you had given him more?

# Upcoming Events

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## Adult Bible Study — Summer Session

Sundays, beginning June 9

At 9:45am in the Library



Wondering what to do during the carefree time between Sunday worship services? Well, the Adult Bible Study is continuing! We will discuss the readings each week through the summer. This will allow us to add some depth and dwell more deeply in God's word. See you there!

## Pentecost

Sunday, June 9

Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit 40 days after Easter.



Before Jesus was crucified, He told His disciples the Holy Spirit would come soon after His resurrection. Forty days after Jesus was resurrected, that promise was fulfilled: "When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit." — Acts 2:1-4a

## Confirmation Camp & Elementary Camp & LYLE Camp

June 9 — 14

This week, the Elementary and Confirmation youth will attend camp concurrently at Camp Chrysalis through Cross Trails Ministry. Several high school youth will attend Lutheran Youth Leadership Experience (LYLE), a leadership development program that combines leadership skills, service, and each young person's individual God-given gifts and interests. All the youth will play and grow in faith through age-appropriate activities while having high-energy fun!

## "To Mars and Beyond" Vacation Bible School

Sunday, June 16 — Thursday, June 20

5:15pm - 8:00pm

See page 6.

## Father's Day

Sunday, June 16

"The righteous who walks in his integrity; blessed are his children after him."  
— Proverbs 20:7

We hope you will join us in honoring all our fathers at all three worship services this weekend. Happy Father's Day!

## Outreach Outing to the Food Bank

Saturday, June 22

Mark your calendars for this wonderful opportunity to serve your neighbor! We will stock shelves, serve customers, and bring joy to others. Watch the announcements for more information.





## Eva-Maria Potter

March 22, 1938

— May 19, 2019

**Eva-Maria Potter**, 81, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on May 19, 2019 in Garden Ridge, Texas. Eva was born in Dresden, Germany on March 22, 1938. She spent her childhood there with her beloved mother, Johanna Elfriede Scholze. On September 19, 1957, she and her mother traveled by ship to the United States and began their lives as Americans, always cherishing the freedoms we have in this country.

Eva met her husband of nearly 52 years, Tom Potter, while working at Handy Andy in San Antonio, Texas. Together they raised a family of four children, cherished Eva's mother as part of the household, and were caregivers to countless animals, mostly dachshunds. Eva's children and grandchildren were her pride and joy, and she never missed any of their school events. She was especially proud of their musical endeavors and served as a chaperone for the Canyon High School band for nearly twenty years.

Eva and her family were founding members of Triumphant Lutheran Church in Garden Ridge, Texas. She was proud to be part of a group of 25 families who originally formed the church.

Eva will be remembered for her fun-loving and silly personality. Her home was always filled with laughter, even in her final days. More importantly, she will be remembered for the profound life lessons she taught. She was the kindest, most accepting, most generous person you could ever meet. Her family aspires to carry on her legacy of love.

Eva is survived by her devoted husband Thomas A. Potter, son David Potter and his wife Mary Lee, daughter Anna Sweeden and her late husband Stanley, daughter Tina Holbrook and her husband Jon, daughter Monika Arnold and her husband Brad, and seven cherished grandchildren; Courtney Gaines and her husband Paul, Ethan Potter and his wife Jess, Garrett Sweeden, Lauren Schuler and her husband Zack, Kelsey Holbrook, Hanna Arnold, and Nicholas Arnold.

The family would like to express their eternal gratitude to those who shared the honor of caring for Eva. Her family is forever thankful for Gayle Maltby and Jo Arnold.

## The Gifts of Discipleship in *Avengers: Endgame*

By Joe George

As the title suggests, *Avengers: Endgame* is a movie about endings. Several of these endings involve the deaths of beloved characters, but every hero who falls has sacrificed him- or herself for the sake of others. We know that even the most resilient superhero can't go on forever. So if the good work is going to continue, it must be done by someone else. And that someone else must be trained in the hero's ways.

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Discipleship must always be a communal act, taught to us by others and taught to others by us.

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We find the same lesson in the gospel story. As we reach the end of each Gospel, we may find ourselves wondering why Jesus ascended to heaven after the resurrection instead of continuing his ministry on earth.

But attentive readers already know the answer: The kingdom of heaven isn't like an empire that expands by conquering followers; like a slow-growing seed taking root in good soil, the kingdom spreads only when Christians go into all the world and make disciples of all people. The task of doing God's good work never falls on a single person, not even Jesus. It is a communal act, taught to us by others and taught to others by us.

As *Avengers: Endgame* finishes the story of some heroes and begins the adventures of others, it reminds us believers of our task. The gifts of discipleship aren't ours to hoard, to reduce to weapons in our own personal crusades; rather, they're gifts given to us that we give to others, tools to keep building the kingdom to which we belong.

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# Call on Your Stephen Ministers

By Rose-Marie Smith

How often do you sincerely take an interest in others? Last month, we commissioned 7 new Stephen Ministers. They each reflect Philippians 2:3-4 – “Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.” These 7 often take interest in others. They desire to let go of their focus on self to serve others, through Jesus’ Spirit living in them. They have reflected on what God has done for them out of love, and responded to His grace and calling in humility. Daily, they seize opportunities to allow the Holy Spirit to guide their steps and share words of hope and joy – which only comes from Jesus.

Life’s difficulties, despair, dangers, distresses, and even the results of our own wrongdoings can feel all-consuming. Poor circumstances can slowly drain hearts of joy and peace. In these situations, where do you turn for help? Consider a Stephen Minister, who will come alongside to care, support, and strengthen you to endure in your journey. They will remind you of Hebrews 15:5b (“...because God has said, ‘Never will I leave you; never will I

forsake you.’”), in which Christ promises to walk every step of that journey with you.

Each of us has places in our lives where hope has withered. Jesus wants to restore this hope. He sees us compassionately and wants us to hope, trust, and have joy in Him again. Whether in the midst of raising and providing for family, struggling under financial or physical burdens, discouraged by relational tensions or even spiritual challenges, our Lord is not detached or uncaring. He brings help into the situation, often by using others in our lives to comfort, assure, and renew strength. We need to be in relationship and to rely on each other to grow and flourish. Paul wrote in Colossians 3:12 – “. . .clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.” As members of God’s family, our Stephen Ministers embody these very qualities. Their love for others points others to Christ and brings glory to God. With the promise of complete confidentiality, they will point to the ways Christ reveals His power as He gently mends, redeems, and cures our ailments and struggles in ways we alone could never accomplish.

## Council News

### Unofficial Church Council Highlights

#### May 13, 2019 Meeting

- The Nominating Committee for establishing the candidates for the 2020 Church Council has been formed. The Nominating Committee members are Doug Hammerstrom, Brian Krauss, and John Gallo.
- Exploring options for church security, including door lock mechanism
- Discussion of plans for the annual church picnic

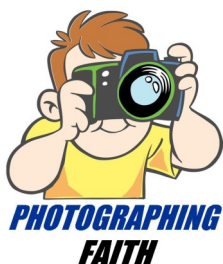


## COUNCIL MEETING

# Around the Church

## Photographing Faith Bible Study

Wednesday, June 5 — July 24  
6:30pm — 8:00pm in the Library



Looking for a unique way to study the Bible and God's word in the world around us? This study will explore a variety of concepts of Christianity and faith. We will also learn and apply photographic techniques that can be used to capture images about the

study. Everyone is welcome. No photography experience or camera needed. **Let's enjoy the beauty of God's word and world together!**

## Mother's Day Out

Childcare is work from the heart! If you have a heart for investing in children 6 months through 4 years old and are looking for part-time employment, our MDO Director would like to talk to you! We are currently interviewing for a regular position (Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30am – 2:30pm) and for a substitute position.



The MDO Summer Session begins on Monday, June 3 and registration for the coming school year, which begins on September 4, is now in progress. Please visit the website for details on classes, curriculum, and tuition.

Call MDO Director Vernell Theilengerdes at (210) 651-9090 for more information.

## From George Biesenbach

I wish to express my love and gratitude to my church family for the many prayers for my niece, Sharon Ann Wendel. She went to be with our Lord on April 20 and we will miss her greatly. Your caring and kindnesses were so much appreciated.

## Kitchenette Clean Up

**After the 11am Service**

- June 2** Fuller Family & Angela Etheridge  
**June 9** Neuzil Family  
**June 16** The Theilengerdeses  
**June 23** The Baumanns  
**June 30** OPEN

## Greeters

**8:30 Service**

**11:00 Service**

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|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>June 2</b>  | The Schultzes          | The Dentons                    |
| <b>June 9</b>  | The Sonnens and J Maun | The Feuges                     |
| <b>June 16</b> | The Mattisons          | N Molter, N Patchin, & N Teply |
| <b>June 23</b> | Marty Dumpys           | A Craig & Y Brinkman           |
| <b>June 30</b> | The Guebards           | M Cruz-Balderas & F Cruz       |

## Creative Blessings

During June, July, and August, Creative Blessings is meeting in the Library from 6 — 8pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. We have a lot of yarn, if anyone needs yarn for any project, let us know. If you know someone who has a need for a prayer shawl or if you have any questions, please call Leisa Skinner at (210) 651-9090.

## Needed: WNL Meal Coordinator

Looking ahead to the fall, we are looking for someone to coordinate and plan the schedule of cooks and servers for WNL — no cooking unless you just want to! [Send an email to Renay Boyes](#) or call her at (210) 651-9090 for more information.

*Faith and love must always be distinguished in such a way that faith concerns the person while love concerns the works.* — Werner Elert, *Morphologies des Luthertums*, translated by Martin Heinecken (1885 – 1994)

**H**ow many times have we heard the phrase “a person of faith?” That took on new meaning for me after I read this selection in my daily devotions. I have often struggled with the concepts of faith and love and how they related to each other. I gained a much clearer vision of faith and love after I really thought about this. Faith is very personal. How we believe and what we believe in are decisions we must each make and live out in our daily lives. What does your faith look like for you? Where did you get that vision?

“And now these three remain: FAITH, HOPE and LOVE. But the greatest of these is LOVE.”  
1 Corinþians 13:13, NIV

*So faith remains always the actor and love remains the deed.*

— Werner Elert, *Morphologies des Luthertums*, translated by Martin Heinecken (1885 – 1994)

Since we are the actors through our faith, our deeds become the end expression of love in our lives. I can’t speak for anybody else, but sometimes my deeds are more an expression of not loving my neighbor! If I am honest, I can be very selfish with my time and talents. The reading went on to describe our deeds — acts of loving our neighbors — as being like a funnel. We pour in the love and God points the spout of the funnel. We don’t always know the recipients of our deeds, but we always know the deliverer of the deed! God uses our deeds for good in his Kingdom.

*“Oh, my children! Give praise to God and love also mankind. Neither fasting, nor solitude, nor monastic life shall save you, but good deeds.”*

— Vladimir Monomachus, Christian ruler of Kiev circa 1125

Through the ages, we have been pointed in the direction of good deeds done through the love we have from our faith in God. The Good Steward is reminded every day to do the right thing. We are to look beyond our limited scopes and see that our neighbors live in unexpected places. Faith without action does not complete our Christian journey, it stifles the journey. So, join me as I become a better actor and try to express my love of my savior in good deeds.

*Jesus replied: “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all you heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ”* — Matthew 22:37 – 39, NIV



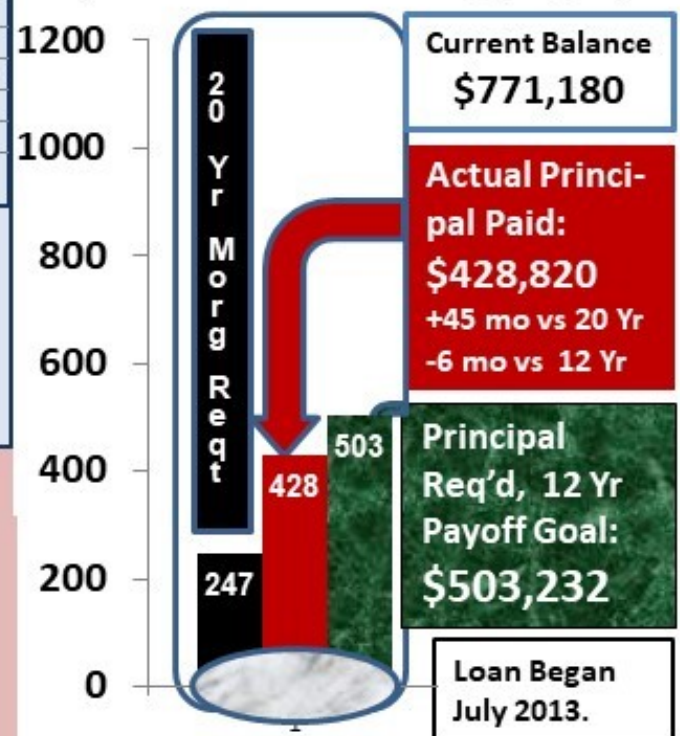
# April 2019 Financials

## KEY POINTS:

- ✦ Bottom Line: Total Net Income for **April** was disappointing. Easter is normally a very positive giving and net income month. This year April actually contributed further to minus net income.
- ✦ General Offering: Weekly Offering for **April** was -\$11.1K. **Weekly Offering for the year is seriously behind, -\$27K.** At this rate our reserves will be seriously tested.
- ✦ Building Fund: In comparison **April** Bldg Fund YTD is only -\$889. Overall, we are 41 months ahead (45 months counting our reserve) on our 20 Yr Mortgage and \$162K interest saved so far toward our Bldg Fund desired 12 Yr Payoff Goal (would save \$266K int). See the larger mortgage chart.
- ✦ Going Forward: We encourage all members to adopt an annual plan for growth in giving for both General Operating and Bldg Fund. If you have not adopted a planned way to do this, we suggest as a minimum using the Slow Growth method of increasing annual giving by \$2 per week, or approximately \$100 per year, also remembering that Bldg Fund (our mortgage) is a bit over 10% of our total budget. Let us continue to grow Triumphant's ministry by all of us working together to Grow In Christ to Serve Others.



## \$1.2M Mortgage



## April 2019 Month End Financial Summary

	NET INCOME		ANNUAL BUDGET	
	April	Year To Date		
Operating Income	\$56,617	\$224,840	Operating Income	\$756,025
Operating Expenses	\$57,212	\$237,557	Bldg Fund Income	\$91,104
Net Operating Income	(\$595)	(\$12,717)	Other Income	\$9,150
Bldg & Designated Income	\$9,459	\$50,938	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$856,279</b>
Bldg & Designated Expenses	\$9,246	\$50,655	Operating Expenses	\$765,175
Net Designated Income	\$213	\$283	Debt Service	\$91,104
<b>TOTAL NET INCOME</b>	<b>(\$382)</b>	<b>(\$12,434)</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$856,279</b>



## ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH

- 1 Ron & Judy Pratt
- 1 Bill & Marilyn Winters
- 2 Donald & Mellissa Zipp
- 3 Andrew & Jennifer Feutz
- 4 Melinda & Jim Cruz-Balderas
- 4 Bill & Judie Waechter
- 6 Dorothy & Charles Mire
- 6 Aaron & Vernell Theilengerdes
- 7 Bob & Janice Pfothner
- 8 Dave & Beth Abraham
- 8 Caleb & Alex Geleske
- 9 Rod & Corina Leachman
- 13 Joyce & Jerry Cox
- 20 Amy & Danny Coronado
- 21 Rick & Lisa Andersen
- 21 Skip & Karen Courter
- 21 Dennis & Mary Feuge
- 23 Bill & Kathy Cuddy
- 23 Lars & Mary Langenes
- 27 Christopher & Silke Williams
- 30 Charles & Amy Beierle

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Landon Theilengerdes
- 4 Brian Krauss
- 6 Will Denton, Ron Glazener,  
Raymond Pape, Adam Richter,  
Caryn Skaggs, Cody Whitaker
- 7 Jaycee Feutz, Hannelore Kestler,  
Jo Ann Mattison
- 8 Mary Ellen Cavitt, Cheryl Cox
- 9 Jessica Anderson, Terry Frost,  
Jason Henderson
- 14 Shelly Wilcox, Paul Bellairs
- 15 Gryphon Skaggs, Chris St.Clair,  
Dave Titus
- 16 Kenneth Weber
- 19 Lisa Gallo, Sebastian Lleverino,  
Charles Snyder
- 20 Wesley Wade, Josh Weinhardt
- 22 John Schultz, Alex Webster
- 25 Emily Gonzales, Micah Haug
- 27 Tristan Arvidson, Helen Pratt
- 28 Sandra Royston
- 30 Tammy Pope



*With Sympathy*

**Sharon Ann Wendel** (Niece of George Biesenbach) **+4-20-19**

**Michael Dwyer** (Nephew of Nancy Patchin) **+4-27-19**

**Robert Hardwick** (Father of Angela Etheridge) **+4-30-19**

**Ryan Bielke** (Cousin of the Baumanns) **+5-5-19**

**Rena Dreyer** (Friend of the Baumanns) **+5-5-19**

**Peggy Kellam** (Friend of Rachel Crow) **+5-6-19**

**Eva Potter** (TLC Member) **+5-19-19**

**Al Salazar** (Brother of Abelardo Salazar) **+5-19-19**



Don't Miss the

**DEADLINE!**

**for the July Trumpet**  
**Sunday, June 23, 2019**

**SEND SUBMISSIONS TO**  
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>May 2019 Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>	<p>July 2019 Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>				<p>1 5:00 PM - Casual Service</p>
<p>2 8:30 AM - Traditional Service 11:00 AM - Contemporary Svc</p>	<p>3 9:00 AM - Mothers Day Out 6:00 PM - Finance Committee</p>	<p>4 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting 1:00 PM - Evangelism Team</p>	<p>5 9:00 AM - Mothers Day Out 6:30 PM - Photographing Faith</p>	<p>6 9:30 AM - Ladies Bible Study 9:30 AM - Art Class 6:30 PM - Praise Band 7:00 PM - Stephen Ministry - Lib</p>	<p>7 6:00 AM - Men's Bible Study</p>
Synod Assembly					<p>8 5:00 PM - Casual Service 6:00 PM - Meet Me @ the Grill</p>
<p>9 Pentecost 8:30 AM - Traditional Service 9:30 AM - Reducing the Risk - GP 9:45 AM - Adult Bible Study 11:00 AM - Contemporary Svc</p>	<p>10 9:00 AM - Mothers Day Out 6:00 PM - ECP Board 7:00 PM - Council Meeting</p>	<p>11 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting 9:30 AM - Quilting Bees 2:00 PM - Autumn Winds 6:00 PM - Creative Blessings</p>	<p>12 9:00 AM - Mothers Day Out 6:30 PM - Photographing Faith</p>	<p>13 9:30 AM - Ladies Bible Study 9:30 AM - Art Class 6:30 PM - Praise Band</p>	<p>14 6:00 AM - Men's Bible Study 6:30 PM - Blended Spirits</p>
Preschool Camp					
Confirmation, Elementary & LYLE Camps					
<p>16 Father's Day 8:30 AM - Traditional Service 9:45 AM - Adult Bible Study 11:00 AM - Contemporary Svc</p>	<p>17 </p>	<p>18 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting 4:00 PM - Prayer Team</p>	<p>19 6:30 PM - Photographing Faith</p>	<p>20 6:30 PM - Praise Band 7:00 PM - Stephen Ministry - Lib</p>	<p>21 6:00 AM - Men's Bible Study</p>
To Mars and Beyond VBS					
<p>23 8:30 AM - Traditional Service 9:45 AM - Adult Bible Study 9:45 AM - Outreach Team 11:00 AM - Contemporary Svc 12:15 PM - Mission Trip Mtg</p>	<p>24 9:00 AM - Mothers Day Out</p>	<p>25 9:30 AM - Staff Meeting 9:30 AM - Quilting Bees 6:00 PM - Creative Blessings 7:00 PM - Discipleship - GP</p>	<p>26 9:00 AM - Mothers Day Out 6:30 PM - Photographing Faith</p>	<p>27 9:30 AM - Ladies Bible Study 9:30 AM - Art Class 6:30 PM - Praise Band</p>	<p>28 6:00 AM - Men's Bible Study 6:30 PM - Blended Spirits</p>
<p>30 8:30 AM - Traditional Service 9:45 AM - Adult Bible Study 11:00 AM - Contemporary Svc</p>					<p>29 5:00 PM - Casual Service</p>
					<p>Healing Service</p>
<p>22 5:00 PM - Casual Service</p> 					



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## Triumphant Lutheran Worship Services

Holy Communion at every service.

**Saturday:** Casual Worship 5:00pm

**Sunday:** Traditional Worship 8:30am

Contemporary Worship 11:00am

**Preschool:** On Summer Break

**MDO:** Monday & Wednesday 9:00am-2:00pm

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