



MAY 2018

Beautiful
Savior
Lutheran
Church
Newsletter

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Church offices are open Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR SPONSORS sign-up sheet for May is on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall or let Dorothy know which Sunday you can volunteer for: May signups that **still need sponsor** are: **13, 20, & 27**. Please sign-up in the fellowship hall or Call Dorothy at 602-276-7076.

*****If you put food in the refrigerators please put your name and the date you put it in on the items!**

Thank you, Dorothy

BY THE NUMBERS

April average Sunday attendance – 62; April Adult Bible Study average attendance per class – 9

THE CAMPUS REJUVENATION FUND:

The Matching Funds committee appointed at the January Voters meeting has established the Campus Rejuvenation Fund to hold the monies collected from fundraisers. This is in a separate savings account. The campaign will continue until Thanksgiving. A chart in the narthex is recording progress.

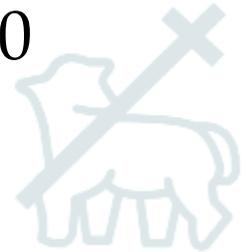
The anonymous donor has already given us the full \$50,000, which is why the chart shows such good progress.

The Jazz and Chocolate Concert last Sunday was attended by 50 people and raised \$1,090 for the fund.

Catechism Review

Lunch and Lutheran Teaching

Saturday May 5th 11:30-1:00

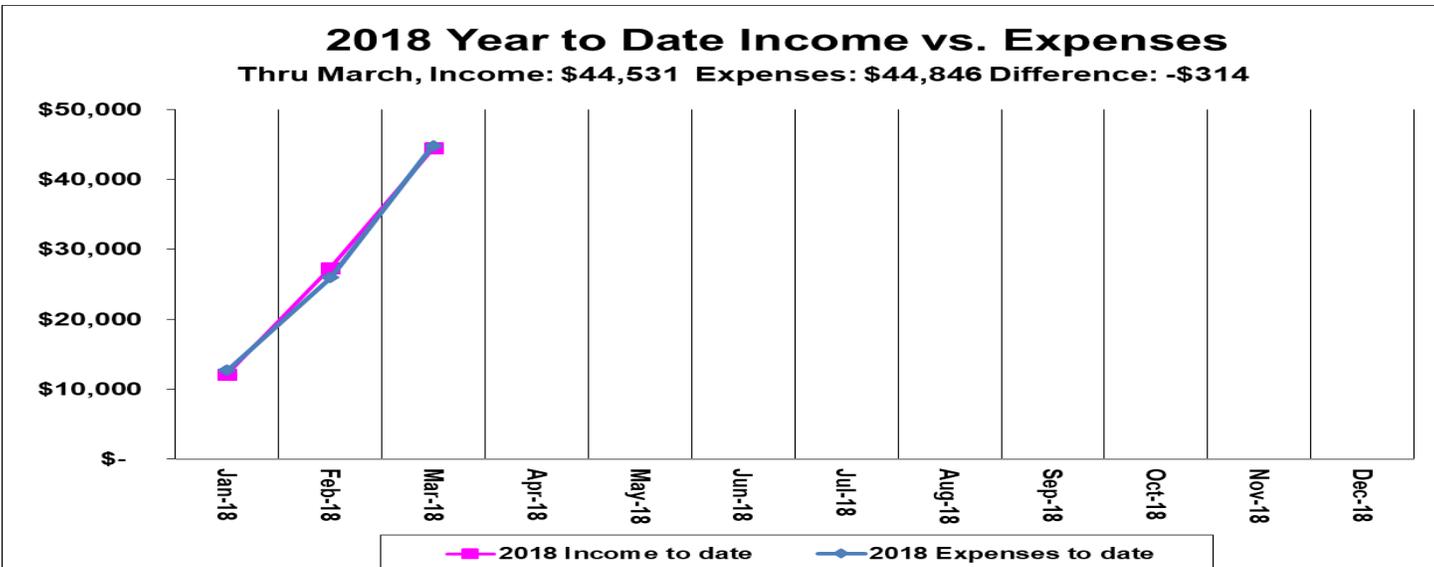
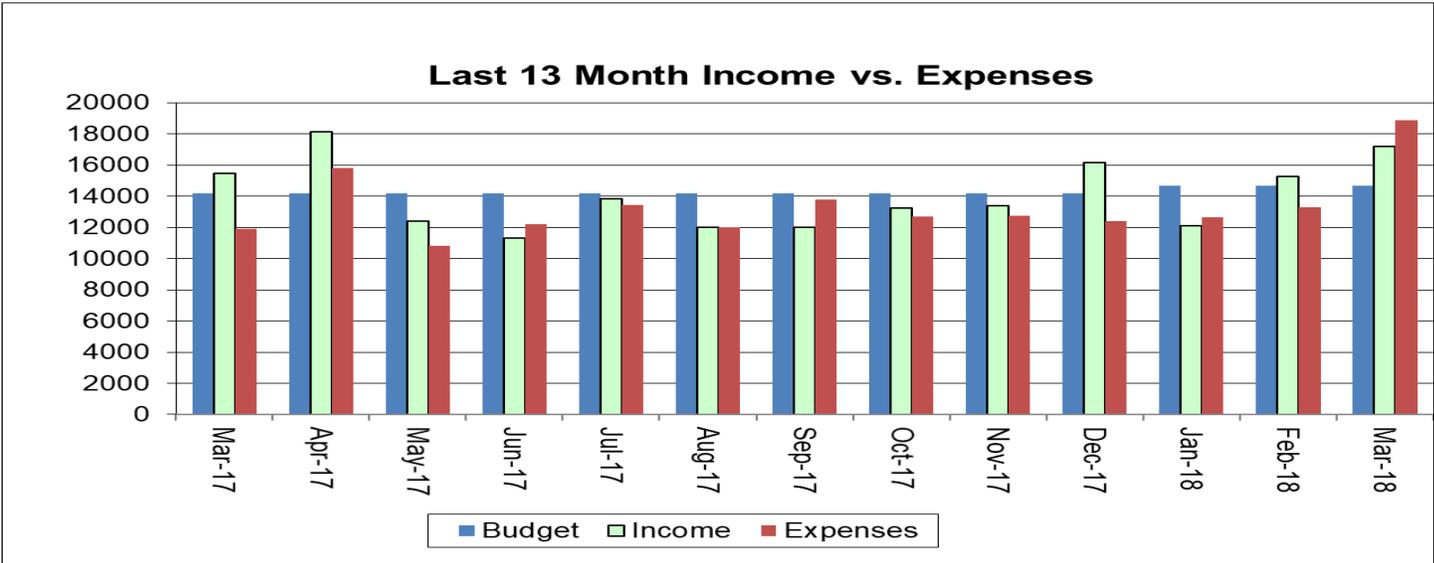
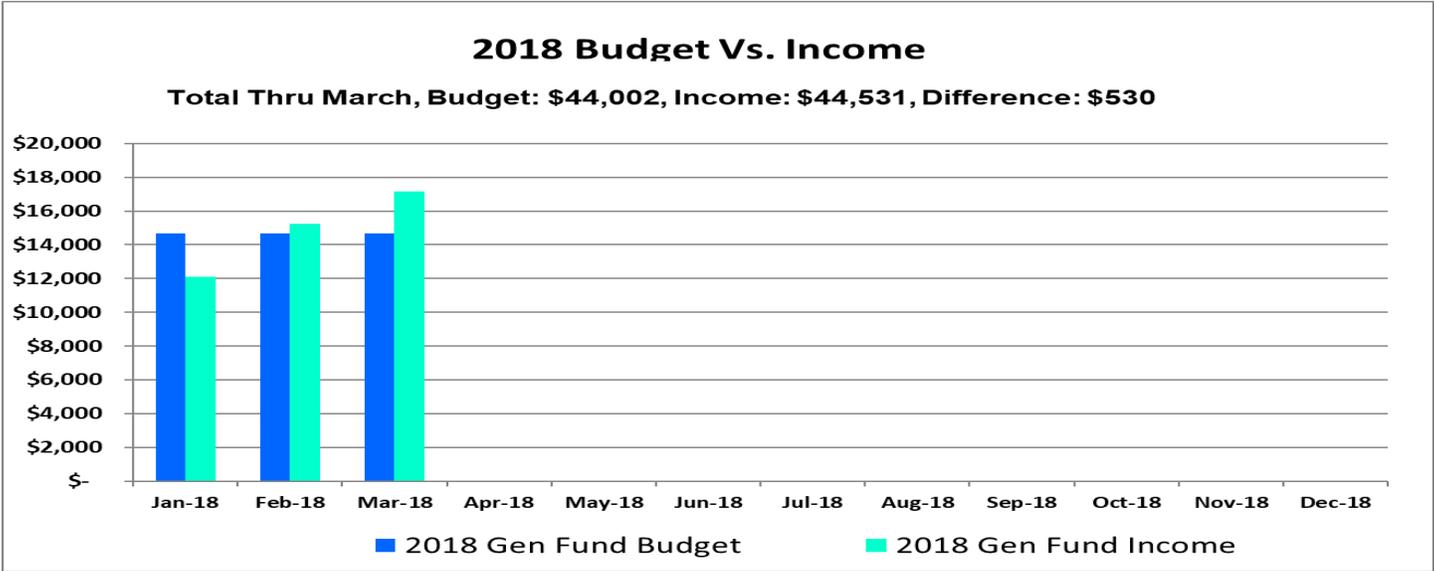


HIGHLIGHTS OF THE APRIL 2018 BSCL COUNCIL MEETING

The BSCL Council met on Apr. 18th. Highlights from that meeting are:

- Pastor Misch gave an opening devotion about being citizens of this world and of God's world
- March 2018 Council minutes approved
- 3 members transferred in
- Christian Education will be hosting a Catechism Refresher course on April 28th and May 5th
- March finished with a positive balance of \$1,694.
- The current All-Peril insurance coverage will be continued. The Workers Compensation Insurance plan will be continued. The board plans to solicit bids from security companies to determine whether or not to replace the Protection One coverage due to continuing price increases.
- The current loan balance is \$7433
- Andrew Grant was invited to join Board of Elders
- Stewardship provided new member packets to our new members which include the most recent Treasurer report, Constitution, Bylaws, LWML Quarterly, and Portals of Prayer
- 2 dozen caps were donated to the cancer center
- 18 caps were donated to Maricopa County hospital
- Cox completed installation of the telephone/internet line
- New outside door and screen door for office installed
- LWML events:
 - Tea at Trinity, Fountain Hills on May 12
 - May 19 - Celebrating Christian Women event 10 A.M.
 - May 20 – Sunday after worship. Luncheon and shower for baby Misch.
 - June 6-8 – LWML District convention.
- PTC planning another rummage sale
- Finance Board and Council will research electronic giving.

BOARD OF FINANCE:



STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE:

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Two of the most highly watched sporting events on television are not when teams or athletes are competing against each other, rather they involve the drafting of players for the National Football League (NFL) and National Basketball Association (NBA) teams. For many hours, fans of professional sports will watch intently to see whom their favorite teams will draft.

Most of us won't be drafted by professional teams, but, as Christians, we, in essence, are God's draft choices. *"You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit" (John 15:16)*. God chooses ordinary people to do extra-ordinary things. God has chosen us to us to carry His message of love to the world. It is God Who does the drafting and the changing. Through faith, we will stay on God's team, and we will bear the fruit that He calls us to bear. As God's chosen people we may not receive large compensation, but our benefits are out of this world. Paul wrote, *"For we are God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do, (Ephesians 2:10)*. What a privilege it is to be a part of and serving on God's winning team.

Stewardship Committee reports, that in this past month, welcome packets were given to three new members. Cap Makers knitted/crocheted and donated caps to the Ironwod Cancer Center and Maricopa County Hospital for which they expressed their appreciation and thanks. Many thanks to all who are a part of this group and a special recognition is given to Kathryn Odle –she has crocheted for our group a total of 100 caps. Thank you Kathryn! LWML has acquired for their annual Christian Women's event on May 19, a speaker from the Elizabeth House, an extension of Maggie's House, Phoenix. It is an organization that cares for unwed pregnant teenage mothers. Ingathering will be items that are needed for babies. All ladies are welcome to the event.

Stewardship Committee continues to encourage all to give to our Lord a share of our time, talents and treasures.

Grace Timm, Gladys Meyer, Dorothy McShee
Stewardship Committee



WOMEN IN MISSION (LWML)

BSLC's Women in Mission did not formally meet in April. We did host the Easter breakfast Easter breakfast on April 1st. Thank you to everyone who donated food items. \$68 was contributed to the Campus Rejuvenation Matching Funds drive from the breakfast donations.

Upcoming Events:

TEA & SALAD LUNCHEON

Date: Saturday, May 12, 2PM

Place: Trinity Lutheran Church, 13770 North Fountain Hills Blvd

Donation: \$20 – half of donations will go to Food for Kids

Reserve a place by May 5th with Sandra Wardwell

CELEBRATING CHRISTIAN WOMEN

Date: Saturday, May 19 10 A.M.

Place: Beautiful Savior Fellowship Hall

Ingathering: Toiletries for infants, Diapers (newborn to size 4), baby wipes

Potluck Luncheon: Bring a salad to share

CONGREGATIONAL SHOWER FOR BABY MISCH

Date: Sunday, May 20, following worship service

Place: Beautiful Savior Fellowship Hall

Luncheon: provided by LWML

Gifts: Baby Misch is registered with Target and Bye Bye Baby

Thank you for your support of LWML!

Sandra Wardwell, Acting President

LWML PRAYER CHAIN

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church has a Prayer Chain sponsored by LWML, also called Women In Mission, who are ready and willing to pray with or for you.

Anyone who would like to join the Prayer Chain can be added to the list just by notifying Gladys Meyer at 480 897-2236 or 480 258-0889 or by email geneglad@q.com. Please give your choice of receiving prayer requests by telephone or email. We presently have 19 members. All prayer requests (prayers for thankfulness, healing, safety, guidance, to mention a few) are accepted and forwarded to the prayer chain members as soon as possible. Call your prayer requests to Gladys Meyer (same contacts as above) or Pastor Misch, 602 582-7473 or 480 967-2660.

A Monday Prayer is sent out to the Prayer Chain Members. This includes a mini devotion, a related prayer and prayer requests. "Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you," (Psalm 55:22). God welcomes your prayers; He listens to and answers all prayers.

Gladys Meyer, Prayer Chain Leader

PASTOR MISCH:



The Dog Days of Summer

The Summer routine is pretty familiar around here. If you have to do something outside, do it in the morning before it gets too hot. Stay inside if you can, drink a lot of water, don't overexert yourself, and, if you possibly can, flee the valley for cooler places. We understand the routine of the valley and most likely have developed our own. The existence of a summer routine also makes me wonder if we have spiritual routines?

Most of us have a routine about attending church but is that it? I believe that it is important to develop spiritual routines in every aspect of our lives. Do we have routines that surround our prayer lives? Do we pray when we get up in the morning? Do we pray when we go to bed? Do we pray when we are in the car traveling from place to place? How about study and meditation upon God's word? Do we have routines surrounding spending time in the Bible? It is very important to develop a spiritual routine.

It is important because routines help us when problems arise. Those routines are things that we count on and they are things that stay with us when everyone around us changes. Having well developed spiritual routines help us when we have health problems. They help us when we are going through a tough time and the reason they do is because spiritual routines are designed around the idea of knowing God.

We have the very important task of growing in understanding of God and who he is. God commanded his people in Deuteronomy to learn the commands he was teaching them and to surround their lives with those commands. When we grow in understand and knowledge of God we start to see the world differently. We start to trust in God more. We start to see him in places where we once missed. It is amazing how much the Scripture and the world opens up when we put the time in to learn about God. That is why it is important to develop a spiritual routine surrounded in prayer and study of scripture, and if we have not developed that routine yet in our lives this summer is a perfect time to do so.

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