



MAY 2019

Beautiful
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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 **12 & 26**. 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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:



The Gideons International

May 5 @ 10 a.m. Worship
PRESENTATION FROM THE
GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL
REPRESENTATIVE



May 5 after Worship
Cinco De Mayo Luncheon
Free will offering

APRIL ATTENDANCE:

Average attendance for Worship Services--68; Average attendance for Adult Bible Study--8:

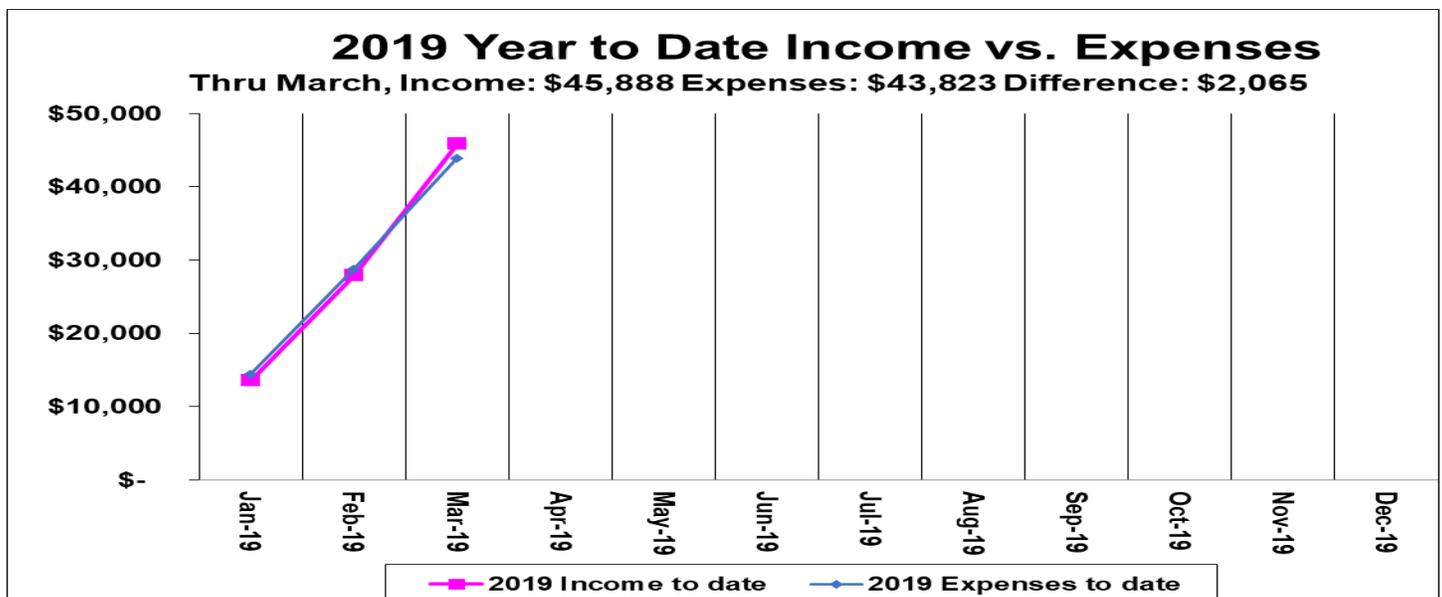
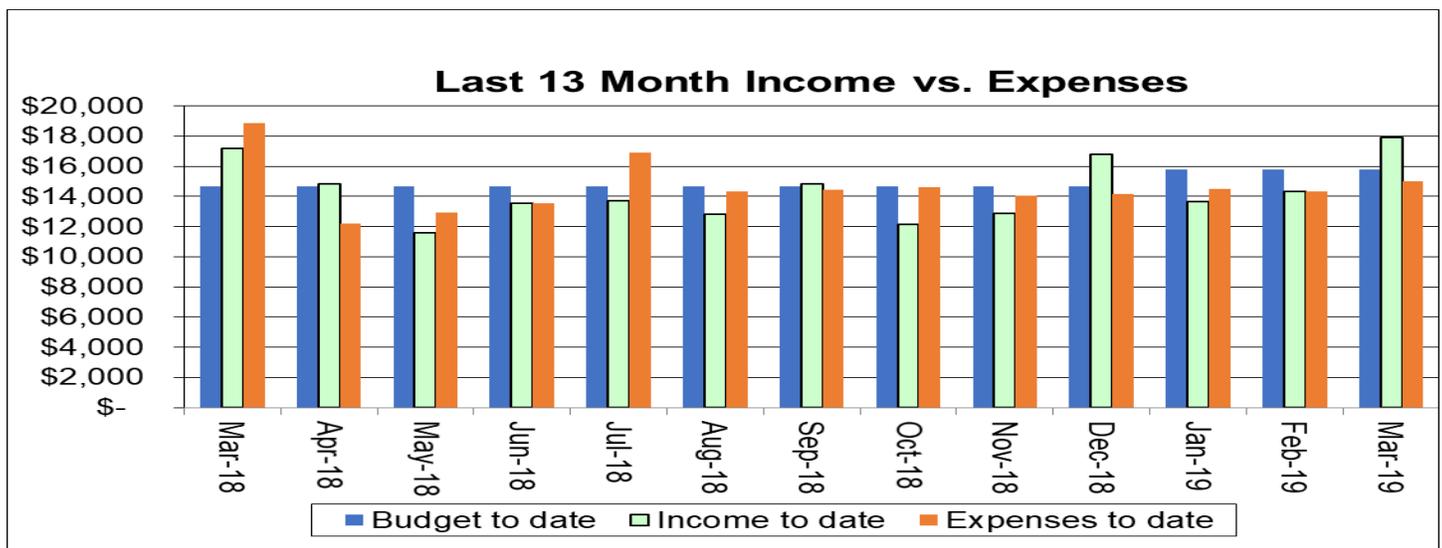
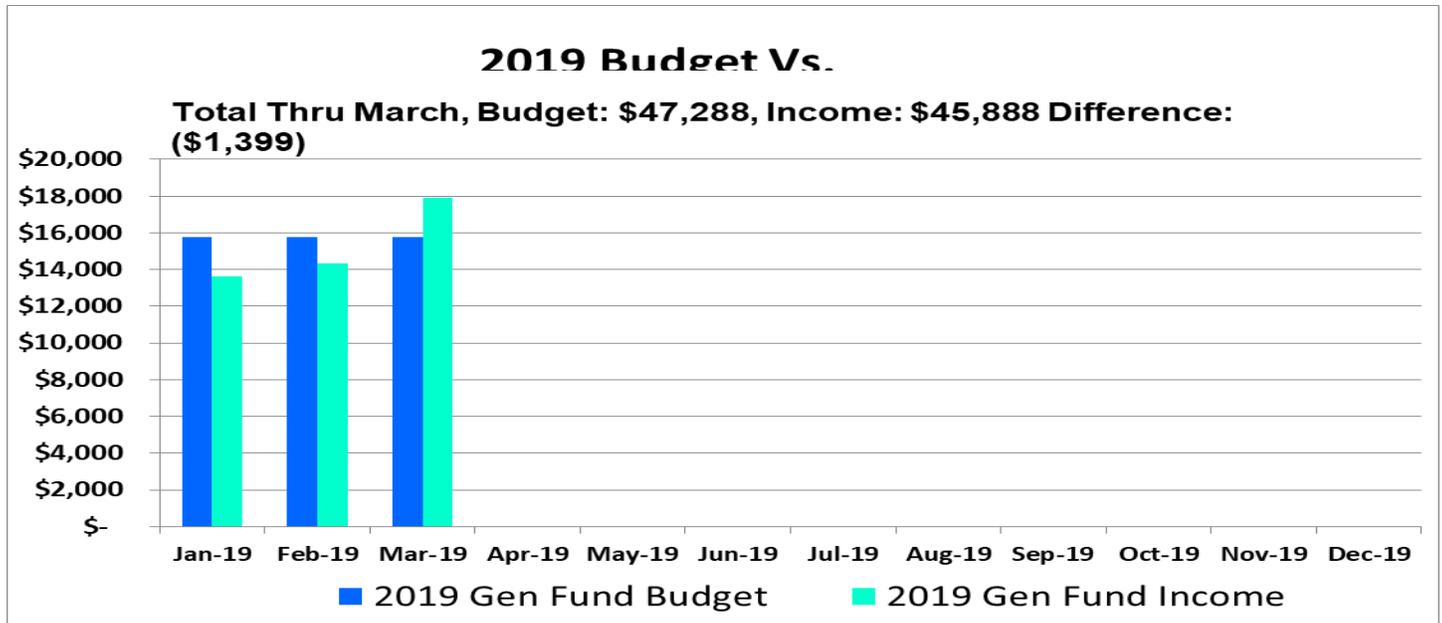
HIGHLIGHTS OF THE APRIL 2019 COUNCIL MEETINGS

The regular BSLC Council meeting was held April 16th. Highlights of the meeting are:

- Pastor and Don Schumm replaced the old mic system in the sanctuary
- Treasurer reported April ended with a positive balance.
- Christian Education is planning a vacation Bible school event
- The Campus Rejuvenation Fund (Matching Funds) balance at the end of February is \$101,961 (\$1,938 was spent for the replacement of the microphone system)
- Financial data provided for the annual report of the Pacific Southwest District of LCMS
- Board of Stewardship and Women in Mission prepared 50 Easter baskets and 45 cartons of plastic eggs with the resurrection story for Lutheran Ministry at ASU
- LWML has paid the Mite grant of \$10,000 to Lutheran Ministry at ASU
- Trustees reported 74 volunteer hours this month.
- The Alzheimer group continues to meet on the second Saturday of each month in Fuerbringer Hall.
- Music Director Brown reported on the festive Palm Sunday Processional, replete with a trumpet fanfare by Glenn Brown, a donkey (created by Debbie O'Neill), led by our crucifer Andrew Grant, and followed by the children and choir of BSLC launched our Holy Week. Many thanks to Cyndi Calender for her inspiration and guidance on this new approach to Palm Sunday
- Women in Mission will Celebrate Christian Women at the May 18th meeting
- Camp ALOMA representative is needed
- The Trustees approved 3 contractors for the 1st phase of the of the campus rejuvenation projects. Certa pro Painters (bid of \$11,322 to paint both the inside and outside of BSLC) the preschool rooms will not be painted; Reyes Upholstery (bid of \$6,104 to reupholster the pews) and Taylor Flooring (bid of \$19,258 to install carpet tiles, except for the altar area which will be broadloom), this bid does not include the preschool rooms. All of the companies have workman's comp (copies will be provided to BSLC), A motion to accept these three bids with the trustees negotiating any updates with the contractors was made, second and approved
- The continuing/new board members to be presented at the April 28th Voters meeting for approval are:
 - President, Don Schumm
 - Secretary, Sandra Wardwell
 - Christian Education, Andrew Grant
 - Elders, need more elders
 - Finance, Joe Carlin
 - Stewardship, Charlotte Grefe and Bobbie Littou
 - Trustees, Don Schinke, Dorothy McShee, Phyllis Schinke, Jim Schutkowski, and Cyndi Calender
- Installation date will be June 2

If you are interested in receiving the Council minutes and report packets please contact Sandra Wardwell at 480-334-4176 or s.wardwell@asu.edu

BOARD OF FINANCE:



STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE:

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May, 2019

As God's stewards, we are to bear fruit that extends His kingdom and gives Him honor and glory. He calls us to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, provide hospitality to the stranger, clothe the needy, and care for the prisoner. An integral part of living and serving God as faithful stewards is the serving of others. In the words of Jesus, "*I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of Mine, you did for Me*" (Matthew 25:40). We are to comfort as we have been comforted (2 Corinthians 1:3-4). May we as His chosen stewards serve Him with what we have, what we are, and what He will make us.

Stewardship Committee this past month assisted LWML with several projects: making a meal for ASU students (international and domestic) that attend the Thursday evening Campus Christian Center (CCC) gathering; Easter egg project—filling egg cartons with plastic eggs containing Bible verses and Easter baskets for ASU students. Knitters and crotchetier are working on the order for 150 caps by Sharon Owens, Director of Lutheran Ministry at ASU.

Gladys Meyer, Dorothy McShee
Stewardship Committee

LWML: WOMEN IN MISSION



WOMEN IN MISSION (LWML)

Eight members met on Saturday, April 6th to assemble the Easter baskets for Lutheran Ministry at ASU. Sharon Owens and her daughter, Joanna, joined us. We prepared 50 Easter baskets. Sharon used the items in the basket to tell about Jesus and the meaning of Easter as her weekly object lesson at the Maundy Thursday supper for the students.

We also prepared 45 dozen cartons of plastic eggs containing slips of paper describing Jesus' activities during Holy Week. These were also distributed to the students on Maundy Thursday.

Two members will be attending the WRAP training event at Christ Church Lutheran on April 27th.

On May 18th we will be Celebrating Christian Women with a special program presented by Deb Bergman. We plan to invite the other churches in our LWML Zone. All BSLC women are invited to attend!

Thank you for your support of LWML!

Please let me know if you have any questions about the LWML and join in our activities whenever you can.

Sandra Wardwell (480-334-4176 or s.wardwell@asu.edu)

PASTOR MISCH:



Living in Fear?

On Easter Sunday many of us awoke to the news that there had been a number of bombings targeting churches and hotels in the country of Sri Lanka. The bombings killed a significant number of people, once again highlighting the turbulent nature of being a Christian in parts of the world. It also highlights the reality that there are those who desire the death of Christians, but should we be surprised?

At the beginning of Jesus' earthly ministry Jesus finds himself on the top of a mountain and while he is there he is surrounded by people. Jesus uses that opportunity to teach and we know that event as the sermon on the mount beginning the famous section called the "beatitudes." In that section Jesus calls those who are persecuted "blessed." "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Mt 5:10). There is a reality that because we follow Jesus, we will have people who desire our destruction. And even though we know that persecution will happen to us, that knowledge does very little to comfort us.

We want to live in places that are safe. We want to be left alone and allowed to be Christians without the threat of harm or death. Unfortunately, we are never out of the possibility of being hurt or even killed because of our confession. We look for safety from laws. We look for safety from government. We look for safety so that we might live in comfort. However, the true comfort we receive is from Easter. It's not from laws or government. True comfort is the fact that Jesus is risen from the dead. Because of Easter we know that he can be trusted. Because of Easter we know that Jesus' promises are true. The promise of eternal life. The promise of the resurrection of the dead is the force that drives us to live whether we face persecution or not. We hold onto the promises of Jesus regardless of what happens to us, and as we await the return of Jesus, diligently pray for our brothers and sisters. Pray that the Lord give to them strength and faith when they are persecuted. Pray that the Lord gives us confidence in our faith when we face persecution.

Pastor Misch