

Join the Journey!

As I write this, we are less than three weeks away from Christmas! How did this busy season of joy and craziness come so quickly this year? Today I'm thankful for our forecast of sunny weather for the next week and a half, even in early December. We have so much to be thankful for as we look back and celebrate the fact God has sent his son Jesus to be your Savior, Lord, and Friend. Simultaneously, we acknowledge the brokenness of our world and too often our own lives that fills us with an eagerness and aching desire for Jesus to come again and make this world right - once and for all. As much as I love Christmas music, greenery, lights and candles, each year Christmas means more and more to me because it is a season when we remember that there is great, great hope for our world and even for me in Jesus, the newborn Savior of the world. This Christmas, and in the new year of 2018, may we join together as God's people in this time and place to be beacons sharing and shining the light of His love for people that live with us in our little part of the world.

At Hope, we describe this in our mission statement: "engaging the disinterested to walk in the Hope of Jesus." Engaging the disinterested is something that is fairly obvious in meaning - engage or start discussions with disinterested people that they want to have. There are a lot of different ways to accomplish that, but the meaning is rather clear. What do we mean by "walking in the Hope of Jesus?" Briefly, this is how we describe the Christian life. At Hope, we further define walking in the Hope of Jesus with three ideas: ELEVATION or relationship with God, CONNECTION or friendship with other Christians, and EXPEDITION or seeing our lives as other-centered and as an avenue of service to those in physical and spiritual need.

Our staff and leaders have many great ideas of how we might pursue each of these three things more effectively, to help more disinterested people experience these three things in an increasing way in their lives. Our hope, dream, and prayer is that God would provide an additional \$1.22 million through the generosity of His people over the next two years of 2018 and 2019 to accomplish these things. If you were able to attend the

Join the Journey Experience on November 19th, you received a green packet with more detailed information about these investments in our mission. If you were not able to attend on November 19th, some additional green packets are available in the Commons for you to take home and peruse. Many important things are included in the hope of making these additional investments in our mission: taking better care of our facilities, adequately compensating our staff, reducing our debt, growing existing ministries and starting new ones, delivering more regular spiritual care, investing financially in other Christian ministries with whom we partner, both locally and globally, equipping Hope people to serve locally and internationally, and deploying new part time staff people to equip and assist people at Hope and in our community in walking in the Hope of Jesus.

As we begin our 100th anniversary year in January 2018, we will spend some time celebrating the tremendous impact that the ministry of Hope has in the lives of people in Seattle and beyond.

**I invite you to
Join the Journey**
as we celebrate
and consider
what next steps
of faith God is
calling you to
take to move

forward our mission of "engaging the disinterested to walk in the Hope of Jesus." Thank you so much for your generous investment in and support of the ministry of Hope in the present and the past and I look forward to what God will do with us together in the new year and beyond! Merry Christmas!

In the Strength and Peace of the Newborn King,



Pastor Peter





Here's a little important marriage advice that I never received: Never marry a twin. You

will always be under the scrutiny of comparison. This obviously becomes more evident during the holidays, because one of the first questions on the Christmas day phone call to her twin is "What did Loren get you?" I remember one of the first years we were married I knocked it out of the park. I bought Bernadette a pearl necklace, while her twin sister's husband bought her a dirt bike. I scored huge points that year at the expense (full pun intended) of my brother-in law! I believe the quote to her husband after the Christmas day phone call was something like "What's wrong with this picture?" It reminds me of a sermon years ago by Pastor Iben when he confessed that early in his marriage he bought his wife a fishing reel. While these gifts weren't the best choice, those of you who have been through the "His Needs/Her Needs" material may recognize this as a cry for the emotional need of recreational companionship. (And as a cry for some gift-giving counseling!) The gift-giving guidance on TV during the Seahawks commercials has told me that "Love is a diamond," "A diamond is forever" and that if I want my wife to knock me over onto the couch and kiss me passionately, like I was the latest heart throb at the movies, I need to buy her that necklace with the pendant that has that spirally thing on it. Or buy that fancy new black car and put the giant red bow on it that somehow keeps snow from accumulating on it in the middle of a snow storm while it's parked in the driveway! (Come to think of it, that anti-snow red bow would be nice!) Now Bernadette and I both focus on the real meaning of Christmas—the unfathomable gift of Emmanuel, God with us. Everything else is just, well, stuff. But it is fun to try to find something that will make her eyes light up. After 29 years it just keeps getting tougher and tougher though to find the "perfect gift," especially since my wife is so content. I have already received a text from her twin sister this year that said "Please, please tell me you have some gift ideas for Bernadette." My reply: "I have no clue. Try asking her sister!" ☺

Maybe the question really isn't "What is the perfect gift" but "What is the secret of contentment?" Of course I asked my wife that question. I could tell you the answer, but you would hate me. So instead, we'll look at some facts. First off, you need to really know your spouse, which is why the "His Needs/Her Needs" and "The 5 Love Languages" type material is so important. You

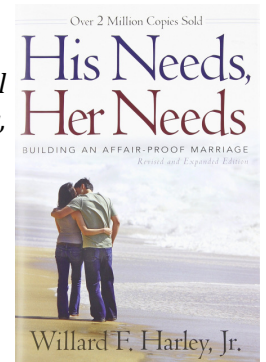
need to know what your spouse's emotional needs are before you can fulfill them. (If your spouse hasn't read both of those books, that would be a good stocking stuffer.)

The 5 love languages are: *words of affirmation, quality time, receiving gifts, acts of service, and physical touch.*

The 10 areas of emotional needs from "His Needs/Her Needs" are: *affection, sexual fulfillment, intimate conversation, recreational companionship, physical attractiveness, honesty and openness, financial support, domestic support, family commitment, and admiration.*

Now, if this all sounds like Greek to you, you might want to stop here and go read those two books. Let's take the two examples mentioned previously about the dirt bike and the fishing reel given to the wives. Without any testing you can tell that one of the top emotional needs for those two guys is recreational companionship. They wouldn't give those gifts to their girls expecting them to use them by themselves. It means they want to enjoy their favorite activities with their wife. So that is a gift giving clue for their wives. Take your spouse's top 2 or 3 needs and narrow your gift giving search area. Ever notice how many "World's best dad, teacher, whatever" shirts there are? That's because some people have a need for affirmation and admiration. Does your spouse have a need for quality time, sexual fulfillment, or physical touch? Give them a weekend getaway for just the two of you. For the need of domestic support how about a coupon for a maid service to come in and clean the house? For the need of honesty and openness how about an evening at a nice restaurant where you can really check in and find out how your partner is doing inside? Does your spouse have a need for family commitment from you? How about joining something the whole family can do together like a Y membership, coach his/her sports team this coming year, or book a nice family vacation? Does your spouse like to receive gifts? Plan a day where just the two of you can go shopping and pay attention to what they look at and where they want to go. You get the picture - find out what their need is and look for a way to fulfill it. And in the end, if all fails and your spouse won't help you out at all you can do what I do: threaten her with "Do you want the red fishing rod or the blue one?" ☺

We both wish you a blessed Christmas with the gift of Jesus as the focus of attention.



Hope School News



PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Children are welcome to attend!

Tuesday, January 9, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

Most preschools begin to register students for the coming fall in January, so it is never too early to do your research. Bring your child(ren) and watch them explore and play in the fun environment that will become like a second home to them. Teachers will be on hand to answer questions and talk about our play-based approach to learning and building a strong foundation for your little one to grow from. Refreshments will be provided. Please call the school office at 935-8500 or email admissions@hopeseattle.org for more information.

Referrals by our current families
are still the most impactful way in
which we are introduced
to new families!

SAVE THE DATE! APRIL 21, 2018

Join Hope families, students, teachers, alumni, and staff for our biannual spring Auction and Gala, "HOPECOMING."



This important fundraising event supports classroom enrichment and student learning programs at Hope. Mark your calendars now so you don't miss this 80's themed class reunion of fun and fellowship.

If you would like to help or contribute to this event contact Heather Paar or the School Office.

Lutheran Women *in Mission* - Tanzanian Sewing Center

YOUR MITES AT WORK IN THE WORLD!

LWML 2017-2019 Mission Grant #4:

Tanzanian Sewing Center \$25,000

The LWML is helping to teach young girls in Tanzania how to sew, giving them the chance to change their lives and escape poverty and destitution. At the same time, they are learning about the saving grace and love of Jesus and sharing it with their neighbors. Find out how the LWML is changing the lives of these young girls and bringing them to Jesus at: www.lwml.org, Missions Grants for the "Tanzanian Sewing Center."



This is yet another way to **Multiply Hope** by putting your loose change in the large Mite container in the Commons. There is a list of Mission Projects by the Mite Box which will tell you where your money will be used. Thank you for giving!



The first women's dormitory at the Sewing Center gets a new, improved roof!

Member Updates

BAPTISMS:

We welcome into the family of God:

Children of Jose & Courtney Benavides, baptized on September 14, 2017.

Child of Jason & Tiffany Behmer, baptized on September 24, 2017.

Child of Timothy & Brianna Allen, baptized on October 8, 2017.

Child of Todd & Melissa Burton, baptized on October 15, 2017.

Children of Eric & Val Harrison baptized on October 29, 2017.

Children of Harlan & Jane Foster, baptized on November 1, 2017.

Child of Zachary & Mary Zornes, baptized on November, 26, 2017.

DEATHS:

We offer our Christian sympathies to the families of the following loved ones who went to their eternal rest.

- *Lorraine Huppert* passed away in October
- *Rev. Dan Martin* passed away in November
- *Irene Staps* passed away in November
- *Lois Stevenson* passed away in November

ADDRESS/PHONE/EMAIL CHANGES:

(CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE)

Scott & MaryAnne deVry

Kris & Sara Kunkel

Maxine Lillie (now at The Mount)

John & Marci Reschar

Loren & Bernadette Sommer
(no land line)

Abaigh Vickers

Jeff & Jennifer Young

CONGRATULATIONS: To *Jonathan Vair* for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout! Proud parents are John & Julie Vair.



Mexico Mission News - "El Catecismo Menor de Lutero" by Irene Gehring

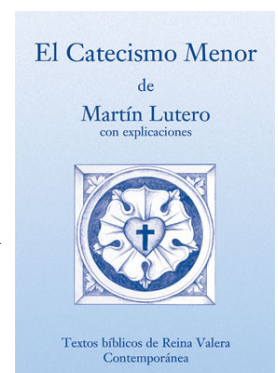
300 Spanish Lutheran Catechisms will soon be in the hands of youth and adults at Mexico missions: **Ensenada Christian Ministries** (missionary Diane Mebust), and in the hands of students at **Esperanza Esquela (Hope School)** in the San Juanito area of Chihuahua (missionary Kaare Hagen's Mexico mission area).

How did this come about? A small group of Hope Lutheran Church ladies, who call themselves the Mary Martha Bible Study Circle, direct a portion of their yearly circle contributions to a designated fund. Once a year they decide to whom their gifts will go. The focus is always Christian education. This year they voted to support Friends of Literacy and Ensenada Christian Ministries by purchasing Lutheran Catechisms in Spanish for these two missions.

What joy will accompany these gifts! Just think of it! In this, the 500th year anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation, these students and adults will have their very own copies of the Lutheran Catechism which Martin Luther first wrote in the German language OF THE PEOPLE 500 years ago!

The Catechism, a textbook for teaching and learning the Christian faith, will be in their very own hands and in their own language - Spanish!

Thanks be to God Who guides hearts and always provides!



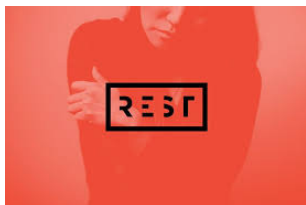
REST Outreach

Recently, Peter and I found ourselves in the ER after Peter broke his arm playing basketball with our son, John. We weren't looking forward to the long wait. But, something beautiful happened as we sat in the waiting room in a "Breakfast Club" type experience with the other waiting patients. We were all brought together by a young woman who was obviously in a lot of pain. We gathered around her in an attempt to comfort and encourage her. And as I talked more to this young woman, I discovered that she had lived on the streets for the past eight years and had a seven year old daughter who lived with her mom. My heart broke as I listened to her story. Unfortunately, she ended up running out of the ER and one of the doctors told me that this happens often.

I share this story because I can't seem to get this sweet girl's face out of mind. Her story is not uncommon. "On any given night in Seattle, hundreds will be sold for sex," according to REST's website. What is REST? "Real Escape from the Sex Trade" and it is an independent 501(c)(3) Washington State Charitable Nonprofit Organization. REST was founded in November 2009 by a small team of women with the goal of helping the abused find a path to freedom.

We supported REST through our 2017 Women of Hope Spring Tea and raised over \$3000 and collected a large number of undergarments for them to give away.

A small group from Hope attended the annual REST auction where they raised over \$532,000! It was an amazing evening as we heard the stories of women



being set free from years of bondage living on the streets.

We continue to support REST by providing meals at their drop-in center on Rainier Avenue. Sandy Haines will be the leader of this ministry - meeting one Monday evening a month. Our next Monday will be on January 22, where Sandy will lead a team in preparing the meal. Contact Sandy or the Church Office if you would like to contribute. REST also has a prayer ministry that meets on the fourth Thursday of each month, 7 - 8:30pm, at their office in Rainier Beach. The next meeting is Thursday, January 25. To find out more details, go to iwantrest.com.

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.

- Isaiah 61:1-3



NEW MEMBER CLASS!

Hope 101 Weekend Seminar coming January 12 & 13

Are you interested in finding out more about Hope? Have you transferred to Hope and would like to become a member?

- **Friday, January 12, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, January 13, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 pm.**

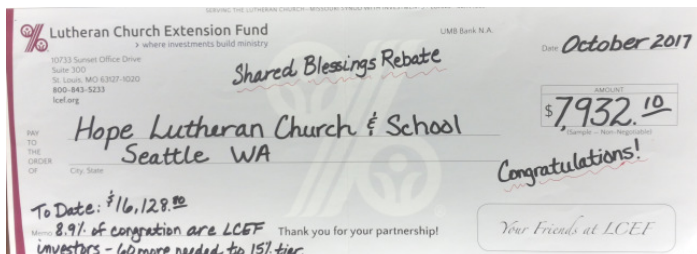
Pastor Peter will lead you through Hope's vision on Friday night (for transfers) and will provide a greater understanding of the Lutheran faith, its history and statements of belief on Saturday. Contact patramueller@hopeseattle.org to sign up!

Save These Dates:

- January 22-28 - Lutheran's School Week
- May 12 - Women of Hope Spring Tea
- July 23-27 - Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) Shared Blessings Rebate

Lutheran Church Extension Fund, our mortgage lender, offers a way to invest and support Hope through the "Shared Blessings Loan Rebate Program." LCEF will refund a percentage of our mortgage back to Hope each year based on the number of individuals who are LCEF investors. **Currently, we have 70 investors!**



Our LCEF NW District Vice President, Susan Olson, visited Hope in October to share our 2017 rebate of \$7,932.10 which was applied to our outstanding mortgage balance. Our total mortgage balance, as of November 30, is \$3,705,911. Hope needs 60 additional investors to reach the next tier of the rebate which would provide close to a \$13,000 rebate. *Contact Julia Doerr in the church office if you would like to know more about this great program.*

Here are the answers to some Frequently Asked Questions about the program:

- Each INVESTOR is counted, NOT the dollar amount invested or the number of individual investments (the identifier is the social security number).
- A Steward Account can be opened with \$100 minimum; it does not need monthly deposits and it is a demand account. Steward accounts don't earn a lot of interest but can enable a person to assist Hope by being an investor for a small amount.
- Joint investments count as TWO investors because there are two social security numbers involved.

- The Young Investor (Y.I.) Club does NOT require a monthly deposit; \$25 opens an account and accounts earn a premium interest rate of 3.5%. This is a great gift for a grandchild!
- Those who transfer an IRA to LCEF without opening another type of LCEF investment ARE counted as investors.

More information about LCEF products is available at www.lcef.org.

The Shared Blessings Loan Rebate Program is subject to change or termination at LCEF's discretion.



Celebrate Recovery - Team Hope

Celebrate Recovery Team Hope continues to move towards a public re-opening in the near future. In the meantime, we invite friends and members of Hope to drop in and check out a meeting. They are generally held on Mondays at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. For more information please email crteamhope@gmail.com.



multiplyHOPE - Living Generously

In October each Hope household was given \$10 with the directive to "Multiply Hope" wherever God led. We heard some great stories of how you impacted the world with Hope by giving to those in need. Many gave to hurricane relief efforts in Houston and Puerto Rico. Others **multiplied Hope** right here in our local community by reaching out to the homeless or supporting our local Westside Baby. You can read all of the stories at www.facebook.com/MultiplyHope2017

Hope continues to be multiplied through our Giving Tree ministry where children in our local public schools will receive Christmas gifts. Single moms and seniors will receive the gift of Hope this Christmas. And Hope is multiplied as we are choosing to "buy less" this Christmas so we can "give more" through "Living Water International" and lives will be changed on the other side of the world by receiving the gift of clean water!

Thank YOU for your part to **multiplyHope!**

We Multiplied our \$10 into \$110 and donated it to Puerto Rico's Hurricane Relief. - Greg & Laurie

"Used our gift to buy quilt backs and supplies for Hope's quilt group to make quilts for the Gifts and Goodies sale. The proceeds of the sale are going to missions." - Mat & Dave

"The three of us, Margaret, Bruce, and myself, combined our \$10 gifts. The funds were used to purchase the following for a meal: scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits & gravy, bananas - which I then prepared & served to 98 homeless people on November 4th. - Greta

"We added \$40 to our \$10 and gave \$50 to Lutheran Hour Ministries in recognition of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation."

- Bud & Korene

"We purchased bananas, carrots, water, fruit cups, and Gospel tracts (The Best News) for Sue Hart's outreach to homeless people in White Center - for their welcome table on Saturday." - Dave & Irene

LIVING GENEROUSLY

"I added to the \$10 gift and gave to HCM's "Giving Tree" to help with gifts." - Helga

Each one of us added \$10 of our own to take our total to \$50. With that we bought supplies and made nearly 40 breakfast sacks - egg and sausage burrito, pumpkin bread, cookie, apple juice and an orange. Our family then went to the Pike Place market and other areas in downtown Seattle and gave out the breakfast sacks to the homeless. - The Jensen Family

"We added to our gift and donated it to Treehouse Seattle, an organization that supports foster children and foster families through free clothing shopping, gifts for foster children at Christmas, and subsidizing extracurricular activities."

- Ken & Jennifer

"I decided to donate the \$10 to the West Seattle Food Bank."

- Joe

"I added \$15 to the \$10. The Bible League International matched these funds and 10 Bibles were sent to Asia. - Melodye

I want to share some things that anyone can use to enhance relationships in your life.

1. *Instead of demanding “it,” present it.* As parents, we tend to tell our children what to do. What if we presented choices to them instead? Think of how you feel at work when you are micromanaged. You might be defensive towards your boss because you’re not given control. But if your boss were to present a few options so you can still work on a your solution, you feel more in control and more ownership of your work. What if we had this approach with our youth? Just recently I was talking to a mother who tells her son “your room is not clean” and just states a fact. She doesn’t demand he clean his room, she just simply suggests it is not clean. She allows her son to know she’s not pleased with his room, address the situation and hope he comes up with a solution himself. Jesus uses this strategy when he would teach using parables. He simply presented a new reality to the people and hoped they would see more clearly and then respond and follow Him.

2. *Change the destination.* Most of the time we just want to get-to-the-point of the conversation. But what if the point is the conversation? What if being in conversation is the point? When planes were invented, the cargo ship industry was heading for doom, because people were no longer cruising by boat. But a very smart person decided to change the cargo ship into a cruise ship; which saved the industry. Instead of the ship being the mode of transportation, the ship became the destination. Sometimes as parents we miss the destination. Sometimes the purpose is to fix something and “get-to-the-point,” but we cannot miss what truly is the destination.

3. *If you want a new perspective - try laying on the floor.* When Jesus says in Luke 14 that you should “take the lowest seat,” he’s referring to being humble so that you will be asked to take a better seat. While you’re sitting in the lowest seat, waiting, you are given a point-of-view that you wouldn’t have had if you jumped to the highest seat. When I need a new perspective, I lay on the floor. At first my wife thought it was weird to see me lying on the floor and looking at the ceiling. But I told her I was gaining a

new perspective and now she’s used to it. Maybe when you’re hanging out as a family, try sitting on the floor with your back to the couch instead of sitting on the couch. Or try lying down on the floor and having a conversation with your youth. What if you ask them to take your seat and you move to a different seat?

4. *Listen.* Try literally listening—not saying a word—being silent.

5. *Saying sorry, when you need to.* As weird as it sounds, confession is one of my favorite things to do. When you confess something to God you are acknowledging it - bringing it to light and asking Him to forgive you. It restores the relationship.

FIVE THOUGHTS FOR YOU



Do you really desire a relationship with your youth? Then you need to be vulnerable and authentic with them. That means admitting when you have made mistakes in parenting and asking them to forgive you. This practice alone will tear down any walls between you and your child.

Blessings,
Jonathan

Human Care Ministries - Community Meals at OLG

Elissa Sommer, Director of Human Care Ministry, esommer@hopeseattle.org

"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." - Proverbs 22:9

Each month, a different West Seattle congregation provides a hot meal to those in our community who may not regularly receive one.



Hope serves twice a year in January and June.

This meal is a monthly, free sit-down meal held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in their gym. Everyone in the community is invited to attend, especially homeless and low-income individuals. We often see a large amount of senior citizens. It is conducted 'restaurant style' where the guests are served at their tables. Inviting the whole community provides a way for all of us to share a meal and conversation together. What a wonderful way to reach out into our community and help others.

If you would like to **shareHope** and reach out to others in this way, simply sign up to volunteer when it is advertised. Meal dates are January 28 and June 10. Volunteer times are usually 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Elissa Sommer at esommer@hopeseattle.org.



Hope Lutheran Foundation

As we begin to celebrate 100 years of Hope Lutheran in West Seattle, we look back with gratitude to Hope's earliest members.



Imagine that it is 1918. Seattle had experienced a shipbuilding boom as a result of World War I, Boeing was new, West Seattle got its second wooden "swing bridge" from downtown, and there was a streetcar that went through the Junction. Hope's earliest members, apparently sensing that West Seattle might grow, put in place infrastructure for the future—for us! They never could have imagined the changes Seattle would experience in the century. Still, their foresight set the foundation that has been built upon over the past 100 years and made even the physical building we meet in each week possible for us.

by Erin Wicklund, Board of Trustees President

Imagine, for a moment, West Seattle in the year 2118.

Can't? Me either! Cars will be a thing of the past, right? Will re-zoning make possible 20-story buildings? Probably. Regardless, we want to make sure resources are in place for Hope to thrive and continue to make Jesus known in this community and beyond—whatever the land and its people look like in 2118.

The Hope Lutheran Foundation is an arm of Hope, though a separate 501(c)(3), charged with investing for the future. You may have heard of the grants the Foundation offers bi-yearly through Hope ministries. These grants are a resource to add vibrancy to existing ministries and equip people of Hope to reach "the disinterested."

Grant Award - The Foundation's fall 2017 grant award will help to ensure adequate emergency supplies for Hope School. We are glad to assist to meet this practical need and we dream of the time when, with more interest income, our investments will be used by God to reach forever.

If you would like to contribute, please make checks payable to the Hope Lutheran Foundation. (Gifts may be placed in the offering plate.)

Financial Summary - October 2017

October 2017

Summary Budgeted Statement of Activities - Fiscal 2017/2018

	October	Year To Date	Budget Y-T-D	Budget Variance
Offerings	\$ 60,546	\$ 195,798	\$ 237,449	\$ (41,651)
School Income	\$ 115,989	\$ 476,648	\$ 510,000	\$ (33,352)
Interest & Other	\$ 2,321	\$ 5,637	\$ 1,410	\$ 4,227
Total Revenue	\$ 178,856	\$ 678,083	\$ 748,859	\$ (70,776)
Church - Personnel	\$ 40,974	\$ 158,127	\$ 166,900	\$ 8,773
Church - Other	\$ 10,569	\$ 42,317	\$ 34,300	\$ (8,017)
School - Personnel	\$ 92,859	\$ 347,155	\$ 368,733	\$ 21,578
School - Other	\$ 9,179	\$ 44,385	\$ 38,383	\$ (6,001)
Facilities Expenditures	\$ 2,695	\$ 17,172	\$ 58,567	\$ 41,395
Debt Service ^a	\$ 20,704	\$ 73,786	\$ 70,777	\$ (3,009)
Missions	\$ -	\$ 2,750	\$ 3,667	\$ 917
Total Expenses	\$ 176,979	\$ 685,691	\$ 741,327	\$ 55,636
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 1,877	\$ (7,608)	\$ 7,532	\$ 15,140

This summary is provided to provide budget information in an easy-to-digest format. If additional detail is desired, please contact Julia Doerr, Parish Administrator for readily available information.

^a The Debt Service amount for October includes our new \$3009 mortgage payment for the 4424 42nd Ave SW property. The rental income on that property is included in "Interest & Other."

Please Consider Online Giving

You can support the ministry of Hope Lutheran on a regular basis by signing up for Online Giving. By giving on a recurring electronic basis, it is not only convenient for you, but it also reduces administrative costs, and it helps our staff to more accurately forecast our finances. This system is compliant with industry security standards and is easy to use. Visit <https://www.shelbygiving.com/hopeseattle>. If you're not quite ready to create an account but would like to support Hope, consider using "Quick Give," on the same web page, to make a one-time online gift. Thank you for your support which makes so many things possible in Jesus name!



Statement of Financial Position for October

<u>Account</u>	<u>YTD Current</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>
Assets		
Cash	\$1,036,181	\$1,121,308
School Receivables	\$778,147	\$2,024
Current Assets	<hr/> \$1,815,954	<hr/> \$1,132,402
Net Fixed Assets	\$5,957,245	\$4,957,245
Total Long Term Endowment Assets	\$142,661	\$142,661
Total Assets	<hr/> \$7,915,860	<hr/> \$6,232,308
Accrued Payroll & Other Liabilities	\$48,300	\$60,760
Deferred School Registration & Tuition	\$890,938	\$175,605
Total Current Liabilities	<hr/> \$939,238	<hr/> \$236,364
Notes Payable	\$3,761,586	\$3,121,586
Designated Funds-NOT FASB117	\$73,073	\$54,109
Total Liabilities	<hr/> \$4,773,897	<hr/> \$3,412,059
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	\$2,788,487	\$2,449,595
Temp Restricted	\$210,816	\$227,993
Permanently Restricted	\$142,661	\$142,661
Net Assets	<hr/> \$3,141,963	<hr/> \$2,820,248
Liabilities & Net Assets	<hr/> \$7,915,860	<hr/> \$6,232,308



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Regular Sunday Schedule:

8:00 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Education & Sunday School Hour
10:30 am Contemporary Worship

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JOIN US ON CHRISTMAS EVE & DAY!

Sunday, December 24

Please note: No morning services on Sunday, December 24.

4 p.m. Christmas Eve Contemporary Worship
6 p.m. Christmas Eve Contemporary Worship
11 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion

Monday, December 25

10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Worship Service

Sunday, December 31

Regular Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

No Service on New Years' Day ~ God's Blessings in 2018!

