

The Church of Our Saviour
Practicing God's Graciousness



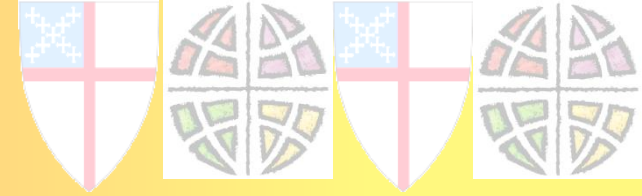
Celebrating Our Successes!

Mid-Year Parish Meeting
August 15, 2010

Opening Prayer

Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Agenda

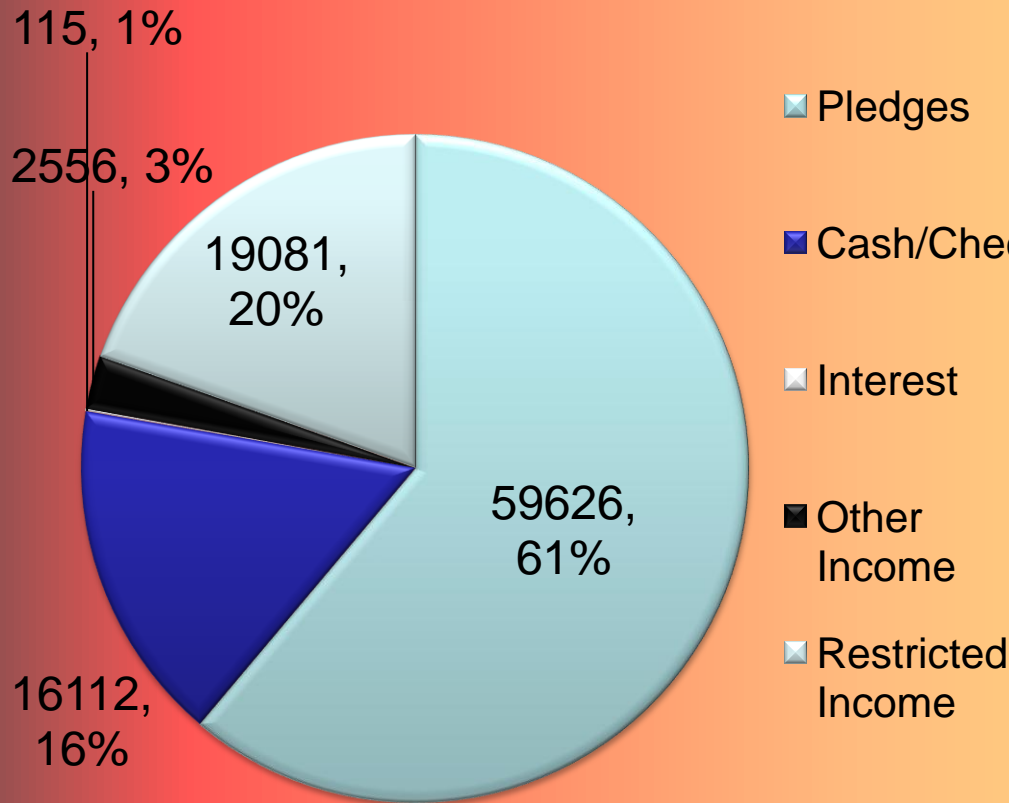


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Jan-Jul 2010 Income Distribution

Total Income YTD: \$97,490

Income \$ % Distribution



✓ Donor restricted monies held in funds like capital development or memorials are only available for a designated use.

✓ Pass through donations of \$4,556 are not shown. That money is sent out to the Love Kitchen, ERD, LWR etc.

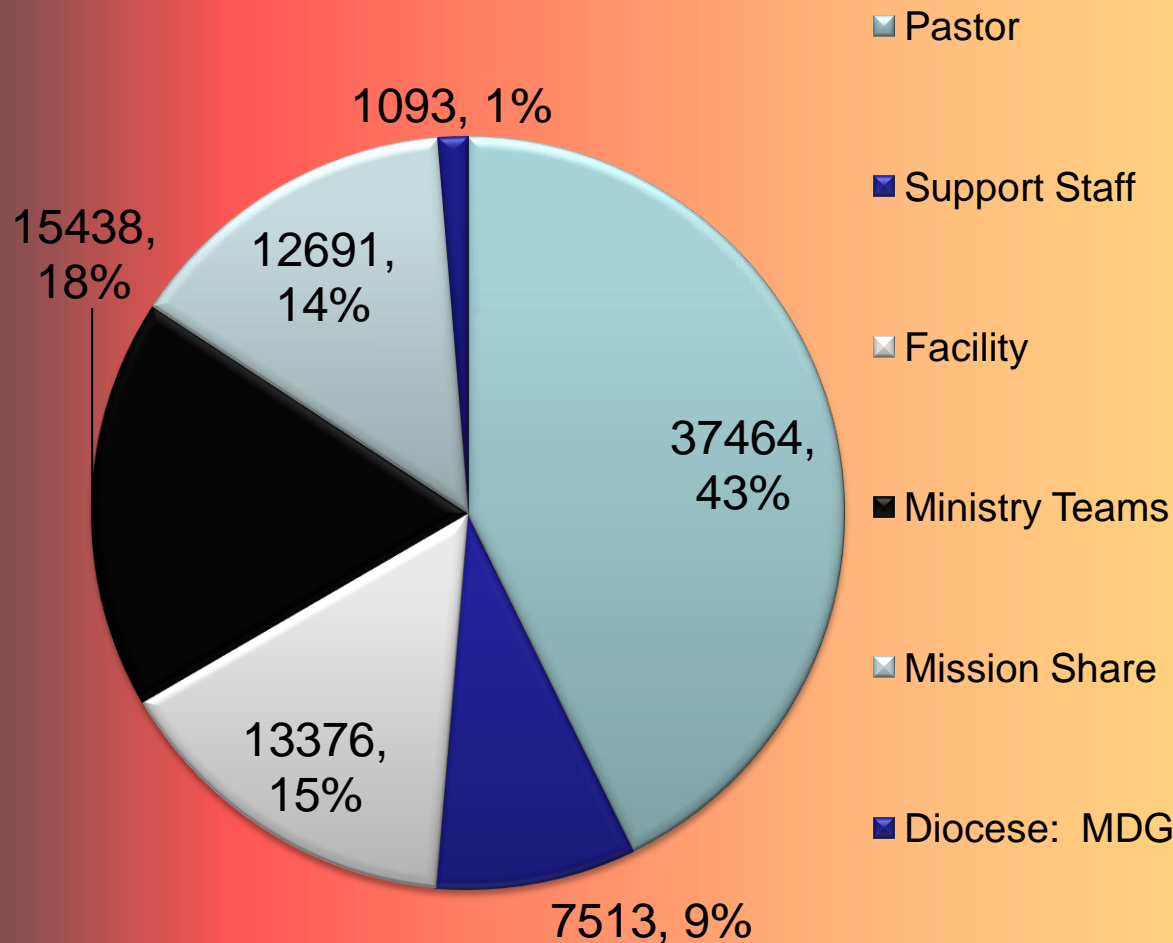
✓ Total annual budgeted income is \$152,140. Seven month portion of budgeted income is \$88,748. As at Jul 31, we are \$8,742 ahead of proportionate budgeted income.

✓ Remember we operate on a bell curve and our income drops during winter months.

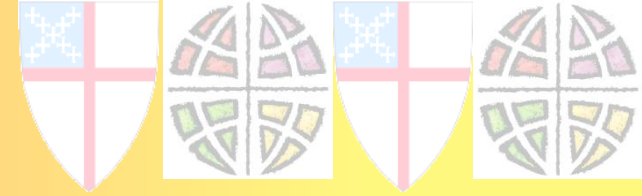
Jan-Jul 2010 Expense Distribution

Total Expenses YTD: \$87,575

Expense \$ and % Distribution

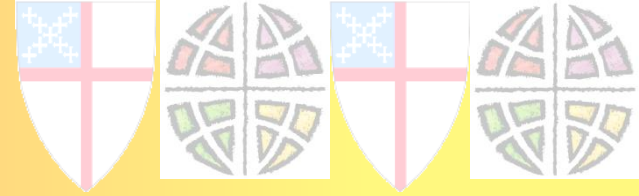


- ✓ Only a few expenses are off budget and need your help: LBWs and T-Shirts.
- ✓ Pastor expenses also include Pastor's contributions to pension, 403b & payroll taxes.
- ✓ Our mission share is now only 14.49% of total expenses.
- ✓ Based on our total expense budget of \$152,140, we are \$1,173 under budgeted expenses in first 7 months.
- ✓ Expenses are generally more consistent throughout the year (not tied to income bell curve).



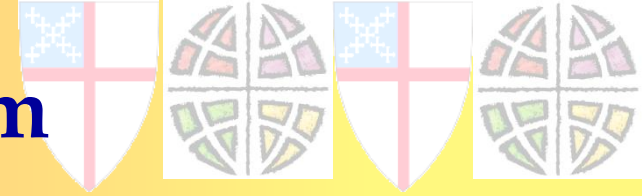
Junior Warden's Report

- ✓ **Organized successful Spring clean up day in May.**
- ✓ **Repaired components of the sprinkler system and made it operational for the season.**
- ✓ **Continued the usual light replacement in the sanctuary and Polycarp, and filter replacement of furnaces.**



*A few words from
Sharon Dalrymple,
our Senior Warden*

The Horizon Team

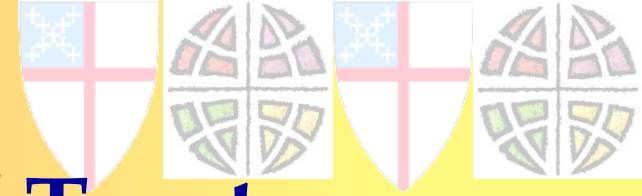


- **Grateful thanks to Peter Bish for heading up the Team.**
- **Mission statement and goals.**

"Working together as a parish to grow according to God's will, the needs of the Church of Our Saviour, and the broader community, as good stewards of all our resources, including people, money and the environment."

Goals:

1. Discerning the physical needs of the parish and community needs.
 2. Establishing a design(s) to meet these needs.
 3. Establishing a marketing plan to fund the design.
- **Facilities.**
 - **Proposed senior drop-in center.**



Columbarium Board of Trustees

The Church of Our Saviour columbarium has been available since 1987, offering a reasonably priced alternative to burial.

This is an important ministry that honors all our loved ones; a place to come, pray and remember our family and friends; and a lasting memorial for the benefit of the whole Body of Christ.

The committee members are Vicki Howell (chair), Lois Nansen (treasurer), Carol Justice (secretary), Deborah Velasquez, and Pastor Susan⁺ .

We are very grateful to Deborah Velasquez for the 2nd Annual Charlene Frey Auction. The auction proceeds benefitted the Columbarium in the amount of \$392 with the remainder of your generous gifts going to our library.



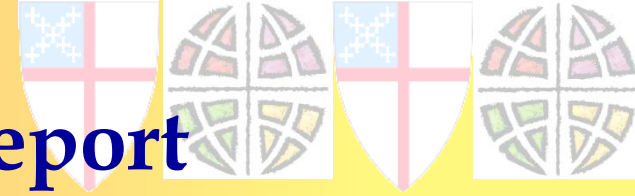
Welcoming Team Report

Many thanks and recognition to all the parishioners who contributed to the very successful welcoming efforts listed below:

- Sunday Hospitality (Electra Brooks, Chair)
- Church Welcome Packets & Welcome Pamphlets for Newcomers
- Lenten Soup Suppers
- Fellowship Dinners
- Memorial service receptions
- Journey of Hope dinner
- Best COS Cookbook Ever (Sandra Rasmussen, Chair)
- Annual Meeting Spaghetti Dinner
- Welcome Back Picnic
- Mid-Year Meeting Potluck
- Jim Greer's 90th Birthday Party
- Pastor Susan's 2nd Anniversary Celebration

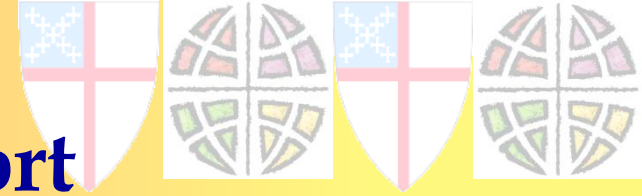
In the spirit of supporting the mission, *Practicing God's Graciousness*, the Welcoming Team will continue to seek ways to enhance the current programs and to ensure that everyone feels welcomed at the Church of Our Saviour.

Outreach Team Report



God bless you all for making it happen! Here are some of the highlights SO FAR this year!

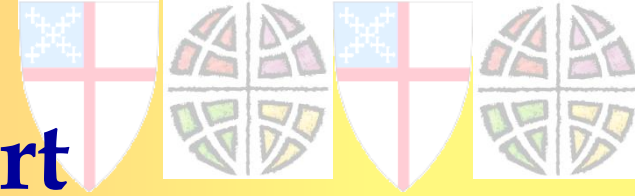
- ✓ **Literally hundreds of pounds of food and monetary donations for The Love Kitchen through our *First Fruits* outreach ministry.**
- ✓ **Over 90 boxes of goodies shipped to *Support Our Troops*.**
- ✓ **Hugely successful *Food Around the World* spring fundraiser.**
- ✓ **Monetary and other support of Episcopal Relief & Development, and Lutheran World Relief, including health kits and fair trade coffee.**
- ✓ **Visible outreach through our July 4th parade presence.**
- ✓ **Outreach to the children of our community – Baobab Blast VBS!**



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- ✓ **Our penny jar – raising funds for ERD and Shepherd’s Kitchen.**
- ✓ **Outreach to the children of our community – Baobab Blast VBS!**
- ✓ **Sharing God’s love with the Journey of Hope cyclists.**
- ✓ **Continuing support of our Tanzanian MDG project with our partners in ministry Faith Works.**
- ✓ **Boxes and boxes of generous gifts for the Bread of Life Mission.**
- ✓ **Sales of *The Best Cook Book Ever*.**
- ✓ **Angel Tree – supporting many families and children.**
- ✓ **Living Hope Women’s Centers – Baby Bottle Drive**
- ✓ **Our incredible Annual Rummage Sale – raising almost \$4,900!**

Altar Guild Report



- ✓ To date we have set the Lord's Table for:
 - 99 regular services,
 - 3 memorial services,
 - 1 baptism, and
 - 1 marriage blessing.
- ✓ Grateful thanks for the gift of new "whites", Paschal candle and fair linen that graced us at Easter.
- ✓ One new member of Altar Guild for the summer months.
- ✓ One new member to begin training this fall.
- ✓ Ongoing project to convert all hangings to protect the altar, pulpit and lectern.
- ✓ Finishing up the needlepoint project to re-upholster the altar kneelers.
- ✓ A photographic record of service set ups is nearly complete.



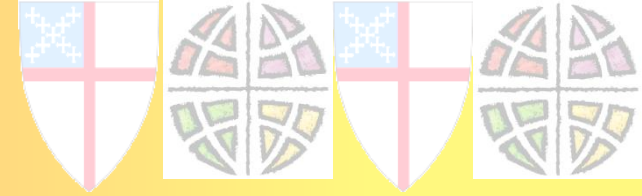
Worship Team Report

- **The Worship team is responsible for training and assisting with the scheduling of our worship leaders, including chalice bearers, acolytes, lay readers, ushers & oblationers.**
- **At the July ministry fair the Worship team presented information highlighting the specific ministries of its members.**
- **The parish secretary prepares the weekly worship leader schedule one month in advance and it is included with the newsletter mailing.**
- **We are very grateful for all who are willing to serve in any of these ministries.**
- **New volunteers are always welcome and training will be given.**
- **Our newest volunteers are hard at work sharing their gifts!**

Christian Formation Report



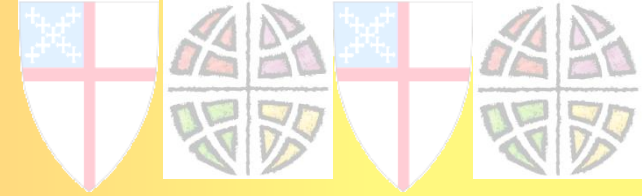
- **Adult Christian formation continues with weekly Bible and book studies on Sunday mornings at 9am.**
- **Lenten Bible study from Galatians on the *Fruit of the Spirit*.**
- **New this year the Lenten soup supper evenings included a presentation of *Christianity: The First Thousand Years*.**
- **Children's and Youth Christian formation is available every week now with a new group of volunteers to serve one Sunday/month.**
- **Sunday school lessons are prepared ahead of time, ready to go!**
- **Youth confirmation classes are now concluded. Adult confirmation, reaffirmation and reception classes are currently being held in anticipation of Bishop Smith's visit.**
- **We have celebrated one baptism so far this year.**
- **Vacation Bible School was tremendously successful with over 30 children attending during the week.**
- **Contemplative prayer is offered each Thursday at 11am.**
- **Evening Prayer, Holy Communion, and prayers/anointing for healing is offered each Wednesday at 5:30pm.**



Library Report

- **The church library is well and keeping your librarian busy.**
- **Each book has three cards so searches can be done by Title, Author, and Subject.**
- **The library now has 825 books, plus periodicals, and a few DVDs and CDs. Space is running out!**
- **We want to have our books available by inter-library loan, but we're still waiting to get "on line".**
- **The library is being used with increasing frequency!**

Children & Youth Ministry Report



Accomplishments

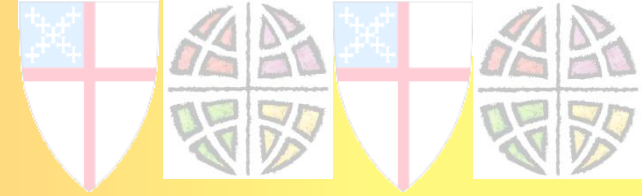
Formation of Ministry Team and great ideas!
Sponsorship of Little League Team
Phenomenal Vacation Bible School!
Chapel Rock retreat for children/youth

On-Going Happenings!

Pizza & Movie night - bi-monthly
Sunday School scheduling
Nursery care scheduling

Looking Ahead

Formation of joint Youth Group with PCUSA and UMC
**Triple P parenting program this September with
facilitator Michael Brown.**

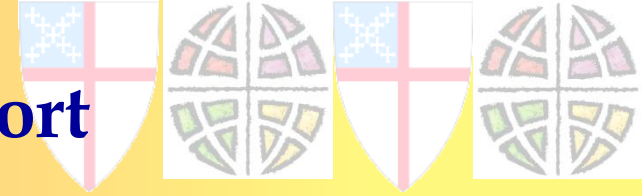


Pastoral Care Team Report

- ✓ **One new Lay Eucharistic Visitor has joined the team.**
- ✓ **To date in 2010, 37 LEV visits have been made, supplementing the pastoral care visits made by Pastor Susan⁺.**
- ✓ **Our card ministry continues to grow and be greatly appreciated.**

If you do not receive a birthday and/or anniversary card – please let the office know these important dates, so we can all celebrate with you!

Parish Nursing Report



Achievements

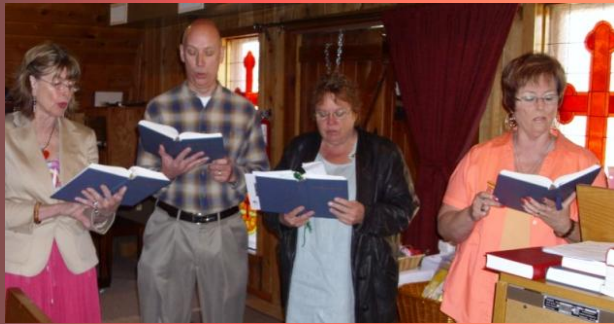
- CPR class - 8 more members trained.
- Our 2nd Annual Blood Drive yielded 19 life saving units.
- Interest/needs survey completed.
- Policies and Procedures approved and in place.
- 72 Health Kits sent to LWR for those in distress.
- Educational materials offered at Ministry Team Fair and through wellness articles in *Our Saviour's Voice*.
- Workshop completed: Talking with your medical providers.

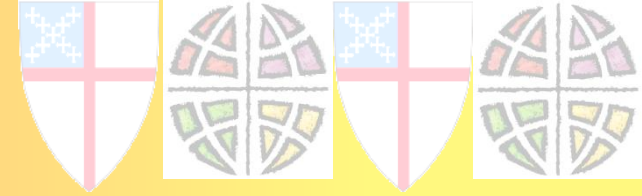
Plans

- Workshop on *Aging Gracefully* coming soon!
- First Aid class to be scheduled.
- Individual blood pressure records to be developed.
- BMI and Oximetry readings to be offered quarterly.
- Hand sanitizer to be in pews during 'flu season.
- Wellness displays, other screenings to be considered.

Needs

- Privacy screens - 3-4 still needed.
- Participation in planning and implementing activities - next team meeting is August 28th after the 10am service.

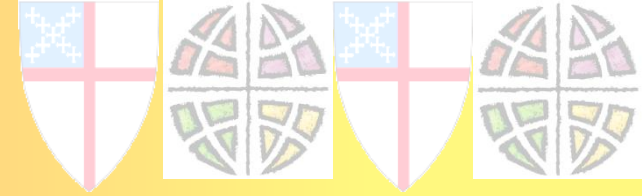




Celebrating Our Successes!

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

(2 Corinthians 9:8)



**With grateful thanks to God
for who you are and all you do.**

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**Please join us now
for the Parish Picnic!**