# King of Glory Newsletter

We are here to worship the living God, receive Christ's gifts, and share God's love.

Simon Peter answered Jesus, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (John 6:68)

You might have heard some questions raised in recent days: Which pastor is in charge? Will things be changing? What will stay the same? Will another pastor be called? Will all of the ministries continue? Like Simon Peter, you might be asking, "To whom shall we go?"

Times of transition and change can often prompt anxiety in any organization, even congregations. Naturally, we look to leaders for answers to our questions; to set a course moving us forward.

As King of Glory enters a time of transition from three pastors to two, asking questions is valuable to our community's future. We are grateful for an excellent Board of Directors, Staff, and newly appointed Transition Team who will all be listening to your questions and considering what the Holy Spirit is stirring in your life and in our church. Indeed, there are many questions for us to explore in this time of transition.

As your pastoral leaders, we are asking questions, as well.

- + We are curious about creating a model of ministry that empowers each person, as Jesus did, to be both transformed and a transformer in the world. What leadership might that kind of ministry require?
- + We are intrigued by opportunities where we can be partners-inministry, where authority is shared and gifts are multiplied. What would a pastoral partnership look like?
- + Imitating Jesus' ministry, we are attracted to cooperative and communal practices, sharing power with other leaders and the congregation. Where could partnership (as a model for ministry) enliven our congregation's life together?
- + These questions (and others) are inspired by the book <u>Choosing Partnership</u>, <u>Sharing Ministry</u>: A <u>Vision for New Spiritual Community</u> by M.B. Bailey (2007).

To whom shall we (all) go? Through our ministries, we have discovered that ultimately it is never us who is in charge. Rather, Christ is the One with the words of eternal life. God has been leading our congregation long before we came to serve you and God will continue to lead us in the years ahead. Therefore, it is by faith that we engage the questions, listen for our callings and look for the Spirit's leading. In this time of transition we invite you to do the same.

Pastors Ben & Jen Quanbeck

# August/ September 2018

- Mark Your Calendar!!
- Aug 19 Houston Team
- shares in worship—Team
  Thank You Event for
- sponsors
- Sept 5 Confirmation Meet-
- ing with 6th-8th Graders &
- Parents
- Sept 9 "God's work. Our
- hands" Sunday
- Worship @ 9:30am
  - Service Projects @ 10:30am
- Sept 13 First Step Learning
- Event
- Sept 16 return to 2 Sunday worship services @ 8:30 &
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School starts! First Step Milestone
- Sept 23 Service of Confirmation @ 10:30 worship
  - Sept 27 KOG Blood Drive

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"God's work. Our hands" Sunday is September 9th. This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

You work every day to make your community a better place. Let us continue doing this work together in 2018!

KOG will host projects on-site and out in the community. Sign up sheets will be posted in the Commons in mid-August. Please sign up to reserve your spot for a particular project!

## TRANSITION GATHERINGS

Following Pastor Jim's retirement King of Glory has entered a time of transition as we move from three pastors to two. This transition time, is an opportunity for us as a congregation to reexamine our calling as a church and look to the future we believe God is providing for us. Some may have questions about how leadership will work with Pastors Ben and Jen. Some may have ministry ideas that you would like to share. Some may want to make sure that we never do \_\_\_\_\_ again. This is the time to have these conversations. You are invited to lend your voice and your ideas at the Transition Gatherings.

Transition Gatherings will be held:

August 19 – After worship

August 28 – Noon for St. John's Residents in Mission Ridge

**August 28** – 4:30pm @ "The Divide"

**August 29** – 7:00pm in the home of Dennis & Diane Powers

**September 6** – 7:00pm in the home of Jerry & Claudia Baker

**September 8** - 5:00pm in the home of Kevin & Erica Bruen (Dinner for young families – bring a side to share)

**September 14** – 7:00pm in the home of Andy & Mary Ann Hall

**September 16** – During Sunday School

You can sign up to attend these gatherings in the Commons or on-line:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b48aeab2faafa7-transition



# Thursday Morning Bible Study The Pastoral Epistles (1&2 Timothy, Titus)

Seeking to pass wisdom to young leaders in the faith, the apostle Paul wrote to Timothy and Titus encouraging them in their ministry. We can learn much from these instructive letters as we consider our own callings and the ministry of King of Glory.

Thursday Morning Bible Study begins September 13. (9:30 am in the Fireside Room)

**September 13** – Intro to the Pastoral letters & 1 Timothy 1&2

**September 20** -1 Timothy 3-6

**September 27** - 2 Timothy 1-4

October 4 – Titus 1-3

## **Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation:**

Once called Adult Education, Adult Faith Formation is a better descriptor of what we hope to do together on Sunday mornings. Adult Faith Formation is more than passing information or ideas to a listening audience. Instead, we hope for a deeper level of engagement where your faith can grow, mature, be challenged and encouraged. Check out Adult Faith Formation:

#### Schedule:

**September 16** – Fall Schedule + Q&A regarding KOG Transition

**September 23** – What is Adult Faith Formation?

September 30 – Faith Formation during Young Adulthood

October 7 – Faith Formation during Midlife Adulthood

October 14 – Faith Formation during Mature Adulthood

October 21 – Faith Formation during Older Adulthood

## We return to our school year Sunday schedule on <u>September 16</u>

- + Two Sunday worship services at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- + Education time from 9:40—10:20 (Adult Faith Formation, Sunday School, GIFT 345, & Middle School Youth Group)

# **New Church Directory coming this Fall**

Plan on getting your photo or your family's photo taken in September to be included in the directory! Every Sunday from September 9<sup>th</sup> thru September 30<sup>th</sup> we will have photographers taking pictures of our members <u>before</u>, <u>between</u>, <u>and after</u> Sunday worship services. Start looking at your calendars, and when you are in town, to make sure that you make one of these photo opportunities.

# Call for photographers....

If photography is your passion and skill set, and you might be able to volunteer to take photos on a Sunday in September for our new church directory, please contact Lorrie Maxwell in the church office, 652-1690.

## **FELLOWSHIP NEWS**

## Thanks to JOY Volunteers at Family Service Warehouse

We had a great morning on July 17th packing commodity bags for seniors! We hope to do this again and invite others to join us.

## **Contact Information**

Please contact Lorie Hughes of the Fellowship Ministry Team, if you'd like to be part of our fellowship efforts or if you have any questions/suggestions/concerns: glsmahughes@bresnan.net, 656-3552(h), or 861-2078(c).

## From Pr Jim and Marijean

Thanks so much for the great retirement party you gave us. We enjoyed the program and the laughter. It was wonderful and we will remember it forever. Thanks, too, for your cards and kind comments. It meant a lot to us.

God bless.

Jim and Marijean Darchuk



You are invited to share the mission and ministry of King of Glory Lutheran Church as we seek to welcome all, grow in grace, and serve in love. The process we invite you to engage in helps you learn more about the congregation, build relationships, and discover places to participate as you become members of the church.

Our membership process involves two required gatherings and two optional gatherings.

## Required gatherings:

- 1. A meeting with a pastor in your home. We do this as a way to connect on a more personal level, learn your story and where you are at in faith and in life. This is also a good time to ask questions about the church that you might not ask in a more public setting. When you sign up a pastor will contact you to arrange this visit.
- 2. A class at the church: Our classes this fall will be on **October 14 (1-3pm) and October 27, (9-11am)**, This time covers an overview of the Lutheran Faith, history of the church, ministries of the church, a tour of the building, and q&a time. Please plan to attend one of these classes.

## Optional gatherings:

- 1. A party with the pastors Pastors Ben and Jen like to host and this party is a great way for you to see us in a less formal setting. This party is also an opportunity for you to meet some of the Board of Directors and other ministry leaders in the church. The Party with the Pastors will be: **October 28, 2-5pm** 3908 Palisades Park Dr.
- 2. The Formal Recognition of Membership: **November 4** This is the time where we have new members stand up in worship and be recognized. We also take pictures between worship services and have a cake reception.

Sign up in the Commons or on-line: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b48aeab2faafa7-newmember">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b48aeab2faafa7-newmember</a>

## E-News



The Pastors have recently begun sending a weekly Electronic (E-mail) Newsletter. This E-news shares upcoming events and ministry highlights as a way to help you stay connected to the mission and ministry of King of Glory Lutheran Church.

If you would like to be added to the E-news list, change e-mail addresses, or be removed from the E-news please contact the church office.

## **Pastor Jim's Retirement Celebration**

Thank you to the many hands that helped prepare a wonderful celebration for Pastor Jim + Marijean Darchuk on Sunday, July 15.

After 39 years of ministry, Pastor Jim has retired and they hope to move closer to grandchildren in the future.





(above) Pastor Jim invites "all my young friends" forward for the Children's Time. He was surprised by many who came forward!

(right) Congregational President, Becky Bey, blesses Pastor Jim in worship. In honor of his memorable children's sermons, Pastor Jim was gifted with a Bible signed by the people of KOG, a cross (on a watercolor style quilt of the Rims), and pictures of the church in a scrapbook.







The KOG quilters present them with a quilt!

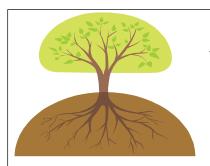
Special thanks to our "Celebration Team" for organizing a tremendous day of celebrating. We are grateful to Mark + Maggie Hale and Bob + Jyl Story for sharing their gifts of organizing and planning!

Our thanks goes to Maggie Hale, Lorie Hughes, Peg Aasheim, Claudia Baker, and Cheryl Brown for setting up and the lovely flowers provided for every table!

Thanks to Blues BBQ for catering the day—and to all of you for providing delicious salads and sides. Thanks to Wilcoxsons and the Hales for the ice cream!

Thanks to Messiah Lutheran Church for letting us borrow their projection screen!

# **Children's Ministry (Birth - Grade 5)**



Hear God's Word. Inspire a Living Faith. Equip God's people.

That's what our ministries with children, youth, and families seek to do.

King's Kids Choir begins Sept. 5th! For all 3rd, 4rd, and 5th graders interested in singing together! Rehearsals are led by Kalli Murphy and run 6:15-7pm on Wednesday nights. Come and see!



A new ministry for 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders!

Meets during the normal Sunday School time
(Sundays 9:40-10:20) - plus some extra
activities throughout the year!

Looking for a new way to explore faith?

Haven't been in Sunday School for awhile?

Check it out! Begins 9/16.

## Sunday School begins September 16th!

- Available for age 3 (by 9/10/18) through Grade 5
- 9:40-10:20 a.m. between services of worship
- First day of classes: **September 16**
- 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are invited to join GIFT 345 GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) 345 meets on Sunday mornings during the regular Sunday School time. Led by a team of adult mentors, GIFT 345 engages kids in age appropriate ways to discuss and imagine what it means to be a follower of Christ. Though GIFT 345 meets on Sunday mornings, you can look forward to service projects and fun events throughout the year with this group!
- Music provided during Sunday school for ages 3 through Grade 2 This group will also sing once a month in worship
- **Snacks** available at the beginning of class each week (in the Commons)
- Weekly offering supports **ELCA Good Gifts**.
- Service Projects Days are held twice per year including all classes and parents.



Register your child at www.kingofglorybillings.com - click Children + Family, then Sunday School

Where's LOGOS? After 25 years of LOGOS at KOG, we are taking a one-year hiatus! We know you loved being together on Wednesday nights, so we are hopeful to begin-again in 2019! If you'd like to be a part of dreaming about "what's next," contact Pastor Jen Quanbeck—652-1690.

# Middle School & High School Ministry (Grades 6-12)



Sunday, Sept. 9th — worship @ 9:30, projects after Grab some friends, sign up for a project, and serve with love! Sign up in the Commons or

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b48aeab2faafa7-gods

## **Confirmation Ministry**

Parent + Youth Mtg - Wed. Sept. 5 @ 6:30.

Classes for 6th+7th+8th graders begin 9/12—6:30-7:30pm



## **High School YOUTH GROUP**

Connect. Be Known. Laugh. Learn. Belong.

Begins Sept. 30th at 11:45 - Lunch included!









**2018** Theme for the HS Christikon Retreat is.....

Save the Date:

October 6-7, 2018

Sunday, September 16 12noon-2:30pm

Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b48aeab2faafa7-middle

Obstacle course, water games, LUNCH, and more!

For 6th, 7th, 8th graders and their friends!



## **Milestones Ministry**



The milestones approach seeks to gather the congregation in celebration, encouragement, and prayer of the life of faith that is being formed in young people.

Varied dates Baptism Milestone (for people of any age). Holy Baptism as a sacrament in the

Lutheran church. God's saving promise in Christ Jesus is at the center of this baptismal

celebration. To get baptized, please contact one of the pastors.

September 13 & 16 First Step Milestone: 3 & 4-year-olds NEW to Sunday School + their parents.

Learning time: Thursday, September 13, 6:00-6:45pm. Meet in the Sanctuary. Celebration &

Blessing in worship: September 16, both services.

September 23 Confirmation Milestone for 9th graders following study during their 7th & 8th grade

years. Celebration & Blessing in worship: Sunday, Sept. 23rd at the 10:30am

service; reception follows.

October 14 & 28 Bible Milestone for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and their parents.

Learning time: Bible Introduction Class I & II on October 14 & 28, 9:40-10:20, Martha Room. Celebration & Blessing in worship (with Bible Presentation): Sunday, October 28, both services.

November 11 Worship Milestone for Kindergarteners and their parents.

Learning time: 9:40-10:10am in the Sanctuary during Sunday School time.

Celebration & Blessing in worship: November 11, 10:30am service.

January 13 **Baptism Anniversary Milestone.** 

Recognizes those baptized within the past year + their parents.

Celebrated on Baptism of Our Lord Sunday.

Learning time: 9:40-10:20am during Sunday School time.

Celebration & Blessing in worship: January 13, both worship services.

Mar. 10, 13, 20, 27, & 31 Holy Communion Milestone for 4th graders and their parents.

Parent meeting: Sunday, March 10 during Sunday School time.

Learning time: Wednesdays from 5:15-6:15 on Mar. 13, 20, & 27. Holy Communion Milestone

Celebration: Sunday, March 31, both services; reception between services.

May 12 **High School Graduation Milestone for graduating 12**th graders.

Celebration & Blessing in worship: Sunday, May 12, 10:30am worship service; reception follows.

May 20 **Retirement Milestone.** Celebrating occupational endings and new beginnings. For

those who have or will retire during 2017, 2018, or 2019.

Blessing in worship at both services.

Reminders:

9th graders and parent Meeting (for Confirmation Milestone) = Sunday, August 26th following worship. Let's meet in the Fellowship Hall (downstairs).

3 + 4 year olds NEW to Sunday School, Pastor Jen will see you and a Parent at First Step Milestone on Thursday, Sept. 13th at 6pm!

# **ELCA Youth Gathering Reflections**

"It was more than I imagined!"

Houston was probably one of the best trips I've been on. The one downside was that it was so so so so hot and humid. I couldn't believe that there were so many kids there. I don't think I met even one-fourth of them. This trip challenged me both physically and socially. I don't even know if I've ever met that many people in 5 days. The speakers were incredible and made me think about what they said and what their message was. They city was fun and the places we

visited were nothing less than excellent. The museum was awesome and I could have many more hours browsing the rooms and seeing all they had to offer. The interactive learning center was awesome and they even had human Hungry Hungry Hippos!!

When we went for dinner to the House Of Blues I loved it immediately! The food was incredible and I got the best keychain, sticker, and T-shirt. In short this trip was amazing, inspiring, fun, awesome, and nothing short of incredible. It was more than I imagined and everything we did made me happy and excited for more. I am so excited to go on my next Youth Gathering!

From, Olivia Tyrrell (10th grader)

We walked over 39 miles in 5 days. Average of 7.8 miles a day! I was very blessed to be graced with learning about all the KOG kids and being part of their faith based learning.

Thank you for your support!

From,

Toni Calton (adult leader)

The Houston ELCA gathering is a trip that will stay with me for a long time. Not only is it my first time being in Houston, but it is also my first mission trip. I encountered grace in a lot of the other youth and adults on the trip, especially during the night gatherings, where the energy inside NRG stadium was so strong. The thing that challenged me most on this trip was easily the heat and humidity of Houston compared to Billings. I am grateful for the fun memories I made on this trip and the group that I went with. We all became closer because of this trip and without sponsors, and the congregation we would not have been able

to go. Thank you! From,

Riley Feeley (11th grader)

"I will never forget this amazing journey!"

Our trip to the ELCA youth gathering was a very eye opening experience. We did lots of fun and exciting things when we were there like visit the Houston Museum of Natural Sciences and participated in the active learning center. Our service project was to hold a book fair and

field day in a park for kids in need. This was a really interesting experience to hang out with some of the kids who seemed just like an everyday kid, but then we learned about their story (hardships at home and how they were treated) and it was pretty heartbreaking to hear. The most eye opening experience for me was probably listening to all of the guest speakers that came and spoke to us at NRG stadium. The speeches that were given were really eye opening and incredible. I know listening to them has helped strengthen my faith in God more than anything else on this trip. At first I was reluctant to go on this trip,

but I'm really glad I did and I know I will never forget this amazing journey.

From,
Tanner Stichman (10th grader)

Thank you!













## **King's Kids Choir**



All children in grades 3-5 are invited and encouraged to participate in King's Kids Choir during the 2018-2019 school year. Weekly rehearsals will be held in the Martha Room (lower level) on Wednesdays from 6:15-7:00. The first rehearsal will take place on September 5. The King's Kids Choir will be providing special music in worship three times during the fall semester:

**September 30** @ 10:30 service **November 4** @ 8:30 service **December 24** @ 2:00 service Please register your child(ren) for King's Kids Choir using the link on the King's Kids Choir webpage under "Children & Family" Ministries on the KOG website. Let's have fun making a joyful noise unto the Lord!

## **Sunday School Choir**

The Sunday School children in beginners through second grade will be sharing their music with the congregation several times throughout the fall semester. Rehearsals will take place at the beginning of Sunday School (9:40-9:50) in the sanctuary. The children will be providing special music in worship on the following Sundays:

October 14 @ 8:30 service November 11 @ 10:30 service December 24 @ 2:00 & 4:00 More detailed information will be shared as the performance dates get closer.

Kalli Murphy, Youth Choir Director (brettkallimurphy@gmail.com)

## **King of Glory Adult Choir**

The King of Glory Adult Choir will have its first rehearsal on Wednesday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us (whether you feel you can sing or not!) Rehearsals will continue on Wednesdays at 7. Contact John Haughey, johnhoy56@me.com) with any questions you may have.

# A 🄰 (note) from Susan:

We are looking for volunteers to accompany the Sunday School Kids music time between services and once a month when they sing in church. This position is open to both a pianist or a guitarist and can be a shared position. Contact Kalli Murphy (brettkallimurphy@gmail.com) or Susan Petersen (drsuse27@gmail.com) for more information.

Our prayers and condolences to the following:

Susan Plath on the loss of her father, Bill Bug Russ Plath on the loss of his sister, Judy Carroll Tammy Jones on the loss of her husband, Gerry Claudia Baker on the loss of her mother, Jeanne Huckaba Marilyn Pratt on the loss of her sister, Barbara Grenz Nita Murphy on the loss of her mother, Pearl Wetterling

May God's presence comfort you in this time of loss.



We celebrate with Matt Groff and Kelsie Norwood who were married on July 7th at Glacier Camp in Lakeside, MT. Pr. Jim Darchuk officiated at the ceremony. Blessings to you both and best wishes for a very happy life together!

We also celebrate with Megan Halvorson (daughter of Ross and Deb Halvorson) and Dustin Dalbey who were married in Grand Forks, ND on July 28th. Blessings and best wishes to you both.

Ruby Jean Christoferson, daughter of Amy & Pat Christoferson, was baptized on August 12th. Her sponsors are Randy & Jill LaRance and Jason & Melissa Christoferson. God's blessings to the Christoferson family on this joyous occasion.





## Announcing the arrival of.....

Aksel Robert Jones who was born on 8.11.18
Son of Jared and Ally Jones, stationed at Shaw AFB
Grandson of Cheryl Jones



Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley is an organization that provides shelter, meals, and a safe, non-judgmental environment for families experiencing homelessness in Billings and its surrounding areas. At our core, we are a professional staff working with volunteers from over 20 religious congregations in the Billings area providing a homeless shelter, and at the present, the only option for families that want to stay together as a whole as they regain financial and shelter stability. Every family that comes to Family Promise receives intensive case management, support, mentoring, and guidance while they look for jobs and housing. The Family Promise program is about compassion and accountability, and families are expected to work hard to accomplish their goals. Our purpose is not to shelter and feed as many people as possible but rather to have a lasting positive impact on families that go through our program.

King of Glory and Grace United Methodist Church will host guests from Family Promise from Sunday evening, October 14 through Sunday morning, October 21. Watch for the volunteer signup board in the Commons in late September. King of Glory volunteers have been generous with helping with setup, meals, take down, and laundry, but have been reluctant to help with overnight hosting. That gig runs from around 7:00 p.m. to around 7:00 a.m., and most nights offers a great chance to catch up on personal reading or interacting with the guests. For those with responsibilities that require a presence elsewhere in the morning, overnight hosting may not be a workable option, but for those of you with a flexible morning schedule, please consider giving it a try. Any individuals who have questions about taking part in this ministry at King of Glory may contact King of Glory Congregational Coordinator Gary Aasheim at 698-4138.



Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley is announcing the **4**<sup>th</sup> **annual "Drive Out Homelessness" Golf Tournament** on Friday, September 28, at Peter Yegen Golf Course. Registration will be at noon with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. followed by BBQ and awards at 5:30. Congregations as well as Interested persons are invited to form a 4 person team or call the Family Promise Day Center (294-7432) to be placed on a team. The fee for a 4 person team will be \$500 and includes prizes and the use of golf carts. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. Call Felicia Burg at 294-7432 for more information.





## **Interested in Becoming a Hospice Volunteer?**

St. John's Senior Independence Hospice is looking for volunteers to help enrich the quality of life for our hospice patients and their families. A volunteer offers companionship, friendly visiting, active listening reading to a patient, pet care, music therapy, or caregiver respite. Often the most important thing you can do is just "be there" for patients to reassure them they are not alone, to hold a hand, to offer a smile, or to just listen. Typical time commitment is 2 to 4 hours a month.

For more information, contact Andrea Chambers, Volunteer Coordinator at 839-1126.

## Did you know that kidney disease affects nearly 30 million Americans?

In Billings alone, Dialysis Clinic, Inc. (DCi) serves over 400 patients through dialysis treatments and education, as well as outreach to those whose transition to dialysis is imminent. And the number continues to grow.

Please join us to raise money for the National Kidney Foundation with our *Walk for Kidneys* on September 9, 2018 from 9am-1pm. Besides a short (less than a mile) fun walk, there will be

light refreshments, raffles, education, kids' activities, a blow up obstacle course, & much more!

If you register by 8/15/18, you will get a FREE t-shirt, and you don't have to walk to raise money. For more information, to register, or to volunteer to help, contact KOG member Jill Jensen, DCi, at 252-9270 x4075

https://team.kidney.org/event/Montana



United Blood Services will be holding a blood drive at King of Glory on Thursday (not Friday), September 27 with appointments from 2:30-6:30. Watch for blood donation literature and a signup sheet on the west wall of the Commons in early September. Your blood donations will go to meet needs of ill and injured persons in local and regional hospitals. If you donated at the last King of Glory blood drive and have not donated since then, you are eligible to donate again on 9/27. Also, we are wanting to add new folks to the donor pool, especially young folks between the ages of 16-18 who can donate with their parents' permission.

Contact Gary Aasheim (698-4138) with any questions you may have.

## Join Us at The Village....

The Village Afterschool Enrichment Program is a new ministry of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. The program provides afterschool enrichment for children in grades K-5. It emphasizes a child-centered, faith-based, experiential learning environment. The new facility at LCGS that we call home provides plenty of space, access to a park and green space around the corner, a playground onsite, high quality music and choir enrichment, partnerships with other professionals, and enthusiastic, skilled volunteers.

Transportation is provided from Poly Drive and Burlington Elementary Schools. Students from other schools are welcome to join us at the program. We hope to expand our transportation options as we grow. Our program features full-time enrichment, M-F, from 2:30-6 p.m., during the school year. Tuition is \$225 per month. We are currently accepting applications for a total of 35 students.

The Village includes a weekly chapel experience with Pastor Steve or Pastor Kay, and music training with Music Director Suzanne Purtee. Our program's philosophy is founded on the belief that we are all God's creations, all loved by our creator. We strive to model Christian values as we grow in community together. You see this in action with kind words, loving hearts, open minds, and helping hands. God's gifts have been shared with us, now we share them with one another and our communities – local and global. This perspective contributes to The Village's atmosphere of peace at the end of the day, both for students and families.

To learn more or register for this fall, visit villageafterschool.org, or phone 656-1080 x. 213, or e-mail <u>after-school@goodshepherdbillings.org</u>. Find us on Facebook @villageafterschool.

## 2018 Mystery Bus

Mystery Bus 2018 is in the books. For our first adventure, we went to the Pictograph Caves State Park. There we helped pull non-native weeds to beautify the trails.

The second adventure was to the Huntley Project Museum. We washed the firetrucks that were going to be in the parade the next day, tidied up the display buildings, and cleaned the museum. Museum Curator, Gay Kepple, was sooo appreciative of all the work our group did and said we were truly "a God-send" as the next day was the busiest day for the museum—Homesteader Days. She invited us to return next year!

Our final adventure was a trip to Family Services, Inc. where we helped hang donated clothing, clean the store, and make cards for the recipients of food boxes.

Thanks to Thrivent Financial for supporting us, thanks to Shari Sears for being our bus driver, thanks to all of our adult chaperones, and thanks to the parents and participants of this year's Mystery Bus 2018 adventures. See you next summer!



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Financial update (End of July):

- Year to Date Giving\* = \$327,800 (YTD Budget = \$372,200)
- Year to Date Expenses\* = \$350,120 (YTD Budget = \$373,300)
- Year to Date "Net" = (-22,320)
- Current Line of Credit = \$46,100 (\$50k limit)

You will notice from the above information that we are near our maximum line of credit. There are three major contributing factors:

- 1. Giving this year has been even with previous years.
- 2. We started the year with a line of credit that has not yet been paid off.
- 3. We have had a spike in expenses due to Pastor Jim's departure and a renewed commitment to give to our benevolence partners regularly out of our "first fruits".

The Board of Directors is making a concerted effort to pay off this line of credit and manage our finances to further our mission and ministry. If you would like to give an additional gift toward reducing this debt please indicate <u>Line of</u> Credit in the memo line of your check. Thank you.

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#### Other Parish Leadership

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Kave & Duke Families	l iturgical Arts Team

<sup>\*</sup> Giving and expenses do not include money related to the Houston Youth Gathering