

**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Second Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Sunday, January 19, 2020**

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Order of Worship

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January 19, 2020, 9:30 a.m.

*Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.*

*Key to hymnals:*

*ELW = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (red); page numbers are in front, hymns in back*

*WOV = With One Voice (blue); page numbers are in front, hymns in back*

*STS = Spirit Touching Spirit (grey)*

*\* = Please rise*

## GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

**\*Gathering Hymn**

*Thy Strong Word*

ELW #511

*All turn and face the processional cross as it is carried into the sanctuary.*

**\*Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

*(Water is poured)*

We give thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

**We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.**

*(Water is poured)*

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain and snow, for the Thief River, the Red Lake River, and the Red River.

**We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.**

*(Water is poured)*

We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea to freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.

**We give you thanks for your salvation through water.**

*(Water is poured)*

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here: for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

**We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.**

*(Water is poured)*

We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

**We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.**

**\*Greeting**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

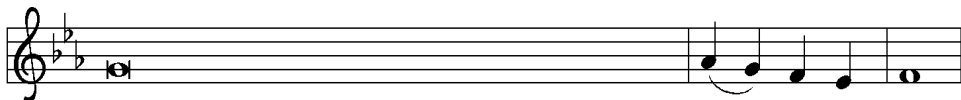
**C: And also with you.**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



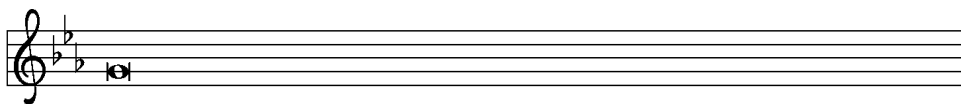
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



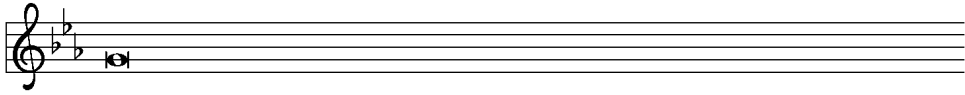
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



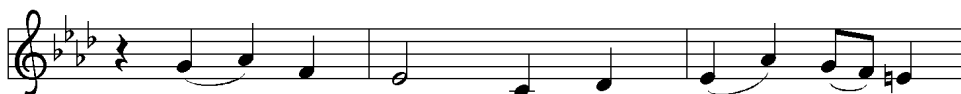
blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and  
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## \*Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

**C: Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## WORD

Isaiah 49:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, O coastlands,  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The LORD called me before I was born,  
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

<sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharp sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow,  
in his quiver he hid me away.

<sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

<sup>4</sup>But I said, "I have labored in vain,  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,  
and my reward with my God."

<sup>5</sup>And now the LORD says,  
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,  
and my God has become my strength—

<sup>6</sup>he says,  
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to restore the survivors of Israel;

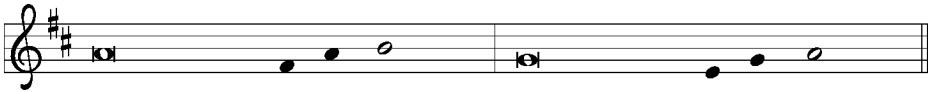
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

<sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
the slave of rulers,  
“Kings shall see and stand up,  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the LORD, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 40:1-11



*The tone is played once; all hum the tone once; then the psalm is chanted responsively.*

- <sup>1</sup>I waited patiently up- | on the LORD,  
who stooped to me and | heard my cry.
- <sup>2</sup>**The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the | miry clay,  
and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my | footing sure.**
- <sup>3</sup>The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise | to our God;  
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust | in the LORD.
- <sup>4</sup>**Happy are they who trust | in the LORD!  
They do not turn to enemies or to those who | follow lies.**
- <sup>5</sup>Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none  
can be com- | pared with you!  
Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than | I can  
count.
- <sup>6</sup>**Sacrifice and offering you do | not desire;  
you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have | not  
required.**
- <sup>7</sup>And so I said, “Here I | am; I come.  
In the scroll of the book it is writ- | ten of me:



<sup>8</sup>**‘I love to do your will, | O my God;  
your law is | deep within me.’”**

<sup>9</sup>I proclaimed righteousness in the | great assembly;  
I have not restrained my lips, O | LORD, you know.

<sup>10</sup>**I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your  
faithfulness and | your deliverance;  
I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the | great  
assembly.**

<sup>11</sup>You are the LORD; do not withhold your compas- | sion from me;  
may your steadfast love and your truth continually | keep me safe.

## 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother  
Sosthenes,

<sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ  
Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the  
name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has  
been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in  
speech and knowledge of every kind—<sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been  
strengthened among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you  
wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the  
end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is  
faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our  
Lord.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*

\*Gospel: John 1:29-42

P: The holy gospel according to St. John

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”<sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’<sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”<sup>32</sup>And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.”<sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’<sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

<sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,<sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”<sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.<sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”<sup>39</sup>He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.<sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.<sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).<sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

P: The gospel of the Lord.  
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Rev. John Wollenzien

**\*Hymn of the Day**

*Here I Am, Lord*

ELW #574

**Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*Prayers of the Church**

P: ...Lord in your mercy,  
C: **hear our prayer.**

**\*Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.  
C: **And also with you.**

# MEAL

## Offering

*We welcome you to Redeemer Lutheran Church this day! As our tithes and offerings are being collected, please take a moment to sign the red Friendship Pad at the end of the pew and pass it down to the next person.*

## \*Offertory

### *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

ELW #181

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## \*The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

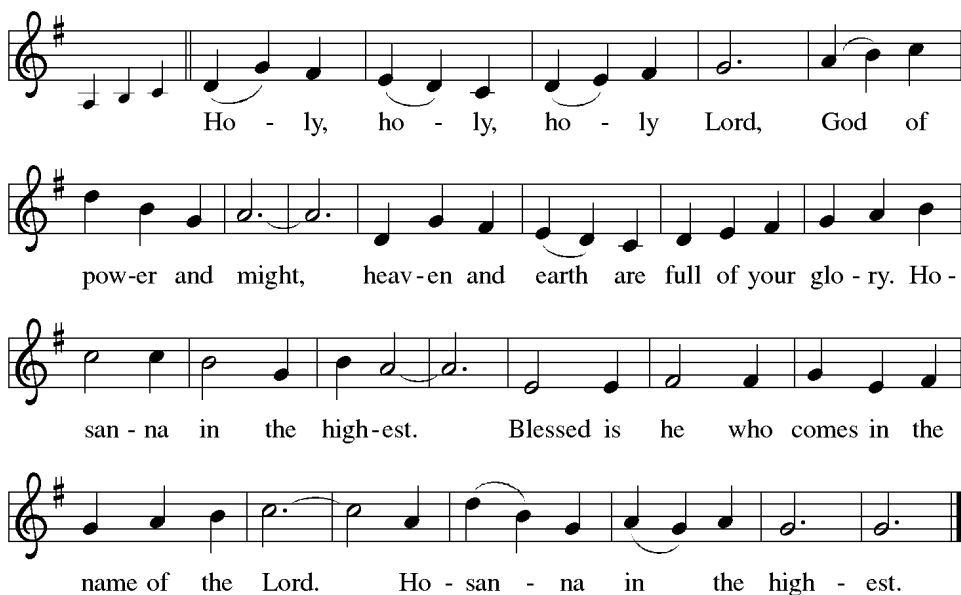
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations;  
in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son;  
and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## \*Sanctus

ELW p. 108



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup,  
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **\*Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **Distribution**

*All who come seeking Jesus are invited to receive these gifts of God. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Communion will be served kneeling at the communion rail. Grape juice (in pre-filled cups) and gluten-free wafers are available at the head of the aisle.*

### **Hymns during Distribution**

*Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless  
Drawn to the Light*

**ELW #357  
ELW #593**

### \*Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

### \*Post-Communion Canticle

ELW p. 113



Now, Lord, you let your ser- vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre- pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

# SENDING

## \*Benediction and Threefold Amen

A - men, A - men, A - - - men.

The image shows a musical score for a threefold Amen. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. Both staves are in the key of D major (one sharp). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics 'A - men, A - men, A - - - men.' are written below the treble staff, with the final 'A' being a long note. The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment.

## \*Sending Hymn

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

ELW #815

*All face the processional cross as it is carried from the sanctuary.*

## \*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Let your light shine!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude



## ASSISTING IN MINISTRY TODAY

Reader: Betty Carlson

Ushers: Eric and Julie Tjelle

Acolytes: Rebecca Vogel and Cora Hintz

Communion Ministers: Janet Fisher, Rocky and Barb Ammerman

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Renae Dalen, Mary Jo Mugaas

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

Sunday Coffee Fellowship: Ruth Unit

Church Offering Bank Run: Brooks Vigen

## ASSISTING IN MINISTRY WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 22)

Reader: Sharon Odeggard

Ushers: Jan and Diedre Nordin

Acolytes: Evan Anderson and Gavin Smith

Communion Ministers: Jan Anderson, Chad and Becky Berg

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Renae Dalen, Mary Jo Mugaas

Musicians: Greg Dally, Paula Adamson

Church Offering Bank Run: Tony Olson

## ASSISTING IN MINISTRY NEXT SUNDAY (JANUARY 26)

Reader: Chris Cuppett

Ushers: Dan and Jane Aandal

Acolytes:

Serving at the Altar (Altar Guild): Renae Dalen, Mary Jo Mugaas

Organist: Reid Froiland

Cantor: Chris Cuppett

Sunday Coffee Fellowship: Annual Meeting Potluck

Church Offering Bank Run: Brooks Vigen

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**Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday**

**Our Mission Statement:** Being chosen by God and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, Redeemer Lutheran Church gathers together to worship, serve and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people, to provide meaning and purpose for daily living.

## **Our Staff:**

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# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 19-26, 2020

Sunday, January 19	8:15am 9:30am	Senior Choir rehearsal Worship with Holy Communion
Monday, January 20	9:00am-12:00pm 6:00-8:00pm	Quilting Quilting
Tuesday, January 21	9:00am-12:00pm 6:00-8:00pm 6:00pm	Quilting Quilting Council meeting
Wednesday, January 22	5:15pm 5:15-6:15pm 5:45pm 6:30pm 7:30pm	Sing and Ring 7 <sup>th</sup> Confirmation BLAST Worship with Holy Communion 8 <sup>th</sup> Confirmation
Sunday, January 26	<b>Annual Meeting</b> 8:15am 9:30am	Senior Choir rehearsal and sing Worship

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In your prayers** this week please remember Barb Lien, Linda Olson, Ingrid Anderson, Obert Sundahl, Delores Ault, Rev. Darrel Cory, Gloria Leach, Larry Forsberg, Annabelle Cuppett, Erika Kahlhamer, Jeremy Johnson, Brenda Russ, Chad Gunderson, Kelly Amundgaard, Jason Miller, Shelley Steva, and Molly Dahlin and family.

**Altar flowers this day** are given by Darlene Kelley in memory of Leona Kelley's birthday.

**Redeemer's Annual Meeting will be Sunday, January 26, following the 9:30 worship service. Annual reports are available on the table in the Narthex.**

**A BIG REDEEMER THANK YOU** to everybody that helped take down and storing the rest of the Christmas decorations.

**Committees please make sure you are checking your mail box in the office.**

**Gift quilts for the graduating seniors:** Precut quilt top kits are available on a small table in the narthex. If you need help with the kit, please talk to Pauline Helgeland or Christine Burnham. These quilts are a gift from our congregation. Your support of time, talent, or finance, is greatly appreciated.

**We are looking for a wheelchair** in great shape for the church; please contact the church office if you have any information.

**We still have openings for Altar Flowers on the following dates in:**

January 22/26, Jan 29/Feb 2, Feb 5/9

If interested in buying altar flowers please contact the church office.

**Youth Event for Redeemer Youth!!! 9th-12th Grade Youth Group** will start on Sunday, January 26th from 7-8:30pm at Zion.

**Just a friendly reminder** to make sure you visit our website [www.redeemertrf.org](http://www.redeemertrf.org), we have plenty of information on how you can volunteer, newsletters, bulletins, our different programs, and you can also donate thru our website.

**Church Announcements:** Please make sure to have your announcements in every week to Vanessa VanDam by **Monday at 10:00 a.m.** so that the preparation of bulletins does not get delayed.

**Quarterly statements** are available upon request; please contact Vanessa at the church office.

**Monthly Treasurer's Reports** are available anytime for viewing. Contact Marit Knutson or the church office.

**A support group for people who are caregivers** and/or family members of those with dementia/Alzheimer's will be held the third Monday of each month at the Grand Stay hotel meeting room in Thief River Falls. This caregiver support group is sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association. It is designed to provide emotional, educational, and social support for caregivers through regularly scheduled meetings. For more information, please contact the facilitator Kari Jesme at 218-686-4487 or at [kari.jesme@outlook.com](mailto:kari.jesme@outlook.com).

**Free services for seniors wishing to remain independent:** The RSVP Groceries to go and Handyman Programs are vital services for seniors 60+ wishing to remain independently in their homes. G2G Volunteers shop for and deliver groceries or assist with shopping 2-4 times per month.

Handyman volunteers assist with minor home maintenance issues. Caring volunteers are ready to help you! Contact Tammy or Jennifer at 218-281-8288 or 800-862-6466, or e-mail [tsyles@umn.edu](mailto:tsyles@umn.edu) or [jkerdman@umn.edu](mailto:jkerdman@umn.edu).

**If you are struggling with grief**, please check the kiosk in the Narthex for various grief support groups being offered by Hospice of the Red River Valley

### Fourth Quarter Financial Status

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>2<sup>ns</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b>	
<b>2019</b>	<b>Jan-Mar</b>	<b>Apr-Jun</b>	<b>Jul-Sep</b>	<b>Oct-Dec</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>
Budget Income	\$73,324.74	\$73,324.74	\$73,324.74	\$73,324.74	\$293,298.96
Actual Income	\$55,207.61	\$55,650.33	\$51,662.59	\$66,505.73	\$229,026.26
Budget Expense	\$73,324.74	\$73,324.74	\$73,324.74	\$73,324.74	\$293,298.96
Actual Expense	\$55,757.48	\$61,354.44	\$57,249.23	\$74,228.78	\$248,589.93