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The Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church Mission Statement:

***"To glorify God,
deepen and enrich the spiritual life of the family of believers,
and to reach out to the community with the love of Jesus Christ."***

As we begin a new calendar year, take a moment and ponder the second of these three very important goals. In what ways has your spiritual life been *deepened and enriched*? From my position, I have the privilege of hearing many of your stories about this. I have heard your stories about miraculous blessings; about impossible obstacles overcome and defeated; about coincidences that become life changing transformations; about quiet insights that have had lasting impact; about words spoken that became the very Word of God; about the power of encouragement and friendship; about the power of a Bible verse breaking through a fog of despair. I have heard your witness to a deep and enriched spiritual life. I encourage you to share your story within our family of believers.

As we seek to deepen and enrich our spiritual lives, we should share our stories with one another. I challenge you to tell your story. Write down your witness of being *deepened and enriched*. Write down your testimony of the quiet ways God has touched, spoken, and been present in your life.

My hope is to have an outpouring of written testimonies so we may gather and distribute them as a devotional booklet for the congregation, maybe for the season of Lent. Or if there is only a trickle of written responses, we may include a special page in this monthly newsletter which highlights one of your *deepened and enriched* experiences. Please write your story. I suggest these guidelines: write one page, typed and double spaced; include your name but only include other personal details that you are comfortable having shared widely; focus on your perception of God's work in your life; if viable, include a Bible verse that connects with your story; end your story by summarizing it into a short prayer which we all may use. Of course, if you wish I will be glad to review and respond to your story before it goes public; please ask.

Together we may indeed deepen and enrich the spiritual life of our family of believers.

In Christ,
Mark

Next newsletter deadline:
Friday, January 21
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Church Life Announcements

2022 Offering Envelopes are here and can be picked up from the table in the narthex or the office. If you have not previously received or requested offering envelopes and would like a box, please call Barb at 717-642-5332 or email her at office@lmcp.org.



The Women's Guild made 50 Christmas cards for the inmates and staff of The Adams County Prison. The congregation was then invited to sign these cards, and as usual, when asked to help, did so overwhelmingly. This outreach program shares our love of the birth of Christ and the peace and joy of the season with those who need it most. The Women's Guild will not be meeting in January or February just in case we have inclement weather. This is a chance for all women of the congregation to seriously consider joining us when we reconvene in March. Happy New Year!

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are on their way! This year members of LMCP prepared 96 shoeboxes. We also collected 152 shoeboxes from the community for a total of 248 shoeboxes sent from our church. That's 248 needy children who will be thrilled to receive gifts and hear about the gospel because you cared. Also, \$180.00 from the offering plate was sent to cover the cost of shipping boxes. Thank you for your generosity!

The Couple's Study Group will meet January 8 in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:00PM. Please bring a covered dish to share, table service and drinks will be provided. We will have a brief devotion and then plan the events and locations for the year. Please let Jim and Bev Benner know if you will be attending. As always, all couples in the congregation are invited.

Sunday Morning Adult Study — In a defensive and divided era, how can followers of Jesus reveal a better way of living? How can we be the kind of people who, as Proverbs puts it, "turn away wrath"? This winter our Sunday morning group will read and discuss an inspiring new book that points the way by helping us nurture a renewed, softened heart and forsake us-against-them mentalities. For those who long for a more civil way of being, Scott Sauls new book, A Gentle Answer, provides an inspiring and transformative path for countercultural gentleness in our perpetually angry, attacking, outraged time. Join us Sunday mornings at 9:45. Any questions, ask Susan Nunamaker or Doyle Waybright.

The Women's Bible Study meets electronically two Thursdays a month (usually the first and third Thursday) at 7PM. We are reading and discussing "Forgiving What You Can't Forget" by Lysa Terkeurst. Interested women should contact Dana McDonald at 717-642-6272.



Mark your calendars! We are offering a night out for members and friends of LMCP! Ms. Joan and I will provide free childcare on Saturday, February 12 from 4-7p.m. so you can have a night out! We will furnish dinner, a craft, and an activity for your child or children. The menu and a sign-up sheet will be made available closer to the event. If you have any questions, Email: shure1y@hotmail.com or call/text: 717-475-3511 or stop by the nursery to see me! — Miss Shirley

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Souper Bowl Sunday — On Sunday, February 13, LMC will be having a special collection of monetary gifts and soup/canned goods for the Souper Bowl of Caring. The Souper Bowl of Caring vision is to transform the Big Game into a nationwide movement inspiring people to give locally and make a collective impact on hunger. All soup/canned goods collected will go to the Fairfield Food Pantry. The monetary donations will be divided with 1/3 going to the Fairfield Food Pantry and 2/3 going to the Gettysburg Soup Kitchen. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



C.A.R.E.S. Overnight Shelter — LMCPK will host C.A.R.E.S. the **last two weeks in March**. If you have been a host in prior years, the only documentation required is proof of Covid vaccination. **New hosts** must complete an application, a warrant check, and a Power Point training document. A packet containing these forms is by the church mailboxes. When completed, return forms to Joe Reichl's mailbox, by March 1. More information will follow. If you have any questions, contact **Joe Reichl** at email: jereichl@comcast.net, or

phone: 717-398-2430.

Winter Banquet — March 19 at 11:00 AM we will meet at the Hickory Bridge Farm Restaurant for our "Winter Banquet/Here Comes Spring" luncheon together. Judy Williams and Julie Orleski are planning this event and will have more info both in the bulletin and future newsletter. To date we know the menu includes Turkey, Ham and Crab Imperial. This is always a fun way to chase the winter blues away!!

Marriage Retreat Fundraisers are back at the Totem Pole! Look for the flyers on pages 11 & 12 and sign up on the narthex bulletin board. Mark these dates on your calendar:

The Sound of Music – Saturday, June 25, at 8 pm - \$45 a ticket

Footloose – Friday, August 5, at 8 pm - \$45 a ticket



SAVE THE DATE: The annual Congregational Retreat will be held on August 13th at Camp Eder, Mt Hope Road, Fairfield. There will be no charge for you to attend. The theme is "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, strength, soul and mind." Please prayerfully consider joining us for a wonderful time of learning and fellowship!

Winter Wear Donations — Temperatures are dropping and once again, we have the opportunity to provide coats, hats, sweaters, gloves and other cold weather accessories to those who are less fortunate in our community. Please search through your closets, drawers and trunks for clean, gently used items and place them in the "coat box" located in the Fellowship Hall/ Education Building hallway. The box will be there for donations through the month of



March. Thank you for your support!

Talita Cumi Children's Home



Talita Cumi is in Santa Cruz, Bolivia and is a place of refuge for orphaned, abused, and abandoned children ages 4 to 18. "Talita Cumi" means "child arise!" It speaks to the spirit of these wonderful children, and children everywhere, whose resiliency rises above the apparent limitations and challenges of their situation.

They currently own a second-hand minibus that seats 12 people. In the past year it has fallen into a perpetual state of repair, becoming more of a liability than a help. Their plan is to sell the minibus for \$15,000 and then put that amount toward a new minibus at a cost of \$39,900. The vehicle they hope to purchase seats 16 people, which would give them greater flexibility to transport larger groups of children to school, church, and camps. In addition, their dream is to also purchase a smaller vehicle for \$13,000. The smaller car could be used on a more individualized level to transport two or three children at a time to places like doctor and dentist clinics and picking up groceries for the home. If you would like to contribute toward this need, you can give online (www.talitacumi.org/donate) or send a check (please write "new TC vehicle" in the memo line) by mail to Talita Cumi California, 244 Dickenson Ave., Newbury Park, CA 91320.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



1 — Barb Schwartz	18 — Frank Buhrman
1 — James Bigham	23 — Franklin Orleski
3 — Phyllis Smith	28 — Andrew Aldrich
3 — Christa Williams	30 — Robert Williams
5 — Caleb Miner	31 — Dan Shriner



Best Wishes! Enjoy your special day!



*"I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet The words repeat of peace on earth,
good-will to men!"*

~ Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Happy New Year 2022! Yes, our music program at Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church has been in a constant state of change due to Covid for close to two years, but our musicians and vocalists have adapted and persevered. You may recall the words of Longfellow from my newsletter article for December of 2021. The story behind that song is inspiring and seems appropriate to our times.

In 1861, tragedy struck our nation in the form of a Civil War. On a personal level, Henry Longfellow's beloved wife, Fanny, was using hot sealing wax to close envelopes when flames engulfed her dress. Despite her husband's valiant efforts, Fanny was burned beyond recovery. Longfellow sank into a deep depression, finding no joy at Christmas.

The Civil War continued to tear the nation apart, causing even more grief for this staunch abolitionist. In March of 1863, Longfellow's son, Charley, ran off to join the Union Army as an artilleryman. Charley was seriously wounded and returned home to be nursed by his father. On Christmas Day of 1864, Longfellow penned the poem "Christmas Bells," proclaiming that the Living God is the God of Peace.

*And in despair I bowed my head; "There is no peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong, And mocks the song Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"*

*Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: "God is not dead; nor doth he sleep!
The Wrong shall fail, The Right prevail, With peace on earth, good-will to men!"*

May you find peace as you worship during this New Year of 2022.

Our special music each Sunday will feature vocal anthems by our Faithful Voices and Glory Singers, as well as instrumentals/vocals by Wires and Wood. **Special thanks to these hard-working singers and musicians for working "overtime" to fill the void left by our Bells of Faith.** In addition to selections that complement our sermon topics, you will be treated to some Christmas/Epiphany selections. And, the Faithful Voices will reprise the song entitled "Hodie" from our Christmas cantata at the 11:00 service on January 16th. This time we will even supply you with the translation of the Latin phrases! Enjoy!

Linda Clark

Four Questions

Why do mission?

In Matthew 25:31-46, we learn that the righteous in feeding the hungry, giving a drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, taking care of the sick and visiting the prisoner were serving Christ without even realizing it. Mission should be this natural and easy. But we know it is not always this easy, which is why Jesus tells us this story - to teach us how to become the church God wants us to be. Christ calls us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to work for justice for all God's people. Mission is a demonstration of our faith. We are called to act boldly and compassionately.

Why do international mission?

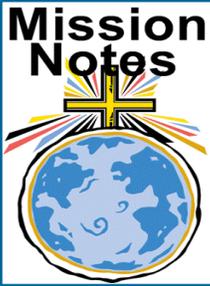
"... you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Mission begins locally, but we and our church partners across the world are all called to be witnesses to the ends of the earth. So, we need to join hands together, to work internationally, standing alongside each other and building each other up. As partners in God's global mission, we are all called to share together.

Why support a mission co-worker?

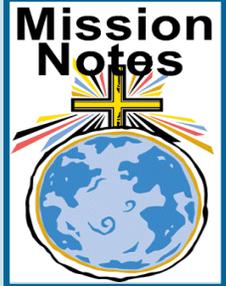
Presbyterian mission co-workers serve at the invitation of our global partners. They are an expression of our commitment to journey with our partners and stand in solidarity with them. Mission co-workers serve as bridge people as they interpret language and culture, both for us and our global partners. They help us understand issues of ministry across the world. They inspire us through their example and stories, which can help extend our understanding of God's great work in the world and show us how we are a part of it. Mission co-workers welcome the support and encouragement of Presbyterians in the United States.

Why do international mission through the Presbyterian Church?

We're good at it! Since 1837, Presbyterians have established global relationships and partnerships. Our experiences and trusting friendships have created a network in over 80 countries. When you visit a Presbyterian mission site, you will hear someone say, "My mother's life was saved in a Presbyterian hospital," or "My father learned to read in a Presbyterian school," or "My grandparents heard the gospel from a Presbyterian mission co-worker!" We are faithful in maintaining and expanding our historic relationships, building new ones and in our support of mission co-workers. Presbyterians do mission in partnership. That means that mission is not something that we do "to them" but an adventure of collaboration and walking alongside our partner churches. Remember the tsunami that hit Indonesia a few years ago? Aid given through the PC (USA) went through small Protestant congregations and served as a witness to how God's love is present and active in this Muslim nation. When you support international mission through the PC(USA) and World Mission, you not only help people in need, but you help empower - and grow - our partner churches as well. Our presence around the world is made possible only with your support. Your gift makes all the difference! Presbyterian World Mission witnesses to the gospel of Jesus Christ in as many places as you support. Your direct support of mission co-workers makes this work possible.



Recent Correspondence from Mission Organizations/Missionaries We Support



Child Evangelism Fellowship



CEF has six school districts accommodating Good News Clubs, seven clubs running, one club awaiting a room, and three clubs to begin in January. Volunteers are needed! If you are interested in being involved, contact Miss Pam at the office (cefadams@gmail.com or 717-677-4797).

DiscipleMakers (Kevin and Maria Noyes)



Last fall, Kevin and Maria revived a popular outreach (Send for a Slice) to the students on campus. At "Send for a Slice" they share and advertise that they will respond to questions about Christianity, Jesus, or the Bible with an answer and a slice of pizza. Kevin and two Gettysburg students took pizza to a young woman and her friend who asked the question "Do you believe in life after death?" They shared how every person has eternity in front of them and will either face judgment for sin or eternal life with God. What makes the difference is whether they believe in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

The young woman thanked them for sharing, and one of the students who came with them (a young man who is realizing he might not yet be a Christian) shared "I've never heard the gospel explained that way before!" Kevin and Maria thank us for our prayers and partnership.

Mission of Mercy



During 2021, Mission of Mercy served 2,265 medical and dental patients, conducted more than 6,600 patient visits, dispensed over 8,600 prescription medications, utilized tele/video dental services along with in-person care, distributed over 1,300 donated hand-

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sewn masks, to volunteers, patients, and members of the community. For fiscal year 2021 the estimated value of pro bona services and other in-kind was \$1,800,000, meaning patients benefit from valuable community and hospital partnerships and services including radiology, laboratory, medical supplies, medications, nutritious food, etc. According to the latest national Mobile Health Map (www.MobileHealthMap.org), compiled by the Mobile Health Clinics Association, the positive return on investment for mobile clinics is \$12 or every dollar spent on operations. By this measure Mission of Mercy saves our communities over \$11 million each year.

SAT-7

For isolated SAT-7 viewers in the Middle East and North Africa, Christmas is a time of fear and difficulty. One SAT-7 PARS viewer from Iran shared how she and her family continued to celebrate Christmas even though they faced the continued threat of persecution: "My family and I used to gather with other believers in our home to celebrate the birth of our living God who put on flesh. It is now three years that we have been unable to celebrate in a way worthy of our glorious Lord. Instead, we only have a Christmas tree and celebrate as a family because we have been watched carefully. Several times they thought they could use persecution to draw us away from the glorious King, but amid the persecution, we drew closer to Jesus Christ. My son tells others about Jesus, and I do too, to the extent that is possible. If I can, I get books to give to people."



Thank You!

Dear Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church,
On behalf of Gideons International, thank you for your very generous donation of \$500.00!
Sincerely,
Kenneth Feters, Treasurer

Dale Williams delivered the Hershey chocolate bars to the Adams County Prison. As was the case last year, Chaplain Perez has had an outpouring of support from the community, and believes he has enough Hershey bars to give them out at Easter as well as Christmas! He greatly appreciates the tremendous contribution Lower Marsh Creek has made.

New Year's History & Traditions

Civilizations around the world have been celebrating the start of each new year for at least four millennia. Today, most New Year's festivities begin on December 31 (New Year's Eve), the last day of the Gregorian calendar, and continue into the early hours of January 1 (New Year's Day). Common traditions include attending parties, eating special New Year's foods, making resolutions for the new year and watching fireworks displays.

The earliest recorded festivities in honor of a new year's arrival date back some 4,000 years to ancient Babylon. For the Babylonians, the first new moon following the vernal equinox—the day in late March with an equal amount of sunlight and darkness—heralded the start of a new year. They marked the occasion with a massive religious festival called Akitu (derived from the Sumerian word for barley, which was cut in the spring) that involved a different ritual on each of its 11 days. In addition to the new year, Akitu celebrated the mythical victory of the Babylonian sky god Marduk over the evil sea goddess Tiamat and served an important political purpose: It was during this time that a new king was crowned or that the current ruler's divine mandate was symbolically renewed.

Throughout antiquity, civilizations around the world developed increasingly sophisticated calendars, typically pinning the first day of the year to an agricultural or astronomical event. In Egypt, for instance, the year began with the annual flooding of the Nile, which coincided with the rising of the star Sirius. The first day of the Chinese new year, meanwhile, occurred with the second new moon after the winter solstice.

The early Roman calendar consisted of 10 months and 304 days, with each new year beginning at the vernal equinox; according to tradition, it was created by Romulus, the founder of Rome, in the eighth century B.C. A later king, Numa Pompilius, is credited with adding the months of Januarius and Februarius. Over the centuries, the calendar fell out of sync with the sun, and in 46 B.C. the emperor Julius Caesar decided to solve the problem by consulting with the most prominent astronomers and mathematicians of his time. He introduced the Julian calendar, which closely resembles the more modern Gregorian calendar that most countries around the world use today.

As part of his reform, Caesar instituted January 1 as the first day of the year, partly to honor the month's namesake: Janus, the Roman god of beginnings, whose two faces allowed him to look back into the past and forward into the future. Romans celebrated by offering sacrifices to Janus, exchanging gifts with one another, decorating their homes with laurel branches and attending raucous parties. In medieval Europe, Christian leaders temporarily replaced January 1 as the first of the year with days carrying more religious significance, such as December 25 (the anniversary of Jesus' birth) and March 25 (the Feast of the Annunciation); Pope Gregory XIII reestablished January 1 as New Year's Day in 1582.

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In many countries, New Year's celebrations begin on the evening of December 31—New Year's Eve—and continue into the early hours of January 1. Revelers often enjoy meals and snacks thought to bestow good luck for the coming year. In Spain and several other Spanish-speaking countries, people bolt down a dozen grapes symbolizing their hopes for the months ahead right before midnight. In many parts of the world, traditional New Year's dishes feature legumes, which are thought to resemble coins and herald future financial success; examples include lentils in Italy and black-eyed peas in the southern United States. Ring-shaped cakes and pastries, a sign that the year has come full circle, round out the feast in the Netherlands, Mexico, Greece and elsewhere. In Sweden and Norway, meanwhile, rice pudding with an almond hidden inside is served on New Year's Eve; it is said that whoever finds the nut can expect 12 months of good fortune. Because pigs represent progress and prosperity in some cultures, pork appears on the New Year's Eve table in Cuba, Austria, Hungary, Portugal and other countries including the United States. Right alongside the pork is often sauerkraut or some form of cabbage. This tradition hails from Germany and Eastern Europe, and is, again, rooted in simple logistics: A late fall harvest coupled with a six-to-eight-week fermenting process means that sauerkraut is just about ready when New Year's rolls around. But cabbage on New Year's is also steeped in symbolism—the strands of cabbage in sauerkraut or coleslaw can symbolize a long life, while cabbage can also symbolize money.

Other customs that are common worldwide include watching fireworks and singing songs to welcome the new year, including the ever-popular "Auld Lang Syne" in many English-speaking countries. The practice of making resolutions for the new year is thought to have first caught on among the ancient Babylonians, who made promises in order to earn the favor of the gods and start the year off on the right foot. (They would reportedly vow to pay off debts and return borrowed farm equipment.)

In the United States, the most iconic New Year's tradition is the dropping of a giant ball in New York City's Times Square at the stroke of midnight. Millions of people around the world watch the event, which has taken place almost every year since 1907. Over time, the ball itself has ballooned from a 700 pound iron and wood orb to a brightly patterned sphere 12 feet in diameter and weighing in at nearly 12,000 pounds. Various towns and cities across America have developed their own versions of the Times Square ritual, organizing public drops of items ranging from a pickle (Dillsburg, Pennsylvania) to a possum (Tallapoosa, Georgia), a sausage (Elmore, Ohio) to a sardine (Eastport, Maine) an olive (Bartlesville, Ohio) to an orange (Orlando, Florida), a golf ball (Hilton Head Island, South Carolina) to grapes (Temcula, CA), a hog (Fayetteville, Arkansas) to a horseshoe (Chincoteague, VA), a potato (Boise, Idaho) to a pear (Fredericksburg, Virginia) at midnight on New Year's Eve.

Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church
Marriage Retreat Committee
FUNDRAISER
at the Totem Pole Playhouse



Date: Saturday, June 25, 2022

Time: 8:00 PM

Cost: \$45 per person



When a postulate proves too high-spirited for the religious life, she is dispatched to serve as governess for the seven children of a widowed naval captain. Her growing rapport with the youngsters, coupled with her generosity of spirit, gradually captures the heart of the stern captain, and they marry. Upon returning from their honeymoon they discover that Austria has been invaded by the Nazis, who demand the captain's immediate service in their navy. The family's narrow escape over the mountains to Switzerland on the eve of World War II provides one of the most thrilling and inspirational finales ever presented in the theatre.

Make checks payable to: Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church

Sign up on bulletin board in the narthex. Please give check to Barb in the office or deposit your check in the offertory plate. Make sure your check is marked for "The Sound of Music".

Deadline is May 1st

Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church
Marriage Retreat Committee
FUNDRAISER
at the **Totem Pole Playhouse**



Date: Friday August 5, 2022
Time: 8:00 PM
Cost: \$45 per person

Ren and his mom move from Chicago to a small farm town and were not prepared for the local laws - including a ban on dancing. With this Oscar nominated hit score the celebrated film musical bursts explosively onto the stage.

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Deadline is June 1st



From the Clerk's Desk

The Session did not hold a regular meeting in December but will resume their regular meetings in January 2022. Here are just a few items:

- * Membership as of 12/18/2021: Active Members (AM = CA): 162, Baptized Members (BM = FP): 60 and Family Members: 53. Total:275
- * The Interpretation and Stewardship Team continues to monitor all church finances. Please see the monthly report in this issue for November on page 15. We thank you for your amazing generosity and financial support

Session wishes you and your families a Holy and Merry Christmas Season and a New Year filled with joy and hope in the Lord! Let us look toward an exciting year of serving our Holy Father as we each reach out to our church family, community and the world with his love!





Pictured are from left, Back Row: Joe Reichl, Arlene Wright, Doris Wampler, Pat Diehl and Len Williams
Front Row: Elaine Reichl, Sue Welsh and Pam Grove Missing from picture: Jim Welsh

Food Pantry

Many thanks for your continued support for the Fairfield Food Pantry. Your financial support for the Christmas Breakfast Bags was overwhelming. The total amount collected was \$652.00. We've also delivered many bags of donated grocery items this month as well. It is a blessing to be part of such a caring community. Again, thank you. — Arlene Wright

From The Deacons

It's hard to believe how quickly 2021 has passed. Even though this year was not a typical one, Deacons have been busy and involved.

Ruth's Harvest:

Thank you for continuing the food donations to Ruth's Harvest. These items are delivered and greatly appreciated by Fairfield's Ruth's Harvest volunteers. Thanks also to those who have volunteered to pack the bags that are distributed weekly to children in need.

The Deacons enjoyed preparing and packaging homemade cookies for all who attended Hanging of the Greens Sunday.

Doris Wampler, Moderator

May the sunshine of God's love and kindness be reflected in all we do

Transportation Ministry

Attendees of LMC having a transportation need should call one of the following drivers directly to arrange for a date, time, and destination. If none of these volunteers can meet your need, please call Jim Welsh (717-377-5370).

Volunteer Drivers					
Lee & Jean Bentz	717-334-6064	Sallie Sites	717-334-8712	Len Williams	717-642-0123
Susan Nunamaker	717-642-9646	Roy Weaner	717-334-3376	Ray Wright	717-549-2118

FINANCIAL HEALTH UPDATE – NOVEMBER 2021

Church Operating Fund Income (COF)

Account Description	November - 2021	Year-to-Date 2021	2021 Budget
Offering Income	\$24,836.38	\$274,732.98	\$280,000.00
Other Income	\$313.84	\$16,290.75	\$15,450.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$25,150.22	\$291,023.73	\$295,450.00
Church Operating Fund Expenses			
Spiritual Life	\$441.92	\$5,967.92	\$14,200.00
Education & Nurture	\$37.06	\$803.72	\$6,100.00
Interpretation & Stewardship	\$0.00	\$5,378.00	\$5,951.00
Home Ministry	\$6,465.78	\$48,921.47	\$70,382.00
Church Administration	\$15,473.55	\$161,622.44	\$198,817.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$19,256.64	\$200,385.24	\$295,450.00
INCOME minus EXPENSES	\$2,731.91	\$68,330.18	\$0.00

Church Operating Fund Checking Account Balance as of 11/30/2021: \$67,129.77

Mission Opportunities/Missionaries Fund Income

Account Description	November - 2021	Year-to-Date 2021	2021 Budget
Offering Income	\$4,215.00	\$73,975.85	\$71,750.00
Other Income	\$259.13	\$3,083.17	\$1,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$4,474.13	\$77,059.02	\$72,750.00

Mission Opportunities/Missionaries Fund Expenses

TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,369.00	\$75,348.00	\$72,750.00
INCOME minus EXPENSES	\$105.13	\$1,711.02	\$0.00

Missions Checking Account Balance as of 11/30/2021: \$638.81

Notable Expenses for November: Propane for Sanctuary - \$2,501.37



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Sunday Morning Worship

8:30 AM Early Worship
9:45 - 10:45 AM Sunday School
Nursery 8:30 AM - 12:15 PM
11:00 AM Late Worship

Church Office Hours
Monday - Friday
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
717-642-5332

LOWER MARSH CREEK CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

**“To glorify God, deepen and enrich the spiritual life of the family of believers,
and to reach out to the community with the love of Jesus Christ.”**

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