

ASLC NEWS

United in Christ. Welcoming All.

Pritchard Park Breakfast

Sunday, Aug 13th, we will feed the homeless at Pritchard Park, 9:00am. Breakfast prep will be on Sat, Aug 12, 10:00am. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for donations and volunteers. Thank you for helping with this important ministry.

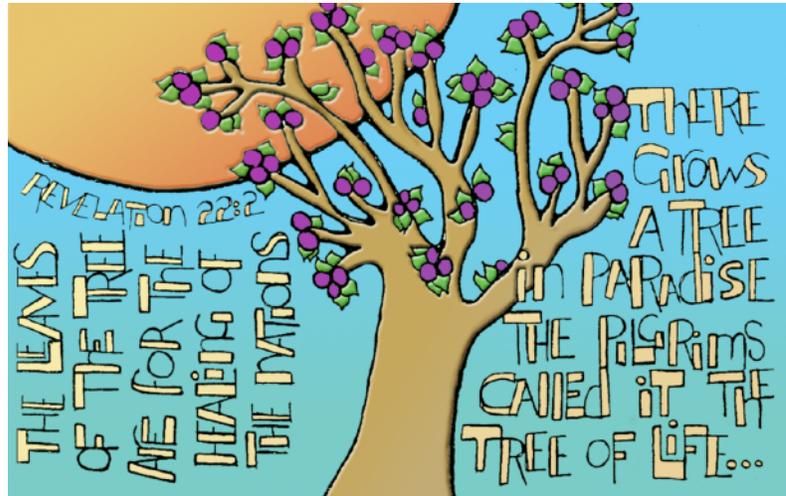
Treasurer's Report

	June 2017
Income	\$7,641.75
Expenses	-9,665.15
Net Income	-\$2023.40

YTD 2017 Net Income =
-\$1,371.86

Sincerely, **Bob Lierman**

June was a tough month. Expenses were normal but giving was down considerably. Don't forget that the ministry of the church continues while we're all on vacation during the summer months. Thank you for your support of Abiding Savior.



Pastor's Column

Revelation: It's Not What You Think It Is!

Beginning Sunday, Sept 10th, 9:45am, I'm going to lead a 4-5 week Bible Study on the book of Revelation. If you're like me, Revelation is not exactly your favorite book of the Bible. However, my opinion of it changed after attending a Bible Study of it Tim Caniff-Kuhn led during the Create in Me retreat in April.

The most helpful insight he gave me regarding this mysterious book is that most people ask the wrong question when reading Revelation. They want to know "What does it mean?" In other words, what do all the frightening images stand for. They approach it like a code that needs to be cracked.

Tim said that the real question we need to be asking is "How does it make me feel?" His answer to this question is that in the midst of events that cause us to be anxious and afraid, Revelation reminds us that God is in control and has already won the battle. Revelation is, ultimately, a book of comfort, hope and strength. [con't. p.2]

[from p. 1] Tim gave me a deeper appreciation for Revelation that inspired me to reread it this summer and dig a little deeper. This past week, I had my big "a-ha" moment where everything came together and I had clarity in the way I needed to teach this book of the Bible to all of you!

We will study Revelation together during adult Sunday School. However, I've constructed the class notes so that if you miss a week, or can't get to church that early, you can study it on your own. I am also going to do an audio recording of each class. Both the notes and the mp3 recordings will be posted on our church's web site!

My hope is that everyone will engage this material in one form or another. Revelation may be difficult to understand but I think your appreciation of it will increase dramatically if you take the class!

Blessings, Pastor Dave

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Pastor Dave on Vacation

Pastor Dave will be on vacation from Aug 28-31. Please call the church cell phone, 505-5229, for any pastoral emergencies during this time.

Yard Work Wish List

If you have some spare time in the coming months to spend a little time working on ASLC's gardens, please talk to Pastor Dave. There are many chores which need to be done in order to make our property shine. There are projects for people to tackle no matter your age or ability.

Nursery Volunteers

Don't forget, we need volunteers to staff the Church nursery during the sermon time. You can sign up for this on the same list as greeters, ushers, and worship assistants. Thanks!

Birthdays

Jim Long	1
Blair Usedom	15
Tim Blayney	29

Anniversaries

Bob & Dawn Lierman	8/18/1995
Eldon Thomas & Edna Campos	8/22/1987

If your birthday or anniversary is missing from this list, please give it to Pastor Dave.

Small House Cleaning Products

Small house cleaning products are needed for Homeward Bound to give to families who are moving into permanent housing. You can get these at places such as the Dollar Store. [No big bottles, please] There is a box in the gathering space for your donations. Thank you!

Burgers, Brats & Beer

We had a wonderful time at Pastor Dave & Gary's house!



Greeter	Sue Hebb	6	13	20	27
Reader	Kay Doverspike	Mark Bolick	Jen Ownbey	Susan Bolick	Kay Doverspike
Worship Asst	Kay Doverspike	Mark Bolick	Jen Ownbey	Susan Bolick	Susan Bolick
Usher			Brian Propst		
Usher			Keaton Propst		
Tabulate	Dawn Lierman	Corkrans	Butera/Wright	Radles	
Altar Care	Sue Hebb	Linda Butera		Lynnie Barrett	
Nursery	Toni Corkran	Linda Butera	Emily Propst	Kay Doverspike	