

NEWSLETTER

Cadillac CRC



February/2025

Our Mission Statement

We Celebrate, Show and Share God's transforming grace.

Our Vision Statement

We will see Christ bring healing, wholeness and growth as individuals, in community.

Interim Pastor Jonathan Gerstner



Council thanks Pastor Jonathan for being willing to stay an extra month as we search for our new pastor. He will be with us through April 27th. We look forward to celebrating Easter with him!

Pastor will continue having office hours Tuesday mornings from 9:00 to 1:00 and Wednesday afternoons from 2 until the evening programming. Pastor Jonathan's cellphone number is 410-963-8322

Search Committee Update

More responses to our pastor position have come in. All are being reviewed; several first interviews have been completed and from that pool the team is looking at 2nd interviews. Glen VanAntwerp, the council representative on the team, reports Ron Sneller doing an excellent job of chairing the group. Please be in prayer for them to have wisdom and energy to continue this search.

Elders are Here for You

Do you have a question for your elder? Not sure how to contact them? Send a note or email to Mark Kerkstra, our elders' clerk, and he will direct it to your elder. They are making calls with pastor Jonathan to shut ins and others, so please let them know your needs. Athena is helping the elders by calling to coordinate and make appointments and track visits.

Potluck on March 9th for Sonya

As Pastor Jonathan's wife Sonya has to return to Brazil for business meetings and is not sure if or when she will be back, we would like to hold a potluck in her honor on Sunday, March 9th after church. She has jumped into so many of our church activities so quickly and with a real servant's heart. She will be sorely missed! So come and bring a dish to share and let her know how we really appreciate her!

Noon Bag Ladies

Noon Bag Ladies will meet on Thursday March 6 at noon. Join us as we get to know each other and share stories. Bring a bag lunch and meet in the Fellowship room.

New Member Classes

Elders would like to have a spring new members class, so be sure to contact an elder or the church office to let them know if you are interested.

Faith Promise

George DeVuyst will be preaching on May 4th for mission Sunday. We are asked to pray about and consider our Faith Promise pledge for this year as well as what we plan to pledge for next year. Come prepared to hear what God is doing in the mission field and consider how you will choose to support those efforts this coming year.



Finance Update

As expected, the offerings for January were less than budgeted by \$9,400; yet year to date they remain very near the budgeted amount.

The expenses continued to be less than budgeted for both the month and the year.

Overall, the church still has a positive cash flow of \$69,000 for the year.

| | JANUARY, 2025 | | | JULY 2024 THROUGH JANUARY, 2025 | | |
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| | ACTUAL | BUDGET | OVER/UNDER BUDGET | ACTUAL | BUDGET | OVER/UNDER BUDGET |
| INCOME | \$15,380 | \$24,799 | (\$9,419) | \$172,242 | \$173,590 | (\$1,348) |
| EXPENSE | \$19,070 | \$24,799 | (\$5,729) | \$103,064 | \$173,590 | (\$70,526) |
| NET, ACTUAL | (\$3,690) | | (\$3,690) | \$69,178 | | \$69,178 |

Recent Purchases

A battery powered snowblower has been purchased to clear sidewalks. And all three pianos will be tuned in the next few weeks.

Amen Chorus Concert

Mark your calendars for a spring event! The Amen Chorus and Philharmonic will present a concert here at Cadillac CRC on Sunday, May 11 at 2 pm. A great event to take moms to for Mother's Day!

Volunteer Opportunities:

Cadillac CRC needs volunteers for projection, sound, camera, refreshments, greeters, monitors, Sunday School teachers. If you would like to volunteer please contact the office at 231-775-5291.

Love INC needs volunteers to man their food bank distribution center and their warming center, Monday through Friday from 9:30 to 3:30. If you would like to volunteer for either of these opportunities calling Love INC at 231-799-1888 and ask for Paul, Volunteer coordinator.

New Hope Shelter has many needs: cooking meals, mowing grass, clerical work, and leading a bible study. Anyone working directly with the clients would need to have a background check and a short training session. To volunteer, or to obtain more information, call Michell at 231-920-1464.

The Salvation Army needs volunteers to man their Food Pantry from 10 am to 3 pm Monday through Friday. Call Vickie at 231-775-7131 between 10 am and 3 pm. Additional opportunities are available. Just call and ask.