



Vestry Key Messages

May 1, 2025

- Terry Page on behalf of the Buildings and Grounds committee, prepared a Fire Protection document, which is extremely detailed and thorough. Some key points Terry raised are:
 - We need to ensure that everyone using the building, and our sidespeople during worship, are aware of what to do in an emergency.
 - We need to have a fire drill on a Sunday morning, and we need to identify muster points with appropriate signs. Terry has taken responsibility for arranging a fire drill in mid-June.
 - We need some drawings made to complete the document and are looking for someone with access to and knowledge of software such as AutoCAD.
- Immanuel's role for refugee co-sponsorship was clarified by Richard Simpson. Ralph Paragg has retired from his role, however, is still fielding a lot of calls. These are expected to reduce over time as people become accustomed to talking to the Diocesan Refugee Coordinator. In future, Immanuel's role will be to review and approve the list of refugees that are being co-sponsored with families. There is no financial responsibility for Immanuel.
- The Stewardship group has been focusing on creating a narrative budget which breaks down our spending relative to Immanuel's mission and ministry. They hope to have this ready for distribution and communication to the parish very soon.
- March had an operating deficit of \$7,206. Total revenues were \$23,882 which includes proceeds of \$452 from the pancake supper. Contributions from parishioners were \$16,093, slightly below the budgeted amount. Rentals were \$800. Interest accrued on investments for the first quarter was \$2,850. Funding from designated funds was \$3,877 and was for new hymnbooks, VBS School Days Off, Easter Hampers, backpacks (that were purchased early due to an incredible sale), Alongside Hope (PWRDF) and other outreach and fellowship initiatives.

Total expenditures were \$31,540 and are slightly higher than budget mainly due to higher costs for snow removal due to movement of snow and clearing the grate for drainage.

Year-to-date the accumulated loss is a total of \$24,325 which is higher than this time last year, and higher than the budget by about \$9,000.
- Our Indigenous ministry group has struggled over the past couple of years, yet this ministry is still very important to Immanuel. After some discussion, a decision was made to return at a later date to the question of how to build up the indigenous ministry and also consider an international service and event.

Share the Good News through Worship, Word, and Action

- Reminder that Immanuel is hosting Synod May 22 – 25. Parishioners are encouraged to plan to attend the opening service on Thursday, May 22. Everyone is welcome to attend Synod as an observer.
- In April, Rev. Eimsook made 9 pastoral visits, 2 hospital visits, and 49 pastoral phone calls.

Vestry's next meeting is set for Wednesday May 28 at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to attend and observe.

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