

DECEMBER 2020



COASTSIDE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Half Moon Bay

God Has Begun the Good Work in You

As I read these words Paul wrote to the church in Philippi, I think of you:

"I thank my God every time I think of you, and every time I pray for you all, I pray with joy, because of the way in which you have helped me promote the Good News from the very first day. And I am sure of this much: that God, who has begun the good work in you, will carry it through to completion, right up to the day of Christ Jesus. It's only right that I should entertain such expectations about you, since I hold all of you dear--you who are all partakers of grace with me,...

My prayer is that your love may abound more and more, both in understanding and in wealth of experience, so that with a clear conscience and blameless conduct you may [continue to] learn to value the things that really matter, up to the very day of Christ. It's my wish that you be found rich in the harvest of justice which Jesus Christ has ripened in you, to the glory and praise of God." *Philippians 1:3-7a, 9-11 The Inclusive Bible, The First Egalitarian Translation*.

"You who are all partakers of grace with me" have indeed touched me from the first day I heard about all that was happening here, even as you struggled during the interim period as we discerned my call as your pastor. I can't believe it's been a decade now! I'm floored by all we've shared with each other and in the community at large, as we hope and yearn to share our faith and this blessed congregation with many more in the years to come. This IS part of our journey, our call as disciples of Christ.

Marian Lacey celebrates in this newsletter the gifts of time, talent, and treasure YOU shared through the Adopt-A-Family outreach project and our Sandwich Ministry feeding the hungry every Friday. She speaks of CLC's



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'generosity gene'. I love that description of this congregation! It's true in so many ways — great and small! It warms my heart to be a part of it as both member and pastor. I am grateful to have been of service here. That said, I am ready to retire. I appreciate your blessings and understanding as I do so. You teach me so much. I will be thinking of you along the way as I live into the reality of retirement.

I'm ever thankful for all I have experienced as a pastor in all the places I have served. I knew before I ever got here that this would be my final call. It's the perfect culmination of all my years of service, each congregation feeding the next. I've had experiences here I've never experienced before. It's been a lovely mix of renewal, challenge, and growth on all levels. This is a unique community within and at large — a very special place that I will hold dear in my heart always! But it's not just about the place. It's about the people I've come to know here. Those who are still here and those who have come and gone. You have exciting days ahead of you. Yes, you will experience anxiety and fear from time to time, but you are in good,

faithful hands! Your challenges are like those of other congregations all over the nation! Being Church through my whole ministry has been an unfolding reality — vibrant, alive, challenging, exciting, scary, and hopeful. There's a need to never let go of the faithful presence of God's moving loving breath of life redeeming within and around all throughout the Church as a whole. I truly believe the 'CHURCH' as the Body of Christ will never ever die!! Easter resurrection assures us of that. It's just that it continues to shift, change, adapt, and emerge in new and outstanding ways. I trust you will be able to embrace that reality. Your council has exciting ideas for growth, within and beyond which will need YOUR investment on every level so that we can truly be 'Church together' in the days ahead. As you become clear of CLC's mission at this time in your lives, the excitement about who you are as a congregation and disciples of Christ will guide you in the days ahead.

We begin a new church year Advent 1, typically the Sunday after Thanksgiving. So HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU!! We count down the weeks as the birth of Jesus Christ is made new in each one of us and this community. We have much to celebrate! This has not happened for us before during Advent — every Sunday this month will involve a new beginning — two baptisms, an affirmation of faith, and my final goodbye before retirement. Each will be recorded prior to honor the health and well being of all.

December 6th, we not only have our congregational meeting to discern our 2021 budget and Pastor Sue Holland's call, but we will welcome Alice Kope as a newly baptized member of Coastside Lutheran Church. She is a lovely person who has been a part of our community a long time. She has a deep faith that is continually emerging and a quiet caring dedicated presence that stands out for me. I have been blessed to get know her and hope you will get to know her too. It's a delight to welcome her as a new voting member at the beginning of our meeting!

December 13th, we will celebrate the baptism of Harper Joan, great granddaughter of Dick and Joan McBride and first born of Katherine and Nikolas Walker whose marriage I happily officiated. Baptizing an infant reminds us this sacrament is about GOD and God's love, not us! It's about being received with open arms and never-ending grace that will change our life here on earth forever! It connects us to a particular faith community, something we need now more than ever AND connects us to the Christian Church at large. The McBride clan has touched our lives deeply throughout my time here. I am so grateful to know and love them. We are blessed to welcome Harper Joan into the Christian faith and this congregation.

December 20th (my eldest son's 30th birthday — wow!), we affirm our faith with Eli Poore who has been a part of this congregation since he was little. After spending time together, he had his first communion on a Maundy Thursday long ago which has become a dear memory for me. It added a layer to that worship that felt so right, and yet I had never experienced before. We worked together on one of his Boy Scout badges and now he's been a part of confirmation. He's got big dreams and is lovingly supported by his family in carrying them out. He needs to know now more than ever there is a place for him, a people who will hold him and his family in heart and prayer. The Holy Beloved Three in One goes with him and will never ever let him go! Thank you God for such a precious gift!

Lastly, **December 27th**, I say goodbye in my final sermon as your pastor. We'll celebrate during fellowship together. We can share brunch online for f you like. Or, at least share a toast, laughter, prayer, and maybe even a Christmas carol or two? It's harder online, but we'll figure it out!

That's a lot! In addition, we have a lovely opportunity to explore the movie "It's a Wonderful Life," with scripture and our own stories this Advent. Thank you Suzanne for being willing to step up and be our lead on this! EVERYONE watch the movie this Advent! If not with us on December 4th @ 7 pm via zoom, at least on your own. It's a good match for these holidays with COVID-19! We need all the reminders we can get that it matters how we live and engage in the world. We can have positive effect on each other. We may suffer but it is NOT the end of our story! With God, all is possible— hope, peace, love, mercy, justice, new life in the midst of death, and resurrection. Thank you God for the many blessings in our lives! May we be renewed in You this season of new birth and awakening!!

Connected forever and always in Christ, Pastor Dawn Teuthorn

Celebrating Saint Nicholas!

December 6 is the Feast of St. Nicholas.

Nicholas was born long, long ago in a small town in what is now Turkey. Nicholas decided to become a priest and later became a Bishop. At one time Nicholas was even put in prison for being a Christian.

Nicholas was a kind and generous man and many stories were told about him. This is the most famous of these stories: There once was a man who lived alone with his three daughters. The oldest daughter was ready to be married. But this man was so poor that he had no money for the marriage. In those days the father had to give a bag of money to the husband when his daughter got married. Without it a wedding could not happen. The man and his daughters were very sad. Nicholas heard of their trouble. In the middle of the night, he went to the house and tossed gold coins through an open window near the fireplace. In the morning, the family discovered the gold coins on the floor and some which had landed in the stockings hung by the fire to dry. Now the eldest daughter could be married. What a celebration! When time came for the next daughter to marry, again, in the middle of the night Nicholas threw gold coins into the house. By now the family was getting very curious about who the kind and generous person was. When it came time for the third daughter to marry, the father stayed up all night to try to find out who was helping them. Just as Nicholas was about to drop the gold through the window, the father caught him. The man was surprised to find that it was the Bishop! Nicholas asked the man not to tell anyone, but it didn't work because we have the story to this very day.

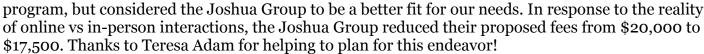
St. Nicholas is known by many different names around the world. In France he is called Père Noël. In England he is called Father Christmas. In Holland he is called Sinterklaas. Do you know what **we** call St. Nicholas? (Santa Claus.) St. Nicholas died on December 6 in the year 342. On December 6 each year, children in Russia and Holland and Germany and many other countries in Europe celebrate St. Nicholas' Day, and remember all the kind and generous things he did as a follower of Jesus. They also hope that the spirit of St. Nicholas might visit their home and leave some gifts for them. As a congregation, since our community breakfast began, we give to Christmas Outreach above and beyond our regular offerings to buy Target and Safeway gift cards for the families of the breakfast and Subway gift cards for the homeless. It's a wonderful way to share the spirit of Christ with our fellow sisters and brothers in need, just like St Nicholas.

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Council Highlights

Your CLC Church Council met online on November 18th; a few highlights:

- 1. Most of our discussion centered on plans for the Congregational online Zoom meeting on Sunday, December 6th, 11:15 AM. Key decisions are needed on our 2021 budget and on Pastor Sue's call, currently scheduled to end early next year. Although voting is limited to voting members of CLC, all are welcome to attend via the usual fellowship Zoom link. Bishop Mark Holmerud, of the Sierra Pacific Synod, will also join us for this important meeting. Please see pre-read materials emailed separately and a few key points below—Council is recommending:
 - **(a) Approval of a deficit budget for 2021**, with cost-cutting measures including ³/₄-time pastor, and with the assumption that the COVID-19 pandemic will continue to limit our rental and fundraiser income. For now, we see the deficit as being covered by existing "West Wing" funds. Optimistically, if conditions improve during the year, we can make adjustments as needed.
 - **(b)** Extending a call to Pastor Sue Holland as ¾-time pastor at CLC, beginning January 1st, with the option of increasing to a full-time role, upon mutual agreement. Details of the proposed compensation plan and congregational commitments will be presented. We will celebrate Pastor Dawn's time at CLC during fellowship on Sunday, December 27th.
 - (c) Engaging with The Joshua Group on a revitalization plan for CLC, to be funded out of existing "West Wing" funds, as we reimagine what it will mean to "rebuild our church" in a changed and changing world. As an alternative, we considered the "ACTS for Vitality"



- **(d)** Election of council members/committees: current council members Suzanne Bruce, Leah Frautschy, Mark Loos, Walter Rau, and Kathy Young are eligible for new 2-year terms. Nominating committee, Audit committee, and Synod Assembly representatives will also be selected. Nominations for all are open from the floor.
- **2. Giving was up in October—thank you for your support of CLC's ministry!** We also reviewed pledges of time, talent, and treasure for 2021 as an important part of our 2021 planning. While we are still facing challenging financial times, we continue to see strong commitment within our community. Again, Thank You!
- **3. Online worship and events.** Council continued our discussion of worship and events during the pandemic, with more detailed plans being developed by the CLC COVID Response Team (Bill Strom, Chris Baughman, Jocelyn Howard, Walter, Henry, and pastors). Online worship and events continue through Coastside Lutheran Church Facebook page and the website <u>coastsidelutheran.org</u>. See especially the Advent Bible & Story Discussion Group starting in early December—and many thanks to Suzanne Bruce for spearheading!
- **4. Facility updates:** Dry-rot repairs continue, with work now focusing on the parking-lot side of the West Wing, including replacement of the access ramp.
- **5. Staying connected: Council members continue to ask for your input regarding our online programs and future plans.** Please continue to let us know your thoughts! Council meetings are always open; please contact Henry at hblowman@comcast.net for details.

Worship Continues Online!



Online Worship Sundays @ 10AM

Log- on to Zoom every Sunday morning at 10am to worship together, or view at any time from our website or Facebook page. Online fellowship follows worship on Zoom for anyone who wants to join in. Let us know if you have a birthday or anniversary coming up so we can celebrate!

The Zoom link for both worship and fellowship is:

https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/84381518830? pwd=aVdLbXBkWWNiTHJFYUVWc1JsOGhuQTo9

Dial by your location: +1 669 900 9128 Meeting ID: 843 8151 8830 Password: 656832

Friday Lunches for those in need through Abundant Grace

When Abundant Grace told us they needed someone to provide 25 lunches on Fridays, our congregation stepped up! It's the care made known for those in need in the midst of this pandemic that brightens the soul and our communities! It is an honor to walk with you. **THANK YOU!!**

WHAT'S NEEDED: Donations of cheese and meat for the sandwiches or funds to offset cost of these items. Packaged cookies would be fun too. If you'd like to contribute or to help make sandwiches, please contact Marian: melacey@pacbell.net.

CLC Choir Practice Thursdays @ 7:30PM

While we can't prepare in-person music for our CLC Choir, we will to have rehearsals online that focus on building vocal skills & technique, reading music, and eventually recording a few songs & hymns to use in worship videos. If you need materials to be able to participate, please contact the pastors or Liesl. It is recommended everyone use a decent USB plug-in microphone and a pair of headphones. Most computers can handle Zoom, and it is also do-able via cell phone or tablet.

If you are interested in joining the choir and participating in our new virtual rehearsal space, contact our music director Liesl McPherrin, <u>music@coastsidelutheran.org</u>

Join via Zoom: https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/95853001037?
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Upcoming Events

Women's Daytime Gathering:

Second Tuesday of the Month, 2PM

Every month we gather for fellowship, support, and the sharing of articles from Gather (available online or

hard copies at the church). We laugh and listen together, sharing openly our questions, observations, and stories. You can participate in one or multiple sessions. If you have any questions or would like a magazine, email or call the office or Pastor Dawn. Theme focus for the fall is **Advent Rituals for Uncertain Times.**

WE HAVE A NEW LINK AND PASSCODE FOR ZOOM THIS MONTH:

Tuesday, December 8 @ 2 pm via Zoom: https://

uso2web.zoom.us/j/85211109648?

pwd=QU9CNXhrcThUSXZvMzV4ZjhHeDRUZzo9

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Diverse Stories:

We will <u>not</u> meet in <u>December</u>, but there will be Advent Bible Study the first Thursdays of December (12/3, 12/10, 12/17) at 12 noon. See page 8 for more details.

CDC Compliant 100% Cotton Masks for Sale

Gail Ptacek is making face masks. She currently has 20 different fabrics available. All masks are "adult" size, but tweens wear them without a problem. Each mask has:

- 1. 2 layers of 100% cotton a soft muslin as the inside piece so it is soft on your face.
- 2. An aluminum nose bridge that allows you to fit the mask to your face and prevents fogging of glasses.
- 3. Adjustable ear bands made of polyester and spandex NOT thick elastic
- 4. Upper and lower gussets so the mask material does NOT sit on your mouth.

Regular price of masks includes shipping by USPS.

CLC members and friends get \$1 off each mask ordered. Just add CLC with your name when you order. Pastor Dawn got one and loves it! Beautiful fabrics and glasses don't fog!



1 Mask \$12

2-3 Masks \$11/mask

You can find photos and more information on <u>With Love and a Smidge of Cussing</u> on Facebook or email Gail at <u>gptacek@gmail.com</u> for photos of the available fabrics.

4+ Masks \$10/mask

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Upcoming Events

Advent Series

Bible Study

Join us the first 3 Thursdays: December 3, 10, 17 @ 12-1:30 pm for a bible study following *Our Greatest Gift: A Wonderful Life in Christ*, and a daily devotional for every household. Thank you Suzanne for being inspired to lead us in preparing our hearts, minds, and homes for Christmas!

Zoom: https://uso4web.zoom.us/j/331354783 Dial by your location: +1 720 707 2699

Meeting ID: 331 354 783

Movie Night

Watch *It's a Wonderful Life* with us as a companion film to our advent studies!

It's a Wonderful Life: In this classic Christmas film, George Bailey (James Stewart) is a man who has given up his dreams to help others, and whose imminent suicide on Christmas Eve brings about the intervention of his guardian angel, Clarence Odbody (Henry Travers). Clarence shows George how he, George, has touched the lives of others and how different life would be for his wife Mary and his community of Bedford Falls if he had not been born. It's a Wonderful Life is considered one of the greatest films of all time. It was nominated for five Academy Awards, including Best Picture, and has been recognized by the American Film Institute as one of the 100 best American films ever made.

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Connecting to our Families with Children

Beginning in November, CLC has been reaching out to our youngest family members in a new and exciting way during this time of limited gathering and social distancing. Recognizing that her grandsons love to receive letters and packages in the mail, member Suzanne Malaspina-Bruce has developed and is spearheading a ministry for children ages 0-7 where CLC will mail worship and activity resources to our children for parents to use at home with their children and with their "social bubbles" during playdates. The ministry has two components. The first one, Children's Ministry by Mail, is a periodic mailing containing books, coloring pages, activity sheets and other goodies. The second, CLC Children's Chapel at Home, focuses on worship. Beginning with Advent, each season, families of young children will receive a short and easy-to-use order of worship resource with age appropriate prayers, songs and Bible stories to help parents lead their children in chapel time. If there are children in your life who you'd like to receive these resources, please send an email with their names and ages along with their mailing address to Info@coastsidelutheran.org. If you'd like to help with this ministry, send your name to info@coastsidelutheran.org.





Repairs Continue Outside the West Wing

We're replacing all our concrete landings with these stunning redwood decks, and protecting our beautiful stained glass windows!



Christmas Outreach

ECLA Good Gifts

From goats to water wells, *ELCA Good Gifts* make a life-changing difference in the world. Your donation will be used where it is needed most within the wider category of each gift selected. For example, a gift of vaccinations may be used to support other health care initiatives. This allows our church to stay adaptive, flexible and effective in the work that we do.

The animals of God's Global Barnyard are among some of the most popular gifts in the catalog. Your gifts to God's Global Barnyard support the sustainable development ministries of ELCA World Hunger, which include training, education, resources (and much more) to help the community care for animals and create new market opportunities like starting a small business selling eggs, meat or dairy products. Your gifts support this comprehensive approach to animal husbandry.

Limited-edition Christmas cards are available for featured Christmas gifts: https://goodgifts.elca.org/christmas.

Pastor Dawn and Suzanne Bruce have already purchased 1 Goat and a flock of chicks, 1 rooster, and honeybees from money raised by our Sunday School students for this purpose!



Community Outreach Gift Cards

This year, in lieu of providing gift cards to the families that would normally attend our weekly breakfast, we will be providing gift cards to local families in need in conjunction with the food distribution program run by ALAS and Abundant Grace. To donate to the Christmas Outreach project, send a check made out to *Coastside Lutheran Church* with *Children in Need* on the memo line by Dec. 12. Monies received after Dec. 12 will be used to seed our next *Children in Need* outreach project.



Giving Thanks

Hello to all CLC fellow quarantiners. Stay vigilant, stay safe!!

Our generosity gene at CLC remains strong despite this year of COVID-19 and a presidential election. We have had an ongoing season of giving during this time. So many people responded in time, talent and treasure which allowed us to give over and above to local outreach.

Our generous response to those folks who count on Adopt a Family for basic needs at this time of year has allowed us to fulfill all the needs of a family of four; plus take on two seniors. Some folks have shopped, and some have contributed financially. We received cash donations from Susan Spaeth, Sue and Bill Holland, & Jocelyn & Len Howard to the tune of \$1,100 in total. Four families in our congregation opted to shop and donate: Jim & Susan Casey, Jon and Suzanne Bruce, Karen Hampton, and the Nelson-Lacey's. In total, we fulfilled all the needs of our adopted family and two seniors, plus used some fund money to add more of the wish-list items requested: toys, crafts, etc. At the end of the day, I only had to submit a total of \$185 for reimbursement from the Adopt a Family fund's total of \$1,100. The remaining \$914.43, a very generous amount, is in the mail to Adopt a Family in a timely fashion so that their shoppers can fill any gaps in requests for food and basic needs or toys and crafts.

Since this is the last newsletter of the year, I would also like to call out all the volunteers from CLC who have been and continue to be involved in delivering to Abundant Grace every Friday, since the community breakfast was suspended, a total of 26 lunch bags containing a nutritious sandwich, cookie/sweet item, chips, and a bottle of water. When speaking to Eric DeBode, and others in the community, I am heartened to know that these lunch bags are eagerly awaited every Friday. I personally witnessed this a couple of times and it brings home how our Coastside community is really stepping up in this time of need. Since we have been doing this from the beginning, and will likely need to continue it into the new year, likely Spring, I wanted to use this newsletter to personally thank all who help me coordinate this outreach program and bring it to fruition every Friday. We have had some continuous donors from the outset: Bill Strom faithfully shops at Costco for boxes of cookies, chips, water, paper bags, etc. any time I tell him we are running out. Sandwich fillings such as deli meat and cheese is supplied by Susan Spaeth, Sue Santoro, Kay Burns, Karen Hampton, and the Eslingers at various times; and filling in those weeks when there'a a gap, myself or Sandra Barrocio. Bread turns up in the fridge at CLC faithfully each week, courtesy of Walter Rau. Kay Burns picks up the lunch bags and drives them to Abundant Grace most Friday mornings. And last but not least, my faithful partners in sandwich-making on a Friday morning: Suzanne Bruce for a while, and filling in for her at times before school started up, Elle Rau. Then Sandra Barrocio took over from Suzanne and Sandra has been my faithful partner for the last few months. I also can't leave out my own at-home partner, Bill. Every Friday morning, while I make the sandwiches, he sets up all the bags and fills them with the cookies and chips and water and packs them all up for Kay to pick up. It's become our Friday morning activity, and it feels good!!

So Happy Holidays to all. We can see the light at the end of the tunnel; we just have to hang on a bit longer. Your generosity is so appreciated and brings home our CLC mission of caring for those in need under any and all circumstances.

Marian Lacey

If you ever feel like donating deli supplies or condiments for sandwiches or snacks for lunch bags, email me: melacey@pacbell.net.

Christmas Eve Worship



Join us for worship and fellowship on December 24th at 7:30 pm!

We will be using our usual Zoom link for worship:

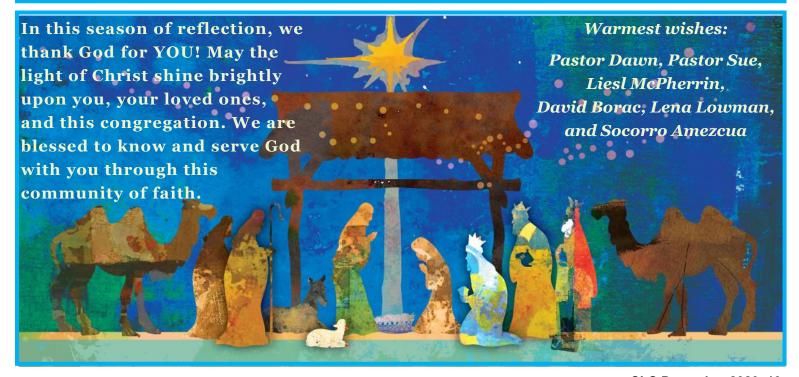
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Blessings to you this Holiday Season from your staff at Coastside Lutheran Church



October's Treasurer's Report

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Accounts: Mission Investment \$72,558

Northern Money Market \$ 99,321 Wells Fargo Bank \$ 67,003

Dedicated Funds Receivable \$0

 Wells Fargo PPP
 \$30,503

 Pastor 403B Retirement
 \$243

 Sales Tax Payable
 \$1,110

 Payroll Taxes Payable
 \$138

 HMBBC Payable
 \$0

Citi Cards Credit Card Dedicated Funds

Dedicated Funds \$ 192,587 Current Equity: \$11,553

Total Liabilities + Equity \$238,885

as of 10/31/2020

Total All Asset Accounts

\$ 238,885

General Fund Year-to-Date Budgeted Over or Over or <Under> Actual Budgeted As of Year-to-Date <Under> 10/31/2020 October 0 October 0 Actual over @10/31/2020 Actual over Budget 2020 2020 Budget Contributions \$ 20,700 \$ 5,852 \$14,848 \$ 126,092 \$ 118,271 \$7,821 Rentals & Other \$47 \$12,712 (\$12,665) \$32,778 \$64,393 (\$31,615)Income Total Income \$ 20,747 \$ 18,564 \$2,183 \$ 158,870 \$ 182,664 (\$23,794)Disbursements \$ 15,322 \$17,121 (\$1,799) \$ 161,930 \$ 180,090 (\$18,160)Net (Income-\$5,425 \$1,443 \$3,982 (\$3.060)\$2,574 (\$5,634)Expenses)

\$2,752

Dedicated Funds

	Actual October 2020	Actual Year-to-Date (10/31/2020)
Income	\$2,083	\$24,918
Disbursements	\$8,790	\$54,674

Trend:

\$2,904 is the average weekly amount required to meet the approved Contributions budget for 2020 (\$151,00/52). \$5,175 was the average weekly Contributions amount received in October 2020.

Notes:

- 1. Giving in October was \$20,700 compared to October 2019 giving of \$4,819 (4 Sundays both years).
- 2. Giving in October was \$14,848 over budget, and rental/other income was \$12,665 under budget.
- To-Date our total income is \$23,794 under budget and expenses are \$18,160 under budget making our net budget deficit to-date \$5,634. That deficit combined with the structural 2020 budget surplus-to-date of \$2,574, gives a net deficit (income – expenses) of \$3,060.
- October income exceeded expenses by \$5,425 which exceeded the budgeted surplus of \$1,443.
- Current equity is \$11,499 compared to the September 30 equity of \$5,647, and January 1 equity of \$14,559.

SECOND MILE GIVING

Every month, through your generosity, CLC contributes to the "Second Mile Giving" ministries of the ELCA, totaling \$1800 over a 12 month period.

During the month of December our Second Mile offerings will be donated to PLTS.

Since 1952, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary has equipped faithful leaders who enliven the church and care for the world. Today is a new day for theological education in the West. With expanded residential and online learning options, new faculty, shared teaching resources within Cal Lutheran and the Graduate Theological Union, our students learn, live, and serve in a place that is multi-cultural, economically diverse, and invigorating.

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Charitable Contribution Incentives

The CARES Act encourages individuals to contribute to religious and other charitable organizations by creating a new "above the line" deduction (i.e. for taxpayers who take the standard deduction). This deduction will permit them to deduct up to \$300 of annual monetary contributions. The CARES Act also increases the limitations on deductions for charitable contributions by individuals who itemize, as well as corporations. For individuals, the 50% of adjusted gross income limitation is suspended for cash contributions made in 2020. Please consult your tax advisor for your specific tax situation.

Help Get the Word Out about CLC

Check out our Instagram & Facebook accounts!

Find us at **Instagram.com/coastsidelutheran** or on Facebook at **Facebook.com/coastsidelutheranchurch**.

Like our photos and stories and be sure to tag our location and use **#spiritualharbor** and **#coastsidelutheran** on posts when sharing info about our upcoming online events.

The more that you can *like*, *comment*, and *share*, the more visible we are in the online community.

#SpiritualHarbor #CoastsideLutheran





OUR CALL

Coastside Lutheran Church is a spiritual harbor where all, without exception, are welcome and accepted with open arms. We are fed and we grow by sharing in the grace of God through Jesus Christ, so we can go out to serve the community, inspired by the Holy Spirit

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Online Worship ONLY During Shelter-in-Place

10:00 am with Fellowship followingWatch worship online at your leisure!

Worship with us via Zoom every Sunday morning at 10 am, or view at any time from our website or Facebook page. Online fellowship follows worship on Zoom for anyone who wants to join in.

The Zoom link for both worship and fellowship is:

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Weekly Emails

Did you know we send out an email every week with the readings for worship as well as a list of opportunities for engagement? If you would like to receive these emails, contact us at info@coastsideluteran.org and we'll add you to our address book!

COASTSIDE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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