

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund is administered by Pastor Mark Borgetti and used to help members and attenders of Joy! in need. This fund is always in need of donations. If you would like to make a contribution to this fund, you may give it to Pastor Mark, bring it to the church office or place it in the offering plate labeled as Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

Building Access

The new building access system is in effect. If you need access outside of normal office hours, please fill out a request form at joylutheran.org/sign-ups. Any questions, please contact Jori Maguire in the church office or at jori.maguire@joylutheran.org.

smile.amazon.com

Remember to log on to smile.amazon.com when purchasing items from Amazon. Pick Joy! Lutheran Church, Gurnee, IL as the charitable organization and we will receive a percentage of your purchase! Once you have chosen Joy!, it will become your default organization.

Communication Plan—Please email jori.maguire@joylutheran.org 4 weeks prior to ministry events/needs so we can create an effective, impactful communication plan to help you succeed.

Room Reservations—When planning meetings or gatherings at Joy!, please remember to reserve a room at jori.maguire@joylutheran.org

Total Income* thru 3/31/18 (Fiscal Year July-June)

YTD Actual	\$624,092
YTD Budget	\$569,205
AHEAD/(BEHIND)	\$54,887

Total Expense thru 3/31/18

YTD Actual	\$574,007
YTD Budget	\$563,930
AHEAD/(BEHIND)	(\$10,733)

Mortgage Balance \$1,952,779.00

Thrivent Choice Receipts for March \$1,157.00
smile.amazon.com receipts \$147.19

*Total Income includes all receipts of gifts, facility usage, program fees, etc.



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weekly connections

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Reaching our neighbors with Christ's love so all lives are changed.



Join us for worship next Sunday, May 6th for the 2nd week of our "Enough" sermon series. We'll explore together whether we look at the glass as half full or half empty and how we can increase our contentment by focusing on our blessings in life.

Shipwrecked—VBS 2018

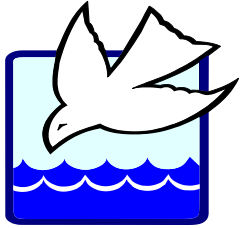
Registration Forms available online at joylutheran.org/sign-ups or at the Registration Desk.

We are also taking sign-ups for our much-needed volunteers!



Sign-ups and Registrations: joylutheran.org/sign-ups

- VBS—Shipwrecked 2018!
- VBS Volunteers Needed!
- Joy! Golf League
- Monthly Leadership Gathering
- VBS Donations Needed!
- Golfo de Mayo!
- Vision Goal Teams
- First Communion Class



We welcome Xander A. Witting to our family of faith today through the sacrament of Baptism!

COOL Monthly Food Drive:

Please place your canned food donations in the COOL Food Ministry Basket by the restroom entrances. **The food item for May is canned fruit and for June it is canned vegetables.** As always all non-perishable food items are welcome. COOL also accepts toiletries, paper goods & laundry soap to help Veterans in need. Please contact Becky Valenta at bvalenta88@gmail.com with questions.

First Communion Class

Sunday, May 6th 11:45-1:30 pm parents and children first grade and up
First Communion will be May 28th at the 10:30 am service

We would like to extend the invitation to you and your children to join us for the required First Communion class, a time for parents and children to enjoy pizza and explore the wonders of Communion together. Sign up at the Info Center or at joylutheran.org/sign-ups. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl O'Neill at cheryl.oneill@joylutheran.org.

Golf League

Starting May 17 at Heather Ridge Golf Course in Gurnee

It's that time of year again. Summer is on it's way and it's time to get ready for our 9-hole league at Heather Ridge. The League is looking for at least 3 more teams and can't wait for you to join them! Contact Tricia Kechik by email at triciakechik@comcast.net and sign up online at joylutheran.org/sign-ups.

Singles, Widowed, Divorced Small Group

Every other Monday starting April 30 at 7:00 pm (10 sessions)

We'll be working on a new book is called "1 is a whole Number" by Robert Tauber. If you're single, we'd love to have you join us. For more information or to join, call or email Becky Gum at 847-856-8276 or beckygum@aol.com. You can also sign up online at joylutheran.org/sign-ups or at the Info Center. Hope you can join us!

Baptism Class

Today from 11:45 am to 1:30 pm

Join us for a conversation about the sacrament of Baptism. Sign up at the Info Center or at joylutheran.org/sign-ups and please contact Cheryl O'Neill at cheryl.oneill@joylutheran.org with questions.

Love INC Monthly Donation:

Please place your donations in the Love INC Ministry Basket by the restroom entrances. **The items for May are new or lightly used 2 quart or 3 quart saucepans and 10" or 12" skillet.** Please contact Neal Johnson at johnson.neal36@gmail.com with questions.

COOL Fundraiser

May 3, 2018 from 5 to 8 pm at Portillo's

Please pick up a flyer at the Info Center and donate 20% of your proceeds to COOL programming. Look forward to seeing you there!

Leadership Gathering—Vulnerability, Shame, & Rising Strong **Monday, May 21st at 7:00 pm in the Connections Café**

Join us this month for a video teaching by Dr. Brene Brown, author and shame researcher. In this learning seminar, Brown shares how leaders can recognize when their self-worth and connection with others are diminished due to difficult interactions. We will discuss the process that leaders who bravely face adversity have in common. Brown will also explore the discomfort we feel when we are in conflict, failing, and ultimately getting back up. Please sign up at joylutheran.org/sign-ups or at the Information Center.

Joy!Serve Project Ideas

Joy!Serve will be on Sunday, August 26 following worship at 9:45 am

I am looking for project ideas & leaders for our Joy!serve event! A service project for that day can need 4-100 people and can be 30 mins-3 hours long. This is a day to celebrate all God has done at Joy and in turn, go out and serve in a variety of areas/ways in our community! If you have a passion or a connection to an organization and would like that to be a Joy!serve event service project please contact me at jenelle.ancona@joylutheran.org

VBS Donations Needed!

Donation sheets posted outside the Worship Center. Your generosity keeps the cost down so that all children can attend and learn about the love of Jesus!

