

April 30, 2023 4th Sunday of Easter

Bearing witness to Jesus Christ who is the Way, the Truth and the Life: GO. MAKE. TEACH.

Our Core Values: a reliance on prayer, a willingness to grow, a generous spirit



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PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday	8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM - 5:30 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM - 5:30 PM
PAR	ISH LIBRARY HOURS

Open after the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses

Church Nursery: We offer year-round nursery during both the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Sunday Masses for children ages 1-3. Children play with caring staff while you are able to fully participate in Mass.

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Archdiocese's Victim/Survivor Assistance Program

651-291-4497 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Schedule of Events

Monday, May 1, 2023 8:00 AM Rosary ~ Church

8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals

8:30 AM Mass (Shirley McCabe+ and Patti Willette+) Church

~ Fr. Joseph

9:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Church

3:00 PM Called Forth Devotion ~ Facebook

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Church

8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals

8:30 AM Mass (The Vu Family Souls) Church ~ Fr. Joseph

9:30 AM Alive in the Word ~ 210

9:30 AM Kidz Closet ~ 203

1:00 PM Library Committee Meeting ~ Library

1:00 PM Caregivers Support Group ~ 204

2:30 PM Open Youth Room ~ LL 106

3:00 PM Called Forth Devotion ~ Facebook

7:00 PM SVDP Meeting ~ 210

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals

8:30 AM School Mass (Mary Lou Long+) Church ~ Fr. Paul

9:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks ~ St. Therese

9:30 AM Faithfully Fit ~ 210

3:00 PM Called Forth Devotion ~ Facebook

5:00 PM Confessions ~ Confessionals

5:30 PM Mass (Andrea Jann+ and Christine Tan) Church

~ Fr. Joseph

6:00 PM Family Formation ~ St. Joseph Hall

6:00 PM Middle School Faith Formation ~ LL 106

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal ~ LL 101

8:00 PM Contemporary Group Rehearsal ~ Church

8:00 PM Senior High Youth Group ~ LL 106

Thursday, May 4, 2023

6:30 AM Men's Fellowship ~ St. Joseph Hall

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Church

8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals

8:30 AM Mass (Bill and Kathy Spitzmueller) Church ~ Fr. Paul

9:15 AM Circle of Women ~ 206/208

3:00 PM Called Forth Devotion ~ Facebook

7:00 PM RCIA Class ~ 206

Friday, May 5, 2023

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Church

8:00 AM Confessions ~ Confessionals

8:30 AM Mass (Sr. Rose Vu and Ngoc Nguyen) Church

~ Fr. Joseph

9:30 AM Legion of Mary ~ 204

3:00 PM Called Forth Devotion ~ Facebook

Saturday, May 6, 2023 SVDP Clothing Drive

9:00 AM Gift Faith Study ~ 211

3:00 PM Called Forth Devotion ~ Facebook

3:15 PM Confessions ~ Confessionals

4:30 PM Vigil Mass with First Communions (Mary Radewan+) Church ~ Fr. Paul

Sunday, May 7, 2023

8:30 AM Mass with First Communions (Darwin Larson+) Church ~ Fr. Joseph

8:30 AM Sunday Nursery ~ Nursery

10:30 AM Mass with First Communions (Pro Populo) Church ~ Fr. Paul

10:30 AM Sunday Nursery ~ Nursery

4:00 PM Take and Eat Young Adult Gathering ~ St. Joseph Hall

5:00 PM Confessions ~ Confessionals

5:30 PM Mass (Mary Lee Berg+) Church ~ Fr. Joseph

6:45 PM Confirmation Preparation ~ St. Joseph Hall

From the Pastor: Father Paul Shovelain



Called Forth to spend time with the Lord in Adoration!

In the book of Genesis, God created the world good. The first reference to something not being good in creation is the statement "it is not good for man to be alone." (Genesis 2:18) God created us to live in community, both with Himself and with each other. Last week, I spoke about the importance of community and the value of small groups. This week I would like to emphasize the need for communion with God. We receive Him in the Eucharist at every Mass and are given the nourishment from Him to share Him with others. Not only does He come to us at Mass, but He remains with us in the Eucharist reserved in the tabernacle. It is beneficial to spend time with the Eucharist exposed in the monstrance, which is called Adoration. We are blessed to have had an adoration chapel at SJB for 21 years! The Lord has remained with us and adoration gives us the opportunity to remain with Him!

I personally am strengthened when I stop by the adoration chapel to check in with the Lord. It gives me the space to step back and reflect on how Christ is working in my life. I have found adoration to be a great place to share with the Lord my desires and fears. I have also found comfort in the fact that He is there and listening to me.

Here are some great reasons to spend time with the Lord in Adoration:

- Unites you to the Sacrament of the Eucharist
- Removes you from temptations
- Adoration is a powerful protection against spiritual attacks
- Helps you to examine your conscience
- Provides a reboot to your spiritual life
- Holy hours help to strengthen family life
- Prepares you for Sunday Mass
- You will gain peace and clarity

This weekend is Good Shepherd weekend, when we reflect upon Christ as the Good Shepherd, who protects and cares for us. The Good Shepherd remains with His sheep and they are given confidence simply by His presence. It is not good for us to be alone, take time to pray in adoration and be with the Lord.

Our adoration chapel is located near the Chapel of the Angels just to the north of St. Paul Plaza. Our adoration chapel is open from 7:00 pm on Sunday nights through 4:00 pm on Saturday afternoons. We have parishioners signed up to cover most of the hours, but we still need your help to cover all the hours! Please stop by the table in the plaza or contact St. John's Adoration Committee at sjbadoration@gmail.com for more information about signing up for a weekly hour.

As the Father loves me, so I also love you!

Father Paul Shovelain



2023-24 Early Registration for Fall Programs





RCIC - Rite of Christian Initiation for Children

RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) is for children between ages 8 and 14 who have completed 2nd grade and are looking to celebrate the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, or Reconciliation. Students who have been baptized and are in need of Eucharist and First Reconciliation are also welcomed. Parents accompany the child in the process with regular meetings. Youth also receive instruction with their peers by registering with Family Formation, Middle School Formation, or enrollment in our St. John's parish school.



Contact Jill Fink, Director of Catechesis, at finki@stjohnnyb.org with questions.



Becoming Catholic RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is the process by which adult men and women are initiated into the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. Baptized adults also are welcome to complete initiation sacraments. Sessions meet weekly from mid-September until after Easter on Thursday evenings from 7:00 pm—9:00 pm in Room 206.

Contact Jill Fink, Director of Catechesis, at finki@stjohnnyb.org with guestions.

First Sacraments

The preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion are completed during second grade. Preparation includes parents guiding their children through weekly home lessons, attending Parent/Child orientations, retreats and celebrations. Children receive additional partnership within the Family Formation program or St. John's parish school. All children will register for the First Sacraments in addition to their ongoing formation of parish school or Family Formation.





Register on our website: https://stjohnnb.com/faith-formation/registrations/ Contact Jill Fink, Director of Catechesis, at finki@stjohnnyb.org with questions.

Confirmation



Confirmation registration is now open for those entering grades 9th—12th in the fall! Here at SJB, our Confirmation Preparation is a 1-year, weekly, small group based program including an off-site weekend retreat. Small Groups meet onsite on Sunday evenings from 6:45 pm—8:15 pm.



Register on our website: https://stjohnnb.com/faith-formation/registrations/

Our Confirmation Parent & Student Orientation will be Sunday, October 1, 2023, from 6:45 pm— 8:15 pm in St. Joseph Hall.

Contact Mikayla Anderson, Coordinator of High School Youth Ministry and Confirmation, with any questions - andersonm@stjohnnyb.org

Confirmation Small Group Leaders Needed!

Our Confirmation Preparation Program needs small group leaders who are eager to lead our youth in this specific year of deepening their faith. Commitment level is Sunday evenings throughout the school year from 6:45 pm— 8:15 pm and a weekend retreat.

Contact Mikayla Anderson for more information, or if you are interested in helping! andersonm@stjohnnyb.org



2023-24 Early Registration for Fall Programs ~ Formation ~





Sunday School

Sunday School is discipleship training for our littlest disciples (ages 3 through kindergarten). The sessions consist of a Bible story and lesson, songs, crafts, and saint stories. We meet most Sundays during the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses from October through April. All children must be registered prior to attending/participating in the Sunday



School program. All children must be potty trained to enroll. Registration is now open on our website https://stjohnnb.com/faith-formation/children/ and you can also find our calendar there as well. Early bird pricing is happening now! Sunday School Orientation is September 17 after the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses.

Contact Jen Livermont at livermontj@stjohnnyb.org with questions.

Family Formation

The Family Formation program is for families with children in preschool – 5th grade, where parents and children grow in discipleship together. Family Formation is designed for parents to be equipped to fulfill their call to be the first and foremost educators of their children's faith. This program is offered in-person on the first Wednesday of every month of the formation year (October – May). Parents attend a speaker on the topic for the month, while students meet in grade-specific classes for







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Middle School Formation



Our Middle School Faith Formation program is growing and developing! Over three years, students will develop a firm foundation of faith to carry with them into high school and beyond. Next year, our 6th graders will take a journey through the Old Testament and learn the basic of how to navigate the bible. Our 7th and 8th graders will do a study on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ as they learn to pray with scripture and to hear God speaking through his Word. Registration is now open with an early bird rate of \$65 until August 1 when it will go to \$80. See the website for more information or to register. Contact Sarah Wilder, Coordinator of Middle School Youth Ministry, at wilders@stjohnnyb.org with questions.

Childcare Help Needed

We are looking for two childcare helpers for Thursday mornings. This could be either a paid position or a volunteer position. We have other daytime, evening and weekend times when we need childcare help on a sporadic basis. Help us support this important ministry! In the past, we have had employees bring a child with them to childcare, so it can be a nice way for a young child not yet in school to get some socialization, while you earn some extra money! Contact Jen Livermont at livermonti@stjohnnyb.org if you have questions.

Sister Clarinda's Fall Scripture Class "Holy Spirit"

Classes are on Wednesdays from 9:30 am—11:00 am. The first class is on September 20, 2023. Register early for only \$30. Online registrations are open! Please visit our website to register.

Alive in the Word

Sister Clarinda's "Moses and Sunday Scripture" There are 5 Lessons in this series. Classes are on Tuesdays from 9:30 am—11:00 am. The first class is on September 26, 2022. Register early for only \$10. Online registrations are open! Please visit our website to register.

The second fall "Alive in the Word,"

.....coming October 2023 "Forgiveness" look for registration this summer.....



Catechetical Institute Information Weekend here at St. John's

Stop by the Information Table in St. Paul Plaza April 29 - April 30 after the Masses

Explore the Catechism!

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church has had about 80 graduates of the Harry J. Flynn Catechetical Institute since 2010

Let's keep the tradition strong!

For more information visit their website at: https://semssp.org/ci/





Catholic Watchmen

The next Watchmen meeting is at 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 11 in St. Joseph Hall.

Charlie Anderson, MPA will be presenting "Becoming Men of Greater Faith". He is a Police Commander, Commissioned Intelligence Officer, City Councilman, and is very passionate about public safety.

We will have food and drink followed by the presentation, Adoration, and Confession.

Caregiver's Group

For all those who are taking care of a loved one and are looking for a break, a support group, and/or a friend to lean on.

We meet on May 2, the 1st Tuesday of the month, from 1:00 pm—2:30 pm in Room 204.

Come join us for a break, good company, good conversation, and good prayer. You can come and share or not share, whatever you are comfortable with, and everyone will understand.

Young at Heart Senior Group

Meeting next on May 4, the 1st Thursday of the month, from 2:00 pm—4:00 pm in St. Joseph Hall.

Contact Mary at 763.242.4229 or 651.633.8333 x1229 with comments or questions.

Growing Through Loss Series

This 6-week series provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. Each session begins with an educational presentation by a professional from the community, followed by small groups facilitated by leaders who understand the grieving process. Although there is no cost, donations are welcome.

Registration takes place each evening before the program.

Please visit www.growingthroughloss.org or call 763-755-5335 for more information. The next series will be held Monday evenings, now through May 22, from 6:45 pm- 9:00 pm.

Weekend Experience Survey

We are in the process of finalizing a parish wide survey focused around your Sunday experience at St. John's. Be on the look out this Tuesday, May 2 for a special email containing the survey. Additionally, we will also have paper copies available on the Harvest Table. Please take the time to thoughtfully fill out the survey so that we as a parish can better see how well we are serving our people.

Upcoming Events

Circle of Women

Thursday, May 4, Upstairs in Room 206/208 from 9:15 am—11:30 pm

Closing Spring Brunch-Bring a dish to share!

We will have our last gathering before we end for the summer on May 4, 2023. Bring a dish to share and reflect on the past year together with food, fellowship, and prayer! Childcare is available. Grab one of our brochures from the kiosks or watch your Flocknote for details.

Any questions? Call Michelle at 763-442-4936 Hope to see you there!

Men's Fellowship

Thursday Mornings 6:30 am—8:00 am April 27 — July 6, 2023

Metanoia – A Journey with Christ into Conversion – DVD Series

Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, President of Franciscan University, leads us on a journey with Christ into conversion.

Exploring areas of life where conversion is so often necessary. *Metanoia* will examine topics such as who Jesus is, what must we do to inherit eternal life, and many other significant matters of faith. Along with powerful insights from Fr. Dave, *Metanoia* shares personal testimonies from men and women of all ages and vocations. Their stories inspire and encourage a life-changing encounter with Jesus and the new life He is constantly inviting us to.

Come for the donuts, stay for the truth! Questions, call Dave at 612-616-4013

Devoted

Thank you to all the ladies that joined us for devoted last Wednesday. It was an evening filled with great conversation, inspiration, and joy! Save the date for our next gathering on Wednesday, May 24 in St. Joseph Hall. "Extra" Social time begins at 7:30 pm with our opening remarks beginning at 8:00 pm. Our guest speaker will be Heidi Giebel. She is a professor at the University of St. Thomas and the St. Paul Seminary.

All women of the parish from all walks of life are welcome and bring another woman who needs to be filled! We hope you will be able to join us at our next meeting on May 24.

50 Year Club Save the Date!

St. John the Baptist 50 Year Club will gather for a luncheon in St. Joseph Hall on Thursday, June 15, 2023, with Father Andrew Jaspers as the featured speaker.



Mark your calendars for this exceptional opportunity to see long-time friends and celebrate all God has done at St. John's. We look forward to expressing our gratitude for your generosity and dedication!

Parishioners who have been in our parish for 50 years or more are all honorary members of the 50 Year Club. If you registered in 1973, we welcome you as a member! You will receive a letter soon with more information on 50 Year Club activities at St. John the Baptist.

If you have any questions, please contact Rita Arndorfer, Development Assistant, at 651-633-8333, x1220, or arndorferr@stjohnnyb.org.

St. John's Parish Library

In addition to celebrating Easter in the month of April, the Church also celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday, St. Faustina, St. Catherine of Sienna, St. Mark the Evangelist, Holocaust Remembrance Day, and World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Check out our books, DVDs and CDs on these subjects.

Post-Easter DVDs recommended and available: A.D., Final Inquiry, Full of Grace, The Robe, Risen, Barabbas, Demetrius and the Gladiators, Ben Hur, Quo Vadis.

Our Parish Library has a wide selection of books, CDs, and DVDs to grow your Catholic faith. Stop by after Saturday night or Sunday morning Masses. Pick up one of our <u>new brochures</u> in the kiosks or by the Library across from the Archives display case in the Holy Family Room.

Library Committee: Next meeting is Tuesday, May 3, from 1:00 pm—3:30 pm

Generous Spirit Opportunities

Catholic Services Appeal Reminder

A reminder that the Catholic Services Appeal "For the Love of Christ Impels Us..." is still in process. To date we have reached 52% of St. John's parish goal. If you haven't donated yet, there is still time to make your gift, no matter how large or small. You will be supporting an array of ministries that include pro-life, seminarian formation, Catholic education, and services to those most in need across the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. At this time, we have received responses from 188

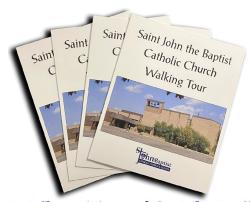
of our parishioners. Our goal is to hear from all members of our parish. Envelopes are available on the Harvest Table. You may also make a secure gift online at www.csafspm.org or use the QR code. Thank you in advance for your support!



Spring Cleaning with St. Vincent de Paul

Seeing some spring and summer clothes you no longer need? Consider giving them to less fortunate. The St. Vincent de Paul group will have a truck in the West Parking Lot on Saturday, May 6 from 9:00 am to noon. Bring your used clothing, shoes, jackets, small household appliances, etc. to donate.

St. Vincent said "In serving the poor, we serve Jesus Christ."



New Walking Tour of St. John's Church

We are happy to announce we have new pamphlet in our parish kiosks in St. Paul Plaza. It is an updated and more expansive walking tour of Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church. Beautiful pictures, engaging history, and fun parish trivia guide you through the church and plaza. Please check out the new Walking Tour brochure to learn a little more about our parish!

A thank you to parishioner Pat Rother for all his volunteer work on this project.

Please Pray For...

Those who have entered eternal life:

Bradley Keller

Those who are ill:

Sadlovsky Family, Sheehan Family, Cameron Santos, Patricia Roy, Dave Willette, Madi Rippy, Sydney Jo Rippy, Jesse McDonough, Daryl Stevens, Richard Adams, Geraldine and Gloria Hangartner, Sarah Miller, Emily Dahl, Theresa People, Josephine Schmidt, Erik Engebretson, Chris Natheos, Randy Vogland, Don Lumby, Alex Pearson, Thomas Jones, Jean Isacson, Fulton Francis Dobbs, Susan Welsh, Robert Cuddigan, Jenny Bruening, Annette Foreman, Mary Clare Farrell, Sawyer Anderson, Betsy Brown, Dee Olson, Jim Smith, Jerry Renk, Dale Phillips, Dennis Fox, Kathleen Schopf, Steve Lauinger, Charlotte Thrun, Poppy Craft, Annette Kirwan, Bonnie Norgren, Emma Lutsilili, Beverly Aplikowski, Mary Gormally, Georgianna Warden, Mary Spitzka, Michael Ferdelman, Cassie Cramer, Jon Clark, Donna Yenish, John Leibrich, Nella Pitzen, Doug Brekke, Philip Jarosz, Kay and Gary Mayer, Elaine Loscheider, Diana Goebel, Cindy Chase, Charles Heath, Danielle Pratt, Claire Kriz, Carol Esterley-Ruff, Joe Brownrigg, Brigit Voss, Brandon Boss, Cynthia Quass, Ning Mariano, The Viker Family, Robert Lauinger, Phyllis Norbeck, Jennifer Norbeck, Joseph Wutsch, John Wiggins, Mary Jo Beaudry, Greg Najbert, Colleen Judd. Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Cele Winter, Paul Jacobs, Matthew Grosjean, Jeremy Mainello, Deacon Rod and Susan Amos Palmer, Dottie Searles, Sylvia Meagher, Mary Andersohn, Kris Mellstrom, Kay Hildreth, Stacey Miller, Mary Erickson, Steve Johnson, Audrey Geneva, Tim Steffl, Braxton Battaglia, Helen Heinks, JoAnn Cedarholm, Tom Goebel, Engracia and Jim Houle, Jon Latham, Marlene Nickel, Christa Jones, Sue Klinkner, Sharon Bowen, Larry Tenold, Sam Schullo, Carri Buckanogwa, Joe Brennan, Irene Tschida, Marge McCann, Nancy Winiecki, Jean Schullo, Doug Lausen, Jack Kordiak

If your name has been removed from this list and you would like to be prayed for, please call the parish office.

Prayer Line 651-633-1618/651-247-4202 Call with your prayer requests. Requests are confidential.

Birthright Caring help for pregnant women. (651) 646-7033 Saint Paul, (763) 757-0715 Coon Rapids

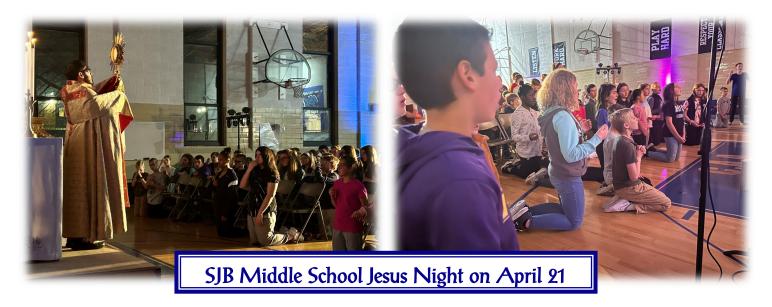
Readings For The Week

Parish Life





SJB Students enrolled in RCIC received their First Holy Communion on April 16



St. John the Baptist Operating Revenue and Expenses July 2022 to March 2023

	9 Months Actual		9 Months	
9 Months Ending March 31:	2022-23		2021-22	<u>Budget</u>
Sunday and Holy Day Collections	1,686,103	a.	1,728,387	1,741,032
School Tuition Revenue	1,468,244	b.	1,356,396	1,438,615
Other School Revenue	1,015,494		964,536	888,890
Other Parish Revenue	238,362		208,638	174,821
Total Revenue	4,408,203	-	4,257,957	4,243,358
Salary and Benefits - Parish	1,111,115		998,806	1,110,581
Salary and Benefits - School	1,780,022		1,667,549	1,750,624
Facility and Operation Costs	553,984	c.	457,273	451,413
School Operating Expenses	700,545	d.	693,288	641,675
Parish Ministry Expenses	162,123		127,166	174,957
Total Expenses	4,307,789	=	3,944,082	4,129,250
Revenue Minus Expense	100,414		313,875	114,108

Called Forth in our Finances!

The financial report above summarizes St. John's operating revenues and expenses for the first 9 months of the fiscal year with a comparison to the same period last year and to the year-to-date budget for the current fiscal year. Below are notes on the numbers, arranged with letters that correspond to letters in the table. For questions or more information, please contact Mark Dittman, Director of Business Operations, at dittmanm@stjohnnyb.org or 651-633-8333, ext. 1215.

Thank you for your generosity!

- a. As you can see, Sunday giving is the parish's largest source of income. Sunday Giving is down 2.4% from the prior year and is 3.2% below our budgeted level. We are hoping you can help us reach our goal by increasing your planned contribution, if possible. We have only two months left in the fiscal year, and we rely on your ongoing financial commitment to support our operations and the range of Catholic ministries that serve our large parish. We deeply appreciate any assistance you can give us -- thank you very much!
- b. For 2022/23 we budgeted for 335 K-8 students, while enrollment came in at 349. Enrollment for 2021/22 was 334. The school's growth is a blessing to the whole parish and a significant source of revenue.
- c. Two drivers of increased Facility and Operation Costs are the fees required to sell the convent (\$21,890), which we booked as expense, and increased utility costs, which are 11% above prior year and 27% above budget. There are also some timing and budget allocations among the expenses that can affect comparisons.
- d. Higher utility costs are impacting School Operating Expenses as well, at 11% above prior year and 21.5% above budget.

Please visit our website's Giving Page https://stjohnnb.com/donate/ or use the QR code to learn more about how you can help us catch up to our budget for Sunday Giving.

We trust in the Lord's providence in our finances, as He calls forth our generosity and we prudently monitor our expenses. There is always reason to hope in the Lord! Thank you again for your ongoing generosity and commitment to our core values!

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