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From the Pastor's Desk

BUSY?

What is on your list of things to accomplish today? I bet there are at least a few and very likely even some tasks left over from yesterday. There is nothing wrong with that, God asks us to be productive and work. He has even "prepared in advance" some



things for us to do (Eph 2:10). We continuously feel the pressure of the ticking clock and growing list of things to get done.

While it is true, there is plenty on our plates, we have to balance our productivity by heeding Psalm 46:10; "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" In the midst of our busyness, we need to reserve our time with the Lord. He calls us first and foremost to a relationship with Him. He desires us to spend time with him and to really KNOW him. This intimate, relational knowledge leads us to LOVE him. If we really understand his character and nature, it is impossible to not love him. Finally, out of this deep and abiding love, we are called to SERVE him. We are enlisted to do the things that he desires to have done, the things that bring glory to him and expand this glory across the earth.

These 3 need to be in the proper order. It is important to remember, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me". He is at the center –



get to Know Him, which leads to Loving Him and then you can be of service to Him. One of the ways we serve him is by fulfilling the 2nd greatest commandment – loving our neighbors as ourselves.

I hope you will take some time to examine your schedule and your routines. I want to encourage you to make time for the habit of spending time each day with your Lord and Savior in prayer and in his word. Let him fill you up so you can be poured out in His service as you love your neighbors and complete the good works He has prepared for you.

May God Bless you and Keep you,
Pastor Wade



Financial Information

Year End 2017

Total Giving:

\$140,000 (total General offerings) vs.
\$132,000 (total Budget is 11,000/month)

Pledge Giving:

\$102,980 (total given by those making pledges)
vs. **\$98,400** (total pledged YTD, \$8,200 per month)

Budget vs. Actual Expenses:

January 1st cash balance \$12,300

YTD general offerings \$140,000

YTD total expenses \$134,700

December 31 cash balance \$17,600

Account	Budget	Actual
Payroll	\$90,423.00	\$90,000.00
Missions	\$12,353.00	\$12,000.00
Plant & maintenance	\$12,540.00	\$12,500.00
office	\$6,050.00	\$7,300.00
discipleship	\$3,015.00	\$550.00
Property Ins	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00
Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$1,500.00
Fellowship	\$2,000.00	\$1,600.00
Outreach	\$600.00	\$0.00
Worship	\$1,150.00	\$1,100.00
TOTAL	\$131,231.00	\$129,150.00

Current Maintenance account:

\$0

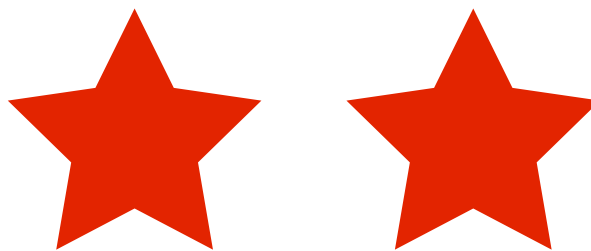
Current Emergency Fund:

\$7,300.00

Current Building account:

\$26,000.00

This is a summary to keep you informed. If you would like to discuss this in more detail, contact Corey Olson or Wade Hetrick



If you were expecting a giving statement from Community Church and have not received one, please contact the church office - 731-5523 or ccappleton@att.net

Coming in March:
Safety Outreach!



The Grand Chute Fire Department will be presenting an evening program designed to inform and educate all those in attendance. The main focus will be accident prevention and fire safety. Tentatively set for Wednesday, March 14 in the evening.

We will use this as an opportunity to invite the neighborhood! More details will be available as the date approaches. The more Community Church folks attending, the more welcoming we can be to any neighbors who attend.





Women's Events!

EXCITING OPPORTUNITY FOR LADIES!

IF GATHERING 2018

Join other women from the Fox Cities at Pathways Church (311 W. Evergreen Dr, Appleton) on **Friday, February 9, from 5:30-9PM, and Saturday, February 10, from 8:30AM-5PM for the IF Gathering! Come for part or all ... whenever you're available.** IF is an annual, two day gathering of women in Austin, Texas, and simulcast all across the world in local homes, churches, and communities. Tens of thousands of women worldwide will collectively come together and hold one thing in common: they want to live like God is real.

IF:Gathering exists to gather, equip, and unleash this generation of women to live out their calling. The non-profit was born out of a God-given vision from Jennie Allen, the author of *Restless* and *Nothing to Prove*. Allen founded a global community out of the desire to gather this generation of women by creating a pure, honest space to wrestle with the essential question: IF God is real, THEN what? In its first four years, IF:Gathering has reached more than 1.2 million women in more than 120 countries. IF:Gathering is coming alongside women around the world, fostering relationships, and utilizing women's God-given gifts to not only transform hearts but also leave a tangible impact on the entire world.

There is no cost to this event. A boxed lunch will be provided Saturday, along with hot beverage options and a few snacks. Come as you are! Invite friends, family, and neighbors!

Community Church's Women's Ministry has offered to help with this gathering by providing baked goods for Saturday's breakfast (by 8:15 am) and by helping with clean-up on Saturday evening (5:00 pm). There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Please register online by going to this link and scrolling to the bottom for the registration section: <https://pathwayschurch.us/event-calendar/2018/2/9/if-gathering> OR by contacting Betsy Rozelle at brozelle@new.rr.com or 920-540-4109.

Save the date: Women's Retreat! Friday, April 20 - Saturday, April 21, 2018



Annual Men's Corn hole Tournament!

Saturday, February 24th at 5PM. Main dish provided. Please bring a side or dessert. Invite others and sign up! Contact Greg Maxey (gmaxey52@gmail.com; 205-3495) for more information.

