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Our Mission

Boldly living with Christ, we open doors to God's household of love
as we welcome and embrace all people
through worship, service, and learning within and beyond our walls.

Rector's Reflections

The Rev. Ruth Woodliff-Stanley, Rector



Introducing St. Thomas' newest member...Lila Marjean Johnson!

I'm so happy that we've got a number of new babies in our parish family this Easter season, and we snapped a picture of our very newest, born today (April 23), Lila Marjean with parents Jeannie and Jim and myself, the proud holder of Lila!

When I walked into the hospital room to visit the Johnsons, Jim was getting instruction from one of the nurses on swaddling. Now, Jim is not new to swaddling, as he and Jeannie have the incomparable A.J (in dad's arms in the photo). But A.J. is now four years old, and after almost four years, one can get out of practice swaddling. So, Jim was getting a refresher. I was so happy to arrive at that moment, because I have always loved swaddling.

Some of you may recall that my Christmas Eve sermon used the image of swaddling the baby Jesus with bands of cloth as my point of departure. Soon after he is born, Jesus is swaddled and laid in the manger. The nurse in the Johnsons' room today reviewed the steps. The cloth is folded to create three triangles around the baby. The first is folded then wrapped across the infant's torso and tucked tightly under at the other side. The bottom is folded up and in, and finally, the third side is wrapped and tucked inside the first triangle. Voila! A swaddle.

The whole point is to keep the child enveloped snugly to create a sense of being tightly and safely held, replicating, in some small way, the experience of the womb and helping the baby rest peacefully.

As a child grows, swaddling becomes less appropriate and can, some argue, even stunt growth.

The other time swaddling is used is at death, to prepare a body for burial. We know that the story of Lazarus' resurrection involves his being un-swaddled. "Unbind him!" Jesus commands. In this case, it is the removal of the bands that lead to new life for Lazarus. And, of course, in the earliest account of the resurrection, the bands of cloth in which our Lord had been laid are folded neatly in the empty tomb absent the body they had once held.

As I met Lila for the first time, newly arrived in this world and tightly swaddled, I thought about my own blessed family. And I thought about all of you, my beloved St. Thomas family. Lately, I've had the impulse to swaddle. Myself, my family, our parish family.

We are, admittedly in a time of uncertainty. We are in our own birthing of sorts. We do not know what the new life will look like. But we know something is coming. In our family, we have one child about to leave for college. We have another who has just completed his first year of high school, with all that immersion in a new and different social culture entails. We have the uncertainty about my own calling and what the outcome could mean for our family. And, likewise, here at St. Thomas, we have the uncertainty pertaining to the same question. What will it mean for us if I am elected? What will it mean if I am not elected? At the time of this writing, we do not yet know the outcome.

My impulse is to swaddle, to wrap those bands tight and simply still us all. And that's not entirely a bad impulse. It is a time for pulling together, for sitting in some amount of silence and stillness to wait on

God.

And yet...and yet...we are also in a different place from the exquisite Lila. While she is less than twenty four hours old, we are years into this journey, in each of our lives and together as a community. We need to trust that God can bring new life to us, no matter what shape it is to take. God is, in fact, unbinding us. From all sorts of notions and fears and set ways. Like Lazarus, and like our Lord himself, we are being given, in this season of resurrection, a new life. It just that we can't quite see it yet.

But when the time comes, God will show us, each and every one, the shape and substance of our new life. And no matter what it looks like, I am confident we will walk into it with a sense of freedom and joy and hope.



So, for a few more days, the swaddling, like lovely little Lila. And then, soon, will come the un-swaddling. When, by faith, we shall walk into the light that awaits us, confident in what the Lord of Resurrection has in store for us.

Joyous Eastertide.

Update on the State Historical Fund Grant Request

Kathi Atkins

On April 1 our grant application was submitted to the State Historical Fund. This fund was created in 1990 by constitutional amendment with funds from gaming tax revenues for historic preservation efforts throughout the state. We have been the beneficiary of these funds 8 different times. With the monies received, we have restored the tile roof, painted the exterior, restored the entry façade when it started to crumble, installed the building fire alarm system and upgraded the electrical system in the church.

This newest request is one component in the plan for restoring and updating various areas of the building. The plan was developed by the Master Plan committee over a several year period. It reflects the thoughts, ideas and suggestions of not only committee members, but also those who use the building on a regular basis. The Capital Campaign brochure and the companion article by Marti Smith in this month's Bold Living describe what all the funds from the capital campaign, this request, the elevator fund and other sources will be used for.

The grant request is for \$309,000.00. \$200,000.00 will be contributed by the Fund with the remainder being the match provided by St. Thomas. The money will be used for creating a drainage system which will move water away from the building toward the street, as well as improving and expanding ADA-compliant access and restrooms. Funds raised by the capital campaign will be used to complete the other work which has been planned. The Capital Campaign committee had rendering created which show all the work that is to be done. For those of you who like a visual idea of what is going to happen, these renderings are available to look at. Members of either committee will be happy to answer your questions.

We won't know until August whether our request will be funded or not. If it is, we will then develop a contract with the State. This process can take up to two months to complete. No work can be done using grant funds until the contract is signed. While some initial steps such as finalizing plans and securing

contractors may start before the end of the year, actual construction will begin after Easter next year to minimize the impact on our use of the building.

Last year I attended the Episcopal Church Building Funds symposium “Buildings for a New Tomorrow”. The focus of the conference was the creative, relevant and sustainable use of our buildings in supporting and expanding our mission. Our efforts to both preserve and honor the building we have and to create a building that can be used to further develop our efforts to reach beyond our walls seems to me to be on target to accomplish this goal.

Library Corner

Spring Cleaning Brings Additions to Emery Library

Carol Donahoe



Over the next few months users of the Emery Library will find some new books on the shelves. A few months ago we received sizable donations from Mary Ericson and from Jean Emery, prompting a pre-spring cleaning operation that has culled the collection to make room for these new books. Books mentioned here are among those that are now available for check-out and others will be added over the weeks ahead.

My Grandmother's Stories: A Collection of Jewish Folk Tales by Adele Geras and illustrated by Jael Jordan. These ten tales rooted in the lore of Grandmother's Russian Jewish heritage are funny and wise; they would be an excellent choice for families to read aloud together. Enjoy the intriguing original art!

The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd is now available in the Literature section. It's written in the voice of a fourteen year old girl who recounts her escape from a lonely and abusive situation into an unusual family where acceptance and love bring healing and growth. Where do the bees come in? The sacredness of nature underlies this narrative which will be a page-turner - funny and heart-warming – for adults and older teens.

The Sun of Our Days by prolific Peruvian writer, Isabel Allende is a memoir of the time after her daughter's tragic death. The book jacket says she “shares her thoughts on love, marriage, motherhood, spirituality and religion, infidelity, and memory...” That's a tall order! Give it a try!

Listening For the Heartbeat of God: A Celtic Spirituality by J. Philip Newell.

This little book has been discussed with much enthusiasm by the Tuesday Theology Class the past several weeks. The Celtic emphasis on creation points to finding God at the heart of all life. A primary biblical image is that of the disciple John leaning on Jesus' breast during the Last Supper where he “listened to Jesus' heartbeat.” In six short chapters Newell traces the Celtic stream of spirituality from its pagan roots to its Christian beginnings in the fourth century through its condemnation by the Synod of Whitby to the present time. Tuesday group participants were intrigued to find Celtic traces in our own *Book of Common Prayer* and *Hymnal*.

Vestry Voices



Responses to Questions and Concerns about GROWING 4 GOOD!

Marti Smith

Members of the Capital Campaign committee have been getting questions about the 2014 St. Thomas *Growing 4 Good* Capital Campaign and we thought this would be a great time to answer them. First, though, an update as to where we are in the campaign. As of the writing of this article, we have received 46 pledges totaling \$206,908. We currently have received almost \$35,000 in campaign donations – some one time gifts as well as amounts already paid on capital campaign pledges and have nearly \$50,000 in the elevator fund.

The total of 46 pledgees equals not quite 50% of the 98 households of St. Thomas who pledged thru the annual stewardship campaign. These numbers indicate that many current members of St. Thomas have not yet made pledges to the Capital Campaign.....have not made pledges to the future of St. Thomas.

As a reminder, the Master Plan committee and the Capital Campaign committee divided the projects into four categories: Growing more accessible; Growing more worshipful; Growing more hospitable: and, Growing more responsible. Please keep these areas in mind when reading the following responses to questions or concerns made by people who have not yet made a pledge to the 2014 Capital Campaign.

Why is this renovation needed? We have done o.k. without the proposed upgrades.

The membership and use of St. Thomas has changed over the years. We now have more people who have difficulty with stairs or floor level changes; we have more outside groups using the various floors of the church, and we will continue to provide better access for all people using the St. Thomas facilities as this is part of our mission as a church. The current kitchen was installed in 1978 when I was Senior Warden of St. Thomas. It has served us during these past 36 years but not as well in more recent years. If someone entering the building needs entrance to the parish hall and they are in a wheelchair or use a walker, the current route through the kitchen is narrow and certainly not straight. Currently, these people cannot get access to the lower level (should they need to use a restroom) or the 2nd floor should they want to visit the library or attend a community meeting such as AA, Al-A-Non, or the Tuesday morning discussion group. Also, we need to be proactive in providing improved accessibility for future Family Promise families.

During heavy rains like we had last fall, the courtyard drainage is such that it flows into the basement of the building rather than going down an outside drain or into the street. The large tree in the middle of the courtyard is failing and presents the possibility of falling on someone using or passing through the courtyard or falling on the building during a high wind.

The tile floor in the altar area is broken and uneven in places due to settling of the building over the years; the acoustics and lighting leave something to be desired; and the walls need repair and repainting. The wooden floors are in serious need of refinishing as do the pews.

The entire building is very hot in the summer months and air conditioning is desperately needed in the office area of the structure.

None of the bathrooms meet ADA standards for accessibility and there is only one bathroom on the main level.

Times have changed since the last remodeling in the late 1970's; the diversity of the parish as well as the groups using the building have changed in the last 36 years. Renovations are needed to make the building more accessible, modern, legal, and useable.

I'm on a fixed income. I can't make a pledge.

The Capital Campaign committee wants every member unit of the parish to "own" part of the modernization and upgrading of the facility. A pledge can be paid for over a 3 year period. We would ask that everyone make a pledge to the Capital Campaign.....to be a part of the exciting adventure we will be embarking upon.....to take ownership in being part of the St. Thomas future. Some people in the parish have made pledges of \$150 which amounts to about \$1 per week for the 3-year pledge period.

When will the work begin? How long will it take to complete all the proposed renovations?

The work will begin in the early spring of 2015. The plans are to begin with those renovations affecting the kitchen, elevator installation, improved heating/ cooling of the parish hall and office wing of the building, and relocation/improvements of the restrooms on all three levels of the building, and the courtyard. These projects may take up to 6 months to complete.

When the above noted projects are complete, we will begin renovating the Sanctuary/Altar areas of the church, installing air conditioning and improved heating of this area, and re-landscaping the front entrance. This project should be completed in less than 1 year.

When will we hear from the State Historical Society about us being awarded a grant?

It takes some time for the grant awarding process to be completed. Thus, we should hear if we received a grant and for how much by this coming August.

Then, the bidding for the work and applying for/being granted the necessary permits from the City of Denver must be finalized. It is anticipated that we should be able to see work begin right after Easter of 2015.

What happens if we don't raise the amount needed to complete the proposed projects?

The Capital Campaign committee along with the Master Plan committee and the Vestry will have meaningful discussions on prioritizing the work and looking for other funding sources. These discussions will include looking at borrowing money to finance the most needed projects. Note: St. Thomas has little debt at this time and is considered under-encumbered by the Diocese of Colorado.

Members of the Capital Campaign committee will be contacting those households who have not made a pledge to the Capital Campaign during the week of May 11th to answer any questions you might have or to take a pledge for the future of St. Thomas.

Meanwhile, if you have questions or concerns about the Capital Campaign, please contact one of the following members of the committee for clarification: Karla Bullock, Michelle Cooney, Charm Gilmore, Vicki Earnest, Joe Hughes, or Marti Smith. Pledge cards are available on the back of the brochures describing the proposed plans. These brochures are available in the pews in the Sanctuary or on the table by the outside door in the parish hall.

If you have not yet made a pledge, please do so soon. Be a part of the St. Thomas family and invest in the future of this beautiful and worthwhile building. St. Thomas is here for good! The main part of the Capital

Campaign will end with a celebration of the campaign's success on Sunday, June 29th so please make your pledge prior to that date so it may be included in the final amount pledged.

Deacon Speakin'

Deacon Sally

I wish you a Holy Easter Season. I am so grateful to have been at St. Thomas during Lent and Holy Week. Thank you to Ruth and all of you for making it so special!



I have been thinking lots about global warming this spring and all the ripple effects which impact us and even more so our children and grandchildren.

I have been known to get on my soapbox regarding buying local, not only with food Markets, but also many other things. It is so easy to sit down at my computer and order books, clothes, small appliances, cosmetics, summer, coffee, and winter duds, you name it. They usually arrive quickly to my door, and I am done. Convenience is the ideal, or not. All of the local shops we used to love are slowly going out of business, while the big corporate stores are thriving with their mail order businesses. Think of what our city would look like without any retail stores! The first step on my agenda is to give you some alternatives, and perhaps a dollop of guilt.

There is the culprit, THE CAR. How many of you have two or more cars? Do you know about Occasional Cars, or Cars2Go? If a two person family has one car, the Occasional Car, or Car2Go provides a ready solution. Borrow a public car for the time you need it. Then that difficult word "convenience", pops up its nasty head. Other possibilities are walking, take a bus, or Light Rail, or joining friends.

Another big subject is energy. Do you drive an energy efficient car? Are your windows in your home double paned and tight in your home. How about energy efficient appliances, and water heaters, light bulbs? All of these things are expensive and take a long time to change but again, we must be thinking about our future.

This Island Earth needs our care and concern. I haven't even mentioned water maybe the biggest of all. Try to imagine being restricted with our use of water. Two-minute showers, one toilet flush a day, one little cup to brush teeth, re-using dishes. We all have a lot to think about.

I would welcome a continued conversation on this subject. Please let me know if you have ideas, questions/or suggestions.

Jesus said to Thomas, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe". John 20:29 "Peace be with you." John 20:31

Happy Season of Easter!

Deacon Sally

Adult Forum

Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Great Hall



May 4: Debtors Prisons and the Alienation They Create

Join Nathan Woodliff-Stanley in an examination of the new face of an old social evil, debtors' prisons. Even though debtors prisons have been outlawed for many years, Colorado municipalities still puts people in jail for being too poor to be able to pay fines. Why does this happen, and how has the ACLU responded to this issue?

Nathan Woodliff-Stanley is the Executive Director of Colorado ACLU, and ordained Unitarian Universalist minister affiliated at First Unitarian Church in Denver, and is the husband of Rev. Ruth, meaning he has to put up with a lot....

May 11: The Face of God in Our Youth

Join the St. Thomas youth for an adventure yet to be disclosed and sure to keep you on your toes! Don't miss this Sunday as we continue the tradition of a morning led by our outstanding youth in worship and in education.

May 18: The Technological Revolution: A Rapidly Emerging World

Join Lola Wilcox as she brings a dangerous topic, which might feel like science fiction with conspiracy theory edges. She will talk briefly on four technological areas, each one with the force of one industrial revolution. The four technologies will converge by 2035. It takes just a few minutes to identify the four areas and where we already are experiencing dramatic changes in our lives.

Once we have this framework, we'll quickly explore together what the convergence could mean, what that world could be like. When people are not needed as labor force, how few people do we need? What happens to the environment? What kind of government will work? How near will God be in this coming world?

The third and most important part of the talk is determining where we each might put our energy and time to shape this emerging world. What key action might each of us take?

Lola and her husband Chuck are authors, actors, mythologists, and medieval scholars. Lola has an M.A. in Medieval Literature with a specialty in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales. She also has an M.A. in Agency Counseling, and 30 years of organization consulting experience, working change processes in corporate and municipal settings. Lola and Chuck are beloved friends of St. Thomas.

May 25: Solitary Confinement and Mental Illness in Colorado's Prison System

Join Nathan Woodliff-Stanley for a look at the practice of putting our most at risk prisoners in solitary confinement. More than half of the people Colorado has held in solitary confinement have serious mental illnesses. See the story of Sam Mendez and learn what the ACLU and the Colorado Department of Corrections are doing to end this practice.

Cathy's Caribbean Quarterly



Dear Partners in Mission,

For some weeks, the bulletin was announcing that Easter is the next baptism day. Those interested should contact the church and participate in the classes one day a week. I was asked to be Godmother to one of the interested boys, Reynaldo. I spoke with Farre, a gentleman here who has frequently been called on to be Godfather, to learn about how this culture views this role. His description included being a 'protector' for the child. They held a run through for the Godparents shortly thereafter and I learned that Reynaldo's birth certificate wasn't here. So, my role as protector came into play even before the baptism. The next day I rode with Fr. Felix to deliver a pair of crutches to someone who had been using her umbrella to unweight her injured leg. En route, I asked more about the birth certificate requirement. Since the baptismal certificate becomes a legal document, the church requires the birth certificate for all baptisms. Following that, I visited the family to see what the situation was. His mother works in the capital during the week and is only home on weekends, but their Aunt takes care of them during the week. She didn't know the certificate wasn't here and quickly mobilized the family to get the certificate in time for the baptism. First mission appears to have been accomplished, with God's help. Please pray that I will be a faithful guide to Reynaldo in his walk with Christ and will know when to step in and when not to in the following years. May God bless and guide you in all you do!

In Christ,

Cathy

Cathy Donahoe is a SAMS Missionary and Physical Therapist serving in the Dominican Republic.

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Bulletin Board



If there are community events in line with the mission of St. Thomas, please submit them and, space permitting, we'll include them here. Comments, reactions, contributions, suggestions, critiques? Send to Maria at office@saintthomasdenver.org.

Fair Trade Oriental Rug Event

May 14-17: Ten Thousand Villages invites you to attend the 4th Annual Fair Trade Oriental Rug Event, May 14-17 at Augustana Lutheran Church, 5000 E Alameda Avenue in Denver. Choose from over 300 handknotted, heirloom quality rugs, the sales of which enable adult artisans in Pakistan to support their families, educate their children, and actualize a better life. Attend our free Introduction to Oriental Rugs Seminar on Thursday, May 15 at 7pm to learn more about the artisans and the art of Oriental rug making. Seminar reservations recommended, call 303-316-8773. Event Hours: Wed 10-7, Thu 10-9, Fri 10-7, Sat 10-5.

More Information: www.denver.tenthousandvillages.com.

The Beckwith Baby is on their way!

Baby Beckwith is quickly making their life known to everyone around. Come celebrate with Mark and Lara on Saturday, May 24th, from 11am till 2pm for a baby shower potluck in the parish hall. We'll sing and dance and learn who this little one is being born into our Saint Thomas family! The expecting parents are registered at Babies R Us and Amazon, and while gifts are greatly appreciated, they are in no way expected. They'll also be telling us the big secret of what the little Bee with be! Don't miss out!



Attention All King Sooper's Shoppers!

Did you know when you shop with a King Soopers Gift Card purchased at St. Thomas, we receive 4% of total sales? This could amount to thousands of dollars of revenue for the missions of our parish - without you contributing anything extra.

Instead of using cash, check, or credit at the store, using a Gift Card is an easy way to shop, plus help St. Thomas. We have the Gift Cards in denominations of \$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100. You don't have to use the entire amount in a single purchase - your receipt of each purchase at King Sooper's will give you the exact amount left on your card.

Please see Eva Williams or John Clark sitting at a small table after Sunday services and they would be happy to help you with a purchase of a Gift Card or answer any questions you may have. Come on by and see us.

Announcements

The next Metro CareRing Sunday is on Sunday, May 4. Please remember to bring your gifts of non-perishable food and help us to provide nutritious food to hungry people!

Men's Group Breakfast - This month's meeting of the St. Thomas Men's Group will be on Saturday, May 10 at 9:00 am at the 35th Avenue Grill (Park Hill Golf Course), 4141 E. 35th Avenue, Denver.

One World Singers Concert - "Musicals That Changed the World" with musical theatre classics featuring full-chorus, solo and small group performances. They will give their regards to Broadway on Saturday, May 10 at 2:00 & 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas. The event will include a silent auction benefitting One World Singers. Tickets are \$15. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets available by phone at 303-355-7472 and 303-250-7202. Tickets also available at the door for each performance.

Sonnie Doty's Senior Recital - All are invited to attend St. Thomas soprano section leader Sonnie Doty's senior recital on Sunday, May 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the King Center Recital Hall on the Auraria campus. She will be singing pieces by Schubert, Handel, several French composers and some new American music by Ben Moore and her friend Eric Pazdziora! Afterwards, all will be celebrate the completion of her vocal performance degree with a dessert and wine reception. She would love to see you all there! All ages (even the noisier ones) are invited to attend! Parking is free in the 7th Street Parking Garage.

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed - Have you been enjoying a cup of coffee, tea, or juice along with sweets and other goodies on Sunday between and after services? Then you know how pleasant and relaxing this time can be when we greet and enjoy each other. Please consider hosting this special time by making coffee, providing the refreshments, and greeting your fellow parishioners. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Great Hall, and if you have questions about how this all works and what to do, please call the church office.

A Call for Cards – Susie Blair Wilder’s mother, Jane Hawkinson, will celebrate her 100th birthday in May. To celebrate, her healthcare providers would like to hand her 100 birthday cards. If you would like to participate in this great project, please give completed cards to Hugh Pote and he will get them to Jane.

Events and Meetings: May

- 4 – Metro CareRing Sunday
- 4 – Youth Confirmation Class following the 10:30 am service
- 10 – Men’s Group Breakfast at the Park Hill Golf Course at 9:00 am
- 10 – One World Singers concerts at 2:00 & 7:00 pm
- 11 – Youth Sunday during the 10:30 am service
- 12 – Vestry Meeting at 6:30 pm
- 23 – Bold Living Deadline for June issue
- 24 – Baby Shower for Mark & Lara Beckwith at 11:00 am
- 26 – Parish Office Closed

Weekly:

- Dalcroze – Mondays from 2:00-7:00 pm
- Theology Class – Tuesdays at 10:00 am
- A.A. – Tuesdays at 6:00 pm
- St. Thomas Choir Practice – Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
- Morning Prayer – Wednesdays at 7:00 am
- Contemplative Prayer – Wednesdays at 5:45 pm
- HFASS Yoga – First, Third, and Fifth Wednesdays from 6:15-7:45 pm
- One World Singers – Thursdays at 7:00 pm
- Al Anon – Fridays at noon
- Sunday Services – 8:00 am Spoken Mass & 10:30 am Sung Mass
- Christian Education for all ages – Sunday at 9:15am
- House for All Sinners and Saints – Sundays at 4:00 and 6:00 pm

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

Anniversaries

12 – Steve & Betsy Hubka

25 – John & Suzanne Laurila; Ed & Sandy Schmidt

Birthdays

- 1 – Sean Mune
- 4 – Liz Williams
- 7 – Mike Earnest
- 8 – Brian Bell
- 13 – Sheila Hopkins
- 14 – Macland Taylor
- 15 – Josh Shipman; David Wilhelm
- 18 – Kayleigh Jones
- 19 – Rick Seagraves
- 22 – Steven Reeder
- 23 – Kristy Atufunwa; Eric Hansen
- 24 – John Clark, Anita Meyer
- 29 – Lillie Burrell; Jocelyn Fisher



	<p>I'm going to do my best this morning not to judge all the extra people who decided to show up to church just for Easter, Jesus.</p>	<p>Thanks, Lisa. Personally, I love when the extra people show up.</p>	<p>I wish I had your Spirit, Jesus. Make me more <i>like you!</i></p>	<p>That's a bold, dangerous, and beautiful prayer, Lisa. Happy Easter to me.</p>
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Treasurer's Report

Financial Report for March 2014

John Clark, Treasurer

Income	March 2014
Pledges	\$19,393.33
Plate	\$3,754.59
Fund raising	\$1,996.40
Other	\$2,454.44
Total	\$ 27,598.76
Expenses	
Salaries, Payroll Taxes, Health Ins, Pension, etc.	\$15,844.68
Christian Ed, Music, Altar Supplies, Worship	\$ 246.00
Office and Facility	\$ 4,930.00
Evangelism and Outreach	\$ 75.00
Finance Costs, Insurance, and Misc.	\$2,313.82
Total	\$23,409.50

Money in operating account on March 31, 2014	-\$ 7,784.56
Money in elevator account	\$ 48,114.83

Pledge Offerings were slightly above budget in March while the plate offerings were about \$1100 below budget. Building use income was about \$1300 above budget and Other Income was about \$1100 above budget. Our total income was about \$1500 above budget.

In our expenses the only category which was significantly off budget was the Outreach and this was because we deferred the pledges to the Diocese and the High Plains Region.