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Dear Hosanna! Friend,

We thank God for all that you contribute to God's work through Hosanna! Your presence, energy, care financial support, and talents make our ministry possible, but also better, simply because you are a part of it.

As we plan for ministry together next year, we invite you to be part of this planning. Please consider how you would like to continue contributing to the church in 2026 and growing in these three ways...

YOUR PRESENCE-It's easy to let our worship, faith formation, fellowship, and service participation slip more than we intend, so we invite you to:

- Remember why you gather with your church family.

- Make a plan for how often you want to be in worship.

- Decide now how you will handle schedule conflicts.

- Hold yourself accountable. Set a reminder or choose an incentive whenever you get out of the habit.

or try a new faith formation opportunity.

YOUR SERVICE- Statistics prove that serving others improves our sense of well-being and satisfaction in life. It also strengthens our connections. We invite you to:

- Recall the tangible and intangible ways you are blessed.

- Sign up to volunteer in worship.

- Consider your passions and what you have to offer. Commit to service opportunities that connect with you.

- Stay for the once-a-month service projects after worship.

>> Growth goal: Try a new volunteer opportunity.

YOUR FINANCES - Church is not about money, but money does allow us to have dedicated space, resources, and support people. We invite you to:

- Help yourself and Hosanna! plan and stay accountable by pledging your 2026 financial contributions by November 30 using the enclosed commitment card or submit it online at www.hosannatogether.org/pledge

- Ease your and our cash flow by setting up recurring gifts through our online giving or your bank's bill pay.

- Read the enclosed pamphlet to learn how else you can support our shared ministry.

>> Growth goal: Increase donations to match our increasing expenses.

Thank you for being a part of Hosanna! We pray that this community of faith continues to bless you, too!

Pastor Mike Kein

## 2025 YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL STATUS UPDATE

Historically, our flow of income and expenses turns negative during the summer and bounces back in the fall before balancing out toward the end of the year. Summers always come with higher-than-average expenses for annual insurance costs and higher utility bills during the heat, and income dips with attendance as members travel. **Unfortunately, expenses continued to be higher than average through the fall and offering income remained lower than usual.** 



We have been operating in the red for the past few months and the undesignated funds in our bank accounts have slowly diminished. We also had to pull from the building reserve fund to pay for replacement of the grease trap and a few other needs. Here's where our accounts stand as of Nov. 10:

Undesignated Operating: \$5,040 Discretionary Assistance: \$271 Nurturing Care Grant: \$3,000 Building Reserve Fund: \$4,184 Pastor Cont. Education: \$1,542 Designated to Organ: \$5,000

**Memorial Fund:** \$22,145 (\$15,000 of these memorial funds are committed to an organ)

Our treasurer, Tony Belcher (treasurer@hosannalutheranchurch.org), can provide more details to you.

Please consider whether you can help us reverse the trend with a one-time gift or increased ongoing giving, especially if you find that you are behind on what you planned to give this year. You may give through the offering plate, mailing a check, or online at www.hosannatogether.org/give.

Although we have a deficit, we **celebrate** and remain **grateful** for the 93% of our expenses that contributions you and others have made are already funding. **Thank you for your generosity!**