



PROGRESS

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HOLY WEEK & EASTER

April 2-5

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCH

*April 19 at 11am
Gathering Space*

SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON

*Sat, Apr 25 at Noon
Fellowship Hall*

CROP WALK

*Sun, Apr 26 at 1pm
Cargill United Methodist*

PRACTICING THE WAY: AN INVITATION TO THE JOURNEY

In the fourth century, the desert father **Saint Sarapion** traveled from his monastery in Egypt to visit a woman in Rome who had become widely known for her devotion to Jesus. Sarapion practiced his faith in the quiet isolation of the desert, far removed from the noise of everyday life. The woman, however, remained deeply rooted in the middle of the city—surrounded by the activity, distractions, and pressures of urban life.



When Sarapion found her, she was quietly sitting in her room.

He asked her, “Why are you sitting here?”

She responded with a surprising answer: **“I’m not sitting, I am on a journey.”**

Her words reveal a beautiful picture of the Christian life. Even when we seem still, we are moving forward spiritually. The life of faith is not a destination we reach quickly, but a journey we walk over a lifetime.

From the beginning of his ministry, Jesus invited people to follow him. When he called his first disciples, he asked them to walk with him on what the early church often referred to as **“the Way.”** In other words, discipleship is not just



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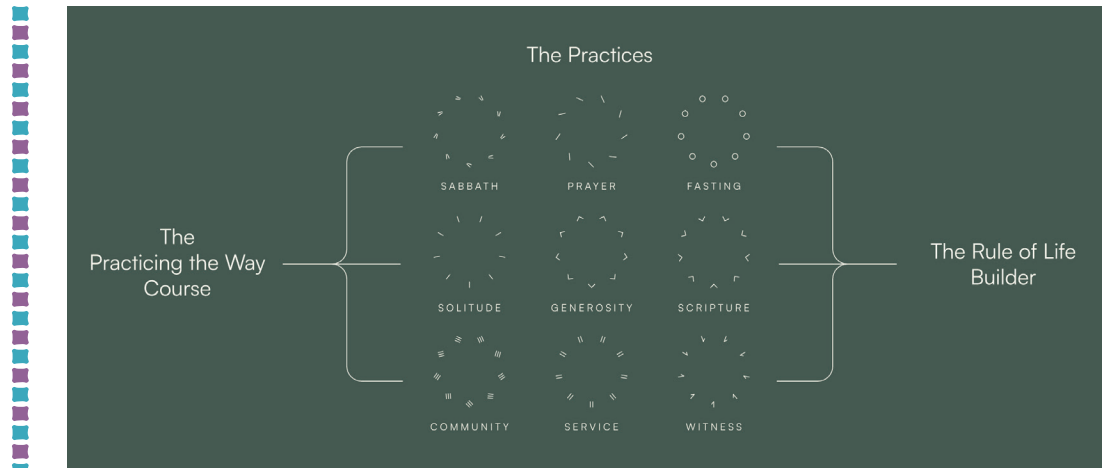
about belief—it is about learning a way of life.

Following Jesus means continually growing, learning, and being shaped by him. It means allowing his teachings, his character, and his love to transform how we live each day. Yet in the midst of our busy modern lives, many of us struggle to know how to intentionally grow in our faith. We want to follow Jesus more deeply, but we're not always sure what that looks like in practice.

That is why we are offering the **Practicing the Way** course.

Beginning the **week of April 12**, this **eight-week course** is designed to help participants take practical steps in their spiritual journey. Think of it as a starting point—or a refresher—for the lifelong process of spiritual formation. Whether you are new to exploring your faith, feeling stuck in your spiritual life, or simply looking for the next step in your walk with Christ, this course is meant to help guide you forward.

The goal is simple but powerful: to help us learn how to live as **apprentices of Jesus—to be with Jesus, become like him, and do as he did.**



Throughout the eight weeks, participants will explore practices that Christians have used for centuries to grow closer to God and to live more intentionally as disciples. These practices are not about adding more busyness to our lives, but about creating space for God to shape us. They help us slow down, refocus, and rediscover what it means to truly follow Jesus in our everyday lives.

We are offering **two opportunities** to participate so that people can choose what best fits their schedule.

The first option will meet on **Sunday evenings from 5:30-7pm, in the Gathering Space**, beginning the week of April 12. Each Sunday gathering will start with a **potluck meal**, giving participants a chance to share food, conversation, and community before beginning the session together.

The second option will meet on **Thursday mornings from 10-11am in Rm 302**, providing a daytime opportunity for those who prefer a morning gathering.

Both groups will follow the same course material and offer time for reflection, discussion, and encouragement along the way.

Just like the woman Sarapion visited in Rome, each of us is already on a spiritual journey. Some of us may feel like we're moving forward with clarity and purpose. Others may feel like we've stalled or lost direction. Wherever you find yourself, this course is simply an invitation to take the **next step**.

You don't need to have everything figured out. You only need a willingness to walk the path.

Whatever prompted you to consider joining, **you are welcome**. Our hope is that this experience will lay a strong foundation for a life of apprenticeship to Jesus—one that continues to grow and deepen for years to come.

After all, as that woman in Rome so wisely said long ago, we are not merely sitting still.

We are on a journey.

Sign up Sunday mornings in the Gathering Space or by calling the office.

www.practicingtheway.org 

– Aubrey, Eric, Pr. Michael, & Renee

VBS & DAY CAMP

August 3–6 – Kingdom Quest!

Get ready for an exciting week of faith, fun, and adventure at this year's **Vacation Bible School and Day Camp**, happening **August 3-6** with our theme: **Kingdom Quest!** Kids will set out on a journey to discover God's kingdom through engaging Bible stories, music, crafts, games, and new friendships.

To make Kingdom Quest a great experience for our kids, we're looking for volunteers to join the team. There are many ways to help, and every role makes a difference:

- **Counselors** to guide and encourage campers throughout the day
- **Small Group Leaders** to lead discussions and activities with groups of kids
- **Lunch Buddies** who can join children in the lunchroom and help create a friendly, welcoming environment

- **Family Meal Helpers** to assist with the meal shared with families during the week

If you've ever considered helping with VBS or Day Camp, this is a wonderful opportunity to serve and make a lasting impact. Contact Renee for more information about being part of the team.

We're grateful for the leaders already helping prepare for Kingdom Quest. Pictured here are Day Camp Craft Director Hollie Flottom and Day Camp Snack Director, Stacey Adams.

Their creativity and enthusiasm will help make this year's camp a memorable experience for every child.

Registration will open on Easter Sunday. 📅



(L): Hollie Flottom, Day Camp Craft Director
(R): Stacey Adams, Day Camp Snack Director

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCH

April 19 at 11am
Gathering Space



Join us as we celebrate **YOU** — the incredible volunteers who make First Lutheran such a special and welcoming place.

On **Sunday, April 19**, the staff of FLC will be honoring and thanking all who share their time, gifts, and heart in service.

- Gathering Space
- 11am

We are so grateful for everything you do and can't wait to celebrate together!

See you there!

RSVP by April 16 to the church office:
608.752.7434 x10
office@flcj.org 📅

SPRING WORK DAY

May 3



Join us for our spring work day after the 8am and 9:30am services on Sunday, May 3. As we gather together to care for the church's building and property, our aim is to create a time of fellowship, serve practical needs, and have fun being together.

The work day is a way to accomplish many maintenance tasks from our ongoing to-do list. We will be working on the landscape, cleaning, general repairs, and a list of other miscellaneous assignments. All you need to bring is yourself, and come to church dressed for cleaning and yard work! We will provide the tools and supplies necessary to complete the tasks. There will be ways of serving that are appropriate for every age. Bring the whole family and let's join together for a time of work and fellowship.



SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON

Sat, April 25 at Noon

The Spring Salad Luncheon will be on Saturday, April 25 at Noon, in Fellowship Hall. It is a social function for the women, men and any friends of First Lutheran Church. It is a time to get to know other members of our congregation and invite people that might be interested in joining the church to gather over a meal.

The meal will be served at noon, with the doors opening at 11:30am. The cost will be \$10, the same as last year. Members interested in decorating a table (their meal is free), can call the church office 608.752.7434 x10, to sign up. Jeanie will convey that information to those in charge of tables. Several men and women have

already put their names on the list to decorate a table. Thank you so much.

Attendees may bring a salad if they choose. Hot chicken salad, hot pineapple salad, salad and rolls from Texas Roadhouse and desserts will be the main menu. Mary Peterson has agreed to head the kitchen staff once again. Yeah, for Mary!

Reservations for this event may be made by calling Jeannie in the office at 608.752.7434 x10. Walk-ins are also welcome. Please consider attending this social affair. There is no formal program planned. The table hosts will be introduced and all attendees can walk around and look at the finely decorated tables. All are welcome! ☎



ROCK COUNTY YOUTH EVENT

April 19 from 6:30-9pm, YMCA

Youth from across Rock County are invited to join us for a fun evening at the **Janesville YMCA on April 19 from 6:30-9pm**. This Open Rec Night: Student Olympics 2026 is a great opportunity to hang out with friends, meet new people, and enjoy an active night together.

The evening will include open gym time, group games, prizes, food, and plenty of time to connect and

have fun. Whether you want to jump into the games or just spend time with friends, there will be something for everyone. Bring a friend and come ready for a great night!



Register by scanning the QR-code.

Contact: Eric Engen, eengen@flcj.org



April 5 at 6am, 8am, & 9:30am

A festival of new life celebrating Christ, risen from the dead

As spring arrives and March becomes April, we come to the goal of our 40-day Lenten journey, and Jesus' teaching reaches its climax. The Son, who is close to the Father's heart, gives himself freely in love to the end, making known the heart of God.

On **Maundy Thursday (Apr 2, 6:30pm)** we gather around tables in the Gathering Space to experience Jesus' summary of his teaching on the last night with his disciples.

Good Friday (Apr 3, 6:30pm) invites our contemplation at the cross. In his dying, Jesus identifies with our suffering world.

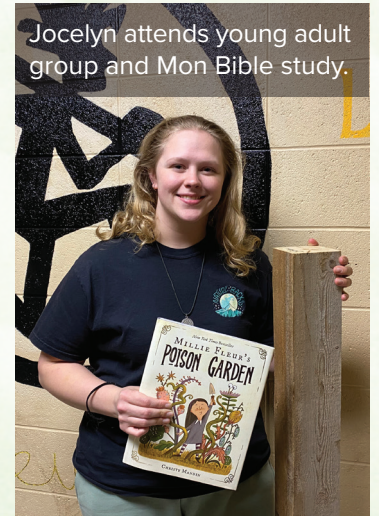
Finally, after waiting in the space of grief through Holy Saturday, we arrive at the joy and celebration of **Easter morning (Apr 5)**.

Come this year to Holy Week. Follow Jesus on the way to the cross and then to resurrection. Listen to him. Learn from him. ☪

ROTARY GARDEN ART INSTALLATION

By Jocelyn Tilton

Jocelyn attends young adult group and Mon Bible study.



The 2026 Garden Art installation at the Rotary Garden is being designed by artist Jocelyn Tilton. Inspired by the book chosen for this year's Garden Walk, *Millie Fleur's Poison Garden*, Tilton's design blends imagination with a slightly mysterious botanical theme. The artwork will reflect the story's whimsical garden filled with unusual plants and hidden surprises.

Be sure to watch the weekly announcements for upcoming opportunities to help paint and participate in creating this year's Garden Art for the Rotary Garden. Your help will make the 2026 installation truly special. ☪

BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER

Confirmation Class



Support our Confirmation Class while enjoying some delicious homemade treats!

Confirmation students and families are hosting a Bake Sale to help raise \$500 toward a matching grant to purchase communion supplies. Every loaf, cookie, and sweet treat you buy helps us reach our goal!

April 26

Between services and after the 9:30am service

What's for Sale?

- Fresh sourdough bread
- Homemade baked goods
- Sweet treats and other goodies

Come hungry, bring a friend, and help make this fundraiser a success! Thank you for your generosity. See you at the bake sale! 📍

4-H FAIR FOOD BOOTH

Volunteers Needed by April 19

We're excited to share that we're 70% of the way toward our goal—160 of 198 volunteer slots—by April 19. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up! With 5 weeks still to go, we're hopeful we can reach this goal together. There are several openings for evening shifts and both Saturday and Sunday.



If you've been thinking about volunteering, now is a wonderful time to jump in. Helping with the Food Booth is a meaningful and enjoyable way to serve—whether on your own or alongside family and friends—while supporting our ministries and our community.

Reaching at least 80% participation by April 19 is essential for the Food Booth to continue. Every sign-up truly makes a difference and brings us closer to keeping this ministry strong. If the 80% level is not reached by April 19, the Food Booth will be permanently discontinued.

Please consider signing up online (tinyurl.com/4tnhwt8j) or on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space. Together, we can make this happen—thank you for being part of it! 📍

MEN OF IRON

Retreat

Ephesians 6:10-20

SATURDAY, MAY 2 / 9AM - 11:30AM

SPECIAL GUEST
RETIRED OFFICER SEAN JAUCH

Questions: Contact Eric 608-290-7083, eengen@flcj.org



Our 2025 CROP Walk Team

CROP WALK 2026

Sun, Apr 26 at 1pm

The Janesville CROP Hunger Walk is on **Sunday, April 26**. You can make a difference in local and world hunger by participating in this event. The steps we take and the funds we raise support programs that provide food, water, and long lasting solutions to hunger. Please consider participating in this fight against hunger.

Here are some ways you can participate:

1. Register to walk with the First Lutheran Church team.

2. Make a donation to a member of the First Lutheran Church Team.
3. Grab a mason jar at church and collect loose change at home for the month and return on April 26

Let's show our solidarity with people in Janesville and around the world who are walking daily for food, for water, for firewood that we care. Please contact Mat Haeger, team captain, at 608.449.4250 with any questions or concerns. Thank you. 📍

MEN OF IRON

Tues, Apr 7
6-8pm
Youth Room



Join us on Tues, Apr 7 from 6-8pm as we use The Chosen TV series and curriculum to discuss and explore the Bible in a unique way. Open to men of all ages and we meet in the Youth Room.

Contact:

Eric Engen, 608.290.7083,
eengen@flcj.org 📍

HANDBELLS PERFORM

Apr 26 at 1pm



Join us on Sunday, April 26 at 1pm at Hope Lutheran in Milton (335 Dairyland Dr, Milton)

This concert will feature FLC's Hand Bell Ensemble and Hope Lutheran's Adult Bell Choir. This event is free and open to the public, and we will be showcasing a double handbell choir song especially for that day! Bring friends! ☺

HYMN SING

April 8 at 2pm



You're warmly invited to our **April Hymn Sing at Rock Haven** (3400 N County Rd F, Janesville). Stay tuned for date and time.

Come lift your voice, sing your favorite hymns, and share in a joyful afternoon of music and fellowship. All are welcome — bring a friend and join us! ☺

FEEL

Music is Love in Search of a Word

My mother once wrote this phrase on a card, "Music is love in search of a word", and it has stuck with me for over 30 years. As I grieve my father this year, and remember my mother, I find myself remembering them both most often in music. My father was a psychotherapist, with his specialty in helping people with mental and emotional challenges live well without medication due to allergies or adverse reactions. My mother was a middle school music teacher and music director. They were both gifted musicians, and used music to communicate difficult emotions, and to teach history, religion, sociology, and ecology, encouraging their clients and/or students to expand their hearts, and to learn trust and collaboration with others.

My lifelong experience of Jesus and his teachings was through music,



science, history, and psychology, with some religious traditions added in. I experience Jesus' message in rehearsals, in performances, and in musical collaborations with all kinds of people, both known and new to me,

both sacred and secular. There is a trust created through music that defies words, and here at FLC I experience this trust (and sometimes friction as we learn to trust) in several weekly rehearsals, worship services, and special events. It's awesome to behold!

It's my honor to humbly serve this community through music of all kinds, from singing and playing at assisted living facilities, to laughter-filled hand bell ensemble and chancel choir rehearsals, to emotional worship team songs, to learning a fun, new stop combination at the pipe organ, to learning jazz alongside friends. Music

THE MUSIC



First Lutheran's Chancel Choir



is a wonderful way to reach out into the community, through performances in Janesville and Beloit (businesses like Mocha Moments, Genisa, and other churches). We also bring the community to us, by offering joyful events to encourage musical growth and experiences (Jaerv and the OK Factor – returning in fall 2026!, the Waukee HS Choir, Luther Choir, several string quartets, marimba concerts, the Southern WI dulcimer festivals, variety shows, worship musical dramas, and the list goes on).

Jesus asked us to love one another as he loved us. While that can feel

like a tall order, in my mind it's a great teaching. I experience it **ALL THE TIME** in my musical endeavors all over the world. Music is one way to show that very love, for ourselves, and for others. All of the arts (visual, musical, dramatic, writing) are this love that we seek, this love that we want to express. And sometimes, we use words.

–Amy Hartsough

Have **YOU** experienced Jesus' love in or through music? Tell me about your experience... amyh@flcj.org.



DULCIMER FESTIVAL

Apr 17-18



FRIDAY, APRIL 17: 6-8PM

Open Jam Session – all acoustic instruments welcome!

SATURDAY, APRIL 18:

9am-4:15pm: Workshops
5pm: Concert by clinicians Mike Anderson, Bing Futch, and Dona Benkert – free and open to the public!

Contact via email for more information:
swdulcimerclub@gmail.com



MEMORIALS

Feb 2026



MEMORIALS RECEIVED

Jack Kislia Memorial

Foundation: Orland & Connie Fredrick

General: Jeanette Beard, Don & Diana Ryan, Jim & Mary Gallup, Naomi Martin, Jerry Wells, Lenwood & Sharon Potts, Paul & Donna Holznecht, Gary & Deborah Hilt, Dave & Mary Peterson, Barb Tapovatz, Mike & Nina Peterson, Kristine & Gary Schieve, Jennifer & Matthew Schieve, Jim & Karla Vriezen, Jason & Caroline Kneser, Doug & Sue Goike, Dale & Doris Henning, Trygve & Jeanette Danielson, Kathleen Hendricks, Candace Huber, Darlene Becker, Laurie & Jeff Sheldon, Lori & Stephen Sperry, David & Betsy Riemer, Steven & Michele Schroeder, Dan & Rita Milbrandt, Louise & Timothy Luedtke, Anne Thomas, Christine Goepfert, Vern & Leola Schultz, Kolleen Onsrud, Stuart & Suzanne Hamilton, Michael & Abbey Marquette, Jodi & Timothy Millis, Friends & Family, Phyllis Stoker, Tom & Lynn Kevern


COUNCIL MINUTES

Highlights of March Minutes

These are the highlights from the March 2026 Church Council Minutes. If you would like to read the full minutes please visit: www.flcj.org/council

- Security is still a major focus and moving forward.
- Synod delegates were chosen

Next meeting: Apr 21, 2026, 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted, Elisa Ried, Secretary 

PAGE TURNERS

Upcoming Books

The Page Turners meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 5pm in the Gathering Space. Come every month or simply when you can—everyone is welcome!

Contact: Sally Schuenke, 608.754.0407

Apr 7: *The Lost Bookshop* by Evie Woods

May 5: *The Year of Magical Thinking* by Joan Didion




Memorials continued...

Janis Reck Memorial

Music Fund: Gail Komarek

GIFTS RECEIVED

ECHO: David Romstad, Catherine Garvin, Frances & Vincent Kessenich, Barbara & Dennis Franke, Magda Nelson, Jim & Karla Vriezen

Foundation: Mike & Nina Peterson
Pastors Discretionary Fund: David Romstad 

April 2026



First Lutheran Student Ministries
7PM - 8:30PM / YOUTH ROOM, DOOR #8

1 DAYCAMP THEMES / STORIES

8 EXPECTATIONS / STANDARDS

15 CPR

22 GAMES / TRANSITIONS, VANGO

29 HALLWAY SAFETY / DE-ESCALATION

For More Information Contact:
Eric (H.S.) 608-290-7083, eengen@flcj.org
Renee (M.S.) 608-359-9685, rengen@flcj.org

EASTER FLOWER DELIVERY

Pick up: April 6 from 9am-Noon

Stop by the entry way on April 6, 9am-Noon and pick up a flower to deliver to our First Lutheran friends

who were unable to join us at Easter. For more information contact Renee at rengen@flcj.org. 📍

MONTHLY READINGS

April



Take a few moments each day to connect with God through His Word. You'll be amazed at how your relationship with Him deepens and grows.

Apr 5 (Easter):

Acts 10:34-43
 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
 Colossians 3:1-4
 Matthew 28:1-10

Apr 12 (Easter 2):

Acts 2:14a, 22-32
 Psalm 16
 1 Peter 1:3-9
 John 20:19-31

Apr 19 (Easter 3):

Acts 2:14a, 36-41
 Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
 1 Peter 1:17-23
 Luke 24:13-35

Apr 26 (Easter 4):

Acts 2:42-47
 Psalm 23
 1 Peter 2:19-25
 John 10:1-10 📍


APR CALENDAR

If you have an article idea for the Progress, please submit it to christals@flcj.org by the first of the month so the layout can be planned. The actual articles are due the 10th of the month.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
			<p>8:30a Mission Sew (FH) 10a Bible Study (302) 4:30p FLCW (FHL) 5:30p Lent Meal (FH) 5:30p Worship Team (SA)</p>	<p>3p Comm Team (Zoom) 5pm Youth Band (SA) 6p Smart Recovery (302) 6:30p Maundy Thurs (SA)</p>	<p>6:30p Good Fri (SA)</p>	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>6a Worship (CH) 8a Worship (SA) 9a Coffee Hour (GS) 9:15a SS (SS) 9:30a Worship (SA) 10:30a Choir (CR)</p>	BUILDING CLOSED	<p>8a BG's (FHL) 9a Knitters (GS) 11a Staff Mtg (302) 1:30p Smart Recovery (302) 4:15p Handbells (SA) 5p Page Turners (GS) 6p Men of Iron (YR)</p>	<p>10a Bible Study (302) 1p Joanna Circle (FHL) 5:30p Worship Team (SA) 7p Youth Group (YR)</p>	<p>10a Worship (Rock Haven) 11:15a Worship (Oak Park Place) 5pm Youth Band (SA) 6p Smart Recovery (302)</p>	<p>PROGRESS ARTICLES DUE</p>	<p>9a Discipleship Retreat (GS) 9a Stamping (FH)</p>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<p>8a Worship (SA) 9a Coffee Hour (GS) 9:15a SS (SS) 9:30a Worship (SA) 10:30a Brunch/ Inclusion Discussion (CH) 10:30a Choir (CR)</p>	<p>1p Noteables (CR) 5:30p Building & Grounds Team (302) 8p Centering Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>8a BG's (FHL) 9a Mary Ruth Cir (FHL) 11a Staff Mtg (302) 1:30p Smart Recovery (302) 4:15p Handbells (SA) 5:30p Worship Collective (GS) 6:30p Youth & Fam Team (YR) 7p Discipleship Team (YR)</p>	<p>8:30a Mission Sew (FH) 10a Bible Study (302) 5:30p Worship (SA) 7p Youth Group (YR)</p>	<p>3:30p Second Harvest (Gym) 5pm Youth Band (SA) 6p Smart Recovery (302) 6p Prayer Service (CH)</p>	<p>6p Dulcimer Jam Session (SA)</p>	<p>5p Dulcimer Concert (SA)</p>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<p>8a Worship (SA) 9a Coffee Hour (GS) 9:15a SS (SS) 9:15a Talk with Leadership (CH) 9:30a Worship (SA) 10:30a Choir (CR) 11a Volunteer Pizza Party (GS)</p>	<p>9a Safe Fam (301) 1p Noteables (CR) 8p Centering Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>8a BG's (FHL) 9a Knitters (GS) 11a Staff Mtg (302) 1:30p Smart Recovery (302) 4:15p Handbells (SA) 6:30p Church Council (301)</p>	<p>10a Bible Study (302) 5:30p Worship Team (SA) 7p Youth Group (YR)</p>	<p>5pm Youth Band (SA) 6p Smart Recovery (302)</p>		<p>12p Spring Salad Luncheon (FH)</p>
26	27	28	29	30	<p>Abbreviation Key: CH = Chapel CR = Choir Room FH = Fellowship Hall FHL = Fellowship Hall Lounge G = Gym GS = Gathering Space SA = Sanctuary SS = Sunday School Room YR = Youth Room 301 = Room 301 302 = Room 302</p>	
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CHURCH FINANCIALS

The monthly financial report shows the Memorial giving and expenses in the first column, with the actual and budgeted revenue and spending in the last three columns, for July-January 2026. This chart follows the treasurer's report for January in the council minutes. The financial reports are re-organized to reflect the transition to the new teams. The Discipleship Development, Inclusion and Integration, Relationship

Building, Worship and Youth and Family Engagement teams fall under the category of church programs. The full balance sheet and profit and loss reports can be viewed online (www.flcj.org/financials). If you have any questions on the financial reports, please contact Arwen Twitchett at 608.752.7434 x14 or email busadmin@flcj.org. 

Year to Date Financials July - January 2026

	Memorials	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	\$ Over/(Under) Budget
Revenue				
Contributions		\$415,068.65	\$499,381.75	(\$84,313.10)
Rentals		\$23,391.14	\$23,814.64	(\$423.50)
Weddings/Funerals		\$925.00	\$600.00	\$325.00
Other Receipts		\$46,385.14	\$27,679.56	\$18,705.58
4-H Fair		\$41,570.96	\$44,300.00	(\$2,729.04)
Memorials and Gifts	\$119,790.19			
Total Revenue	\$119,790.19	\$527,340.89	\$595,775.95	(\$68,435.06)
Mission Spending				
Benevolence	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00
Personnel	\$5,162.54	\$366,950.18	\$372,681.47	(\$5,731.29)
Administration	\$63.80	\$20,703.26	\$25,994.85	(\$5,291.59)
Buildings and Grounds	\$33,556.01	\$97,104.23	\$104,861.50	(\$7,757.27)
Communication	\$1,168.70	\$1,655.64	\$4,575.00	(\$2,919.36)
Church Programs	\$12,644.63	\$31,458.27	\$37,896.65	(\$6,438.38)
Community Connections	\$2,546.50	\$0.00	\$200.00	(\$200.00)
Memorial Miscellaneous	\$1,335.15			
Total Mission Spending	\$56,477.33	\$523,871.58	\$552,209.47	(\$28,337.89)
Total Net Income (loss)	\$63,312.86	\$3,469.31	\$43,566.48	(\$40,097.17)

CHURCH FINANCIALS

The financials for the fiscal year to date, July-February 2026, are shown below. The weekly need is calculated by averaging the total budgeted expenses for 12 months (from July 2025 through June of 2026). The weekly average YTD is the total income received, divided by the number of weeks in this fiscal year, to date. The graph shows the budgeted expenses in green,

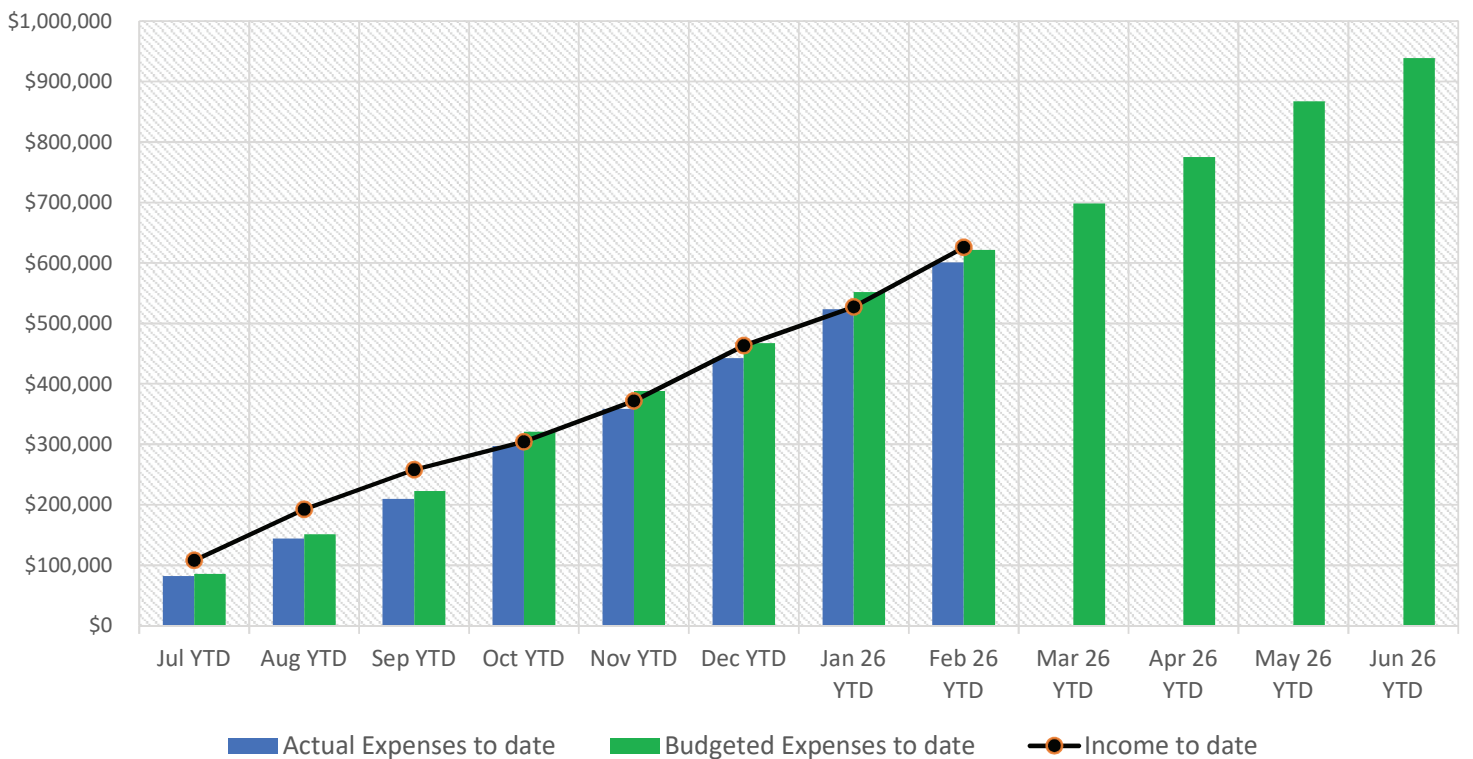
the actual expenses in blue and the monthly income received as a black dot and line. Total income for July through February was below budget again, however, expenses remain slightly lower than anticipated, so year to date net income continues to be higher than monthly expenses. ⓘ

February 28, 2026

Weekly need	\$18,198	Budgeted Income: \$72,341	Budgeted Expense: \$69,678
Weekly average YTD	\$18,399	Actual Income: \$98,211	Actual Expense: \$76,792

		Received to date	Difference	% Difference
YTD income needed	\$621,738	\$625,552	\$3,814	101%
12 month income needed	\$938,539	\$625,552	(\$312,987)	67%

YTD income and expenses





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