

# THE KIRK KONNECTION

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"For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individ-

ually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness."

*Romans 12:4-8*

He makes our grounds beautiful, he's cheerful as he mows,  
The man of whom I speak is inimitable John Rose.

This next guy is dependable; if he had a responsibility,  
he'd never shirk it.

So when I want a money matter done right, I say, "Hey,  
let's Fred Kirk it."

But we know the greatness of Fred begins with Georgeen  
Our financial secretary who keeps the books clean.

And when we needed an elder who was more than just "all  
right,"  
I said "Hey guys, look no further than Dorothy All-buh-  
right."

And when life is a pain in the neck, man  
And the pastor is just a wreck, man  
He always gets support  
From Mrs. Mieke Beck-man.

Then we have someone so devoted to her church  
It seems the very Holy Spirit sharpened her  
Thus I am ceaselessly inspired  
By the tireless Madeline Carpenter

But there's also he who does many things  
And does them all quite nobly  
He sings, he plays, he preaches  
He's our very own Jerry Cobleigh

And when I listen to her sing  
It's my joy and it's my honor  
I am never disappointed

By the song of Audrey Connor

And when local children begin to get cold  
And for a coat or jacket they're wishin  
Judy Curtis is always right there for them  
With her wonderful heart for mission

Presbyterians are organized and do things right  
These matters are not small or moot  
So for guidance and to right the ship  
We're lucky to turn to Jenny Root

There's a friend with whom I'm blessed  
To visit and exchange stories  
This world in which we live  
Could use a whole lot more Jan Wharries

And a brilliant lay reader is she  
With such gusto, a great talker  
You know that I'm describing  
The talented Judy Walker

And that brings us to our friend  
Who goes by the name Diane Wiegel  
To care for others as much as she does  
Is quite thankfully not ill-eye-gal

And I am always happy to see  
Through our doors Christine Davison enter  
Christine, who has not only sung in the choir  
But also given her time at the senior center.

Another faithful servant here  
Who most certainly isn't a brat  
But actually was a dynamic deacon  
Is the incomparable Lisa Brincat

And then there's a man who takes the time  
To pass the peace to folks downstairs  
John Brincat makes sure all of them know  
Just how much he cares.

But I've left out two Brincats;  
Two kids we love and know well  
I'm referring to the fabulous  
Benjamin and Isabelle

And speaking of kids that we truly adore  
We miss the versatile Gale and her talents galore  
But we're thrilled for those in the crowd who enjoy her  
now  
Who shout and clap for this actress as she takes a bow

But Gale is not the only Shrewsbury, you see  
There's also Brian and Michelle, who make this crowd  
three

A crowd who we miss more than we can say  
Who will always be family, until the last day.

An example of Christian love, Kay Trull truly is  
While helping children as principal was husband Don's  
biz.

Because she knows just how much we pray,  
She brings her biggest prayer requests here.  
Geraldine Decker never forgets her church family  
That she so very clearly holds dear.

And a deacon, volunteer and teacher sublime  
Who willingly gives what she sees someone lacks  
Is a wonderful crop walk buddy of mine  
The ever-so-generous Peggy Flacks.

Sometimes we need a quiet, tranquil presence  
Like the profound calm of a forest  
Well fortunately, friends, we have that here  
In our dear friend and brother Tom Forgacs

But he's not the only soft-spoken leader  
Who in quiet dignity has led  
Because Kirk of Our Savior *also* has  
The one - and only - Al Tedd.

But if you're in the mood,  
To converse and to tarry,  
Sitting right next to Al,  
Is the capable Mary.

And another conversationalist who you know quite well  
Is a long time Kirk member who took time to tell  
This pastor about her church family and friends  
The faith and love of Marge Grubbs obviously never ends.

And that brings me to Pat  
Of Gallaher Fame  
Who brought back her son Mark  
And that's not a shame

Because speaking of Mark, For whom I love to rhyme  
This guy given all his energy and time  
To his church that he claims to like and to love  
Surely our new elder Mark was sent from above.

And that is quite similar  
To our friend Bob Gates  
Who's always ready to work;  
It's idle hands that he hates

And it's great because we have so many more just like  
him  
We've got Otte 1 and Otte 2, that's right, Rob and Jen  
Who have given their time, food and talents to this  
church that is theirs  
And are good solid folk, never puttin on airs.

What about the scrapbooking librarian  
Who due to work can't be here often  
But still participates as lay reader?  
I give you Rebecca Havenstein Coughlin.

And sitting with Rebecca is one who can be  
As thoughtful as any, a kind man is he  
Ready with a word of encouragement for free  
Has been *that* Michael for *this* one; thank you, from *me!*

Quietly generous and caring, a well-loved church mom  
She's served as elder and deacon and been at it so long  
She's got a great sense humor; don't expect her to be-  
have  
She's one in a million, I tell ya, Betty Hesselgrave

And there's more to Pat Higgins  
Than counting money at a table  
I happen to know that she's always  
Served as she's able

Much like Carolyn Gates,  
Who's a heckuva deacon  
Always reaching out for others  
With a heart that won't weaken

And there is another, of similar heart  
Who has continued to love, even though we're apart  
And that's easy for her because that heart is so large  
She's Bob Dingman's mom, she's our dear sister Marge.

And we thank our friend Bob who takes such good care  
Of his mother Marge, aren't they a pair?  
The love of this son, I tell you, is real;  
He cooks for her every evening meal!

And if pal David Thomas  
Had only his druthers  
He'd do nothing but take care  
Of us and of others

Another selfless soul I know  
Never help for herself is she seekin'  
But focuses only on others:  
Is my friend Ada McMechan

And Lee Milligan-McClane  
As she walks down the aisle  
Proves she loves her church home  
With her ear-to-ear smile

And another whose smile  
Is the best and so boss  
Is one kind as they come  
She, of course, is Pat Ross!

And thank goodness we have  
Our resident computer guru  
Hey Tigers fan Joan Nystrom  
I say "thank you" to *you!*

And speaking of Tigers fans  
Don't forget Ruthie Duvall  
Who waters plants and gardens  
And makes it pretty for all

A retired nurse sits here now  
And only joy will she bring  
To us, for whom, she cares  
We love you too, Lynn King.

We also have a hard worker  
A tender heart has she got  
She's always trying to give to her church  
Say hello, Lorraine Scott!

And so we arrive at Mr. Jim Troutman  
With him one can't go wrong;  
He climbs ladders, fixes outlets, he does it all  
Even sings to us Joseph's Song

Formidable but not intimidating,  
Kind at heart with a loving word she's ready  
Honest and direct but sweet  
Of Clan Willox she's Betty.

A hard worker and a teacher  
Colleen Williamson was born here and remained  
thereafter  
Her hugs are known to be the best around  
As are her smiles and her laughter

One who sings and who loves  
So very deep in her bones  
Is she who can also play the organ  
Mrs. Mary Lou Jones

And there's not one Jones but two who's friend to me  
and to you  
And he's an uplifting presence for us sitting here in  
his pew  
If you ask "WHO IS THIS?" and impatiently snarl,  
I'll say "Calm down, friend," it's our good buddy Carl.

Willim Partaka  
Is a man who loves God  
And so I am happy  
To have him here on our squad

And Andrea Alicea  
Can be found on that squad too  
And she participates in everything  
To her church she is true

Dominic Fortuna  
Is a presence so steady  
When I need a hand with the ladder  
He's willing, able and ready

And the Lewandowskis  
Including tiny tots three  
Add so much to worship  
For you and for me

And a guy with so many skills  
He's like Obi Wan Kenobi  
He's even fixed my headlight  
He's resourceful Pat Frobe

To find a great friend  
More devoted than Sharon Garcia  
You'd have to travel for days.  
...so hop in your car, see ya!

She sings and she chimes  
with energy so bright  
And Mrs. Cindy Handford  
Puts the spice into Game Night

And with her quite often is a man with such passion  
Whose appearance reflects his great sense of fashion  
One who leads our choir with such incredible spark  
I'm speaking, of course, of Handford, comma, Mark.

David Garcia has always helped  
with things both big and small  
He's a man of building and grounds  
And he responded to his call

And why would I say that our Bible Study is fun?  
Who, you might ask, is to blame?  
Well it's she whose sense of humor is second to none  
That's right, Irene Gaylord's her name.

Fiercely supportive of family and friends  
Offering good insight whenever we talk  
Words of support he always and readily lends  
The man, the myth, the legend: David Rock.

And she whose ministry is helping those who need  
more  
She who never hesitates to open her door  
Sits here among us with a heart that's so pure  
Lois Hanley does *God's* work, I am sure.

But there is another who looks out for others  
Who have lost sisters, brothers, fathers and mothers  
When their hour is dark and they don't have a plan  
Who can stand there with them? Bonnie Hilberer  
can.

And speaking of Hilberers, there's another I know  
A fellow who is certainly no average Joe  
You can count on him always, he's money in the  
bank  
C'mon, Presbyterians, I'm talkin bout Frank!

And that brings me to someone who never stops  
working  
Who would do anything for the church they are serv-  
ing  
Who thankfully helps us get everything done  
Who could this be? Leslie Holland's the one.

In this room there's a guy always smiling and jolly  
And this is not false and I say it's not folly  
Mr. Jennings brightens our days, he does by golly!  
No, I don't mean John, I'm speaking of Wally!

But I would never, oh, ever, give John Jennings short  
shrift  
Because, you see, John has a great gift  
Our services run smoothly and are organized, they are!  
Thanks in large part to our Usher Rock Star.

And then there's June Jennings, so talented is she  
One to whom God gave so much ability  
One in whom I am certain God has found extreme favor  
She has served so admirably Kirk of Our Savior

But what of the woman whose conscience is her guide  
She who is so beautiful inside  
If you've ever asked about her, I know I replied  
"Her name, dear friend, is Nancy Lee Pride."

And last but not least is a special woman God chose  
From whose heart devotion and endless love flows  
Her blue birds to us she always bestows  
We're so lucky to have Mrs. Margaret Rose.

And lucky for us there's a woman who's fun  
Who helps us at church to get our work done  
Her efforts in the office are second to none  
Carolyn Marnon, we thank you, for all that you've done!

...thank you, Kirk of Our Savior, for using your gifts and  
your talents to serve God while being uniquely you.

Pastor Mike





Friday, September 15

6:30 pm

Watch the weekly bulletin for more information.

## DON'T SWEAT THE SMALL STUFF

School is back in session and the need has returned for the elementary schools to have a supply of underwear, sweat pants and socks on hand for unexpected situations. The outreach/mission committee is seeking donations of girls and boys underwear, socks and sweatpants, sizes 6-12. Please place any donations in the container outside the sanctuary. The collection will continue through the end of October.



LUNCH BUNCH



## September 27

Join Classy Lassies and Grazers as they meet at 11:30am in the church lobby before going out to lunch.

All are invited! This means you! The men and women of the church meet on the last Wednesday of every month for fun and fellowship.

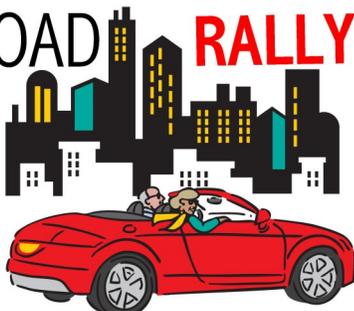
You are invited to come too! After meeting in the lounge, the groups each decide where they will go locally for lunch.

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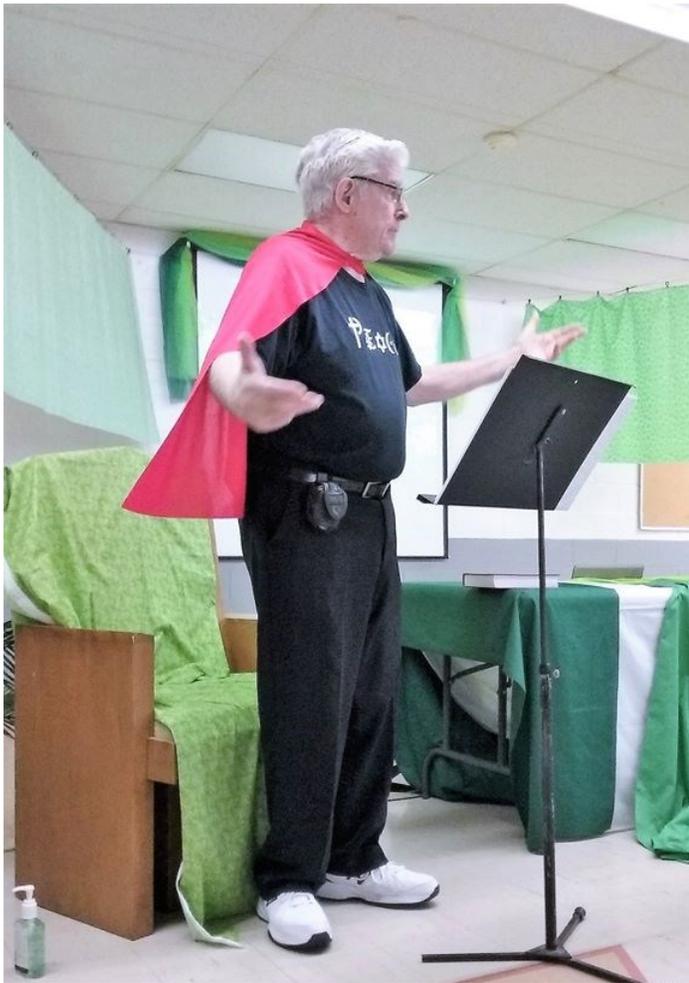


- 2 Madeline Carpenter
- 11 Mary Tedd
- 23 Sharon Garcia
- 26 Lois Hanley
- 30 Lynn King

## ROAD RALLY



The 2017 Road Rally will be Saturday, September 16. Registration begins at 5:45. All team members should be present at that time. Each person needs to present a driver's license, \$8 (\$2 of which will be donated to the Kirk with the remainder towards prizes) and 1 can of unexpired food. A Rally Kit will also be needed. The church office has a list of the items needed for the Kit. Come prepared to have fun and enjoy the evening!



Rev. Jerry Cobleigh asked “Are You a Conqueror Today?” when he filled in for Pastor Mike July 30. Do you love his red superman cape?



**WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

Madeline Carpenter (2018), Chairman and Elder

Bonnie Hilberer (2019) Elder

Irene Gaylord (2020) Deacon

**FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE**

Mark Gallaher, Chairman and Elder

Cindy Handford (2019) Deacon

Lynn King (2020) Deacon

**CHILDREN & YOUTH**

Dorothy Albright, (2020) Chairman and Elder

June Jennings (2018) Deacon

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Nancy Pride (2020), Elder

Lorraine Scott (2019) Deacon

Audrey Conner (2019) Deacon

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Patrick Frobe (2020) Elder

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## September 2017 Daily Lectionary

*These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press 1993). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.*

### **Friday, September 1**

Morning: Pss. 88; 148  
Evening: Pss. 6; 20  
1 Kings 5:1–6:1, 7  
Acts 28:1–16  
Mark 14:27–42

### **Saturday, September 2**

Morning: Pss. 122; 149  
Evening: Pss. 100; 63  
1 Kings 7:51–8:21  
Acts 28:17–31  
Mark 14:43–52

### **Sunday, September 3**

#### **13th Sunday after**

#### **Pentecost**

Morning: Pss. 108; 150  
Evening: Pss. 66; 23  
1 Kings 8:22–30 (31–40)  
1 Tim. 4:7b–16  
John 8:47–59

### **Monday, September 4**

Morning: Pss. 62; 145  
Evening: Pss. 73; 9  
2 Chron. 6:32–7:7  
James 2:1–13  
Mark 14:53–65

### **Tuesday, September 5**

Morning: Pss. 12; 146  
Evening: Pss. 36; 7  
1 Kings 8:65–9:9  
James 2:14–26  
Mark 14:66–72

### **Wednesday, September 6**

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 132; 134  
1 Kings 9:24–10:13  
James 3:1–12  
Mark 15:1–11

### **Thursday, September 7**

Morning: Pss. 116;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 26; 130  
1 Kings 11:1–13  
James 3:13–4:12  
Mark 15:12–21

### **Friday, September 8**

Morning: Pss. 84; 148  
Evening: Pss. 25; 40  
1 Kings 11:26–43  
James 4:13–5:6  
Mark 15:22–32

### **Saturday, September 9**

Morning: Pss. 63; 149  
Evening: Pss. 125; 90  
1 Kings 12:1–20  
James 5:7–20  
Mark 15:33–39

### **Sunday, September 10**

#### **14th Sunday after**

#### **Pentecost**

Morning: Pss. 103; 150  
Evening: Pss. 117; 139  
1 Kings 12:21–33  
Acts 4:18–31  
John 10:31–42

### **Monday, September 11**

Morning: Pss. 5; 145  
Evening: Pss. 82; 29  
1 Kings 13:1–10  
Phil. 1:1–11  
Mark 15:40–47

### **Tuesday, September 12**

Morning: Pss. 42; 146  
Evening: Pss. 102; 133  
1 Kings 16:23–34  
Phil. 1:12–30  
Mark 16:1–8 (9–20)

### **Wednesday, September 13**

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 1; 33  
1 Kings 17:1–24  
Phil. 2:1–11  
Matt. 2:1–12

### **Thursday, September 14**

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 16; 62  
1 Kings 18:1–19  
Phil. 2:12–30  
Matt. 2:13–23

### **Friday, September 15**

Morning: Pss. 51; 148  
Evening: Pss. 142; 65  
1 Kings 18:20–40  
Phil. 3:1–16  
Matt. 3:1–12

### **Saturday, September 16**

Morning: Pss. 104; 149  
Evening: Pss. 138; 98  
1 Kings 18:41–19:8  
Phil. 3:17–4:7  
Matt. 3:13–17

**Sunday, September 17**  
**15th Sunday after**

**Pentecost**

Morning: Pss. 19; 150  
Evening: Pss. 81; 113  
1 Kings 19:8–21  
Acts 5:34–42  
John 11:45–57

**Monday, September 18**

Morning: Pss. 135; 145  
Evening: Pss. 97; 112  
1 Kings 21:1–16  
1 Cor. 1:1–19  
Matt. 4:1–11

**Tuesday, September 19**

Morning: Pss. 123; 146  
Evening: Pss. 30; 86  
1 Kings 21:17–29  
1 Cor. 1:20–31  
Matt. 4:12–17

**Wednesday, September 20**

Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 48; 4  
1 Kings 22:1–28  
1 Cor. 2:1–13  
Matt. 4:18–25

**Thursday, September 21**

Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 80; 27  
1 Kings 22:29–45  
1 Cor. 2:14–3:15  
Matt. 5:1–10

**Friday, September 22**

Morning: Pss. 130; 148  
Evening: Pss. 32; 139  
2 Kings 1:2–17  
1 Cor. 3:16–23  
Matt. 5:11–16

**Saturday, September 23**

Morning: Pss. 56; 149  
Evening: Pss. 118; 111  
2 Kings 2:1–18  
1 Cor. 4:1–7  
Matt. 5:17–20

**Sunday, September 24**  
**16th Sunday after**

**Pentecost**

Morning: Pss. 67; 150  
Evening: Pss. 46; 93  
2 Kings 4:8–37  
Acts 9:10–31  
Luke 3:7–18

**Monday, September 25**

Morning: Pss. 57; 145  
Evening: Pss. 85; 47  
2 Kings 5:1–19  
1 Cor. 4:8–21  
Matt. 5:21–26

**Tuesday, September 26**

Morning: Pss. 54; 146  
Evening: Pss. 28; 99  
2 Kings 5:19–27  
1 Cor. 5:1–8  
Matt. 5:27–37

**Wednesday, September 27**

Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 125; 91  
2 Kings 6:1–23  
1 Cor. 5:9–6:11  
Matt. 5:38–48

**Thursday, September 28**

Morning: Pss. 143;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 81; 116  
2 Kings 9:1–16  
1 Cor. 6:12–20  
Matt. 6:1–6, 16–18

**Friday, September 29**

Morning: Pss. 88; 148  
Evening: Pss. 6; 20  
2 Kings 9:17–37  
1 Cor. 7:1–9  
Matt. 6:7–15

**Saturday, September 30**

Morning: Pss. 122; 149  
Evening: Pss. 100; 63  
2 Kings 11:1–20a  
1 Cor. 7:10–24  
Matt. 6:19–24

# KONNECTING with....

## Fred Kirk, Treasurer



One thing I love about the Kirk is the giving and commitment to mission by both the leaders and congregation.

I love the sound of a train. I grew up in a town where the railroad was the principal business.

I've been a member of the KIRK for 35 years.

If my life was a book, the title would be "Numbers and Baseball"

My hobbies and interests are travel, baseball, fantasy football, and helping Georgeen (somewhat) with the gardening.

One of my favorite quotes is: None. But I like Robert Frost's poem "The Road Not Taken."

I live in Wonderful Wayne.

I started coming to the KIRK because we were married here but returned after we had our two girls.

My favorite month is my birth month of April.

I have tried to serve God, the church and others through being an Elder, Treasurer, Stewardship Leader, and member of the Personnel Committee.

I knew God was working in my life when our daughter Kara was born without one hip socket and with the doctor's skills and God's help a socket was formed perfectly.

Name 3 things on your "bucket list"  
1. To visit every MLB stadium. By the time this is published I will be down to one left.  
2. White water rafting – Getting Late in Life for this Bucket  
3. Watch my grandson graduate from High School.

A story that my family always tell about me is: The time I locked my Mother in the basement when I was maybe 2 or 3. She coaxed my brother who was just old enough to walk to unlatch the door.

# September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7:45-9:30pm Alanon	2
<b>3</b> <b>Communion</b>  <b>10AM Worship in Fellowship Hall</b>	4 OFFICE CLOSED 7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group	5 7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus	6	7	8 7:45-9:30pm Alanon	9
<b>10</b> <b>10:30AM Worship in Sanctuary</b>  <b>Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers</b>  <b>Session Meeting</b>	11 7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group  6:30-8:30pm Hope for Healing Hearts	12 7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus	13	14	15 <b>6:30pm Corn Roast</b>  7:45-9:30pm Alanon	16 <b>5:45 pm Road Rally</b>
<b>17</b> <b>10:30AM Worship in Sanctuary</b> <b>Pulpit Supply: Rev. Renee Roederer</b>	18 7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group	19 7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus	20	21	22  7:45-9:30pm Alanon	23
<b>24</b> <b>10:30AM Worship in Sanctuary</b> <b>Pulpit Supply: Rev. Renee Roederer</b>  <b>Deacon Meeting</b>  <b>Deacon Bake Sale</b>	25 7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group  6:30-8:30pm Hope for Healing Hearts	26 <b>Presby Meeting</b>  7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus	27 <b>11:30am Classy Lassies and Grazers lunch</b>	28	29 7:45-9:30pm Alanon	30



**Financial Report as of 7/31/2017**

	<b>July</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b>Income</b>	10,919	73,728	67,486
<b>Expenses</b>	8,174	62,690	65,581
<b>Net Income or Loss</b>	2,745	11,038	1,905
<b>Liquid Assets*</b>	102,549	102,549	

\* equals the total for Kirk checking, savings, and mutual funds.  
Does not include Thank God 4 Christian Parents Fund.

The Kirk's net income for July offset the loss in June. Again, this month was helped by being a five collection month as well as a large gain in mutual funds of \$1,000. At this time of year we are well ahead of the 2017 budget.



***The mission of the Kirk of Our Savior is to glorify God, nurture new and existing relationships, and bear witness to our faith and divine calling through worship, service, stewardship and prayer.***

***It is the vision of this church to become a living example of God's love, called to show Christ to those within the church community by offering ourselves in service to those in need and inviting all to share in this vision.***