



## Financial Summary

### Financial Summary Jan-Nov 2023

*\*\*Excludes: Cub/Boy Scouts, Mission Campaign, Endowment and Musical Arts activity*

General Fund Only:	2023		
	Jan-Nov YTD		Act23-Bud23
	Budget	Actual	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,084,884</b>	<b>\$1,261,056</b>	<b>\$176,172</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>(\$1,114,194)</b>	<b>(\$1,151,606)</b>	<b>(\$37,412)</b>
Sub-total	(\$29,310)	\$109,450	\$138,760
Less Gain on Sale - Vicarage*		(167,385)	(167,385)
<b>Total Net Income</b>	<b>(\$29,310)</b>	<b>(\$57,935)</b>	<b>(\$28,625)</b>

\*Note: Vicarage sold for \$325,000. Realized Gain on Sale of Home is \$167,385.

Fulton Bank Commerical Loan Balances as of 11/30/23: \$836,117  
 Fixed Rate Balance \$836,117 (3.85% interest rate)  
 Variable Rate Balance: \$0 (8.00% interest rate)

### Key Notes to this Financial Report:

- Weekly Offerings through November are \$184,825 under budget.
- Year-to-date expenses are under budget by \$37,412; however, a portion of that is for budgeted benevolence commitments, not yet paid for 2023.
- Due to cash flow concerns, we are only submitting 80% of our local benevolence commitment to the Synod on a month-to-month basis.
- Finance Committee plans to pay all budgeted benevolence commitments in December 2023. Approximately \$34,113 as of 11/30/23.

Thank you to each and every one of you for your prayerful consideration of how you will support the ministry of St. Peter's through your own time, talent, and financial treasures. We appreciate your attendance at church and Sunday School, your engagement in our ministries inside and outside of our church walls, and your offerings of financial treasures that support our Budget for 2023.

Should you have any questions about the monthly financial report, feel free to contact the Church Treasurer, Sherry Moul, or the Parish Administrator, Paul Schultz, at [churchadmin@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:churchadmin@stpeterslutheran.org) or by calling or visiting the church office. We thank you for your generous donations to support the ministry of St. Peter's!

### Seasons Greetings to you:

As your activities start to ramp up in what has become a manic season of expansive decorations ... holiday music performances of every possible ilk ... baking and buying of sweets that probably match, in total, the sweets you will consume for the first eleven months of 2024 ... and more invitations and offerings of gatherings than there are days in the month. While Christmas is arguably the most important celebration in the Church, second to Easter ... in the world in which we live, there is no question that it is the most important marketing and partying season of our twelve month calendar. I pray that you enjoy as much as you can stand without collapsing and waking up with your face dunked in a bowl of wassail.

As you celebrate with friends and family and strengthen the ties you share with those you love, please also remember to celebrate and support your church family as well. Find ways to carve out time for worship and church seasonal activities. Please be generous, as all churches rely on strong and sacrificial giving to make up for gifts of our treasure that flag a bit in middle of the year. And give thanks for this child that lives and dies for us.

--See you in Church, PR

## Year-End Giving Options

We appreciate your continued financial stewardship to support St. Peter's mission to build a community of faith through God's grace. As 2023 comes to a close, we encourage you to consider gifts of all kinds, including cash (via check or electronic giving), securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds), or RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) which becomes a QCD (Qualified Charitable Distribution) when given to a nonprofit or church from your IRA, which remains the best way to give for those over 70.5. Remember, this is the only way to avoid taxes on Required Minimum Distributions. You can access electronic giving via [stpeterslutheran.org/give](http://stpeterslutheran.org/give), and you can send a check to the church at 10 Delp Road, Lancaster, PA 17601, postage date NLT 12/31/2023.

Our parish administrator, Paul Schultz, can support you in navigating securities and QCD transfers. You can contact him via email [churchadmin@stpeterslutheran.org](mailto:churchadmin@stpeterslutheran.org), church phone --717-569-9211, or via his cell phone 717-519-9710.

Thank you for your continued and generous support of the ministries of St. Peters!

## Worship for Dec. 24

**Traditional Advent  
Worship & Communion**  
9:30 a.m.

**Family Friendly  
Christmas Eve Service &  
Communion**  
3:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.

**Traditional Christmas Eve  
Service & Communion**  
7:30 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

*Livestream & Herald Choir at 7:30 p.m.*



EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

10 Delp Road  
Lancaster, PA 17601

## Upcoming Worship Assistant and Volunteer Schedule

### December 24

**9:30 a.m.** — **Lector:** Thompson McConnell;  
**Greeters:** Tom & Debbie Stover; **Ushers:**  
Jo Boltz & Cindy Miley; **Welcome Center:**  
Benjamin DeLeonardis; **A/V:** Tom Badorf;  
**Communion Assistants:** Kathleen Bailey &  
Greg Hand; **Altar Guild Coordinator:** Debbie  
Shue; **Altar Guild:** Jill Mowery.

**3:00 p.m.** — **Lector:** Becky Lutz; **Ushers:** TBD;  
**Welcome Center:** Sherry Weller; **A/V:** Dave  
Tilley; **Communion Assistants:** Dawn & Gary  
Troxell; **Altar Guild Coordinator:** Debbie  
Shue; **Altar Guild:** Debbie Shue.

**5:00 p.m.** — **Lector:** Nicolette Simon; **Ushers:**  
Tim Rothfus & Liz O'Briens; **Welcome Center:**  
Tom Rothfus & Liz O'Brien; **A/V:** Benjamin  
DeLeonardis; **Communion Assistants:** Bill  
Sassaman & Ginny Stickler; **Altar Guild  
Coordinator:** Debbie Shue; **Altar Guild:**  
Debbie Shue.

**7:30 p.m.** — **Lector:** Jennifer Schlener-  
Thomas; **Ushers:** Jo Boltz, Cindy Miley, Dave  
& Lis Wolf; **Welcome Center:** Darla & Mark  
Cardin; **A/V:** Bob Preston; **Communion  
Assistants:** Karen Peiffer & Eric May; **Altar  
Guild:** Debbie Shue.

**9:00 p.m.** — **Lector:** Stephanie Gerber;  
**Ushers:** Jo Boltz; **Welcome Center:** Phyllis  
& Bob Hollinger; **A/V:** Jordan Lambert;  
**Communion Assistants:** Paul Berkebile &  
Janet Roberts; **Altar Guild:** Debbie Shue.

### December 31

**9:30 a.m.** — **Lector:** Beth Glassford; **Greeters:**  
Stephen & Diane Gegg; **Ushers:** Mark &  
Angela Moshos; **Welcome Center:** Kathy  
Burke; **A/V:** Bill Schlener; **Communion  
Assistants:** Eric May & Judy Logan.

## Quick Notes

**HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS** — The office will be closed on Monday, December 25 and Tuesday, December 26. The week of Christmas, the office will have reduced hours Wednesday-Friday (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) and will also be closed on Monday, January 1.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE** — As New Year's Eve falls on a Sunday this year, St. Peter's will host one combined Traditional Worship Service of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 31 at 9:30 a.m.

**THANK YOU FROM MESSIAH COFFEE BAR** — Thank you so much to all who baked and donated items to the coffee bar for the Messiah. Your generosity and hospitality was displayed in so many ways to make this wonderful performance a special day for everyone!

**THANK YOU QUILTERS** — Thank you to all of the St. Peter's quilters who donated 22 quilts to Vantage House for Christmas! They were thrilled!!

**VANTAGE HOUSE THANK YOU** — Thank you to all who donated a huge amount of personal care items, baby items, toys, clothing and monetary donations to Vantage House. We were able to provide for 22 ladies and 8 babies for Christmas. Thank you for helping us serve this mission. They are extremely grateful for the support from St. Peter's! A special thank you to the ladies of WELCA who have taken this group under their wings and provided for them throughout the year!!

**THRIVE & GRIT** — On Friday, December 8, Boni Sauder and Heather Cramer went to the Ann Barshinger Cancer Institute to drop off our collection for Thrive & Grit. We were blessed to donate over 150 goodie bags for the patients going to the institute for treatment during the holidays. We also had a large number of "comfort bags" for newly diagnosed patients. Our preschoolers helped make note cards to include in some of the bags and they enjoyed dropping off their donations. Thank you to everyone from St. Peter's Church & St. Peter's Preschool for helping with this project! If anyone still has donations, please feel free to drop them off and we will get them to Thrive & Grit, or contact them directly; [thriveandgrit.org](http://thriveandgrit.org)

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** — January 7, come for an Epiphany party for all ages during Sunday school. At 6:00 p.m. that evening, join us for a Bingo fundraiser for the youth.