

MARCH 2022

Mid-South District LCMS



A Message from Rev. Dr. Roger Paavola, President

"Father, forgive them"

We get to celebrate as members of the family of Christ our Lord and coming King. During the next few weeks we will celebrate Ash Wednesday, Lenten Midweek service, and then Palm Sunday – the day when Israel welcomed her King... riding on a borrowed donkey. These days, we have no problems with that title: Christ the King. But, just ask the kids during what we hope is the end of this COVID-19 pandemic about what they think is a true representation, or picture of a king.

After a lot of grunts and groans, and a few, "Ah Mom..." we will probably hear those stereotypical answers: A king should be seen on a gigantic war horse, preferably a white horse, riding along amid crowds of admiring subjects, or gently riding through the lush countryside of his kingdom. He should be wearing a neatly fitting regal gown. His hair and beard should be all neatly trimmed. He would have a large, two handed sword on one side and a large shield with a fancy royal crest on the other. He should be wearing a golden jeweled crown on his head.

Yet that couldn't be any further from the truth about the portrait of Jesus, our glorious King. Oh, sure, there was the triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday when the people of Israel thought Jesus was about to become their king. But, it didn't take long for that to change... dramatically.

Then came Thursday when Jesus was arrested and put on trial. Then came Friday, when a wimpy Roman Governor knew he was condemning an innocent Man to death just to appease an angry, blood-thirsty crowd. Christ the King? Well, maybe not the way we'd picture it.

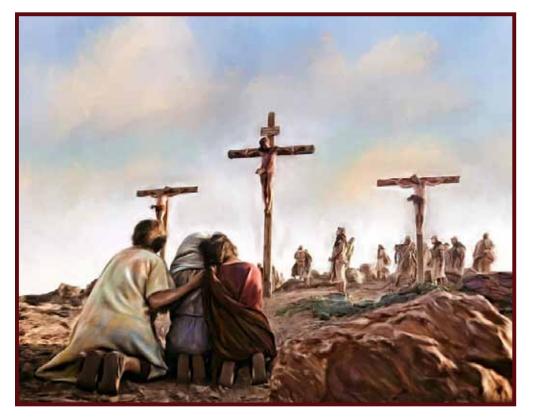
For starters, there was no horse. The joyous crowd from Palm Sunday had turned ugly. The celebratory, peaceful scene of a king riding through the countryside of His kingdom was nowhere in sight. The scene outside the walls of Jerusalem was almost like a desert. Christ the King was not wearing regal clothes. In fact, by late Friday morning, Jesus was nailed to a cross. He was beaten, bruised, and stripped in humiliating nakedness.

He had no sword on His side. But he did have a crown - a crown of thorns plunged into His sacred head from which the blood of God would flow. Instead of a shield with a royal crest, someone wrote a hand scrawled sign, saying, "The King of the Jews." Yet when He spoke, there were words of peace "Father, forgive and comfort, them, for they know not what they are doing." What is forgiveness? Why do we even need Christ's forgiveness? For us Christians, we know forgiveness gives us life and a freedom in a far higher sense than any political freedom. Martin Luther once said, "Where there is forgiveness of sins, there also is life."

Shortly before Jesus died on the cross He prayed, *"Father forgive them, for they know not what they do."* The Sunday before, the crowds welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem with shouts of *"Hosanna! Hosanna to Him who comes in the name of the Lord!"* People were praising Him. They thought Jesus was going to be that King who would finally get rid of the Romans and all of the other enemies of Israel, once and for all.

It was a bit like a Christmas celebration! You know... the way we celebrated in the excitement of welcoming Jesus, the newborn King. But, after the joyful celebrations of His arrival in Jerusalem, it didn't take long for the celebrations to come a complete halt. In fact, things turned completely upside down! Jesus didn't come to get rid of the Romans. He came to get rid of sin and death. Yet, the religious leaders were trying to figure out how to get rid of Jesus instead of welcoming Him. They were afraid the Romans would start eliminating leaders and take away the few freedoms they had left.

Soon they found a way. With no real evidence they handed Jesus over to be crucified as a traitor of Rome. Punished, beaten, and rejected, Jesus was turned over to be crucified. In His last hours before He died for you and me... and all people, He prayed, *"Father forgive them for they know not what they do."* Expressing His



wonderful, unconditional love, Jesus prayed for those who had actually rejected Him! He prayed for those who nailed Him to the cursed cross. He looked down from the cross on a scene that must have saddened Him. Roman soldiers were already gambling for His clothing. The two criminals on either side of Him reviled Him. The Pharisees were mocking Him. And the crowd was calling for His blood. Yet, surrounded by this kind of unholy mess, Jesus prayed, "Father, forgive them" - a prayer of unmatched mercy and unconditional love.

For one thing, His prayer fulfilled Isaiah's prophecy where it was written, "He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors." His prayer from the cross interceded for them all. He prayed, "Father, forgive them," because He put into practice what He taught in the Sermon on the Mount, when He said, "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

No other religion teaches prayer for the forgiveness of enemies. Instead, the world and world religions seek revenge. For over 2000 years, Christians have had to bear reproach and persecution with patience and pray that God would pardon those who injure them.

Christ's prayer was offered for those who put Him to death. Was it the Jews or the Roman soldiers? It could be both! The Romans didn't know what they did. They were carrying a command from the Roman governor. The Pharisees knew Jesus was innocent. If they had looked at the evidence, they would've seen that Jesus was the Messiah. But, they were afraid of what the Romans would do if they followed Jesus. They didn't know what judgments and calamities were eventually going to happen to them and their country. If they had realized the consequences, they wouldn't have crucified the Messiah.

St Paul wrote, "Had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory." But, ignorance doesn't excuse the crime. It doesn't diminish the quilt. They had the real evidence about Jesus! They might have known what they were doing and been held accountable. But Jesus showed divine compassion in His heart. Whatever caused their ignorance, Jesus implored God to forgive them. He even urged the heavenly Father to consider the reason... they didn't REALLY know what they were doing.

But, is this an excuse? Christ's words were spoken at a terrible moment when He was stretched out on a Cross. Nails were driven through His hands and feet. But, we must suppose that His prayer was uttered not only for the Roman soldiers, the Pharisees, and His executors, but for all of His enemies. "Father, forgive them," were the first of the seven words Jesus spoke from the Cross. It was His first prayer addressed to His loving Father. He prayed for His executioners. He prayed for penitent thief of the cross; He prayed for His Mother; He prayed in suffering agony, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani - "My God, why have YOU forsaken ME?"; He prayed for relief of His human thirst; and prayed, "Tetellestai, "It is finished." And, like perfect bookends of perfect prayer, He concluded His work for our salvation, saying, "Father, into Your hands I commend My Spirit."

"Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." His silence was broken. With these words, there was no condemnation, no anger, or a cry of anguish. His words were tender pity and intercession. It wasn't a prayer for Pilate; nor the chief priests and scribes; nor the soldiers who nailed Him to the cross. Christ's intercessory prayer was the ultimate extension of all who, in any measure, sin against God, because we know not what we do. His prayer is for us.

When we look at this simple verse, we have to take a long look at where Jesus was pointing while He was on the cross. He's pointing in both directions from the cross. He has wrapped the entire earth in His arms in prayer, pointing to those who nailed Him to the cross, to those who mocked Him, to those who beat Him, to those who spit on Him, and to you and me whose sins brought Him in humble mercy to be our Savior by His grace. Our sins are just as painful as the nails, just as sharp as the spear that pierced His sacred side. But it wasn't the nails that held Him to the cross. It was His love for you and me. Hear what Jesus prayed on your behalf, "Father... forgive them for they knew not what they were doing."

Even the greatest sinners, by Christ's intercession, may obtain full pardon for sin. God heard Jesus' prayer and still hears Him. We receive His forgiveness. We pray that this Lenten Season and Easter we may all rejoice that our Heavenly Father heard Jesus' prayer from the cross. To prove His acceptance of Christ's prayer, He raised Him from the dead in human flesh, for our justification and our guarantee of forgiveness and life everlasting in Christ Jesus. Because, where there is forgiveness of sins... there is also life everlasting, through Christ our Lord, our Savior, and our King.

Your servant in Christ + Rev. Dr. Roger Paavola

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Lord, thank you that on the cross you overcame all darkness, sin and death and are alive forevermore. Thank you that we are made alive in you and are eternally yours. So today we praise you for your endless goodness and provision. Please bless this beautiful food to us now in your precious name. Amen.

MID-SOUTH DISTRICT WELCOMES NEW MISSION EXECUTIVE

The Mid-South District is excited to announce the recent addition of a new staff member: **Rev. William (Bill) Zwick** was installed as Executive Director for Missions and Ministry during the District's Board of Directors meeting on February 8. Although new to the District staff, Rev. Zwick is no stranger to the Mid-South District, having previously served as pastor to the congregation of First Lutheran Church in Harrison, Arkansas. His journey to the Mid-South District, however, is an interesting one.

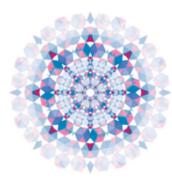


Rev. Zwick was born in Decatur, Indiana. He attended Valparaiso University in 1994. After working almost two years for a US Congressman, he attended and graduated from Valparaiso University School of Law in 1999. After 16 years as a either a deputy prosecutor or in private practice, Rev. Zwick traded the law for the Gospel enrolled at Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. He then came to this district to serve at First Lutheran Church in Harrison as a vicar in 2018-2019, and then was called as the sole pastor from 2019-2022. He then accepted the call to serve as the Mid-South District's Mission Executive.

Rev. Zwick has also served the church in various roles over the years as an elder, congregation president, and lay delegate to the 2011 Indiana District Convention as well as a lay delegate to the 2016 LCMS National Convention. He received training through Ambassadors of Reconciliation in 2016 to provide reconciliation coaching and mediation utilizing forgiveness and absolution. Rev. Zwick most recently served on the LCMS Board of International Missions from 2019 to 2022. Regarding this new role, Rev. Zwick expressed, "It is always a privilege to serve Christ's Church and His people as a pastor, and now it is especially humbling to serve the District as the Mission Executive. I am looking forward to supporting the congregations and pastors in the District in proclaiming the Gospel to those around us."

Along with Rev. Zwick, a gracious welcome is extended to his wonderful family. He is married to Kyeong-eun ("Carrie") Zwick who was born in Seoul, South Korea. She graduated in 1995 from Ehwa Women's University in Seoul, South Korea, with a degree in vocal performance, and then received her master's degree in vocal performance from Butler University in Indianapolis. Carrie has taught piano or voice lessons to children for over 20 years. Rev. Zwick is quick to note that he married the true talent! They have two children, Mi-ree (17) and Will (15), who are presently home schooled through Wittenberg Academy.

The Mid-South District is very pleased to welcome Rev. Zwick to the staff and his family to the Memphis community. Rev. Zwick is eager to begin connecting with ministries and workers in his new District role—and the District will surely be blessed by the unique perspective his life experience will bring to its ministry!



A GREAT GRANT OPPORTUNITY FOR LUTHERAN SCHOOLS FROM LCEF

Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) is proud to announce that the 2022 Kaleidoscope Fund grant process is now open! The Kaleidoscope Fund was established several years ago by LCEF as a way to provide grants to ministries that have creative visions backed by solid plans for projects that help impact our world for Christ. This year's grants will be awarded exclusively to Lutheran K-8 schools with a focus on four categories: Faculty Well-

ness, Curriculum Development, Technology and Student Engagement/Outreach. Funds will be granted in amounts between \$10,000 and \$40,000. If your congregation has a K-8 education ministry, be sure to share news about LCEF's Kaleidoscope Fund with your leadership.

VISIT <u>lcef.org/kaleidoscope/</u> TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE KALEIDOSCOPE FUND AND GRANT OPPORTUNITY



YOUTH MINISTRY GROWING @ CTK

The Youth Ministry at Christ the King, Memphis, has taken off with renewed vigor under the direction of Kara Harbin, assisted by Jeanette Novy. The 6th-12th graders meet every Sunday afternoon for games and events. As Ms. Harbin states, "We are middle-school oriented but we have a wonderful group of high-schoolers who are super close." Parents are welcome at events which have included a fall bonfire and a middle school lock-in, and service events such as making goodie bags for Room in the Inn and offering childcare for elementary students. Ten students are scheduled to attend NYG this summer. The Spirit is definitely on the move through Christ the King's Youth!

— Genie Swan Coordinator, Community Relations







"We dedicate this Little Free Bookstore to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and ask the Lord to bless it and use it to reach people with the Word of God who need His love, truth, and mercy," stated Pastor Bacic, as he dedicated the Little Free Bookstore in front of our church office facing the street. The Little Free Bookstore contains Bibles, Lutheran Hour's "What Lutherans Believe" Pamphlets and other Christian works that are available to the public at no charge. This project is another way to reach out to the community for Christ from our church.

— Nate Brandes Evangelism Board First Lutheran, Little Rock, Ar

GROUNDBREAKING



January 29, 2022 First Lutheran's 'Little Free Bookstore'. L to R: Former Pastor Reverend Steve Teske, Board of Evangelism Chairman, Mark Peterson, and Pastor Ron Bacic.



Rev. Michael Edwards

The Rite of Installation was held on Sunday, January 30, 2022 for the Rev. Michael Edwards at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Cabot, Arkansas. Joining in the Rite were (L-R) Rev. David Vandercook, Circuit Visitor, President Roger Paavola, Rev. Michael Edwards, Rev. Kevin Conger, Regional Vice-President, and Rev. David Witte, vacancy pastor for Our Savior Lutheran Church.

Welcome to the Mid-South District

Rev. Mark Bushuiakovish

The Rite of Installation for Pastoral Ministry was held on Sunday, February 6, 2022, for Rev. Mark Bushuiakovish as Associate Pastor for Our Savior Lutheran Church, Nashville, TN. Picture are: (Front L-R) Emeritus President David Callies, President Roger Paavola, Rev. Mark Bushuiakovish, Rev. Lane Reuter, Senior Pastor, Our Savior Lutheran Church, and Rev. Ken Shaw, Circuit Visitor. Back (L-R) Rev. Charles Buckhahn, Emeritus; Rev. Tracey Nelson, Our Savior Lutheran Church; Rev. Greg Bauch, Ascension Lutheran Church, Madison; Rev. Gene Henke, Emeritus: Rev. Randv Sakach, Prince of Peace Lutheran, White House; Rev. Steve Heilmann, Emeritus; Rev. Rich Elseroad, Grace Lutheran Church, Knoxville.



STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

District Now Accepting Applications — Apply Now

support the education То efforts of individuals pursuing a full-time career in church work, the Mid-South District is pleased to once again offer opportunities for student financial aid. To be considered for financial assistance, a student must be a member in good standing in a Mid-South District congregation and be enrolled in a seminary or university to prepare for full-time service to the Church as a rostered worker. Rostered workers are pastors, teachers, deaconesses and Directors of Christian Education.

To be considered for the student financial assistance program, you must first inform the Mid-South District Office that you are or will



be a student enrolled at a synodical school.

All related forms, including the financial aid application, are listed below. **The application deadline is June 15, 2022.**

This information may be sent via email to Julie Tyler or by regular mail to: Mid-South District LCMS / 1675 Wynne Road / Cordova, TN 38016. Forms can be found on the <u>District website here</u>.

Grace Lutheran is Hosting Seminary Extension Class

Grace, Little Rock will be hosting a seminary extension class from June 8-10th. They will be welcoming the Prof. Scott Steigemeyer from Concordia University in Irvine and the topic is "What It Means to be Human". Registration is open now.

Grace will be able to help with lodging, meals or other costs involved for attendees, but on a limited basis. A detailed introduction to the speaker and course is included <u>here</u>.



For **more information** contact Rev. Kent Schaaf at 501-663-3631 or

kent.schaaf@glclr.org

2022 Tanzania Mission Trip

We are making plans for a team from the Mid-South District to return to Tanzania, Africa in May of 2022. To communicate to the people of Tanzania the life-changing power of Jesus Christ in a practical and understanding way; to develop them into responsible, productive, successful Christians, and equip them for their ministry in the church and world.

The team will be accompanied by local ministers and lay persons who will act as translators. We will be using simple techniques such as: an Evangecube or Bible story telling. So, if you can share a 4th-grade level Sunday school lesson in your own words, **you are qualified!** Please contact, Bob Allen for more information 270-535-7370 or <u>rjallen@</u> <u>prodigy.net</u>

TRINITY HOPE DOING THE WORK IN TOUGH TIMES

For the past two years, things in Haiti have become more and more dire. We have frequently been asked if we are able to continue our work in the feeding programs. **The answer is YES!**

Though our mission trips have been canceled and we have been unable to visit Haiti ourselves, the infrastructure we have developed with our team of local Haitians ensures that the 52,000 children we feed each school day will continue to receive their noon meal.

At Trinity HOPE, the day-to-day work in Haiti is carried out by native Haitians. Because of this, our mission work never ends.

32 Haitian feeding Our program directors serve an average of 8 schools each in the 13 districts throughout Haiti. These directors are native to the areas they serve, which minimizes travel constraints. They source from food Haitian vendors located in their district, and they visit each school twice a month to supervise implementation of the feeding program.

Not only has the infrastructure allowed the work to continue, but praise be to God, over the past 18 months, the work has grown tremendously! We have added over 100 feeding programs, doubled our Haitian staff, and added an additional 4 million meals per year to the programs we had in place.

Despite earthquakes, political unrest, and the pandemic, God continues to move and do work in Haiti through Trinity HOPE.





A donation of \$50 will feed 1 child for an entire school year.

All Donations made before March 15th will be Matched

Feed Another 1,000

Though the work has continued to grow in Haiti, we still have over 20,000 children on our waiting list who are HOPING a new feeding program will come to their school. We have been challenged to <u>add another 1,000 children to</u> the feeding program.

We have kicked off our "Feed 1,000 Children" campaign, and all donations made toward this campaign before March 15th will be matched!

Through this campaign, we are adding a new feeding program to a very large school in the Cap Haitian district. Union Chretienne Ouanaminthe is in northern Haiti near the Dominican Republic. There are 1,060 children attending this school each day, and they are in great need of these meals. Your \$50 donation would bless one of these children for an entire school year.

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You can donate online at www.trinityHOPE.org/feed-1000-donate or mail checks to 2024 Hunters Place, Mt. Juiet, TN 37122. (Write "Feed 1,000" in the memo line.)

PRAYER SUMMARY, FEBRUARY 2022

Following is a list of all the people that have appeared on the Mid-South District website prayer list www.mid-southlcms.com during the month of February 2022.

PRAYER CONCERNS

MRS. SUSANNE ELSEROAD (wife of Rev. Richard Elseroad, Grace Lutheran Church, Knoxville, TN) KNOX (3 year old son to the cousin of Sabrina Gunderson, Early Childhood Director, Crossville, TN) REV. RONALD HALAMKA (Waxahachie, TX) MRS. ALISON HAWKINS (Mid-South District Office) REV. DONLEY HESSE (Emeritus, Mena, AR) REV. CHAD PHILIPP (Pastor, St. Luke Lutheran & St. Paul Lutheran, DeWitt/Gillett, AR)

REV. GIL PINGEL (Emeritus, Chattanooga, TN)

REV. JOSEPH RANDRIANASOLO; the city of Fianarantsoa (Madagascar) and **LIME** as they deal with the devastating floods from nonstop rain in the area followed by a cyclone.

MR. CHARLES TAYLOR (husband to Pat Taylor, Church Administrator, Our Savior Cabot, AR)

MR. MARC HIGGINS (Treasurer, Mid-South District Board of Directors) Maumelle, AR

We lift up in prayer all those assisting in the rebuilding efforts from the devastating December tornadoes in Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky; especially lifting up Ms. Jan Simko, District Disaster Relief Coordinator and Rev. David Appold of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Paducah, KY.

Our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Mr. Del Eyler, (father of Mrs. Shannon Ondracka, the wife of Rev. William Ondracka, Christus Victor Lutheran Church, Knoxville, TN) who recently passed away.

CALL UPDATE IN THE CALLING PROCESS – CONGREGATIONS ORDAINED MINISTERS

ACCEPTED:

Rev. Mark Bushuiakovish, Associate Pastor to Christ the King Lutheran Church, Southgate, MI has accepted the Call to serve as Associate Pastor to Our Savior Lutheran Church, Nashville, TN. Installation was February 6, 2022.

Rev. William Zwick, Pastor to First Lutheran Church, Harrison, AR, accepted the Call to serve as Executive Director of Missions & Ministry to the Mid-South District Office, Cordova, TN. Installation was February 8, 2022.

Rev. John Gierke, Candidate, Conway, AR (Vacancy Pastor to St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Conway, AR) accepted the Call to serve as Pastor to St. Paul Lutheran Church, West Point, NE.

PENDING:

Rev. Gerald Heinecke, Pastor to Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Buffalo, Wyoming, has been issued a Call to serve as Pastor to the dual parish of Hope Lutheran Church, Batesville & Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Waldenburg, AR.

Rev. Kory Janneke, Pastor to St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Warren, WI has been issued a Call to serve as Pastor to St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Conway, AR.

Rev. Andrew Smith, Pastor to Heavenly Host Lutheran Church, Cookeville, TN, has been issued a Call to serve as Pastor to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Wildwood, MO.

COMMISSIONED MINISTERS PENDING:

Miss Jennifer Lutz of Immanuel Lutheran Church / Martin Luther School in Joplin, MO has been issued a Call to serve as 3rd Grade Teacher to First Lutheran School, Fort Smith, AR.

Mr. Lucas Gerlach of Good Shepherd Lutheran in Watertown, WI has been issued a Call to serve as 4th Grade Teacher to First Lutheran School, Fort Smith, AR.

Mrs. Michelle Gerlach of Good Shepherd Lutheran in Watertown, WI has been issued a Call to service as Director of Early Childhood Education and Family Life to First Lutheran Church & School, Fort Smith, AR.

VACANT CONGREGATIONS & MINISTRIES

Hope Lutheran Church, Batesville, AR & Zion Lutheran Church, Waldenburg, AR – Pastor **

First Lutheran Church, Blytheville, AR – Pastor

Peace Lutheran Church, Conway, AR - Pastor

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Conway, AR – Pastor **

Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbia, TN – Pastor

**Calls have been issued

IN THE CALLING PROCESS-COMMISSIONED MINISTERS

Avilla Christian Academy, Alexander, AR – Principal

Christ the King Lutheran School, Memphis, TN – Teachers (Pre-K; 1st grade and P.E./Athletics)

Christ Lutheran Church & School, Little Rock, AR – Director of Christian Education

COMMISSIONED MINISTERS continued

First Lutheran School, Fort Smith, AR – Teachers for 3rd and 4th grades **

First Lutheran School, Knoxville, TN – Part-Time Teacher (Early Childhood)

Grace Lutheran Early Childhood Development Center, Little Rock, AR - Early Childhood Teachers and Aides

Heavenly Host Lutheran School, Cookeville, TN – Principal

Holy Trinity Lutheran School, Bowling Green, KY – Teachers (Preschool) and Classroom Aides

Immanuel Lutheran School, Memphis, TN – Kindergarten and Middle School Teachers

St. John's Lutheran School, Stuttgart, AR – Teachers (Early Childhood and Extended Care)

Zion Lutheran Church of Avilla, Alexander, AR – Director of Parish Music

**Calls have been issued



CONGREGATIONAL MISSION COMMITMENTS

Mission Commitment Receipts as of 1/31/2022 (1 Month)

Anticipated Amount (8.3% of		
budget)	\$126,491	
Actual Receipts	<u>73,876</u>	
Over (under) anticipated		
amount	(\$52,615)	

Use of Mission Commitment Receipts (1 Month)

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Allocated to Synod for W	orld	
Missions	\$20,079	
Allocated to Tanzania	2,083	
Retained for District		
Mission/Ministry Support		
(70% of receipts)	<u>51,713</u>	
Total Receipts	\$73,876	

Mission Commitment Receipts Prior Year Comparison (1 Month)

Actual Receipts as	
of 1/31/2022	\$73,876
Actual Receipts as	
of 1/31/2021	<u>\$81,952</u>
Over (under) prior	
year receipts	(\$8,076)



Encourager Topics in 2022

We invite you to share your stories with us please email stories by 20th to Rhonda, webmaster@mid-southlcms. com. Here's a look at the upcoming topics for 2022

- April Volunteers
- May Small Town & Rural Ministry
- June Leadership
- July Veterans
- August Stewardship
- September Church Planting
- October Celebrating Lutheran Heritage
- November Thankfulness
- December Highlights 2022

Lutheran Witness Supplement

The monthly deadline is the 15th. Please email your original high resolution digital photo (.pdf or .jpg files only) and a short paragraph, to The Lutheran Witness Supplement editor, Judy Otto.

Email: <u>LW@mid-southlcms.com</u> phone: 662-252-1004. Judy will always acknowledge receipt of your submission if it is sent directly to her.

Mid-South District, Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

Share your news with us!

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