Finance Team

Our program year at Salem has just begun. This usually marks a time when the summer giving doldrums are behind us. Gratefully, we acknowledge the special gifts that were received last month during and following our Festival Sunday, which helped us to catch up from the shortfalls from the first half of the year.

Now, we need to maintain the momentum. The program season means increased payroll expenses, along with special needs that can arise.

I've commented in the past that our baseline for weekly gifts should target $5,000. That would be ideal, but we've been working to reduce expenses and so a range of $4,000 to $5,000 would be okay.

Our last five weeks' General Fund gifts have averaged $ 3,506.05. We have Conference (insurance) expenses still due for June, July, and August and our gifts have been able to cover daily operational expenses, but not more.

The monthly rent that we have been receiving from the Plymouth School District is being used to pay down our line of credit, with 10% of the monthly income going toward benevolences.

The good news is that if everyone pitches in a little more, it can make a big difference.

Please prayerfully consider the blessings that we receive, everyday. Then, please consider your weekly, sustaining giving to Salem.

Thank you for all your generosity of spirit.

Mary Mullen - Treasurer

THE UPPER ROOM

The September/October issue of the daily devotional "The Upper Room" is available in the Literature Rack.



THESE DAYS

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FROM SALEM'S LAKELAND AMBASSADOR:

10.08.19 **Mission House Lecture: "Beating Guns: Hope for People Who are Weary of Violence"**
11:00 a.m. in the Bradley Theatre, Lakeland University

10.12.19 **Homecoming**
Lakeland University

10.20.19 **Fall Choir Concert**
3 p.m. in the Bradley Theatre, Lakeland University

10.22.19 **Jazz & Symphonic Band Concert "Fall Spooktacular!"**
7:30 p.m. in the Bradley Theatre, Lakeland University

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