



# HOLY ASCENSION

## ORTHODOX CHURCH

3350 12th Ave NE  
Norman, OK 73071  
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Annual Parish Meeting • November 10, 2019

### AGENDA

- 1) Opening Prayer – Fr. Jeremy
- 2) Approval of the Minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting
- 3) Pastoral Report – Fr. Jeremy
- 4) Chairman's Report - Shawn Ashley
- 5) Treasurer's Report – Greg Waters
- 6) Committee Reports
- 7) Election of Parish Council Member
- 8) Announcement of Fr. Jeremy's Appointment to the Parish Council

#### Old Business

#### New Business

Approval of the 2019-20 Budget

Any other business from the floor

#### Adjournment

**Holy Ascension Orthodox Christian Church**  
**Annual Parish Meeting**  
**Sunday, November 11, 2018**

**Call to Order**

Fr. Jeremy Davis called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. After opening prayer, he requested Shawn Ashley to preside over the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes**

Shawn asked for the parish to read and approve minutes from the 2017 Annual Meeting. Tom Miller made the motion to approve the minutes, without further discussion. Ed Adwon seconded the motion, which was approved.

**Pastoral Report**

Fr. Jeremy shared that we continue to experience growth, both numerically (approximately 100 members, 50 children, 32 catechumens) and in terms of our ministry. This is facilitated by the committee work as established by the Parish Council and managed by Jeannine Crouch, Parish Council Vice-President. The growth in numbers and participation is encouraging, as members are taking the initiative to create programs, ministries, and events (including the spring 2018 Lazarus Saturday children's event and the upcoming St. Nicholas day celebration). We are also growing our long-term view, through strategic planning efforts, led by Tom Miller. Together, we are defining who we are as a parish and mapping out a plan for the next 10 years. Thanks were given to all for diligent work and financial gifts to the parish. All efforts and giving are necessary and appreciated.

**Chair's Report**

Shawn acknowledged the growth of the parish and the welcoming atmosphere, as we strive to meet and greet each other with the love of Christ. As a parish, we are intentionally reaching out to our collegians and also to visitors. Because of our growth this year, the Parish Council has spent much of the year working on ways to expanding the usage of our facility, to meet the growing needs of the parish. Examples of these efforts are evident. We adopted a parish logo. We purchased outside benches to allow additional space for fellowship. We developed and we are utilizing a new membership form, in which we are seeking how every individual wants to give their time and talents to the parish. Many thanks for all efforts. As we are collectively determining what lies ahead for our parish, focus groups will soon be developed. Every member of our parish will be asked to join at least one group. Thank you to Fr. Jeremy for all that he does in the community and for each of us individually, every single day. Thank you for caring for our spiritual needs. In two months we will

celebrate 10 years since construction of this church began on this spot (January 25, 2009). Today, we continue that building process. We are building and growing our relationship with God and with each other. All of this happens with the investment of each individual.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Greg Waters gave the financial report. We are growing through a financially difficult time. We are coming closer to a break-even point. We still have a way to go, but we are getting there, through our growth. We expected \$120,000 last year; we collected \$137,000.

The proposed budget for next year is basically the same as this year.

Archdiocese dues are coming, and the assessment to the archdiocese is increasing, due to our increased membership.

Our proposed budget for next year is \$162,200; we are averaging \$11,500/month in giving. To get to this goal, we need about \$13,500/month.

Due to the way that our Archdiocesan assessment is calculated, it is more financially helpful to the church to provide in-kind gifts than to give directly to the church. Please keep that in mind when you consider special gifting to the parish.

Our financial goal is to break even next year. As we consider our 2019 pledges, let's work together towards that goal.

Greg offered some details of a few specific accounts of interest. We have a Benevolence account to be used for outreach and support. We have \$1,300 for coffee hour; \$413 for icons; and we have \$48,000 remaining in the Joseph Asper fund. (This fund started at \$100,000. We need to stop pulling from this source as soon as economically possible, as its intent is to provide funds for children to attend camps.)

This year, \$40,000 came in for the building fund, which brought down our mortgage balance and did not count towards our assessment.

Shawn asked for a vote to approve the budget. Ed Adwon made a motion to approve the budget; Austin Valentine seconded the motion, which passed.

### **Committee Reports**

Committee Reports were included in the agenda of this meeting.

## **Election and Appointment of Parish Council Members**

John Mark Dutt, Devin Siegmann, and Lukas Wilson were nominated by the Nominating Committee to fill a Parish Council seat for next year. Through ballot voting, Lukas was elected to the Parish Council for a 3-year term. Fr. Jeremy has appointed Devin Siegmann to serve a 3-year term.

## **Old Business**

There was no old business.

## **New Business**

Tom Miller shared an update with the Parish about our Strategic Planning process. Everyone received an email about a survey regarding interest in focus groups. The strategic plan will define who we are and where we are going. The mission, vision, and values have been drafted and will be voted on for approval. The mission defines who we are; the vision, where we are going; the values, what we value as a parish community. All were included in the notes for this meeting. We need input of everyone, and there is a tentative schedule for focus groups that will be coming out soon. All meetings will be under an hour. There will be continued flexibility and variation as we move forward with this process. After the focus groups meet, there will be a proposal offered for approval by the Parish Council, that, if approved, will receive the blessing of Bishop Basil, and will then serve as a guide for our parish moving forward.

## **Adjournment**

Shawn adjourned the meeting at 12:48 p.m., and Fr. Jeremy led the parish in closing prayer.



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Pastoral Report for the Annual Parish Meeting • November 10, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

During the past twelve months, we have seen strong growth in our parish community: spiritually, relationally, organizationally, numerically and financially. As a small parish, growth is our only option, and it is easy (at least for me) to focus on the further growth I'd like to see. But as I pause to prepare this report—reviewing how far we've come since last year's meeting—I am so grateful to God and to all of you for the giant leap forward Holy Ascension has taken in such a short time.

We have welcomed 21 new members through baptism and chrismation, and they have been grafted onto the ancient root of Orthodoxy both through their own diligent study and practice and through the mentoring of our more experienced members. Many of our longer-term members have also taken important steps forward in their life in Christ. And, week by week, we are being knitted more closely together as one body.

Together we are expanding the reach of our ministry in Norman. This would be impossible without our committees and volunteers, who have poured their hearts into their work. Last year, our parish's committee structure was still fairly new, but (as you will see below, in their reports) they are now the engines of creativity. I sincerely thank our Parish Council Vice Chair Jeannine Crouch (who coordinates the committees) and each of the committee chairs and members for all they do. Please read their reports.

Some workers fall outside the committee work, so I'd like to make sure they are mentioned. Our choir and chanters enrich our worship each and every week. This year, we brought on-board several new altar servers, who impress me with their commitment and desire to do things right. Kristen Fitzgibbon and Michael Powers are now leading OCF discussions on Tuesday nights. And the list could go on. Thank you all!

Finally, we all owe a debt of thanks to our Parish Council Chairman Shawn Ashley, especially since he is retiring from the council at the end of this year. Shawn's calm and caring leadership has bridged a difficult transition from one pastor to another. He has been a support and advisor to me, truly in every way. We thank him for all he has done in this role. He will, of course, continue to serve the church in many other capacities. It's just who he is!

I look forward to worshiping, learning, praying and working with you all in the coming year.

With love in Christ,

Archimandrite Jeremy (Davis), Pastor • 405.625.0675 • [frjeremydavis@gmail.com](mailto:frjeremydavis@gmail.com)

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## **Chairman's Report**

Shawn Ashley

Each year when I sit down to write my report, I try to remember all the important things that happened. I look over the Parish Council minutes and try to find those things we may not have shared with you. But I think you know everything that has taken place and is occurring.

After all, it is all around you. Some of those among us were not here last year. They have joined our community as inquirers and we welcome them. Among us are a number of catechumens who are learning the faith and will, God willing, one day be full members of this community. The person sitting beside some of you was baptized and/or Chrismated in the past year, making them full members of our community. Holy Ascension continues to grow through your faith, prayers and efforts.

Nowhere is that perhaps more pronounced than in Adwon Hall. On any given Sunday, practically every seat can be filled during coffee hour. Earlier in the day, the hall serves as three classrooms for our Sunday School program that has grown to five classrooms. It is also evident in the church itself, which can be near capacity at Pascha and Nativity and is filled nicely on Sundays.

These are good challenges to have. To address them in the years to come, we began a strategic planning process in 2018. As you may recall, we all were surveyed about our areas of interest in the future of Holy Ascension, and we were given an opportunity to participate in focus groups to discuss those areas of interest. Thank you to all who are working with the Strategic Planning Committee and those who participated in those focus groups. It was eye-opening for me, and I believe for the Parish Council and even perhaps Fr. Jeremy, to see the results of those focus groups. Now plans are being developed to serve the future needs of this community based on that input.

Before we can begin to address our future needs, we must deal with our present ones. You have heard Greg Waters' treasurer's report and know where we stand financially. At the beginning of the year Fr. Jeremy offered, with the blessing of His Grace Bp. Basil, and the Parish Council reluctantly agreed to reduce his salary until contributions reached the appropriate level. That was accomplished and his salary was returned to its earlier level, but the budget remains tight.

In your packet are the committee reports for the past year. So many of you continue to serve on committees to address the various needs of our community. If it were not for our committees, we likely would not have our Lazarus Saturday Festival, decorations for important feast days, Sunday School, coffee hour each Sunday and support for our Orthodox Christian Fellowship students, among other things. On behalf of the Parish Council, I say, "Thank you!" As we grow in numbers, so, too, do our various needs and it

is through the committees that we are able to address many of those. As you look over those reports and if you are so inclined, I encourage you to volunteer on one of the committees. And to those already who volunteer, I say again, “Thank you for your time and your talents.”

My report cannot be complete without thanking Fr. Jeremy for all the work he does. As I said last year, one way to see his commitment to this community and its well being is simply to look at the weekly bulletin. In addition to services six days most weeks, he guides the Women’s Bible Study, Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) for our college student, among other things. For most of us, he is our confessor. Then, there are the individual meetings he has with many to address major life events, such as illnesses, marriages, births and deaths, or to attend to our spiritual challenges and growth. Thank you, Fr. Jeremy, for all that you do.

My report also would be incomplete if I did not thank those who served on the Parish Council this year: Jeannine Crouch, Lukas Wilson, Greg Waters, Katy Powers and Devin Siegmann. There are not words to describe their dedication to Holy Ascension, its community and the community at-large. Thank you for all you have done.

Holy Ascension will celebrate its tenth year in this temple next year. We have come far but we have further to go. As I have said before: None of this would be possible without each one of you – your time, your financial support, and most importantly, your prayers. It has again been my honor to serve as your parish council chair.

# Holy Ascension Orthodox Christian Church

## Balance Sheet

As of October 31, 2019

	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Benevolence Account	971.64
Building Fund	1,863.98
Coffee Hour Fund	315.93
Joseph Asper Memorial Fund	40,506.50
Operating Account	7,117.58
Children's Enrichment Account	215.00
Icon Fund	416.32
OCF Fund	565.90
Total Operating Account	<b>\$ 8,314.80</b>
PayPal	1,496.62
Republic Checking Account	0.00
Sidewalk Bond - CD - Valliance	6,984.64
Total Bank Accounts	<b>\$ 60,454.11</b>
Other Current Assets	
Undeposited Funds	0.00
Total Other Current Assets	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
Total Current Assets	<b>\$ 60,454.11</b>
Fixed Assets	
Building	1,500,000.00
Total Fixed Assets	<b>\$ 1,500,000.00</b>
Other Assets	
Bookstore Loan	1,500.00
Total Other Assets	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,561,954.11</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Building Loan	278,902.50
Payroll Liabilities	0.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	<b>\$ 278,902.50</b>
Total Current Liabilities	<b>\$ 278,902.50</b>
Total Liabilities	<b>\$ 278,902.50</b>
Equity	
Building Equity	1,221,097.50
Opening Bal Equity	114,499.78
Retained Earnings	-47,809.75
Net Income	-4,735.92
Total Equity	<b>\$ 1,283,051.61</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 1,561,954.11</b>



# Holy Ascension Orthodox Christian Church

## Profit and Loss

November 2018 - October 2019

	Total
<b>Income</b>	
Coffee Hour Donations	500.00
Directed Donations	19,942.36
General Donations	153,835.11
Investment Interest	449.95
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 174,727.42</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$ 174,727.42</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Archdiocese Annual Trays	750.00
Archdiocese Assessment	10,796.46
Bank Service Charges	208.26
PayPal Fees	563.28
<b>Total Bank Service Charges</b>	<b>\$ 771.54</b>
Bishop Visit Honorarium & Travel	858.75
Charitable Contributions	0.00
Diocese Pledge & Assessment	2,329.00
Food For Hungry People	175.61
Local Benevolence	2,861.98
NAC SOYO	140.00
OCF Outreach	1,745.18
<b>Total Charitable Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 7,251.77</b>
Children's Enrichment Expense	30.00
Church Taxes & Contributions	4,291.15
Clergy - Housing Expense	21,000.00
Clergy - Payroll (Net)	30,715.85
Clergy - Professional Expense	4,514.46
Clergy Life Insurance Expense	1,350.00
Clergy Taxes & Contributions	8,141.15
Coffee Hour Expense	1,365.31
Communications Expense	656.38
Conference Fees & Expenses	1,306.34
Insurance	0.00
Background Check	46.00
Liability Insurance	5,263.42
Work Comp Insurance	460.00
<b>Total Insurance</b>	<b>\$ 5,769.42</b>
Interest Expense	0.00
Mortgage	50,125.04
<b>Total Interest Expense</b>	<b>\$ 50,125.04</b>
Library Expense	36.00
Liturgical Supplies	1,796.04
Miscellaneous	200.00
Postage and Delivery	16.95
Professional Fees	0.00
Accounting	431.50
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>\$ 431.50</b>
Program Expense	421.42
Property Improvement	1,208.34
Property Maintenance	5,140.12
Church Cleaning	2,000.00
<b>Total Property Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 7,140.12</b>
Property Repair	2,325.42
Security Expense	665.12
Supplies	0.00
Education Supplies	413.00
General Supplies	1,081.79
Office	1,068.91
<b>Total Supplies</b>	<b>\$ 2,563.70</b>
Telephone	4,440.86
Utilities	0.00
Gas and Electric	5,523.65
Water	2,000.60
<b>Total Utilities</b>	<b>\$ 7,524.25</b>
Visiting Clergy	1,000.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 179,463.34</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>-\$ 4,735.92</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-\$ 4,735.92</b>

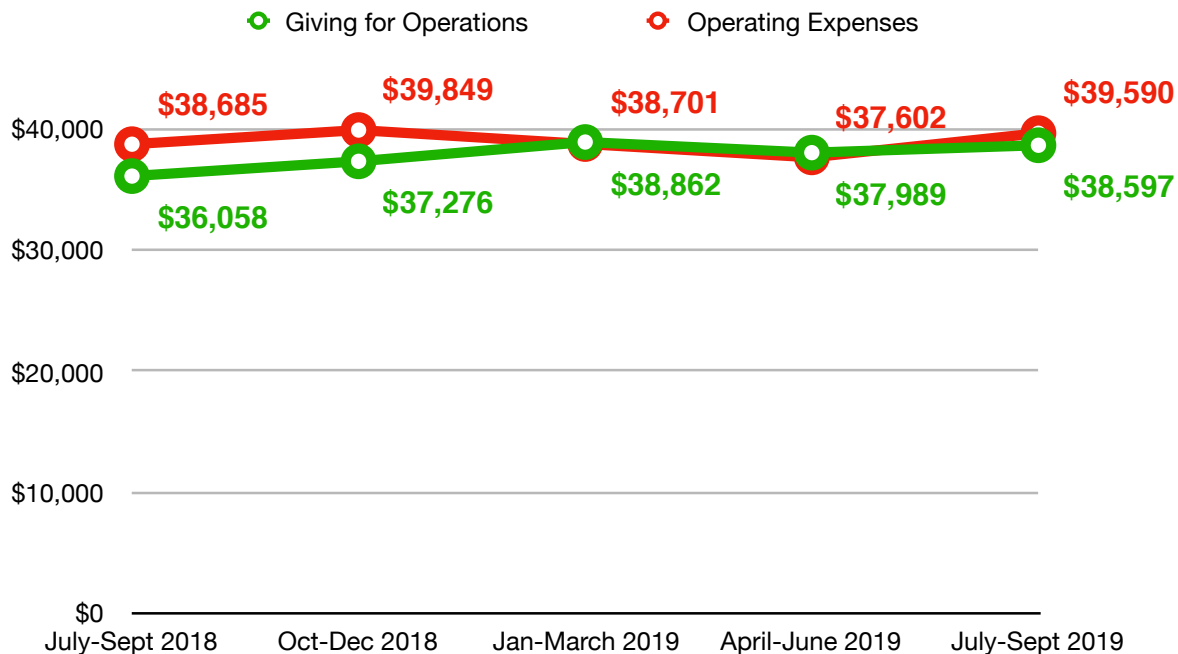
## Quarterly Financial Report - 3rd Quarter, 2019

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

We are continuing with our quarterly financial report, adding July-September 2019 (Please forgive the delay in reporting). We averaged \$12,866 in monthly revenue and \$13,197 in monthly expenses over the period. On the positive side, we experienced modest growth in revenue of \$200 per month; but on the negative side, our expenses increased \$660 per month, driven primarily by our new weekly cleaning service. I am going to report on our financial situation in greater detail this Sunday at the Annual Meeting, but in general, the parish continues to grow and develop. We have new pledging members coming in and we have had some pledging members leave, and achieving the last \$500 - \$800 of the monthly budget has been elusive. We experienced very good growth in last year's pledge drive and the hope and prayer for this year is that we can grow into that last bit and fully fund the budget in this new year.

Please review the financial information in the Annual Meeting Packet so we can have a good discussion on Sunday. Also, I am available if you have any specific questions or concerns you would like to discuss.

Yours in Christ,  
Greg Waters, Treasurer



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Accrual Basis

# Holy Ascension Bookstore

## Balance Sheet

As of October 31, 2019

	Oct 31, 19
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Petty Cash	40.00
Vbank - Book Store	
Books4Books Donations	6.81
Vbank - Book Store - Other	1,699.66
Total Vbank - Book Store	1,706.47
Total Checking/Savings	1,746.47
Total Current Assets	1,746.47
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,746.47</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	1,500.00
Unrestricted Net Assets	632.12
Net Income	-385.65
Total Equity	1,746.47
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>1,746.47</b>

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Accrual Basis

**Holy Ascension Bookstore**  
**Profit & Loss**  
November 2018 through October 2019

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	Nov '18 - Oct 19
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Merchandise Sales	4,051.53
Total Income	4,051.53
Gross Profit	4,051.53
Expense	
Bank Service Charges	6.17
Book Store Inventory	3,467.61
Bookstore Supplies	831.50
Church Library Inventory	131.90
Total Expense	4,437.18
Net Ordinary Income	-385.65
Net Income	<b>-385.65</b>

# Holy Ascension Orthodox Church

## Committee Descriptions and Chairs

### **Building and Maintenance: Lukas Wilson, Chair**

Description: Improvement, repair, and maintenance of the building and grounds (excepting landscape needs) of Holy Ascension Church

### **Children's Orthodox Enrichment and Fellowship: Whitney Watts, Chair**

Description: Our mission is to offer creative and engaging activities that enhance children's life in Christ.

### **Christian Education: Brandon Jones, Chair**

Description: Sunday School

### **Christian Service: Katy Powers, Chair**

Description: Provide Christian service opportunities in which parish members can participate to help the community of Norman and surrounding area; coordinate the inventory and maintain Holy Ascension's food pantry.

### **Communication/Social Media: Father Jeremy, Chair**

Description: Website, Facebook, Bulletins, e-Newsletters, e-Announcements, e-vites,

### **Hospitality: Iryna Porokhonko, Chair**

Description: planning and coordinating special dinners, events, and coffee hour

### **Landscaping: Michael Crenshaw, Chair**

Description: take care of the grounds (trees, lawn, outdoor flowers and garden)

### **Orthodox Christian Fellowship Booster: Anne and Leonard Schommer, Co-Chairs**

Description: Our purpose is to serve the Orthodox college students in Norman by offering meaningful Orthodox activities, prayer and relationships. We strive to keep the love and care of Christ before them through our parish life in hopes that they will continue to stay involved in the life of the Church.

# **2019 Annual Parish Meeting Committee Reports**

## **Building and Maintenance Committee**

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

This year the building and maintenance committee has done general upkeep around the church building such as: overseeing a roof repair after storm damage, installing a sunshade over the patio area, taking over the HVAC maintenance responsibilities, installing a keyed doorknob in the front classroom.

In the upcoming year, we have plans to repair the concrete in various spots around the parking lot, as well as tackling any issues that come up. Please inform me of any problems around the property so that we can take care of them.

Thanks so much!

Lukas Wilson

## **Children's Orthodox Enrichment and Fellowship Committee**

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This is the inaugural year of the Children's Orthodox and Enrichment and Fellowship Committee henceforth referred to as Children's Fellowship. It has been an exciting year full of fun and fellowship for all ages. Children's Fellowship kicked off with a Saint Nicholas Festival in December 2018. The festival included a charitable contribution of care packages for Sister BJ's homeless outreach. The children were able to prepare 250 packages for homeless men and women in Oklahoma City.

We also began hosting periodic pancake story-time sessions. During these events the children come to Adwon Hall on Saturday morning in their pajamas and listen to a story, eat a pancake breakfast together and do a craft. We have hosted several of these events with several different guest readers and crafts.

Children's Fellowship took over the planning of Lazarus Saturday Festival which is held yearly for the children on Lazarus Saturday. Parents and college students helped us with games including potato sack races, bouncy castle, cupcake walk, face painting, egg hunt etc. Over the summer we had two fun special events planned through our committee. These included a Father's Day movie night, a cook out at Father Jeremy's house. Movie night included popcorn and concessions, while our cookout included a fun walk to the neighborhood splashpad.

We concluded this year with a field trip to Orr Family Farm which the children absolutely loved. There we had a hay ride, bounced on giant balloons, ran through a corn maze, and had a delicious catered lunch. We look forward to the year ahead which includes a nativity play for the first time, Saint Nicholas and Lazarus Saturday festivals and so much more to come!

Sincerely,  
Whitney Watts, Chair

## **Christian Education Committee**

We have started Church School for the 2019-2020 School year. This year our teachers are, Lisa Woods teaching the 3-4 year olds, Craig Culwell teaching the 5-6 Year olds, Taylor Wilson teaching the 7-9 year olds, Brandon Jones teaching 10-12 year olds and Lukas Wilson teaching the teens. Sophie Powers, Anna Kakish and Whitney Watts, are also assisting the younger classes.

This year we also began implementing our new curriculum. This is a 4 year program that will cover the Old Testament, Gospels, Church History, and Major Feasts and liturgical year of the church over the 4 years. Associated with this is also a looking ahead and looking back section Father Jeremy has included in the newsletter weekly in order to help facilitate more family discussion and learning at home.

One new goal for the 2020 summer is exploring the possibility of a Vacation Church School at Holy Ascension. We look forward to scheduling and planning this in the near future.

Sincerely,  
Brandon Jones, Chairman



## **Christian Service Committee**

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Christian Service Committee sponsored Christmas gifts for 14 children during the 2018 Nativity fast. This was a partnership program, Holiday Wishes, coordinated by the Center for Children and Families. The children we sponsored are all served through CCFI.

During Lent, the committee provided an "Angel Tree" in support of Grace Home. Seven families selected items listed on the tree that were needed by the program to support Grace Home moms and babies. A total of \$750 was given in either checks or donations of items.

We initiated a ministry within our committee in which we provide specified, short-term home and/or yard assistance to people within our parish. This ministry has been utilized a couple of times this year.

We are in the process of reorganizing our food pantry for improved sustainability of inventory and service to our community.

Sincerely,  
Katy Powers, Chair

## **Communications Committee**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am now producing the weekly e-newsletter ("What's Up") and special parish emails. Please let me know if you would like any special announcements included. Also, I am maintaining our website and Facebook page. Please let me know if you have any suggestions.

Our committee began work earlier this year on redesigning the website. Lots of great ideas were generated by our discussions, drawing on several examples of websites from other churches. We adopted an outline for the new site. However, I have not been able to continue that project since taking on leadership of the committee. Hopefully we can reorganize the committee next year and return to this project.

In Christ,  
Fr Jeremy, interim chair

## **Hospitality Committee**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In the past year, Hospitality Committee organized special potlucks and coffee hours for St. Nicholas Festival, Christmas, Lazarus Saturday, Father Jeremy's anniversary, farewell to Miller family and Nativity of the Theotokos. We organized meal train for Buckenhofer and Webb families. We have made changes to coffee hour to offer light fare for Sundays and save full meal for special occasions. We're now planning our winter fundraiser.

With love in Christ,  
Iryna Porokhonko

### **Landscaping Committee**

We have held our own this year in regard to keeping up with church lawn care & flower beds. Now that the grass is dormant, Zack will do two applications of spraying to help control the growth of undesirable grasses/weeds. The applications will be 30 days apart.

As for 2020, the church will need to make arrangements to purchase its own lawn care equipment. I will submit a list of the pieces that I think we need & the cost of each piece. In addition, arrangements will need to be made as to where the proposed lawn equipment is going to be stored.

Respectfully,

Michael C. Crenshaw

### **OCF Booster Committee**

The OCF Booster committee has begun our new school calendar year programs. We had our kick off Welcome Dinner in late August which was well attended. At that time, we have the students fill out information cards and sign up, if they are interested, for our Prayer Partner Program. Towards the end of the first semester we will be sending out encouragement cards for finals week. In the past we have included a Starbucks gift card which we will probably do again this year. In January we usually have a Welcome Back Dinner for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester and meeting any new students who have begun mid year. In the spring we send out Pascha cards along with encouragement notes for the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester. We have a good OCF group this year and many of them attend church on Sunday morning. Praise God.

Sincerely,  
Anne and Leonard Schommer

# Holy Ascension Orthodox Church 2020 Budget Proposal

	2019 Monthly Budgeted	2019 Yearly Budgeted	2019 Actual	Difference	2020 Monthly Budget	2020 Yearly Budget
<b>Clergy Expense</b>						
Direct Compensation	\$5,300	63,600	\$59,857	(\$3,743)	\$5,300	\$63,600
Employer PR Taxes & Contributions	\$358	4,300	\$4,291	(\$9)	\$375	\$4,505
Professional Expenses	\$356	4,275	\$4,514	\$239	\$375	\$4,500
Life Insurance Expense	\$100	1,200	\$1,350	\$150	\$135	\$1,620
Supply Priest Honorarium & Travel	\$83	1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$83	\$1,000
Bishop's Visit Honorarium & Travel	\$42	500	\$859	\$359	\$75	\$900
<b>Archdiocese/Diocese Expense</b>						
Archdiocese Assessment	\$875	10,500	\$10,796	\$296	\$925	\$11,100
Diocese Assessment & Pledges	\$63	750	\$242	(\$508)	\$83	\$1,000
Archdiocese 3 Annual Trays	\$63	750	\$750	\$0	\$63	\$750
<b>Service Expense</b>						
Communications Expense	\$75	900	\$656	(\$244)	\$55	\$660
Bank Service Charges	\$50	600	\$772	\$172	\$50	\$600
Conference Fees & Expenses	\$150	1,800	\$1,306	(\$494)	\$125	\$1,500
Accounting Fees	\$38	450	\$432	(\$19)	\$38	\$450
Security Expense	\$53	636	\$665	\$29	\$55	\$665
Coffee Hour Expense	\$165	2,000	\$0	(\$2,000)	\$138	\$1,650
College Student Ministry	\$25	300	\$0	(\$300)	\$25	\$300
Children & Teen Ministry	\$0	0	\$0	\$0	\$55	\$660
Misc.	\$50	600	\$653	\$53	\$25	\$300
<b>Building &amp; Insurance Expense</b>						
Property & Liability Insurance	\$500	6,000	\$5,263	(\$737)	\$525	\$6,300
Work Comp Insurance	\$60	720	\$460	(\$260)	\$50	\$600
Mortgage	\$3,260	39,125	\$39,125	\$0	\$3,260	\$39,125
Property Maintenance	\$500	6,000	\$7,140	\$1,140	\$175	\$2,100
Landscaping	\$0	0	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$1,200
Cleaning	\$0	0	\$0	\$0	\$542	\$6,500
Property Repairs	\$100	1,200	\$1,225	\$25	\$200	\$2,400
<b>Supplies Expense</b>						
Liturgical Supplies	\$150	1,800	\$1,796	(\$4)	\$150	\$1,800
Postage	\$10	120	\$17	(\$103)	\$0	\$0
Education Supplies	\$50	600	\$413	(\$187)	\$50	\$600
General Supplies	\$100	1,200	\$1,082	(\$118)	\$100	\$1,200
Office Supplies	\$60	720	\$769	\$49	\$75	\$900
<b>Utility Expense</b>						
Telephone	\$300	3,600	\$4,441	\$841	\$290	\$3,480
Gas/Electric	\$450	5,400	\$5,524	\$124	\$475	\$5,700
Water	\$125	1,500	\$2,001	\$501	\$175	\$2,100
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$13,511</b>	<b>162,146</b>	<b>\$157,400</b>	<b>(\$4,746)</b>	<b>\$14,147</b>	<b>\$169,765</b>
<b>2018 General Contributions</b>	<b>\$12,820</b>		<b>\$153,835</b>		<b>\$12,820</b>	<b>\$153,835</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>(\$691)</b>		<b>(\$3,565)</b>		<b>(\$1,327)</b>	<b>(\$15,930)</b>

Notes:

Negative (xxx.xx) numbers mean we spent less than budgeted.

Positive numbers mean we spent more than budgeted.