**Treasurer’s input for Monthly Newsletter
for December 2018.**

The church is not meeting its current financial obligations. As of November 23, 2018, the church owes $3,909.97 to various vendors and individuals for other reimbursements, not including the end-of-month payroll (approximately $6,400); however, only one of these payments is past due. This summer the Church Council approved use of Memorial Funds in the checking and savings accounts to meet critical needs (mortgage, salaries, utilities, and standing subscriptions).

As of November 23, 2018, the church has received $276,937in offerings and other giving this year, and the church has paid $253,192 to cover expenses and $50,167 to reduce mortgage principal (therefore, total expenditures are $303,359). During the comparable period in 2017, the church received $280,547 in offering and other giving and paid $249,613 to cover expenses and $47,520 to reduce the mortgage principal (therefore, total expenditures were $297,133).

Cash flow remains negative for this year when transfers to equity (mortgage principal payments) are included in the calculation of income compared to total expenditures. Funds carried over from 2017 in the operating account ($18,434) and the savings account ($13,113) covered the shortfall until July 2018. In August 2018, the church started borrowing from Memorial Funds to cover critical needs per the Church Council’s direction. The historic trend of increased offering in the last quarter of the year has not been realized as yet, and the church may not be able to return monies borrowed to the Memorial Funds before the end of the year or to set aside other designated offerings.

As of November 23, 2018, the Operating Fund is $0 (zero). There is $5,451 in the checking account (memorial funds) and $3,269 in the saving account. The mortgage balance is $322,897. For a comparison to last year, on October 22, 2017, the Operating Fund was $5,967, and there was $11,842 in the checking account (operating and other funds) and $8,531 in the savings account.

At the October 2018 Church Council meeting, it was recommended that the latest reconciliation summary for checking and savings accounts be included in the Treasurer’s input to the monthly newsletter. At the time of this writing, the latest reconciliation was in October 2018 and the results are summarized in the following table.

Reconciliation Summary for LCOC accounts for October 31, 2018

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| **As of October 2018** | **Checking Account** | **Savings Account** |
| Beginning Balance | $4,319.91 | $4,269.81 |
| Deposits | $30,401.37 | $0.05 |
| Debits | -$28,694.64 | -$2,000.00 |
| Ending Balance | $6,026.64 | $2,269.93 |