



**SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**2227 North Downing Road**

**Angleton, Texas 77515**

**ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2018**

# Annual February Meeting and Annual Reports

February 10, 2019

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Adjourn

# St John Lutheran Church Congregational Meeting

February 11, 2018

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 11:09 a.m. by President Patrick Henry to present to the Congregation the 2017 Annual Reports for review and acceptance.

Congregation reviewed the the Annual Reports.

Treasurer Patrick Walters presented the 2017 Annual Treasurers Report. Report was accepted with modifications to the total assets, as the General Fund Reserve was listed twice, once in General Fund, and again in Dedicated Funds. This was due to the General Fund Reserve being listed as a Dedicated Fund item.

Question was presented as to why the utilities line item was reduced. Patrick responded that due to the upgrade on the equipment, the utilities have been less.

Motion by Kay Smitherman to accept the 2017 Treasurers Reports with noted corrections.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richard Davis

Motion passed

Ruth Brown presented the Annual Audit Report ( see attached)

Motion was made by Richard Davis to accept the Audit Report

2<sup>nd</sup> by Stan Singer. Motion Passed

Motion was made to approve the 2017 Annual Reports by JoAnn Fuchs

2<sup>nd</sup> by Richard Davis Motion Passed

Meeting was adjourned at 11:18

Submitted by,

Nancy Davis-Secretary

St John Lutheran Church  
Congregational Meeting  
November 11, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 11:05 by Council President Patrick Henry

2018 Budget Review & 2019 Budget presented by Treasurer Patrick Walters;

Patrick noted that 2018 income was up a small bit and expenses were right on track.  
The new budget will allow for a 3% Salary Increase for employees.

Question was asked about when payments were scheduled to the Food Pantry?

Answered- Payments will be made quarterly.

Question was asked as to how much was received for the "Sanctuary Light Fund"?

Answered- There was 2,288.10 collected and the expenses were 22,970.00.

Question was asked if the Contract from St. Peters was in the new budget?

Answered- No it was not, as it was a short term contract.

Question was asked as to the reason for the Discretionary Fund and who oversees it?

Answered- It's a special fund used for Evangelism & Outreach. Pastor oversees the fund.

Motion to approve the 2019 Budget was made by Beverly Kolonko . 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alice Harrington  
Motion Passed.

President Patrick Henry announced that there were 3 Council Positions open and the following congregation members had agreed to fill the positions;

John Taylor- Vice President

Cathy McDaniel- At-Large

Amanda Boykin-At-Large

Patrick ask if there were any other nominations- hearing none, he called for a motion to elect all three by acclamation.

Motion made by Jim Hillis

2<sup>nd</sup> by Stan Singer

Motion Passed

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Submitted by

Nancy Davis-Secretary

**Ruth M. Brown**

1304 Glenview Lane  
Angleton, TX 77515

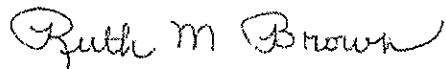
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January 28, 2019

St. John Lutheran Church  
2227 N. Downing  
Angleton, TX 77515

I have audited the financial records of St. John for the year 2018 and have found them in good order.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruth M Brown".

Ruth M. Brown

# 2018 GENERAL FUND REPORT

SUPPORT AND REVENUE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE (budget-actual)	% of Budget Rec'd
TOTAL OFFERINGS		\$ 227,194		
Minus DEDICATED & BLDG FUND =		\$ 18,085		
GENERAL FUND CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 198,000	\$ 209,109		
Plus OTHER INCOME =	\$ 7,500	\$ 6,811		
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	\$ 205,500	\$ 215,920	\$ (10,420)	105%
<b>St. Peter's Contract (included in offerings)</b>		<b>\$ 11,980</b>		<b>6%</b>

EXPENSES	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE (budget-actual)	% of Budget Spent
<b>BENEVOLENCE</b>				
TX-LA GULF COAST SYNOD	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 8,400	\$ -	100%
<b>PASTORAL MINISTRY AND ADMINISTRATION</b>				
CHURCH LEADERSHIP & STAFF	\$ 93,000	\$ 95,599	\$ (2,599)	103%
PENSION & INSURANCE	\$ 38,480	\$ 39,012	\$ (532)	101%
PASTOR'S BUSINESS EXPENSE	\$ 850	\$ 294	\$ 556	35%
PASTOR'S MILEAGE	\$ 2,900	\$ 3,096	\$ (196)	107%
PASTOR'S CONTINUING EDUCATION	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,140	\$ 160	88%
SUPPLY PASTOR	\$ 1,240	\$ 924	\$ 316	75%
SJLC SS/MEDICARE CONTRIBUTION	\$ 1,700	\$ 2,136	\$ (436)	126%
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,898	\$ 102	97%
St. Peter's Contract Direct Cost		\$ 7,217		
<b>WORSHIP AND SERVICE</b>				
CHURCH/ALTAR SUPPLIES	\$ 600	\$ 291	\$ 309	49%
SYNOD LEADERSHIP EVENTS	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,429	\$ 71	95%
MUSIC MINISTRY	\$ 200	\$ 169	\$ 31	84%
SPECIAL MUSCIANS	\$ 6,000	\$ 4,575	\$ 1,425	76%
ADVERTISING	\$ 680	\$ 530	\$ 150	78%
ED. SUPPLIES	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,000	\$ 200	83%
<b>OUR CHURCH HOME</b>				
ELECTRICAL & GAS SERVICE	\$ 7,500	\$ 9,327	\$ (1,827)	124%
TELEPHONE/COMMUNICATION	\$ 2,200	\$ 2,131	\$ 69	97%
INTERNET	\$ 1,200	\$ 909	\$ 291	76%
WATER	\$ 500	\$ 665	\$ (165)	133%
INSURANCE (Church )	\$ 23,457	\$ 22,200	\$ 1,257	95%
ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,257	\$ 243	90%
CUSTODIAN & SUPPLIES	\$ 4,100	\$ 4,377	\$ (277)	107%
<b>OTHER</b>				
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 100	\$ 15	\$ 85	15%
VAN OPERATION & MAINT. & INSUR	\$ 650	\$ 1,033	\$ (383)	159%
TRANSFER TO/FROM GENL FUND RES		\$ -		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 204,257.00	\$ 212,624.60	\$ (8,368)	104%

**OFFERINGS - EXPENDITURES**

\$ 3,296

**SPECIALY FUNDED ITEMS**

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND  
CONGREGATIONAL CARE  
ALTAR GUILD/FLOWERS  
FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

ACTUAL EXPENSE	Carry Over to 2019
\$ 1,200	\$ 103
\$ 1,840	\$ 606
\$ 76	\$ (70)

**GENERAL FUND BALANCE**

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE  
ENDING FUND BALANCE  
GEN FUND SURPLUS  
ENDING TOTAL BALANCE

\$ 6,900.28	January, 1 2018
\$ 9,104.04	December 31, 2018
\$ 15,503.63	
\$ 22,498.72	

\*NOTE: Funds from the shared ministry contract with St. Peter's Lutheran Church are included in the General Fund Receipts and Expenditures and are detailed on the Fund Summary Report.

Description		Jan. 1 2018	2018 YTD		
Dedicated Funds			Current Balance	Credit	Debit
Benevolence	Disaster Relief	\$ 262.00	\$ -	\$ 40.00	\$ 302.00
	Wine to Water/Water to Thrive	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 160.00	\$180.00
	Lutheran World Relief	\$ 288.00	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$348.00
	Habitat For Humanity	\$ 215.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$215.00
Community	Congregational Care	\$ 1,177.60	\$ 102.60	\$ 125.00	\$1,200.00
	School Supplies	\$ 234.00	\$ 234.00	\$ -	\$0.00
	VBS	\$ 530.00	\$ 893.00	\$ 363.00	\$0.00
	Sparks Book Fair	\$ 183.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$183.00
	God's Work T-Shirts	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$20.00
	Food Pantry	\$ 195.00	\$ -	\$ 505.00	\$700.00
St. John Worship and Missions	Altar Guild	\$ 1,433.00	\$ 1,433.00	\$ -	\$0.00
	Bible Camp	\$ 6,376.00	\$ 4,526.00	\$ 200.00	\$2,050.00
	LYO/ Youth Events	\$ (391.00)	\$ -	\$ 391.00	\$0.00
	Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$ 2,321.00	\$ 7,769.25	\$ 6,448.25	\$1,000.00
	Music Ministry	\$ 16,830.00	\$ 16,450.00	\$ 270.00	\$650.00
	Pastor's Discretionary Fund	\$ 24,198.00	\$ 23,807.00	\$ -	\$391.00
	Relay for Life	\$ 40.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$40.00
St. John Church Home	Building Contingency	\$ 3,751.00	\$ 3,608.35	\$ 4,590.00	\$4,732.65
	Church Insurance	\$ 13,979.00	\$ 13,271.00	\$ 22,200.00	\$22,908.00
	Office Computer	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00	\$ -	\$0.00
	Playground Project	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$0.00
	Landscaping	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,920.00	\$ 920.00	\$0.00
	Sound Board Project	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 214.01	\$514.01
	Electric Sign	\$ 100.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 120.00	\$0.00
	Special Project	\$ 1,023.00	\$ 808.99	\$ -	\$214.01
General Fund Reserve		\$ 15,500.00	\$ 15,500.00	\$ -	\$0.00
Growth Income	Thrivent Choice	\$ 763.00	\$ 1,232.00	\$ 469.00	\$0.00
	Interest DF at Texas Gulf Bank	\$ 1,423.00	\$ 1,478.60	\$ 55.60	\$0.00
	LFSW retained earnings	\$ 9,124.00	\$ 7,833.20	\$ (1,290.80)	\$0.00
Dedicated Fund	Totals Less Growth Income	\$ 101,614.60	\$ 101,806.99	\$ 36,606.26	\$35,647.67
Dedicated Account Summary					
Texas Gulf Bank	account balance	\$ 15,791.25	\$ 17,274.44	\$ 37,130.86	\$35,647.67
LFSW FUND	account balance	\$ 85,823.35	\$ 84,532.55	\$ (1,290.80)	\$ -
General Fund Other Income Summary			Current Balance	Credit	Debit
PayPal	Listed In Offerings General Fund		\$ 1,721.90	\$ 1,721.90	\$ -
Thrivent			\$ 469.00	\$ 469.00	\$ -
Kroger			\$ 191.57	\$ 191.57	\$ -
Amazon Smile			\$ 56.63	\$ 56.63	\$ -
other income sub-total			\$ 2,439.10	\$ 2,439.10	\$ -
LFSW Building	Disbursement to General Fund		\$ 3,168.90	\$ 3,168.90	\$ -
LFSW Dedicated	Disbursement to General Fund		\$ 2,978.83	\$ 2,978.83	\$ -
St.Peter's	GF and Pass Through	\$ -	\$ 6,556.08	\$ 13,773.52	\$ 7,217.44
Building Fund Summary		Jan. 1 2018	Current Balance	Credit	Debit
LTBL	Included In Contributions	\$ -		\$ 3,438.00	\$ -
LTBL	Project Totals				\$ 26,218.00
Texas Gulf Bank	contributions			\$ 4,587.10	\$ -
Texas Gulf Bank	Interest			\$ 51.96	\$ -
Texas Gulf Bank	Transfers			\$ 20,000.00	\$ 26,218.00
Texas Gulf Bank	Totals	\$ 18,853.15	\$ 17,274.21	\$ 24,639.06	\$ 26,218.00
LFSW FUND	account activity	\$ 86,253.31	\$ 64,036.64		\$ 22,216.67
		\$ 105,106.46	\$ 81,310.85		
Other dedicated funds located in General Fund TGB					
	Altar Guild Flowers	\$ 460.02	\$ 606.21	\$ 1,985.94	\$ 1,839.75
	Fellowship	\$ (46.12)	\$ (70.32)	\$ 52.00	\$ 76.20

Ehre Sie Gott der Hoehe!

Glory to God in the Highest!

Dear Church Family,

Another year has rolled around. We have moved through the liturgical calendar yet again. We continue to do great things at St. John. Through our gifts to the ELCA we help feed the hungry, clothe the poor, comfort the displaced, and spread the name of Jesus throughout the world. Through our gifts in time, talent, and donations we do the same in our community.

We continue to support the food pantry. We host the Lions Club. We strive to work with other congregations in Angleton. We shared our facility with a prison ministry group. We care for our congregation. We baptize, confirm, and marry. We lovingly perform funerals. We do these things without thinking they are out of the ordinary.

We step out from the ordinary. Our partnering with St. Peter in Bay City has been something new and beneficial to both congregations. We are sharing Pastor Lopez in an effort to assist St. Peter as they search for a new pastor. We have visited their services and they have visited ours. We have enlarged our community and made new friends.

We have literally shined the light of Christ on our congregation with new LED lighting. The verse at the heading of this message in German and English is from the bell we rescued from St. Paul Freeport. It was cast in 1882 and sounded the call to service until St. Paul became inactive. We hope to have it continue to call to service here at St. John.

We have been blessed and blessed others in return. Let us continue to do so in the coming year.

And Peace to His People on Earth,  
Patrick Henry  
Congregational President



## Pastor Pete's Annual Report

It continues to be an honor to be the pastor of St. John; in fact, my heart swells with joy and pride when I hear a member introduce me to others. "He's my Pastor!" makes me so happy. As your Pastor, I've reflected on the past year knowing I have walked at your side when you let me. We have lost friends and family who now rest from their labors and joined the company of saints of the church. Their loss is keenly felt, but the imprint they left in St. John is even greater. We are thankful that they were part of our journey through this life. Our saints of light met our new lights on the way to St. John. I had the joy of baptizing 4 children into the life of St. John. At their baptism, we prayed to God to let their light so shine to be a redeeming gift to the world. For the all the saints of light, there is so much for which to be thankful that abided with us in 2019.

In September of 2018 we began a new adventure in the life of St John and St Peter. We started a Shared Ministry with St Peter of Bay City. They had a need that I could minister to, albeit on a part time basis. I am a pastor under contract and I will help St Peter grow into a Teaching congregation. It is our hope that in August we will have an Intern from Wartburg Seminary serving at St Peter. My role will change to becoming a supervising pastor to the intern and we continue as a Shared Ministry. What shape that will take is up to the Holy Spirit, I look forward to that exciting time. Shared ministry is one way that small congregations can support each other and even grow because when expenses are share then more resources are freed up for new ministries. I know that I will need to go back to Seminary to learn how to be an Internship Supervisor in May. I also plan on going to Wartburg Seminary for a workshop of Small Congregation Resilience. I think it is a workshop on how to remain vital in a changing community.

2019 is shaping up to be a great year. It is my hope and prayer that you will support St. John with your time and your talent. Your presence in worship is always needed, but your participation in worship is greatly appreciated. When you participate in worship you gain a greater appreciation for the work that is worship, but you also get great joy because your voice is speaking prayers or God's words. Worship is not the exclusive of a few, but it is the work of all the people of God. I am glad that confirmands are acolyting again, thank you Charles. I am training one young man to help with the worship computer, but we need more people to step up. I know that it is great to be asked to help, but I also know that I can step up to volunteer before I am asked. Both are ways of serving your church and your God

## Pastoral Acts of 2018

### BAPTISMS:

Samuel King Udall 5/13/2018  
Kane Alexander Albury 6/10/2018  
Ryan Escamilla 10/28/2018  
Evelyn Rose Carter 11/25/2018

### Affirmation of Baptism:

Emma Allen 10/28/2018  
Kyle Thompson 10/28/2018  
Elisha Ullrich 10/28/2018  
Jaden Williams 10/28/2018

### MARRIAGES:

Charles Andrew Parkhurst & Whitney Lynn Hildebrandt 5/5/2018

### FUNERALS:

Walter Martin Hoffman 1/12/2018  
Elizabeth Katarina Dufner 2/25/2018  
Irene Bertha Hatch 8/3/2018  
Aubrie Jo Bennett 10/3/2018  
Annemarie Hubmann Condry 9/29/2018 (St. Peter Bay City Texas)

### MEMBERS RECEIVED:

### MEMBERS TRANSFERRED:

Wade Allen 3/5/2018

Respectfully and Humbly Submitted  
Pastor Pete



**TREASURER'S REPORT - Year Ending December 31, 2018**

<b>BALANCE 12/31/2017</b>		<b>4,384.44</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Circle Offerings	279.00	
January	41.00	
February	30.00	
March	41.00	
April	25.00	
May	0.00	
June	0.00	
July	45.00	
August	45.00	
September	52.00	
October	0.00	
November	0.00	
December	0.00	
Thankoffering	0.00	0.00
Garage Sale	1,874.41	1,874.41
Ck 233 12/2/16 never cleared	150.00	
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>2,303.41</b>

<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
Devotional books "You Are the Way"	135.05	
Donation to CCSCC	250.00	
Donation to Military Moms & Wives	250.00	
Donation to ELCA Fund for Leaders	250.00	
Donation to WELCA(Human Trafficking)	250.00	
SWO Quarterly	111.60	
1st Quarter	44.80	
2nd Quarter	10.00	
3rd Quarter	56.80	
4th Quarter	0.00	
Community Food Pantry	60.68	
10/1 JoAnn Fuchs	60.68	
Confirmand Gifts 12/20 JoAnn Fuchs	120.00	
School Supplies bot by JoAnn	62.69	
SWO	507.00	
Convention Registration	200.00	
Delegate hotel room	57.00	
Physical Offering	50.00	
Convention Offering	200.00	
Golden Girls Luncheon	241.57	
Easter Egg Hunt	74.23	
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>		<b>2,312.82</b>

<b>CASH BALANCE AS OF 12/31/18</b>	<b>4,375.03</b>
Less Convention Fund Balance	(447.18)
Operating Cash	<u>3,927.85</u>

WOMEN of the ELCA CONVENTION FUND				
Date	Description	In	Out	Balance
1/1/2009	Balance Forward			1,025.00
6/22/2009	Garage Sale (3/4 receipts)	1,240.00		2,265.00
6/27/2009	Conv/Camp Allen (9 attended)		1,935.00	330.00
7/10/2009	Conv Attendees reimburse	585.00		915.00
8/13/2010	Conv/Pasadena (8 attended)		440.00	475.00
8/16/2010	Conv Attendees reimburse	240.00		715.00
10/2/2010	Garage Sale (3/4 receipts)	1,105.00		1,820.00
1/29/2011	Triennial Registration (3 attend)		900.00	920.00
6/18/2011	Garage Sale (3/4 receipts)	1,309.00		2,229.00
9/16/2011	Conv/W. Columbia(10+2 attend)		1,695.00	534.00
9/16/2011	Conv Reimburse (10 attended)	470.00		1,004.00
11/14/2011	Garage Sale (3/4 gold sales)	47.80		1,051.80
7/30/2012	Garage sale (1/2 receipts)	611.33		1,663.13
8/22/2012	Convention (11attend+2)		1,100.00	563.13
11/19/2012	Conv T-shirts	165.00		728.13
8/9/2013	Garage Sale	1,000.00		1,728.13
8/26/2013	C.S. Conv (7attend @\$50ea)		350.00	1,378.13
6/19/2014	Garage Sale	200.00		1,578.13
6/29/2014	2 Attendees to Triennial		300.00	1,278.13
9/2/2014	Baton Rouge Conv (6attend)		270.00	1,008.13
10/9/2014	Conv Rep Hotel		112.95	895.18
6/23/2015	Garage sale	900.00		1,795.18
8/28/2015	7 Attendees to Convention		350.00	1,445.18
6/20/2016	Garage sale			1,445.18
8/28/2016	2 Attendees to Convention		150.00	1,295.18
9/18/2016	Reimburse JoAnn for Registration		75.00	1,220.18
9/18/2016	Convention Delegate Hotel		136.00	1,084.18
6/15/2017	Help with hotel costs (JoAnn/Deanna)		200.00	884.18
6/15/2017	Garage Sale			884.18
7/28/2017	Registration 4 attendees to Convention		180.00	704.18
8/18/2018	Registration 4 attendees to Convention		200.00	504.18
9/15/2018	Delegate Hotel Room		57.00	447.18

We have authorized JoAnn Fuchs to spend money for Food Pantry	200.00
Less Ck. 194 3/10/15	(63.36)
4/24/16 Authorized another \$200.00	200.00
Less Ck. 224 8/28/16	(190.62)
Less Ck. 237 3/17/17	(30.50)
Less Ck. 249 12/20/17	(51.48)
Less Ck. 269 10/1/18	-60.68
<b>Amount left @ 12/31/18</b>	<b>3.36</b>

Respectfully submitted,

*Ruth Brown, Treasurer*

Mission Investment Fund (MF1R) as of November 30, 2018 - \$67.74  
 Mission Investment Fund (MFS2) as of November 30, 2018 - \$633.80

Women of the ELCA Annual Report  
2018

The Women of the ELCA (WELCA) meet for Bible study and fellowship once a month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 7:00 p.m. WELCA meets at other times during the year for other activities.

In 2018, the women participated in the following activities and projects:

- Epiphany Brunch
- Bought and distributed Lenten devotion booklets "You Are the Way" to women of the congregation
- Provided Easter Eggs for a hunt during Lions Club Spring Event held at our church
- Held annual garage/rummage sale
- Hosted Golden Girls luncheon
- Bought food for the Community Food Pantry
- Bought school supplies
- 6 women attended the Annual Synodical Convention at House of Prayer, Houston (Convention offering of \$200 and \$50 physical offering from our unit)
- Donated item for silent auction at Convention
- Bought Confirmation gifts for 4 confirmands from "Water to Thrive" with proceeds going to build water wells in 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries.
- Sent Quarterly offerings to Synodical Women of the ELCA
- Monetary donations to
  - Columbia Christian Senior Citizen Center
  - Brazoria Co. Military Mom & Wives
  - ELCA Fund for Leaders
  - Women of the ELCA (Human Trafficking)
- Decorated Chrismon Tree

We encourage more women to become involved in the activities and Bible study. Don't worry if you can't come all the time. None of us can. Come when you can and help out when you can. If you have any suggestions for activities and/or projects let us know.

Your sister in Christ,

*JoAnn Fuchs*

## 2018 Church Property Report

Routine property maintenance was the main issue this year with several big tree limbs removed and one tree leaning on another to be worked on during warmer weather. Rose beds still producing great blooms when trimmed and fertilized. Our John Deere lawn tractor continues to operate efficiently and with only minor maintenance. Our other equipment operates well as usual.

The inside lighting was replaced this fall with the approval of the congregation to provide better vision for all throughout the whole church. This should be maintenance free for the next 5 years.

New ceiling tiles were also installed in northex and office areas.

I have been trying to find a local vender to work on our water coolers, but to no avail. If anyone has a suggestion, I would welcome the help.

This year's major project is to replace the landscaping timbers around the cross's flowerbed with tile or brick blocks. When pattern is decided on, a work day will be scheduled.

Hoping for a mild season and easy work schedule.

We are always looking for new helpers for any outside work or assistance and ideas.

Workers in Christ,

Richard and Beverly Kolonko

## **Altar Guild Report 2019**

### **The Ministry of the Altar Guild**

In response to all of God's mighty acts, we are called to offer ourselves to God's service. The basic motivation for serving in the altar guild – or in any other work of the church – is gratitude

The Altar Guild is made up of teams they rotate one month shifts throughout the year

1. To care for the altar and its furnishings and linens, and to prepare it for each service.
2. To care for the chapel.
3. To perform any other necessary duties in accordance with the pastors' wishes.

Historically when you think of Altar Guild you think of women however Altar Guild is as open to both men & women. We try to keep 3 teams of 3-4 people so that each team would have a turn once a quarter and there would be back up encase someone on the team was not available during their month. At this time we have 2 teams of 3 people & 1 team of 2. Please prayerful consider if you are be called to a part of this ministry.

Thanks to all that support the altar flowers each Sunday & purchased lilies at Easter & poinsettias at Christmas time. We (the church) have been blessed to be doing business with Angleton flower shop for many-many years. The Angleton flower shop has not increased the cost of the flowers to St. John therefore there has been no increase to you the congregation. Most Sundays the cost of both vases has been covered by a donation. In looking back over the last year we had 12 vases that were not covered by a flower request. Thanks to the generosity of members of the congregation for their direct donations to the Altar Guild the total cost of all flowers was covered by the congregation there was no need to use the Altar Guild reserve funds this year.

Altar Guild Coordinator

Sheila Walters