

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Finance Committee Report
November 2017**

The Finance Committee met November 6. The meeting centered on the development of the Finance 2017 budget. Discussion was hampered some because a few committees had not yet submitted their requests. At this time, Stewardship is not expecting any significant increase in membership envelope giving next year. The budget as reviewed, was about \$80,000 out of balance. We are working to find ways to balance the budget through alternative financing for some items along with discussions with some committees to sharpen their pencils. We also expect a 2017 year-end operating balance which can contribute to the 2018 budget. We will have a budget proposal after our next meeting.

The additional work of the architects will require payment that we have not designated a source for. Finance recommends an additional loan of up to \$9000 from quasi-endowment under the same terms as our previous loans.

Finance is also planning a Sunday morning time to discuss the process we use to develop a budget at Trinity with interested members of the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Miller