



# The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection

Blue Springs, Missouri

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# 2019 Annual Report



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**Front Row (left to right):** Kelly Blankenship (*Secretary*), Gabe Conn, Meg Swant, Arla Simpson

**Not Pictured:** Dr. Tess Garcia





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## In Loving Memory

Robert Vickrey

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# RECTOR's Report *Fr. David Lynch +*

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**The Rev. David Lynch +**

Debbie and I continue to feel blessed to be part of Resurrection's parish family. Your love and support continue to allow me to learn and develop into being shaped as a servant of the gospel. We look forward to what the future holds for our time together in these next years to come.

We have acted creatively and generously as a church body supporting the needs of our communities around us. Through the numerous outreaches sustained from the "Backsnack" ventures, school children continue to get "program"; residents at Woods Chapel Lodge and Friendship Manor are provided with a periodic chef's dinner and fellowship; homeless and the needy in our community are served through our partnership with Community Services League; foster youth are supported through our partnership with the St. Francis Foundation, and the list goes on for how the work of this parish represents the Body of Christ and his call to us to love others. I am very excited for what our Outreach Teams are doing and planning for the future.

We continue to support our community with hosting the Girl Scouts who meet at the church on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. We also continue our relationship with the youth soccer program which uses our back yard during the school year. We welcome other programs and community collaborations.

We are a parish family that enjoys fellowship with one another and the many friends of the parish. The last several years have fostered the blessing of animals, productive garage sales, dinners and activities to support local charities, and time to just have fun with movies and games and other activities.

As the future unfolds, we will have more opportunities to celebrate, collaborate and plan with our fellow ecumenical sisters and brothers in the numerous other congregations around us. Through the Blue Springs Police and the Central Jackson County Fire/EMS public safety programs we will be attempting the reorganizing of a Blue Springs Ministry Alliance in 2020. This will hopefully bring together the many faith-based groups to focus on common needs in our greater community, especially that of hunger, housing and community services. We look forward to our usual Lenten programs as well as other community celebrations and collaborations.

Our worship continues to be enriched with music from our

new organ and the choral voices that music director Vaughn coordinates during our program year from fall through spring. I am grateful for the time and efforts that Vaughn dedicates to his work to provide the kind of musical liturgy that richly blesses our worship services and Eucharist. Few know or appreciate the time it takes to plan, rehearse and present music for each Sunday and other worship events at Resurrection. I also appreciate the planning time Vaughn spends and shares with me for each worship season of the liturgical year. I hope you will join me and share your appreciation for his dedication and professionalism.

With support from the worship committee, bulletin and server schedule planning I have had the honor to celebrate as priest and rector with the fine work of acolytes, servers and lectors. It speaks volumes when our youth can comfortably ascend to the lectern and read as well as serve in the other ministries at the altar. I am grateful for the parents and mentors who are encouraging and supporting our youth to be a vibrant part of our worship and parish family.

As we renovate the nursery and youth Sunday school room, I will be seeking assistance to call a nursery caregiver and Sunday school leader. I welcome assistance from parents and other parish members to collaborate with me to find the people we need to fulfill these important ministry roles.

As I have stated in previous annual reports, the life of this church reflects the life of those who are the parish family. We have celebrated together with births, baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and significant life transitions. We have also supported each other in pastoral care and the calling home of those who have gone before us from this mortal life. All these life experiences are the most important aspects of who the Church of the Resurrection is and must be for those who call Resurrection their parish and spiritual home. The most important part of my calling and service with you is to be a guiding, spiritual leading presence with the Holy Spirit as we enjoy this Christian life together. There is not a more important thing for me to be and do, if not to be with you, and serve on your behalf with all my heart, mind and soul.

2019 has been an interesting year of challenges and expectations. The spring rains brought us frustration as we continue to renovate after water damage to the down stairs classroom and nursery. With many thanks to Jr. Warden, Les Woodward, his leadership and his vigilant helpers (Bill Carle, Gabe and Rich Conn, and others), the parish is getting a needed facelift. Les's leadership, experience and know-how have saved the church significantly financially. More information will be provided in Les's Junior Warden report.

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So, you might ask, what about the renovation of the narthex and the addition of the “lift” and removal of that terrible staircase? The strategic planning team and vestry have not forgotten this project nor has it been relegated to a lower priority. We continue to invite contractors who may be willing to do the work at a cost that is reasonable for the parish. With leadership from our Senior Warden and the vestry, we hope to have plans to present to the congregation this spring that will allow us to finally move forward with this significant capital campaign.

My goal for this coming year is to help Resurrection parish continue to be a spiritually inviting place for all to grow in their spiritual journey. As was presented last annual meeting, we will formally take on a process of spiritual renewal. This will begin with the assistance of the Renewal Works program as part of the Episcopal Church Foundation and Forma. This will include a survey and spiritual inventory of our parish. I ask us all to embrace a survey that will provide an inventory of how we can grow in the many spiritual form-

ing opportunities that are identified.

In our vestry retreat in October, we refined our Mission and Vision statements. Our strength as a parish resides in our abilities to live out our mission and focus on the visions for the future. Many thanks to all of you for growing Christianity through your commitments to Christ's call to love one another.

Debbie and I personally thank you for your prayers and support as we have dealt with our family's tragedies and medical issues over this last year. We have experienced joy and sadness as a parish through this last year as some members have moved away, others have passed on to greater glory and yet we have also seen some new faces and welcome new members. This is the life of our church. May we continue to grow in the love of Christ every day as we are blessed and encouraged with all that the New Year brings.

From my heart to you... Fr. David +



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# SR. WARDEN's Report *John D. Biggs, Jr.*

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To say that 2019 was a busy year would be a gross understatement. We started 2019 off on a wonderful "note" with the introduction of our new Johannes D-470 Ecclesia Organ on Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. The long wait for our new organ was rewarded with Vaughn's excellent presentation of the music that he and this magnificent instrument can provide. Just to remind us that within a matter of weeks we received pledges of \$60,000 to enable us to acquire this wonderful organ when our old organ was biting the dust. Our Parish should take great pride in its ability to raise this amount of money to satisfy this need of our congregation.

Also in the spring, Vestry member, Arla Witte-Simpson, lead an effort to collect suitcases and back packs, under the auspices of the Saint Frances Foundation, to help foster children move in a better organized way when necessary. We gave generously. In addition our parishes generosity was also demonstrated when members contributed funds to purchase 20 new prayer books and 40 new bibles for our pews. This program was funded completely from donations.

In May we were besieged by storms that caused us to receive water damage due to heavy rains and a blocked trench drain. Under the leadership of Les Woodward we tore into this project and realized that we had other problems like mold and other deterioration that were from years ago but were unrecognized. Les and his band of warriors have provided major improvements in our down stairs by replacing a good deal of sheet rock and flooring. This was complimented with a great new paint job. We are indeed blessed to have such generous and talented members within our midst. Special thanks go out to Bill Carle, Rich Conn and others in their efforts to make us whole again. We especially thank Les Woodward for his efforts on our behalf. We are far better off now than we were even before sustaining the water damage.

At the end of the school year we lost Sheria our Nursery Attendant and Gabrilla our Sunday School teacher. We are now considering how we might replace each of these important souls. Many thanks goes out to each of them for their unselfish service.

In June we had another Church Yard Sale for the benefit of our cause. Under the leadership of Rich and Gabe Conn and the brains and brawn of many church members we were able to raise over \$3,200. Thanks to all in this successful effort.

Once again we participated in Church in the Park with All Saints Lutheran in June. A pot luck lunch followed the service. A good and Holy time was had by all of those that participated.

On several occasions we had members volunteer to help in the Sleep in Heavenly Peace project by Bunks Across America in building bunk beds for children that might be sleeping on floors or in other unfavorable conditions. Randy Goyer and Bob Smith both participated

Fr. David attended Cursillo in September. The Episcopal Cursillo Weekend includes a time to experience living in a

supportive Christian community that includes fifteen talks, five meditations and a Eucharist every day. A number of cursillistas from our parish supported him in his weekend.

Bishop Field made his annual visit in August as he officiated in a combined 9:30 service. A pot luck lunch followed the service. In mid-August we had our Organ Dedication and Recital and we filled the Sanctuary and provided glorious recital for all in attendance to enjoy.

Inquirer's classes were held on Sunday Mornings following the 10:30 service from 9/15 thru 10/27. 7 individuals confirmed or received. We welcome to the Episcopal Communion: John States for Confirmation, Sarah States, Nancy Newman, Jim Newman and Carol Middleton for Reception and Angela and Cobina Lartson for Re-Affirmation. Bishop Field presided at the confirmation celebration at St. Matthew's in Raytown.

On September 28 we had a Chili Cook Off and Dessert Auction. Jim Newman won the Chili Cook Off. Daren Blankenship was our surprise auctioneer and he was marvelous. We raised \$1,000 for our parish, were well fed and had a ton of fun with the auction.

Bill Carle once again organized our blessing of the animals. Members and neighbors participated. Then for the second year the Parish was invited to a Bon Fire and Cookout at the Biggs'. The weather cooperated and over 30 of us enjoyed a huge bon fire, hot dogs, cider and great companionship. Thanks to Joyce Biggs and Janet Woodward for their efforts to make this successful.

Sarah States organized trunk or treat for our members and the neighborhood. Jason Conn provided his expertise by providing a Fire Extinguisher class immediately following a 10:30 service. Attendee's should be safer with the techniques provided in the class.

Our vestry continued to meet on a monthly basis. They also had a Vestry retreat to learn specifically about "Renewal Works" and to develop a Mission Statement and Vision Statement. Fr. Larry Ehrens, the Rector at Saint Mary Magdalene led us in learning about Renewal Works. We will all be learning more about this program in 2020. The group then separated into teams to develop Mission and Vision statements. (see page xx) Here is what we developed:

Once again Rich and Gabe Conn opened their home to all parishioners that did not have family here to celebrate Thanksgiving. What a generous, loving thing for the Conn's to do. Thank You so much.

During the year Dr. Bill Stancil spent four Sunday's with us to provide Bible Study in his own enticing way. He always blesses us with his knowledge.

We are indeed blessed with the outreach that our parish provides for those in need. We are extremely proud of the efforts that we provide.

We began 2019 with plans for a Capital Campaign to replace



(continued from previous page) We began 2019 with plans for a Capital Campaign to replace our old stairway and install a lift for those in need. Unfortunately, with last year's water damage we were unable to get this project going. This stairway enhancement and a lift were actually part of our previous renovation project but not enough money was pledged to accomplish this goal at that time. Unfortunately due to the passage of time and improvement in the economy today the cost of this project has gone up significantly. This is a project that the vestry will be continuing to

address to get it accomplished as soon as possible. Continuing to delay will only increase the cost and continue the difficulty in traversing our stairs.

I would like to express my personal gratitude to all parishioners for continued to provide support to the parish. But, more specifically I want to thank Fr. David, Les Woodward, Bill Carle and Jim and Elaine Gilligan for their assistance, insight and support in my efforts as Senior Warden.

Here is to a terrific and prosperous 2020!



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## JR. WARDEN's Report *Les Woodward*

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The Junior Warden is responsible for evaluating the condition of the building and its systems and coordinating preventive maintenance projects and repairs as needed. Some might find operation and utilization as a ministry to be an unusual way to describe the job of the Junior Warden. However, the first thing that people notice when looking for a church is whether it has curb appeal. It is the first impression of the church. If the building and grounds are in good condition, it conveys a feeling of well-being and community. Also, when visitors enter the building, it is important that the interior be clean and well kept. We have been blessed with a beautiful and welcoming house of worship. Nonetheless, maintaining any building or property requires an investment of both money and time by all who use it. Therefore, everyone in our congregation needs to be proactive in the maintenance of the building.

The year 2019 was quite busy for Building and Grounds—a new organ with a speaker tower was installed in the choir loft, as well as new cabinetry and paint in the undercroft. Some things come along unexpectedly. Heavy rains led to water intrusion on the lower level of the building resulting in wet carpet and sheetrock. Several weeks later mold was discovered in the children's chapel and nursery. During the process of mold remediation, termite damage was discovered in the children's chapel. Fortunately, the termites were no longer active. Once remediation was complete, the ceiling grid, ceiling tiles and walls were painted. Ultimately, this work turned into a total remodel project of these rooms and the hallway, which also included removal and replacement of the floor tiles and new LED light fixtures. All brass door knobs were removed, cleaned, polished, lacquered and reinstalled. Much time was invested by several individuals and a special thank you needs to be given to Bill Carle and Rich Conn for all the hours they devoted to this project. Without their help, completion of these projects would not have been possible. Others who have helped with clean-up and paint-

ing are Gabe Conn, Terri Smith and Buzz Atkinson.

Plans for the coming year include installation of a sump pit and pump at the east lower level door; new light fixtures and ceiling tiles in the undercroft; a new countertop for the coffee bar; repairs to kitchen cabinetry and flooring; and cleaning and painting the kitchen.

Work on the exterior of the building will include clean-up of the grounds and landscape enhancements, such as additional trees and shrubs around the building. Cleaning and repainting of the cross and handrail at the front of the building, along with many other small projects planned for the exterior of the building.

There is plenty of work to be completed inside and out to keep the property shining, so if you see something that needs work or you would like to assist with some of the projects planned in 2020, please contact the Jr Warden..



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# MUSIC Report *Vaughn Scarcliff*

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The music program at Resurrection Church remains steadfast as ever to lead the congregation in the singing of hymns and sung liturgy. Through the year our choir has offered various styles of musical selections from major classical works by Johann Sebastian Bach, George Frederick Handel, Felix Mendelssohn and John Rutter, to name a few. Also during this past year there have been choir members who have offered solos by Nicole Burkhart, Amanda Searls, Jose Mendosa and Rich Conn.

In addition to our choir providing musical offerings at our services, I would like to give special acknowledgement to Mr. Phil Clark for being with us and adding such a richness to our music at Easter Vigil and other events when he is able to be with us.



**Vaughn Scarcliff**

Of special note is the new organ that arrived in January and heard for the first time on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. As the Organist and Director of Music for Resurrection Church I would like to express my gratitude to the congregation and the vestry for their support in the acquisition of the new instrument. On August, 15, 2019 a service was held to officially dedicate the new instrument. Prominent organists from around the Kansas City area were invited to come and join in the dedication recital of the new instrument. During the dedication recital a commissioned work was heard composed and played by Dr. Geoffrey Wilcken titled The Love Amazing based on the tune THAXTED. This composition was dedicated to Resurrection Church on the installation of the new organ.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge our choir. These folk give of their time and dedication to lead us in our worship. We are always looking to add singers, if you would like to come and be part of our small, but mighty group, please do so, I believe you will enjoy being with us.

I look forward to this New Year with anticipation and much excitement.



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# PASTORAL CARE Report *Janece Buckner*

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The members of the Pastoral Care Committee are Janece Buckner (EV), Jeff Chapman (EV), Gabe Conn (EV), Jan Pahlas (EV), Judi Bumpas, Debbie Carle, Tess Garcia, Kitty Hampton, Ina Lewis, Joan Short and Father David Lynch.

Our purpose is to be there in times of sickness and in joy, in sorrow or celebration, in crisis or transition: to pray, listen and share. We have been active in assisting with pastoral needs under the direction of Father David Lynch through visits, cards and phone calls. We also have developed a Eucharistic Visitor (EV) ministry where we visit parishioners at home, in the hospital and nursing homes. We meet quartley.

Debbie Carle sends out birthday, anniversary and get well cards to our parish family. She also manages the ECOR prayer chain. Members of the congregation may request prayers for themself or others by e-mailing to [ECORPrayers@att.net](mailto:ECORPrayers@att.net). A link is available in the weekly e-mail newsletter. Other ways to request prayers is to call the church at (228-4220) or call any committee member listed above. The prayer request is then forwarded by Debbie Carle to our prayer group who will pray for you or whomever you request.

All members of the congregation who are interested in sharing our purpose are welcome to join us.





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# SAFETY & SECURITY Report *Rich Conn*

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This committee is a behind the scenes group of dedicated people who have as their primary concern the safety and wellbeing of the parishioners of Resurrection Church as well as those who visit our place of worship. By working as a team, we can do the greatest good for the greatest number of people at every gathering as well as during times of crisis.

Over the past year, several meetings with various groups concerned with safety and the security of the facility have taken place. Lively discussion has produced several avenues to follow in creating a secure and welcoming atmosphere for Resurrection Church. These meetings have centered around (1) installing 24 hour monitoring of the church

and it's grounds, (2) upkeep of the infrastructure and repair as required, (3) stressing awareness of self, others and the area to create a risk free place to gather and worship, and (4) education for parish members and those who have expressed an interest in dealing with physical emergencies.

This group is always open to suggestions and for willing participants during planning and implementation of exercises. Please feel free to contact Rich Conn who can direct you to resources of discuss any ideas you may have.



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# HOSPITALITY Report *Diane Gerlach*

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The Hospitality Committee is a group of dedicated individuals who enjoy planning and preparing food for various events in the Church. As usual, 2019 was a busy year for the committee and although we are a fairly large group, we can always use new members. We work hard but also have a lot of fun and laughs. If you are interested, come join us! Here are some of the things we did this past year:

- Organized and set-up the potluck lunch after the Annual Meeting
- Hosted the Ecumenical Dinner for about 100 people
- Planned the Agape Dinner with soup prepared by Rich Conn
- Set-up the wine and cheese reception following the Easter Vigil
- Organized a glorified coffee hour after the Easter Sunday service
- Hosted the Mexican Fiesta in May
- Bishop Field's visit and Potuck Lunch
- Organized a chili cook-off and pie auction
- Provided cake and punch for several baptisms during the year
- Provided a reception after the funeral for Rob Vickery
- Collected Best Choice labels
- Coordinated coffee hours after both Sunday services and recruited volunteer hosts



The people who worked hard on these events were: Joyce Biggs, Sherri Brooks, Janece Buckner, Linda Campbell, Rich and Gabe Conn, Dixie Flaigle, Diane Griechen, Beth Henson, Elaine Marshall, Vicki McGill, Judy Ramirez, Terri Smith, Brenda Sprofera, Meg Swant and Janet Woodward.

MANY THANKS TO ALL OF THEM AND TO THE CONGREGATION FOR THEIR HELP AND SUPPORT.



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# SUNDAY BREAKFAST Report *Dave Swant*

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**F**riends of the Pancake is a men's group that serves under the auspices of the Hospitality Committee. In 2019 we prepared breakfast for church members on the first Sunday of each month between the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services. A typical breakfast would include bacon, sausage, eggs and pancakes, as well as milk and juice and a big dose of friendship. Our group was represented by Buzz Atkinson, Rob Brooks, Steve Campbell, Bill Carle, Rich Conn, Steve Flaigle, Randy Goyer, Ken Griechen, Herman Meisel, Cosmo Sprofera, Dave Swant and Jim Whitaker in 2019. The participants are divided into three teams so each team prepares a total of four breakfasts over the course of a year.

also to provide coffee, paper goods and kitchen items that are used by the parish on a regular basis. We have every reason to believe that 2020 will allow us to continue this significant ministry to our parish. Any person interested in becoming part of our ministry should contact Dave Swant. If we get enough volunteers, we will establish a fourth team so that each team only has to cook three times a year.



A free will offering is collected at each of these events and is used, not only to cover the cost of the food for the meals, but

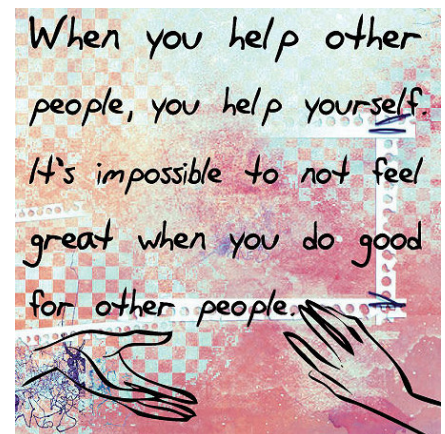
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# OUTREACH Report *Annie Scott*

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**T**he Outreach Committee has produced a separate, comprehensive report in booklet form. Please visit the Church Website to read the report. The names of parishioners who have helped make this ministry a huge success are listed under each category in the booklet.

Do you have ideas for other ways to help those in need? Please let us know. Our committee meets the first Sunday of each month at 9:15 in the Outreach room at the bottom of the stairs. Feel welcome to join us!



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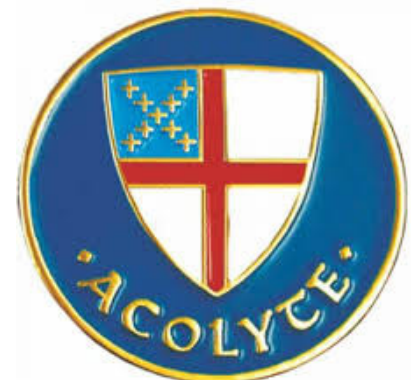
# ACOLYTE Report *Lisa Twitty*

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**T**he acolyte ministry at Resurrection is a program to be involved in the worship service by assisting the clergy during Holy Eucharist and other services.

The leadership changed in April due to the Lingrels moving. I accepted the leadership opportunity to attract and train new and existing acolytes within our parish.

The members of the acolyte team include Jayden, Nicholas, AJ, Devon, Shea, Jim, Brady and Madison. The acolyte team is always looking for individuals to be a part of our worship service. If interested, please contact Lisa Still or Fr David for more information.



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# GARDEN ANGELS Report *Gabe Conn*

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We developed this committee in 2018 appropriately named the Garden Angels. It was formed to develop new areas and maintain new and older areas for the garden architecture. We have an energetic crew to work on the project. Rich, Gabe, John, Bill, Bob and Brenda.

Luckily, we had a great deal of rain this year so watering was an easy task. This year we successfully maintained the plants and groomed the garden beds. We added some of the Easter flowers to add a splash of color.

We look forward to 2020 to see what glorious colors abound and that the fruits of our labors flourish and continue to grace the landscape of our church. A great street presence is as important as a warm welcome at the door.

We would love to have others help us. Even if you don't know much about plants, there are many other jobs to assist with; especially maintenance.

Suggestions from the parish are always welcome. If you have any thoughts about the garden areas, please speak to any member of the committee.

We hope to see you in the Spring when we have new projects develop.



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# ALTAR GUILD Report *Gabe Conn*

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The Resurrection Altar Guild continues to be a blessed, devoted and active committee. We have a wonderful group of eleven people. They are Janeece, Judy, Diane, Kitty, Beth, Jan, Joan, Brenda, Janet, Nancy and Gabe. Elaine Marshall volunteered to maintain the linens. We are always happy to give information to others who would be interested in this ministry. You can never have too many members.

Our mission is to ensure that the Altar is prepared for all church services and celebrations during the year. If special additions are anticipated these are discussed with the Priest and completed.

We have a budget through the Vestry and most of it is spent

on the Holy Elements, candles, incense and other requirements. As our church grows so does the need for these items.

Our goal for the upcoming year is to call other people to join our ministry. We work in pairs and there is one on one instruction along with an instructional manual. No one is pressured to serve until completely comfortable with their position.

If you are interested or just curious about what we do just ask any of our members.





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# PARISH LIFE Report *Bill Carle*

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The Parish Life Committee coordinates and schedules the congregation's social and spiritual activities as well as the use of the church building and grounds. Led by Fr. David, Bill Carle, Elaine Gilligan and Meg Swant, this committee meets with the leadership of our various parish ministries to set the church calendar and to improve communication and support of our programs.

Some of the special events held during 2019 included: family movie, bingo, and game nights; baptisms; the October 5th Blessing of the Animals service; Dinner Go Round gatherings and a St Patrick's dinner hosted by the Gerlachs. In October, the Biggs family hosted another hot-dog and s'mores cookout. The first-Sunday Pancake Breakfasts, the Shrove Tuesday meal and a special "He Cooks" meal for the ladies of the church on May 11th were all well-attended. The June 14-15 Parish Garage Sale was successful despite intermittent showers. Our first-ever "Trunk or Treat" held on October 26th was organized by Sarah States and was a spectacular success.

On June 30th, Resurrection held a joint service in Blue Springs Park with All Saints Lutheran Church. We joined with the Ecumenical Group once again for joint meals and services in Lent. Fire-extinguisher and CPR-AED training

were held again during 2019. Dr. Bill Stancil graced us with his presence on March 24 & 31 and December 8 and 15.

Visitors to Resurrection were recognized and celebrated. Local visitors were welcomed with home-delivery of a small gift while gift bags for all young visiting children were available in our narthex. We continued to publicize special services and events through the use of yard banners and online communications.

Members of the committee also worked to schedule and support use of the church by outside groups including three Girl Scout troops, a youth soccer academy and a quilting guild. Parish groups meeting at the church included the Daughters of the King and our Finding Faith Through Fiction book club.

Ministries of the church were recognized during a Ministries Fair during the pot luck meal following the February 10th Annual Meeting.



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# COLUMBARIUM Report *John Biggs*

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The Vestry-authorized Columbarium Board consists of five members of the Church. The Senior Warden serves as Chair of the Board while the Rector serves on the Board and appoints the remaining three members (each to serve a three-year term). As of this report, members include Father David Lynch, Sr Warden John Biggs, Elaine Gilligan (term through January 2020), Bill Carle (through January 2021) and Mary Liddle (through January 2022).

The purchase of a Right to Inurnment in the columbarium is priced at \$1,500. It is important to note that all funds received from the sale of Rights to Inurnment are separately accounted for and maintained as a restricted account for Columbarium purposes. Twenty of the forty niches have been reserved as of the end of 2019. Parishioners interested in the purchase of a Right to Inurnment should speak with a Board Member.

In December 2016, the Vestry authorized the Columbarium Board to establish an outdoor Memorial Garden, set appropriate guidelines for the operation of the garden and to purchase a suitable plaque to list the names of those whose cremated remains are interred in the garden. The Memorial Garden was dedicated on November 5, 2017.



**Beginning Balance 1/1/2019:** \$19,428.43

**2019 Columbarium Receipts:** None

**2019 Columbarium Expenses:** None

**Ending Balance 12/31/2019:** \$19,428.43



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# WORSHIP Report *Arla Witte-Simpson*

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We continued to have strong attendance at Sunday services and special services such as Holy Week and two Christmas Services. We continued to collaborate and worship with other churches in our area for the Lenten season and services in the park. The Worship Committee meets each Liturgical Season of the church to coordinate music, service changes and many special services.

We continue to get great support and participation for the worship services from the Choir, Acolytes, Eucharist Ministers, Lectors and Ushers. All of these positions and people enrich the service and enhance our celebration. We have periodic training for those who already serve and for those who wish to serve. We are always looking for new (and not so new) participants in these vital positions. If you or someone you know is interested in any of these areas please contact: Eucharistic or Lector Ministries – Father David Lynch; Alter Guild – Gabe Conn; Acolytes – Lisa Twitty; Greeters/Ushers – Chuck Sprofera; and Choir – Vaughn Scarcliff.

The parishioners continue to be generous in providing flowers for the altar each week. You can sign up on the sheet located on the bulletin board by the front door. These flowers brighten up the worship space, but the Daughters of the King (DOK) ensure they do not go to waste by sharing and delivering them to people outside of the church. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this, please talk with any of the DOK members and let them know.

Thank you to everyone who participate by attending service and volunteering their time to the different ministries!



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## DOK Report *Diane Gerlach*

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The Daughters of the King is a worldwide organization open to women of the Episcopal church who take a vow of prayer, service and evangelism. The Grace chapter at the Church of the Resurrection is fortunate to have a dedicated group of women who take their vows seriously and attend meetings regularly. Currently there are eleven active members and three inactive members due to health issues. The active members are Sherri Brooks, Dixie Flaigle, Debbie Lynch, Elaine Marshall, Vicki McGill, Jan Pahas, Judy Ramirez, Joan Short, Joan Spease, Brenda Sprofera and Diane Gerlach.

This past year we have continued to pray for those in need. We took the altar flowers to shut-ins or nursing homes and provided Christmas stockings filled with candy, hats and gloves to the back snack children Resurrection serves. Currently we are replacing or repairing the ribbons in the prayer books and hymnals. We also sold Christmas ornaments that were donated by one of our local neighbors. The unsold ornaments were given to Blue Springs Community Services for the Christmas store. The money taken in was given to the church to help with the repairs to the children's chapel.

We attended the two Daughter's retreats held each year, one in the southern part of the diocese and the other in this part of the diocese, hosting the one in October this past year where we collected blankets for the St. Frances Foundation. Presently we meet once a month in the evening but will be meeting the third Sunday of the month after the 10:30 Sunday service beginning in January.

We feel that the Daughters of the King is not only a spiritually rewarding program but one that does good work for the church and the community.



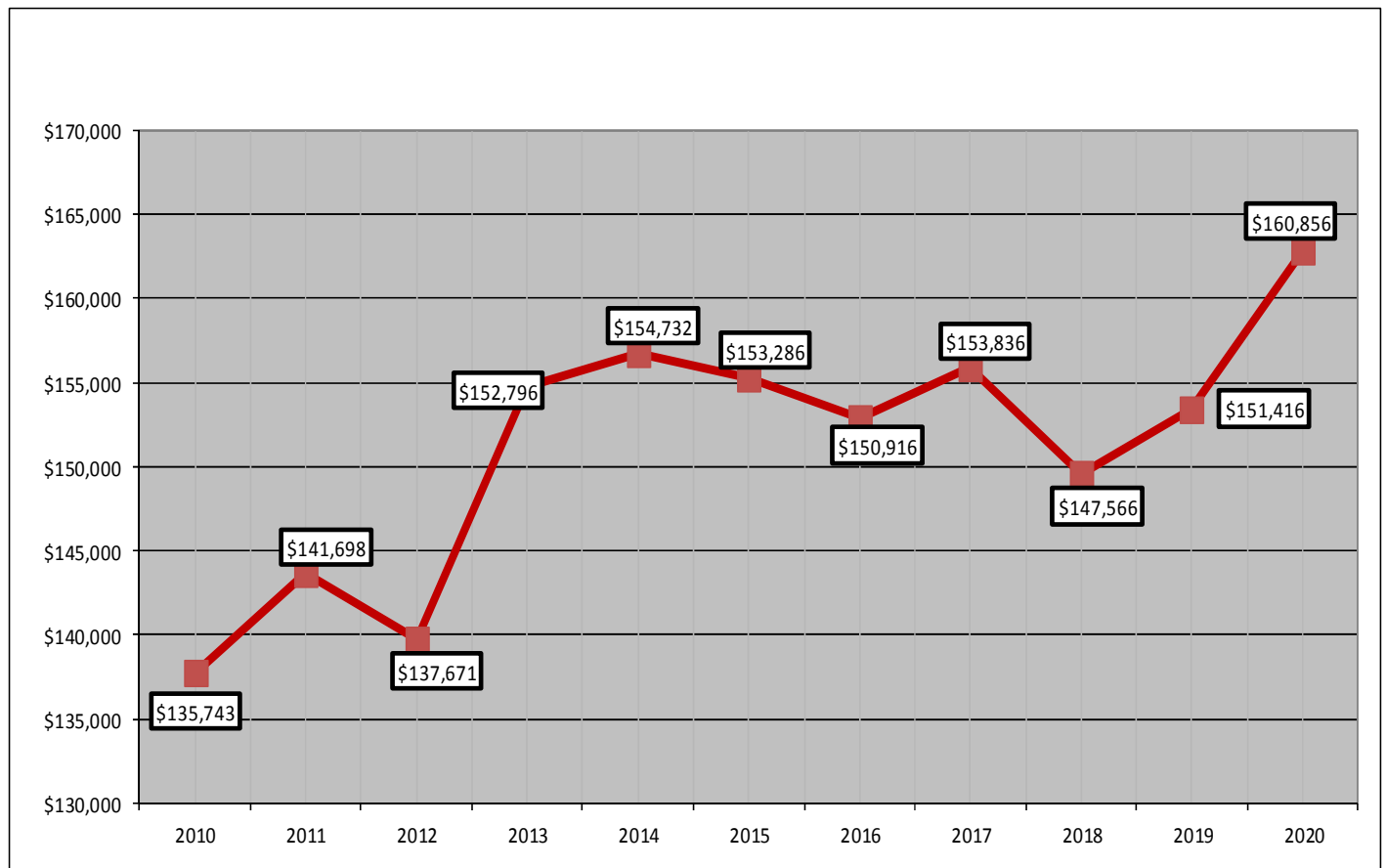
# STEWARDSHIP Report *Tess Garcia*

## Annual Stewardship Campaign Results:

Total Pledges for 2020:	\$160,856
Number of Pledges:	48
Average Pledge:	\$3,351
Number of Pledges that increased	18
Number of Pledges that remained the same	17
Number of Pledges that decreased	7
Number of new Pledges	6
Number of dropped Pledges	7
Net change in Pledges from 2019	(1)

2020 Pledges			
Range	Number	Amount	Average
\$1 - \$999	11	\$5,930	\$539
\$1,000 - \$1,999	9	\$11,760	\$1,307
\$2,000 - \$2,999	7	\$17,606	\$2,515
\$3,000 - \$3,999	3	\$9,320	\$3,107
\$4,000 - \$4,999	4	\$17,580	\$4,395
\$5,000 - \$5,999	5	\$27,520	\$5,504
\$6,000 - \$6,999	2	\$12,500	\$6,250
\$7,000 - \$7,999	3	\$22,200	\$7,400
\$8,000 - \$8,999	2	\$17,040	\$8,520
\$9,000 +	2	\$19,400	\$9,700
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>\$160,856</b>	<b>\$3,351</b>

## Pledge History 2010— 2020





# 2020 OPERATING BUDGET

	Budget 2019	Actual 2019	Budget 2020
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Loose Offerings	\$21,000	\$16,798	\$17,000
Special Offerings	\$1,000	\$1,221	\$1,000
Pledge - current year	\$151,416	\$144,693	\$160,856
Pledge - prior year	\$730	\$730	\$0
Pledge - prepayment	(\$8,361)	\$22,688	(\$22,688)
Interest Income	\$10	\$13	\$10
Miscellaneous Income	\$200	\$130	\$200
Offering Envelopes Income	\$15	\$20	\$15
Realized Gains and Losses	\$0	(\$133)	\$0
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$166,010</b>	<b>\$186,161</b>	<b>\$156,393</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Rector's Stipend & Housing	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$66,400
Rector's Insurance (Employee + Spouse) & HSA Contribution	\$20,248	\$20,248	\$20,712
Rector's Pension	\$11,700	\$11,700	\$11,952
Rector's Expense Reimbursement & Continuing Education	\$800	\$0	\$300
Supply Clergy - Stipend & Mileage	\$1,080	\$1,013	\$1,080
Diocesan Convention	\$350	\$0	\$0
General Office/Supplies/Postage/Copies	\$1,400	\$2,292	\$2,250
Building Repair and Maintenance	\$8,000	\$7,303	\$8,000
Grounds and Parking Lot	\$5,000	\$5,930	\$5,000
Utilities (electric, gas, water, trash, phone, internet)	\$7,981	\$7,910	\$8,084
Christian Education	\$2,550	\$1,722	\$2,514
Diocese of West Missouri	\$15,878	\$15,878	\$18,968
Hospitality & Pastoral Care	\$600	\$558	\$600
Insurance	\$5,675	\$5,814	\$5,850
Altar & Liturgical Supplies	\$1,300	\$1,722	\$1,300
Nursery Care	\$1,000	\$398	\$1,000
Musicians/Choir	\$7,500	\$7,135	\$7,500
Music Director/Substitute Organist	\$14,125	\$13,791	\$14,058
Music/Organ	\$500	\$379	\$500
Finance and Stewardship	\$2,029	\$2,021	\$2,080
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$172,716</b>	<b>\$170,815</b>	<b>\$178,147</b>
<b>Net Cash Flow</b>	<b>(\$6,707)</b>	<b>\$15,347</b>	<b>(\$21,755)</b>

# FINANCE Report

*Jim Gilligan*

## Cash on Hand 12/31/2019:

Unrestricted	\$84,735.10
Temporarily Restricted	\$59,636.78
Permanently Restricted	\$20,355.85
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$164,727.73</b>

Bank of America Checking Account	\$93,582.51
Bank of America Savings Account	\$45,656.18
Bank of America Rector's Disc. Fund	\$1,350.43
Brokerage Account	\$21,897.86
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$164,727.73</b>

## Operating Fund Balance and Cash Reconciliation:

Beginning Balance 1/1/2019	\$67,261.60
2019 Net Addition	\$15,346.60
<b>Ending Balance 12/31/2019</b>	<b>\$82,608.20</b>

Operating Fund Balance	\$82,608.20
Payroll Taxes Payable	\$2,126.90
<b>Total Unrestricted Cash</b>	<b>\$84,735.10</b>

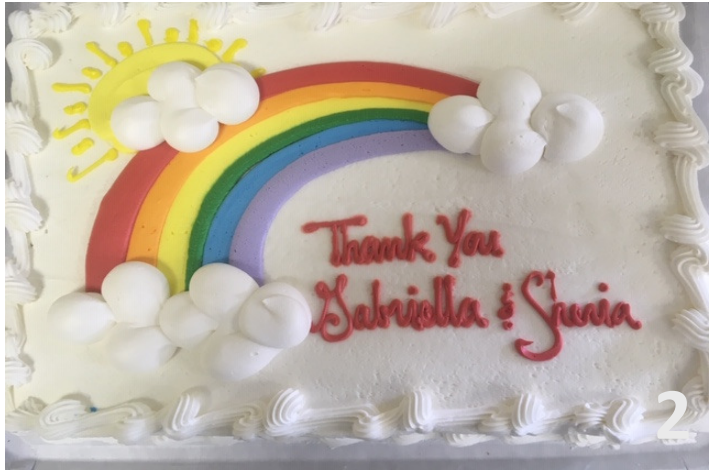
## Temporarily Restricted Accounts 12/31/2019:

Flower Fund	\$13,028.84
Capital Building & Remodeling Fund	\$11,967.50
Memorials & Gifts General	\$11,334.02
Undesignated Proceeds from Events & Fundraisers	\$7,460.62
Sunday Breakfast	\$4,243.42
Outreach (BackSnack Program)	\$3,800.91
Hospitality & Promotions	\$2,167.38
Rector's Discretionary Fund & Mission Trip	\$2,060.43
Parish Life & Growth	\$1,035.61
Youth Group	\$831.10
Restricted Diocesan or Deanery Grants	\$489.14
Acolytes	\$365.19
ECW	\$216.19
Daughters of the King	\$135.93
Other	\$500.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$59,636.78</b>

## Permanently Restricted Accounts 12/31/2019:

Columbarium Fund	\$19,428.43
Memorial Garden Fund	\$210.00
Endowment/Foundation	\$717.42
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,355.85</b>

# 2019 PICTURES



**1.** New Organ installed in January. **2.** Gabriella and Sheria's last day on May 26. **3.** Church in the Park on June 30. **4.** Bishop Field's visit on August 11. **5.** Chili cook-off and auction on September 28. **6.** Blessing of the Animals on October 5.





# The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection

## Our Mission

*The Church of the Resurrection is a Christian community cultivating a personal relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ, each other, and our neighbors by promoting justice, peace and love through worship, ministry and outreach.*

## Our Vision

The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection exists to spread God's love into the world. We envision a world in which baptismal vows are made real by the expression of these core values:

- We welcome all to join us in worship and ministry
- We respect the dignity and unique gifts of every human being
- We seek and serve Christ in all people, loving our neighbors as ourselves
- We desire to grow as a community of God's people by reaching out to others
- We strive for justice and peace among all people
- We desire to be active in the world as witnesses of God's love
- We pledge ourselves to compassion and service, supporting one another