

A message from Congregation President, John Krafft

2025 was again a very active year in ministry for our St. Lorenz staff and volunteers. It is a blessing to watch these wonderful people working so diligently to share the love of Jesus with our community.

- **Community Outreach:** Our Stephen Ministers are now 55 ministers strong and growing! They ministered to 61 people in 2025 while also bringing their presence to several functions and venues within our community! In addition, our community outreach teams answered approximately 490 calls and served 168 families, providing \$125,000 worth of support to those in need, all from the thankful generosity of our members!
- **School Building Project:** Our team is back at work with our architects! You were gracious with support again! Our Capital Campaign pledges totaled nearly \$9 million! There will be more exciting updates in the third quarter of this year as drawings are completed, and construction quotes are obtained.
- **Organizational Realignment:** Thank you to our voters, as we were able to make changes to our constitution to re-charter our commission structure and enable the engagement of ministry teams. New charters are in process, and we are excited about what this holds for future ministries!
- **Church Safety and Security:** Our team has been hard at work in developing plans, processes, and training to enhance our preparedness. More to come later this year.

Our church and school staff continue to serve with incredible dedication each day, creating environments where people can grow in faith and community. I'm so grateful for their work and the impact it continues to have. We are truly blessed. God's peace to each of you.

A message from School Principal, Leah Knoll

Our hearts are full as we joyfully embrace our theme, "Rejoice Always," taken from Philippians 4:4-9. While it is easy to rejoice in the many blessings God provides His children, the "always" in that command can sometimes feel impossible. Scripture tells us in the book of John, "in this world you will have trouble," but, as Christians, we are called to be different. While the people around us may only rejoice when things go their way, we are challenged to find joy even when things do not. Thankfully, our students are not walking through this journey alone; they have dedicated parents, teachers, and pastors guiding and encouraging them to go against the "norm" of the world and to find reasons to rejoice no matter what happens in this life. This is not an easy task, so God gave us the Holy Spirit who is working within our students to grow their faith. This year has been a season of joyful anticipation as we continued the work of planning for additional classrooms and learning spaces. With your support, our school will continue to meet the needs of our students and teachers, providing learning environments that build deep relationships and provide innovative opportunities. Thank you for your continued commitment to our school ministry. As we look toward the future, we do so with gratitude, choosing to REJOICE in the LORD always.

A message from Lead Pastor, Brad Hubbard

As we look back on this past year, our hearts overflow with profound gratitude to our God, whose boundless grace has sustained every facet of our leadership, staff, volunteers, and ministries and guided us through this season of growth. We are also deeply moved by the extraordinary generosity of our members, whose faithful stewardship has not only fueled our ongoing ministry and mission initiatives but has also breathed life into our "Together We Build" school expansion plan, ensuring a legacy of Christian education for generations to come. Standing on the firm foundation of our faith in Jesus and His grace and guidance for our lives, we look toward the coming year with joyful hope as we remain steadfast in our calling to baptize, teach, and reach an ever-widening circle of neighbors with the life-transforming Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ, our Lord!



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Summary of Financial Activities

Revenue

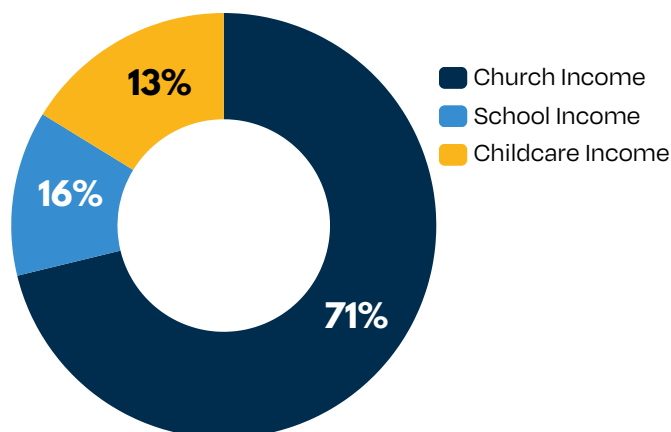
Church Income.....	\$ 4,845,230
School Income.....	854,722
Childcare Income.....	<u>1,104,558</u>
Operating Income	\$ 6,804,510
Missions.....	\$ 338,865
Capital Improvement.....	170,013
Churchgrove.....	111,822
Cemetery.....	62,645
Memorials.....	66,317
Hot Lunch.....	265,741
Student Aid.....	30,090
St. Lorenz Foundation Grants.....	1,237,702
Special Designated Use (SDU) Gifts*.....	<u>5,481,302</u>
Total Gifts, Support, & Revenue	<u>\$ 14,569,007</u>

*includes \$1,387,000 of collected funds for Together We Build campaign

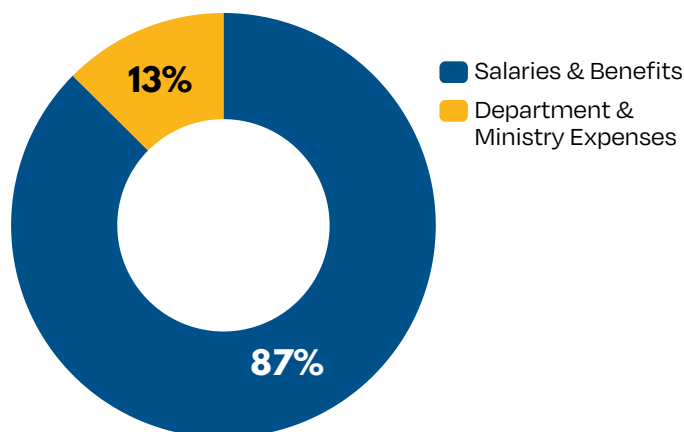
Expenses

Salaries & Benefits.....	\$ 5,820,682
Department & Ministry Expenses.....	<u>835,682</u>
Operating Expenses	\$ 6,656,364
Missions.....	\$ 338,865
Capital Improvement.....	213,811
Churchgrove.....	68,279
Cemetery.....	64,272
Memorials.....	66,317
Hot Lunch.....	316,639
SL Foundation-funded projects.....	1,539,749
Special Designated Use.....	<u>1,961,429</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 11,245,725
Change in Net Assets	\$ 3,323,282
Operating Surplus 2025	<u>\$ 148,146</u>

Operating Income



Operating Expenses

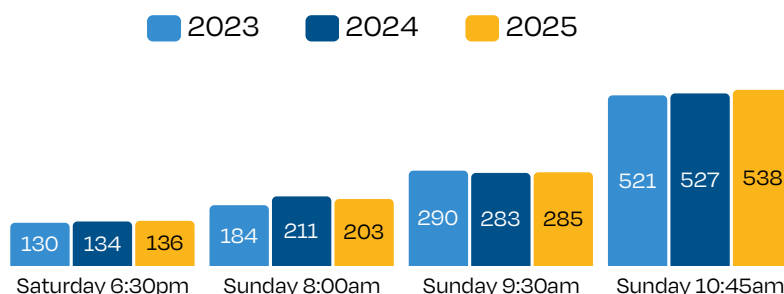


For questions about our financial information, please contact Jeremy Frank at jfrank@stlorenz.org or 989-652-0786.

Congregation Statistics

Baptized membership.....	4,526
Confirmed membership.....	3,631
Baptized	60 infants/children, 7 adults
Confirmed	52 jr. confirmands, 37 adults
Profession of Faith / transfers.....	58
Weddings.....	17
Funerals.....	55
Transferred to other LCMS.....	22
Released to other churches.....	14
Moved without transfer/ inactivated.....	771

Worship Attendance: Weekly Average



Weekend Average:
(includes German & Churchgrove services)

2023	2024	2025
1,196	1,205	1,217