

A YEAR FOR PRAISE

ATTENDANCE

Average weekly 302 Highest attendance 440 Average online views 214

CELEBRATIONS

Baptisms 7 New Babies 12

NEW FACES

New Members 10 Total Membership 223

Tyler Lowe joined our staff in July 2021 as the Director of AVL Production.



GIVING AT A GLANCE

GENERAL FUND

Budget \$910,000 Actual \$902,815 (99.21%)

BENEVOLENCE FUND

Donations \$36,115
Disbursed \$14,650

MISSIONS FUND

Disbursed \$92,788.47 (10.2% of budget)

VBS DONATIONS

Disbursed \$3,500

CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

Disbursed \$7,000

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

In response to capital improvement project needs at both campuses, we have proposed launching a one-time capital campaign to fund these endeavors!

Our goal is \$640,000 by January 31, 2022.

As we begin our campaign in October 2021, we have raised \$93,416 in precampaign gifts and commitments by our leadership toward our \$640,000 goal!





BIG THINGS - BIG GOD An Update from Pastor Kurt Trucksess, Lead Pastor

Last Fall, we prayerfully cast a vision to focus our work for the year 2021:

- Reach people with Jesus
- Find a permanent space for Spencer Campus
- Bring our ministries in alignment with our mission

Our work this year has tracked well toward this vision. We redesigned the focus of our mission statement, making it more prevalent to all.

God answered our prayer and we have a space to renovate in Spencer!

The Elders also developed a five-year vision which will help us with our progress in aligning our ministries and priorities.

At Christmas, we gave more than \$16,000 toward missions. The Smiths in Uganda used our funds to light their whole compound and pay to educate pastors for the semester.

Both campuses joined to worship at Arnold's Park in August. A lake baptism at the end of our gathering added to a total of seven baptism celebrations this year!

In keeping our finger to the text, this year we finished our sermon studies on Mark, II Timothy, and Jude. We will conclude the year with a vision and Christmas series. Individually, many are following the church-wide "Take Up and Read" Bible reading plan.

By God's grace we are weathering the pandemic! Our deacons have stepped up to steward those unable to attend church and meet benevolence needs. Live streaming has become our new front door. As this season comes to a close, it's time to practice the "art of neighboring" in person. Let's challenge each other to have great stories of God's faithfulness for this next year!

SPENCER CAMPUS UPDATE

We are on the move! The Lord opened doors for us to acquire a permanent location, We were able to use the Legacy Fund as well as other generous gifts to write a check for our new 15,000 sqft. property which was closed on in October 2021.

In spite of current space limitations, Spencer Campus is thriving! Roughly 75 percent of regular attendees are plugged into Life Groups. Our children's ministry outgrew space for Sunday morning classes. As a result, we launched CW Kids classes on Wednesday nights with record attendance!

SPIRIT LAKE CAMPUS UPDATE

The Spirit Lake Campus used the building closures last spring to build a better foundation for ministry. We added additional parking, a more welcoming foyer, and cinnamon rolls on Sundays!

Our Wednesday night children and youth ministry programs serve more than 150 students, led by 35 volunteers.

This past year it's been exciting to see our growing young adults ministry plugging in and serving! Many are assisting to put together our Sunday morning worship.

WINDOM EXTENSION UPDATE

Our Extension Site in Windom has been supporting the work of CrossWinds all year. One family opened a restaurant in Mountain Lake with the intention of using it to minister to their community. Check it out if you're going up there!