

# TLC Trumpet



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## Pastor's Page

Way back when, I'm talking elementary school days -- I went to Allendale for Kindergarten through fifth grade, and then we moved, and I did sixth grade at Redwood Heights -- one exciting thing for me was getting a new pencil box: brand new pencils, a ruler, a pink eraser, scissors -- the tools for learning. Aah!

I wish I could get as excited about my new laptop, but it's way more sophisticated than a pencil and than its user.

This morning, at the top of one of the screens I was in--I think it was Yahoo Mail!--a headline flashed on: "FAX is dying -- eFAX is alive!" Eegad, I never understood how FAX worked -- yet another new thing.

I am pretty good on the few things I use on my iPhone. The only frightening thing is when I am talking on the phone and accidentally trigger

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the FaceTime feature and look at the phone to see what just happened where I find myself really up close to MY FACE. AAAHHHHHHH!!!

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And this is the Gospel, that the light has come into the world so that one can see their self through the loving eyes of Christ and be transformed so that they can gain power OVER their evil deeds and get rid of them (control-alt-delete).

So amazingly wonderful that in the church calendar we move from Epiphany, the season of light, to Lent -- reflection on Christ's passion and

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## Next Trumpet Deadline!

The next TLC Trumpet deadline will be Friday, **February 21**. Editor requests articles be no longer than 500 words. Please email submissions to:

**tlcsantarosa@sbcglobal.net**

If you do not have email, place submissions (along with your name in case any clarification is needed) in Dorothy's inbox.

Pastor Jean Lebbert: 707-327-6292

Church office: 707-544-0241

### Worship:

Sunday morning at 9:30 with Holy Communion

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email: tlcsantarosa@sbcglobal.net

### January hours for our administrative assistant

Church office hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Friday 10-2.



### Here are our February Birthdays!

Katherine Zuest	2/3
Sandy Koppen	2/3
Deb Feronnato	2/6
Mark Koppen	2/11
Betty Speakes	2/11
George Land	2/16
Paula Seitz-Netherda	2/28



## Save the Date!!

*"Be My Valentine" Progressive Dinner*

Saturday, February 15

5:30 pm

\$15 per person ~ Food and beverages included

*See Verda, Barbara, Joan, Marilyn, Ingrid, Gloria,  
George or Jordan for more information.*

## TLC Group News



### Christian Education News

This month's Adult Forum could save someone's life. Jan Loewen will offer a CPR update on February 23rd after our Fellowship time. Plan on attending to learn the newest suggested methods.

### Let Us Break Bread Together

All are welcome for a monthly meal and communion. Meet at 6:30 pm on Thursday the 20th for dinner which will be followed by prayers and communion. Everything is provided. Just bring yourself for good food, fellowship and a very meaningful communion service.

### The Rose Parade

Save the date of May 17th for a chance to be in the Rose Parade. That's right, TLC will have a presence at this parade. Let's see if we can have a better turnout than we did for the Gay Pride parade in Guerneville. After all it is closer for many of us. Should be lots of fun. Stay tuned for details.

## CALIFORNIA'S DROUGHT CRISIS

*An appeal for prayer from the Lutheran Office of Public Policy - California and the California Conference of Catholic Bishops*

During this week's California Board of Food and Agriculture meeting attended by LOPP-CA Director Mark Carlson, officials and leaders from state, federal, and district water agencies detailed imminent severe threats to California agriculture, including loss of irrigation water, hundreds of thousands of acres of fallowed land, high unemployment among farm workers, packers, and processors, and subsequent demands for food relief. The California Conference of Catholic Bishops has asked all people of faith to join in prayer for God's mercy and compassion. Sacramento Roman Catholic Bishop Jaime Soto offers this prayer:

"May God open the heavens and let His mercy rain down upon our fields and mountains. Let us especially pray for those most impacted by water shortages and for the wisdom and charity to be good stewards of this precious gift. May our political leaders seek the common good as we learn to care and share God's gift of water for the good of all. "

## Worship in February

**Feb. 2 4th Sunday after Epiphany**      **“The Woman at the Well”**

Scriptures: Psalm 42:1-3; John 4:1-42

Music by the New Band

Highlights: Book of Concord class; planning meeting for Rose Parade

**Feb. 9 5th Sunday after Epiphany**      **“Healing Stories”**

Scriptures: Psalm 40:1-5; John 4:46-54; 5:1-18

Music by the Classic Band

**Feb. 16 6th Sunday after Epiphany**      **“Bread from Heaven”**

Scriptures: Psalm 34:1-10; John 6:35-59

Music by the New Band

Highlights: Gift of G.A.B.

**Feb. 23 7th Sunday after Epiphany**      **“Living Water”**

Scriptures: Psalm 147:1-11

Music by Michelle Daugherty

Highlights: Forum on CPR training; Council; Cent\$ational \$unday



## Worship Schedule

### Pastor's Page

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confession to clean out our hearts for the shock of the resurrection to change us again and again.

It's been a year since I stood up before you all and resolved to stop telling myself that I could not do new technologies. I have never regretted that bold act. I've got an iPhone, a new car with Bluetooth and SiriusXM, and now a laptop with touchscreen. When I get frustrated with the iPhone or Windows 8, I remind myself that I made that promise to you all. You probably don't even know how much you help me every day by just being you!

Okay, okay, so I don't get along with Siri so good yet. Someone told me that I could change the voice from female to male. Gosh, empowered to transgender all by myself!

Everything I need to know I did not learn in Kindergarten. I am still in the process.

I did learn to take naps in Kindergarten. Very important lesson in life. One really good darkness is when I can close my eyes on the world for a snooze and maybe a dream. Zzzzzzzz.

*Love,  
Pastor Jan*

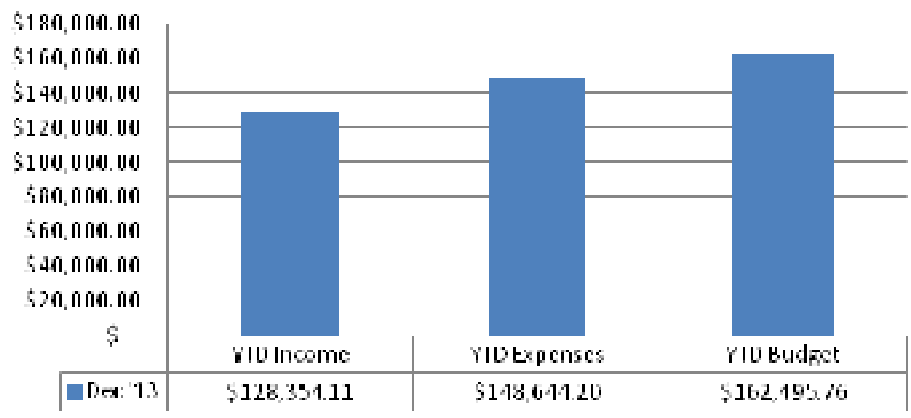
# Finance Update

The December deficit was \$149.02. This brought the deficit for 2013 to \$20,260.72 which on average is \$1,688.39 per month and \$422.10 per week. This is better than what had been predicted in the budget but is still quite a significant amount. During 2013 gifts to help pay down our mortgage were received and totaled \$1,653. Many of you helped raise our income by utilizing Good Search when surfing the web, e-scrip when shopping and Thrivent Choice dollars. Thank you to all who do these things. Please keep our financial situation in your thoughts and prayers.

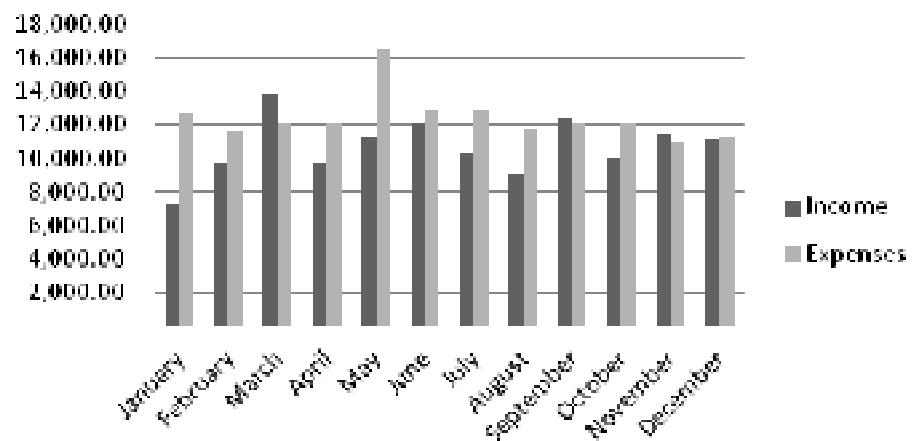
## Gifts to Others

During 2013 many gifts were made through TLC to others in need. Second mile groups received \$730, the ELCA Disaster Relief fund received \$90, our Christmas offering of \$1,372 went to Lutheran Social Services of Northern California, the ELCA Malaria Eradication fund received \$1,157, Typhoon Haiyan victims received \$215, FISH received \$20 and the Rwanda School Project received \$592. These dollars make a tremendous difference to those in need. Thank you.

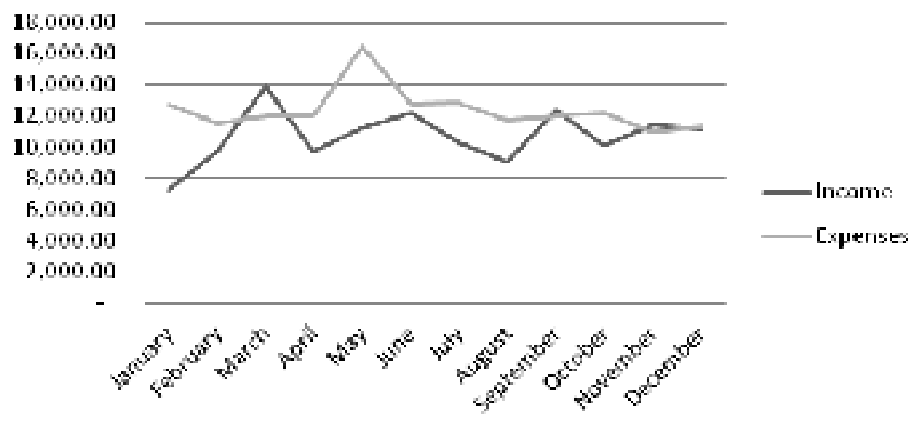
Dec 2013



Income & Expenses 2013



Jan-Dec Income & Expenses



### TLC Executive Committee:

Jordan Eberly, President  
Barbara Kling, Vice-president  
Keith Becker, Secretary  
Jean Harrison, Treasurer  
Astrid Anderson, Financial Secretary

### Council Liaisons to Committees:

Christian Education	hiatus
Congregation and Community Care	Marilyn Schuler
Finance	Lisa Bartlett
Mutual Ministry	Pastor Jean Lebbert
Outreach and Evangelism	Cindy Heiller
Property	Keith Becker
Stewardship	Keith Becker
Worship and Music	Barbara Kling

### Committee Chairs

Christian Education	Jean Harrison
Congregation and Community Care	Jordan Eberly
Finance	Jean Harrison
Mutual Ministry	Pastor Jean Lebbert
Outreach and Evangelism	Brandi Stonebraker
Property	Jan Loewen
Stewardship	Keith Becker
Worship and Music	Mary Thompson
Youth (in hiatus)	

## Who's Who In Worship

### Altar Guild Coordinator:

Mary Dawson

### Greeters Coordinator:

Jan Thomas

### Asst. Ministers Coordinator:

Ingrid Feiertag

### Offering Teller Coordinator:

Paul Feiertag

### Readers Coordinator:

Ingrid Feiertag

### Ushers Coordinator:

George Land

## Who's Who In Special Taskforces

### Community Garden Coordinator:

Karen Lehman

### Landscaping Coordinator:

Jean Harrison

### Quilters Coordinator:

Gloria Feiertag

### Women's Retreat Coordinator:







Karen Lehman

Please Support Those  
who Support Us



At the Mission Investment Fund, we use the money you invest to fund building and renovation loans for ELCA congregations and related ministries. Give us a call at 877.886.3522.

# TLC February Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> Book of Concord Study <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Morning Worship <b>11:00 AM</b> Rose Parade Planning Meeting <b>3:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion	<b>3</b> <b>5:30 PM</b> Mutual Ministry <b>7:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion Practice	<b>4</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Bible Study <b>6:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon small group <b>8:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon	<b>5</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Morning Worship <b>3:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion	<b>10</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion Practice	 <b>1:00 PM</b> Bible Study <b>1:00 PM</b> Quilting Group <b>6:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon small group <b>8:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon	 <b>2:00 PM</b> Audit Committee <b>6:30 PM</b> Property Meeting <b>7:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	 <b>9:00 AM</b> Finance Committee <b>5:30 PM</b> "Be My Valentine" Progressive Dinner
<b>16</b> <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Morning Worship <b>3:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion	<b>17</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion Practice	<b>18</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Bible Study <b>6:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon small group <b>8:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon	<b>19</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion	<b>20</b>  <b>6:30 PM</b> Break Bread Together Nite	<b>21</b>  Newsletter Deadline	<b>22</b>
 <b>9:30 AM</b> Sunday Morning Worship <b>11:00 AM</b> Adult Forum <b>3:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion	<b>24</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion Practice	<b>25</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Bible Study <b>6:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon small group <b>8:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anon	<b>26</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Roca de Salvacion	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1</b>



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## Interfaith Sustainable Food Collaborative's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference: Faith, Family Farms and Fresh Local Food Access

**February 23rd, 2014**

**1:30pm – 7pm, at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Marin  
240 Channing Way, San Rafael, CA**

Join the **Interfaith Sustainable Food Collaborative** to advance faith-based community gardens, educational forums, community supported agriculture (CSA) programs, advocacy and food access for the needy! The conference design includes ample participation, discussion and problem-solving to empower congregational leaders.

- *Be inspired* by projects communities of faith are advancing locally;
- *Learn* about successful models from national leaders working on faith, sustainable agriculture and food justice;
- *Network* with faith leaders who tackle challenges similar to those you face; and
- *Bring home resources* to empower your congregation's work towards a sustainable harvest of healthy food for all.

Reserve Your Spot Now! Register [online](#) or send in the [application](#)!

**Price:** \$45 prior to February 10<sup>th</sup>, \$55 afterwards

Includes a resource guide and reception featuring delicious locally grown food. (Full and partial scholarships are available.) Discounts for multiple members of the same congregation.

**Space is limited!** Reservations are strongly recommended. Register [online](#) or fill out the printer version [application](#) and send it to us at ISFC 632 Petaluma Ave, Sebastopol 95472. If you have questions contact the Interfaith Sustainable Food Collaborative at (707) 634-4672 or [info@interfaithfood.org](mailto:info@interfaithfood.org).