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an extraordinary journey through Acts

*Love, Connect and Serve on the Journey with Christ*

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# Welcome

**WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!** Thanks for joining us today! We don't want to miss the opportunity of connecting with you. So, whether you are visiting for the first time or are a regular attendee please take a moment to fill out the *Blue Connection Card* in the seat pocket in front of you. Please return it to the seat pocket or leave it on your seat.

If you would like to give toward the ministries of Crossroads Church, please place your gift in one of the Tithes and Offerings Boxes located at each Worship Center exit. Online giving is also available on our website at [www.crossroadsefc.com](http://www.crossroadsefc.com)

**Looking for more information?** If you'd like to learn more about something you heard during Crossroads announcements regarding upcoming events or the ministries at Crossroads, please visit our Welcome Center Kiosk located in the Connection Area or visit our website at [www.crossroadsefc.com](http://www.crossroadsefc.com).

## We wanted you to know that...

- Assisted hearing devices are available during our services at the Welcome Kiosk.
- Binders with printed lyrics are available on the back tables in the Worship Center.
- Once a worship service has begun, we ask that all entering and exiting the Worship Center use the east or west doors (not the center, please).

## dashboard

Month	Income	Expense	Net	Here We Grow Giving
1st Quarter	\$191,170.08	\$220,725.94	(\$29,555.86)	\$79,802.71
2nd Quarter	\$239,159.89	\$238,497.72	\$662.17	\$31,767.64
July 2017	\$73,353.48	\$69,619.73	\$3,733.75	\$9,196.92
3rd Quarter	\$73,353.48	\$69,619.73	\$3,733.75	\$9,196.92
2017 Totals	\$503,683.45	\$528,843.39	(\$25,159.94)	\$120,767.27


### Monthly Budget Need

\$80,984.00

### Mortgage Balance

\$151,678.87

## announcements

- **Women's Fall Bible Study** - Today is the last day to register to participate in Jen Wilkin's *1 Peter, A Living Hope in Christ* study. We will be meeting on Tuesdays starting September 12<sup>th</sup> and ending on November 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 - 11:30 am or 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Childcare is provided. Register today by visiting the registration table in the Connection Area or sign up online at [www.crossroadsefc.org](http://www.crossroadsefc.org) or by scanning this QR Code. 
- **Scoops from Groups!** You're invited to grab some free ice cream as you leave service today. While your enjoying a sweet treat we'd love to encourage you to consider joining a *Community Group @ GroupLink* on September 16<sup>th</sup>! Learn what it means to experience true, authentic Christian relationships in the context of a small group! Let's move out of the rows we're sitting in and into a circle of relationships with one another. Register to attend GroupLink one of two ways...1) complete the registration card located in your seat pocket OR 2) stop by to talk with Pastor Marc at the Community Group table in the new Connection Area this morning! Let's eat some ice cream!!
- **Dive Student Ministry** - Small groups are meeting OFF CAMPUS today! Don't know where to meet? Call or text your small group leader to find out. Dive WILL NOT be meeting tonight in lieu of small group activities.

## two major initiatives...

We have two major ministry initiatives going on right now! In both, God has gone before us! In offering Him our best by way of planning and organizing, we readily recognize there are things we haven't thought of, oversights, and a few unexpected. Time and time again, God has filled those gaps. It's testimony that He is leading us and assuring us we are following the leading of the Spirit. It's these times when God is opening doors and reaffirming us by saying, "Don't worry, I'm here. I'm with you. Just keep going in faith and give Me your best. I'll fill the gaps."

1) **We are getting to the end of our Here We Grow project!** We look forward to a finished product in 3-4 weeks. Thank you so much for your patience and understanding with all the dust and inconvenience. Also, thank you for your continued faithfulness in fulfilling your financial pledge to the Here We Grow campaign. Our pledge campaign goes through February 2018. **If we fulfill our pledge amount, along with unpledged giving to this point, we will be approximately \$75,000 short** of being able to finish this project debt free. Perhaps the Holy Spirit is leading you to help fill that gap? Please pray and consider how you might be able to help with this over the next few months.

2) **The Culver ministry is really ramping up!** God filled a gap a few weeks ago by providing a location for worship services. Since then, we have been working to understand how this location will function and what is the best way to do ministry there. We desire an inviting environment that will function well and accommodate growth in this ministry. **Here's the reality we need to share with you because we know you care about what we're doing in Culver.** Much of the one-time startup cost we anticipated needing for Culver has been included in our budget for this year. However, financial giving toward our general fund has not met our budget to this point. Therefore, our cash flow has been low, very low actually; limiting what we are able to purchase at a critical launch point in our planning for Culver. We now realize our efforts in planning did not take into consideration that these finances would be needed now when there remains four months in our giving calendar; not to mention our strongest giving typically comes in the final two months of the year. **Bottom line,** we're asking you to prayerfully consider being part of what God is doing by giving to our general fund if you do not already; we're asking you to consider giving in addition to what you already give; we're asking you to consider if it's possible to give some of your year-end giving now. We'll be able to provide more specific details after next week, Lord willing, but **please note that the next two to three weeks are the most critical time leading into our Culver ministry.**