



LIFEPOINT CHURCH

***Pointing People
to Life with Jesus***

**2018 Annual
Report**

Agenda

Meal

Annual Business

- ▶ Establishment of Qualified Voters
- ▶ Presentation of Ballot
- ▶ Distribution of Ballot

Ministry Celebration

Adjournment of Meeting

LifePoint Church Inc.

Annual Business Meeting Proposed Ballot

November 11, 2018

Church Council Nominees

Andrew Asma– term expires Dec. 2021

Craig Kinsey– term expires Dec. 2020 – final term

(Craig was not ratified in 2017, ratification needed this meeting)

Treasurer Nominee

Brett Doberenz– 1 year (term expires yearly)

Missions Committee Nominees

Rem Yoder- term expires Dec. 2021

Rebekah Sceniak- term expires Dec. 2021

Lark Klinge- term expires Dec. 2019

(Lark was not ratified in 2017, ratification needed this meeting)

Nominating Committee Nominees

Pam Grevengood– term expires Dec. 2021

Brenton Fish- term expires Dec. 2021- final term

Finance Committee Nominees

Rory Comstock– term expires Dec 2019

Doug Kauffman- term expires Dec. 2021

Rita Hershberger- term expires Dec. 2021

I Approve the Budget for 2019

Senior Pastor Annual Report 2017

What a year this past year has been! Our building remodel and Remodel Repayment Campaign were big projects. At times they seemed overwhelming, but I'm so glad we tackled them and are now on the other side. Our building looks so much better and the sanctuary functions so much better with new sound, lighting, video, and electrical! Thanks to everyone who made it all possible!

While I'm really grateful for all the work on our building, I'm really glad it's done. And it's not for the reason you may think. Yes, it was stressful for me, but we all have seasons of life that bring stress. I'm glad it's done so we can move our focus away from the building because the church is not a building – it's people!

John Wimber said this about the church, "The church is not the building, it's the people. It's not the gathering, it's the scattering!" He's right! The church is not where we go, but who we are! We, God's Church, are made for so much more than simply attending a worship service on a regular basis! The Church that Jesus died and rose for is designed and made for so much more!

We have been created to experience loving union with God and join Him in Pointing People to Life with Jesus. Inwardly strong in our loving union with God through Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. Outwardly focused as we join God where He's already at work in loving our neighbors, coworkers, family, and friends. We want everyone to grow in their life with Jesus for God's glory, our own good, and the sake of others!



In this report we will share ways the people of LifePoint Church are experiencing the MORE God has us for! You'll get a glimpse of how people are living life with Jesus and being transformed. You'll also see some numbers! We have a lot of positive numbers. But one of the most important numbers is how many of our neighbors, family members, and friends are saying yes to Jesus' invitation and being baptized into a life of discipleship. Ultimately, we'd love to start telling stories of how our neighbors are meeting Jesus as we love them well! We'd love to tell stories of the transformation into the likeness of Jesus that is taking place in people's lives. Transformation stories are the stories God loves!

Thank you to all of you who give of your time, talent, and treasures to partner with Jesus in the transformation of people in our midst! We couldn't do it without you! And thank you to all of you who are willing to walk this journey of life with Jesus with me!

You are LOVED!

His – Pastor Troy

Pointing ordinary people to extraordinary life with Jesus!

Jesus said in John 10:10 - *The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.* We want people to have His full life!

We do this by being inwardly strong and outwardly focused!

We become inwardly strong by GROWING in our life with Jesus and GATHERING together to encourage.

We stay outwardly focused by GOING and sharing the life of Jesus with others and GIVING of our times, talents, and treasures.

We are accomplishing our mission when we are seeing Jesus' extraordinary life and character transforming lives, families, schools, and our community.

StudentPoint Report

Students

40 Students who regularly attend StudentPoint Wednesday

35 Students who attended a StudentPoint summer event

Belong

6 StudentPoint coaches who come every Wednesday to invest in teenagers.

900 minutes in small groups helping students to belong and experience life with Jesus.

Experience

2 trips to point students to life with Jesus.

24 students & 6 coaches went on StudentPoint trips in 2018.

2018 StudentPoint trips – Believe Conference, 365 State Youth Convention.

\$3,000 used from StudentPoint to help students experience life with Jesus on StudentPoint Trips

Stories – Making an Impact

Our mission at StudentPoint is to create a space for students to belong and experience life with Jesus. And this year, we have seen more and more students connecting to StudentPoint and finding a place they can belong. Every year StudentPoint and KidsPoint work together to help transition kids graduating from KidsPoint at 5th grade and entering StudentPoint at 6th grade. Believe it or not, there are many students who don't make this jump into student ministry and so we work really hard to help build an easy bridge to walk across. This past summer KidsPoint graduated an amazing class of 5th graders. This incoming class is an example of the awesome things KidsPoint does to point kids to Jesus. And our hope is to continue building on this foundation in StudentPoint. A big part of building a bridge is helping 5th graders build relationships with their new small group leader. And we have amazing small group leaders who have helped these new students feel like they belong here. So thanks to the partnership we have with our KidsPoint team and the amazing small group leaders, we were able to help over 15 students transition into StudentPoint this summer.

One of the best things about StudentPoint (and also this incoming class of students) is that over half of the students come from unchurched homes. You wouldn't believe some of the things these students face day to day. And yet, we get the opportunity to point them to Jesus and introduce them to a God who wants to write a beautiful redemptive story in their life! Which is why we show up each week...because we believe these students have an amazing future ahead of them and we want to help them discover that their real life is hidden in Christ. For when they discover that...the best is yet to come!

KidsPoint Report

KidsPoint(Wednesday Nights)

50 average attenders.

12 small group leaders.

10 returning from last year.

1080 combined hours of influence.

Children's Church (Sunday Mornings)

Partner with parents of 40 kids on Sunday Morning.

Team of 114 volunteer positions to run Children's Ministry on a monthly basis.

SpringHill Camps

68 campers.

8 first time commitments to life with Jesus.

4 recommitments to life with Jesus.

Stories – Making an Impact

I want to take a moment to thank you, our congregation for being a place where community kids feel welcome. Thank you for being kind and compassionate to kids who eat waffles and drink pop in the sanctuary. Because this is a place they feel loved they have been with us for years. We have three families going on 6 years!!! Can you believe that? Kids making the choice to come to church without their parents for 6 years! Did you know people in our church have stepped up to be their Sunday family? They pick them up from class, bring them a snack and sit with them in church. This is such a beautiful story of being Jesus to these children... thank you!

What does it mean to lead small or do for a few... we say this a lot on Wednesday nights. It means you show up in the lives of your few (your small group) week after week. It means you can do more for a few. This year we had some kids confide in us about something that was causing harm. They know we can not keep those things private. In my conversation to the school it was said, “we have a counselor, why did they tell you”? Friends, this is what showing up in the life of a kid means week after week, being intentional and present, saying we except you just the way you are, you are loved just the way you are. We are not perfect, we don't have any super powers, we just show up and say... you belong here and you are loved! Thank a small group leader today!

Worship Ministry Report

The Worship Ministry has seen yet another year full of change! Our space and equipment has changed for the better in drastic ways. We are blessed that the church has given to this project and made it happen. It has greatly impacted what we do on Sunday mornings, including things that go unseen. On behalf of the people who perhaps use the sanctuary the most, thank you for giving your time, talents and treasures to the Remodel Project!

We have also seen a lot of change in people. The Worship Ministry is currently made up of 24 volunteers. In the last year we've had a number of dedicated and talented people step down from the ministry for a variety of reasons. This includes Denny Sensenich, Jeff Dunn, Simon Grevengoed and Pat DeFreese. Please thank these gentleman for the years they gave to LifePoint's Worship Ministry! On the other side of that token, God has been faithful to us and we've gained several new volunteers! This includes Gene Thompson, Michael Hays, Rem Yoder, Seth Hays, Lizzy Terry, Hannah Rose, Eli Hays, Jerry Hawkins, Nichole Radcliff, Lauren Kinsey and Rod Grossman. And that's not all...we have had multiple guests come to serve with us as well!

In closing, I want to publicly thank the volunteers that serve with me every Sunday morning!! You're a blessing to me and to the people of LifePoint!

Worship Ministry Report

24 Volunteers

129 Songs

**Most played song: Reckless Love and
O Come to the Altar (both 6 times)**

Mission's Team Report

The purpose of the Missions Team is to educate and inspire the people of LifePoint to support and engage in missions work that points people to Jesus.

Current team members include: Lark Klinge, Ranae Shaner, Phillip Cook, Rem Yoder and Rebekah Sceniak.

Ministry Partners we currently support: Cory Martin Elkhart County Jail Chaplain, Marshall Lawrence of Silent Blessings, Horizons Intl., Karen Neff of Taiwan, RETA (Reason Enough to Act), World Missionary Press, Inc., Faith Mission in Elkhart, Mark and Kathy Fulton in Haiti, The Post and The Window, and the Weiger Family (Josh, Audrey, Emma, & Dallas), with Three Worlds (CHOG missionaries) in Berlin, Germany.

Because of your very generous and faithful giving to Faith Promise, extra funds have been given to Go Sunday (\$500), The Window (\$400) and La Casa (\$250). In addition, we were able to help support those that went on the Haiti Trip (\$1,600). Thank You for your generous support!

Stories - Making an Impact

Sunday, October 7th, we participated in our very first Go Sunday. We gathered at 9:30am for worship and then dispersed into groups for worship and then dispersed into groups to serve our community. We had groups participate in 13 different projects. We were able to serve by cleaning out the Fairfield Food Pantry, writing letters to missionaries that we support, assembling freedom bags for the local jail ministry, cleaning up the Pumpkinvine Trail, paying for laundry at a local laundromat, doing yard work at Park 33 apartments, providing a free car wash, and visiting with residents at Greencroft. One of the projects was a book drive for Parkside Elementary. The church worked together to donate 2,500 books for the school to hand out to students at Christmas time. Thanks, LifePoint for being love to our community!

Faith Promise Giving

\$19,480
given to date

11 Missionaries
& Organizations

5 Countries

Treasurer Report

2018 has been an outstanding year for LifePoint Church. Our projected budget income for 2018 is \$440,000.00. Our income is \$308,326.00 through the end of September which is behind our budget goal. We are trusting God to reach our budget goal by the end of the year. **THANK YOU** for your faithfulness and generosity that make this possible.

Regular monthly payments on the Remodel Construction Loan with Interra began in June. The loan is set up at 20 years repayment w/balloon. 20 year regular payment amount is \$4,608.66. With your faithfulness, we are paying at a 10 year rate with payments of \$7,221.43. Your financial investments in the church are enabling us to lead ordinary people to extraordinary life with Jesus.

Based on year-to-date figures we will finish with income above expenses. Expenses were kept below income because Church Council and staff felt the best way to honor God with the money given to His church is to spend less than our income. The 2019 budget has been prepared with increases to ministry efforts and increases to continue compensating our staff in a competitive job market. If you have questions regarding budget or financial statements, feel free to contact Sharol Blackport.

You are a blessing to LifePoint Church and our community because of your committed financial investment in our congregation and your heart for sharing your resources with others. A big Thank You to all!

Nominee Bios



Church Council

Andrew Asma

Andrew and Sarah Asma have been attending LifePoint for two years. They have two children: Ellie - 5 and Kate - 3. Andrew and Sarah have lived in Elkhart County since 2010. Andrew formerly practiced law with Sanders Pianowski and served as a Trust Officer at KeyBank. Andrew is currently building his business with Edward Jones.

Craig Kinsey

I came to LifePoint in 2012 and am very thankful to call it my home church. I have been married to my wife, Jama, for 15 years and we have 4 kids; Lauren, Daniel, Carson and Grace. I currently serve on the Worship Team, Wednesday Children's Ministry, Church Council, I am a Small Group Leader, and I help my wife with Starting Point Lunches.



Treasurer

Brett Doberenz

Kelly and I have attended LifePoint Church for 31 years with our three sons: Alex (Heather) of Goshen, IN, Austin of Bloomington, IN and Arick of Goshen, IN. I am currently employed by Forest River, Inc. as the Flagstaff travel trailer West Central territory manager. I have been blessed with the opportunity to serve our church in many capacities over the years. I have helped teach several different grades of children's Sunday school, have served as a Youth leader in our Connect Student Ministry and am currently leading the Life with Jesus class on Wednesdays. I served as a member of the Missions Committee and have been on the Church Council for a total of 12 years. I am very excited about the direction that God is leading our congregation and I am pleased to be a part of a loving church that is willing to reach out to the community so others may find their way to a relationship with Jesus.

Nominee Bios

Missions Committee



Lark Klinge

I have been married to my wonderful husband Steve for 8 years, we have 3 children Axle, Janay and Daisy. We have attended LifePoint Church since 2012 and I have been privileged to serve through this church in the children's ministry, on the Missions Committee and as a small group leader.

Rebekah Sceniak

Rebekah has made LifePoint church her home for 6 years. Upon returning home from Taiwan, after three years she continued to be involved on the Worship team. She works at the Syracuse Library and gives private music lessons. Rebekah has a heart for overseas missions and a love for music.

Rem Yoder

Rem is a Goshen native who spent the first 9 years of his career working in Indianapolis. He, his wife Racheal and 2 children, Anna and TJ, returned to Goshen in the spring of 2017. Rem is a project manager at DJ Construction and enjoys biking hiking and just generally being outdoors.



Nominating Committee

Pam Grevengoed

Pam Grevengoed has been attending LifePoint Church for 25 years and has served in various roles. She and Bruce have 3 children, Joel - 25, Grace -23 and Simon - 19. Pam was born and raised in Goshen. She currently works as a school librarian at Jefferson Elementary School in Goshen.

Brenton Fish

My wife, Caryn, and I have been attending LifePoint Church for 12 years. We have been married 16 years and have three children, Cooper, Boedy and Eliza. I have been involved with leading small group ministry and SpringHill. I teach math at Goshen Middle School.

Nominee Bios



Doug Kauffman

We have been attending LifePoint for 4 years. I have been married to my wife Linda for 13 years and we have 3 grandchildren ages 7,5,&3. I graduated from Fairfield and I am employed at Romo Tech in New Paris. I am a life time resident of the Goshen area.

Finance Committee

Rita Hershberger

I've been attending LifePoint since 1968 and joined the church staff on July 2, 1977. I am married to Roger and we have two daughters: Rachel and Shelly and four grandchildren with a fifth coming mid-November. LifePoint has always had a place in my heart and our family has always felt loved and accepted here. And LifePoint has a great Children's Ministry for our grandchildren.

Rory Comstock

I've been a born again Christian for 37 years, and married to my wonderful wife Cindy for 20 years. We moved to Goshen in 2012 and have been attending LifePoint since that time. I'm a disabled veteran with previous experience preaching, teaching adult Sunday school, and serving on both church council and financial boards at my previous church in Oregon.

LifePoint Church

2019 Proposed Budget Compared with 3 Previous Years Actual and This Year's Projected and Budget

	Actual <u>2015</u>	% of <u>Income</u>	Actual <u>2016</u>	% of <u>Income</u>	Actual <u>2017</u>	% of <u>Income</u>	Projected <u>2018</u>	% of <u>Income</u>	Budget <u>2018</u>	Budget <u>2019</u>	% of 2019 <u>Budget Income</u>
INCOME											
Offerings	381,504.90	99.7%	396,437.58	100.0%	429,854.04	99.9%	420,095.00	100.0%	439,600.00	453,200.00	99.9%
Other Contributions	840.00	0.2%	20.00	0.0%	230.00	0.1%	0.00	0.0%	200.00	200.00	0.0%
Revenues (Interest)	201.18	0.1%	160.88	0.0%	125.28	0.0%	134.00	0.0%	200.00	150.00	0.0%
Total Support and Revenue	382,546.08	100.0%	396,618.46	100.0%	430,209.32	100.0%	420,229.00	100.0%	440,000.00	453,550.00	100.0%
EXPENSES											
Fixed Expenses											
GIVE - Church Tithe	37,773.85	9.9%	40,816.69	10.3%	42,947.81	10.0%	42,457.00	10.1%	44,820.00	45,252.60	10.0%
Salaries / Benefits	223,991.92	58.6%	226,508.96	57.1%	239,838.68	55.7%	253,055.76	60.2%	260,870.00	271,775.00	59.9%
Buildings and Grounds	73,543.87	19.2%	63,674.19	16.1%	86,346.08	20.1%	60,262.50	14.3%	62,170.00	61,450.00	13.5%
Office Expense	18,355.50	4.8%	18,008.62	4.5%	17,787.98	4.1%	18,022.00	4.3%	22,425.00	24,740.00	5.5%
Total Fixed Expenses	353,665.14	92.5%	349,008.46	88.0%	386,920.55	89.9%	373,797.26	89.0%	390,285.00	403,217.60	88.9%
Ministry Expenses											
Senior Pastor Discretionary	5,854.85	1.5%	9,505.06	2.4%	8,071.45	1.9%	8,250.00	2.0%	8,900.00	7,900.00	1.7%
Youth Ministry	6,807.19	1.8%	8,139.84	2.1%	9,499.58	2.2%	9,200.00	2.2%	9,200.00	9,400.00	2.1%
Children's Ministry	6,592.13	1.7%	6,664.05	1.7%	6,912.94	1.6%	4,128.17	1.0%	6,450.00	6,350.00	1.4%
GO - Evangelism/Outreach	3,986.66	1.0%	8,066.22	2.0%	4,352.37	1.0%	6,150.00	1.5%	6,850.00	7,050.00	1.6%
Worship	6,631.43	1.7%	6,745.66	1.7%	7,529.50	1.8%	7,400.00	1.8%	8,700.00	8,100.00	1.8%
GROW - Discipleship	968.39	0.3%	635.54	0.2%	685.63	0.2%	500.00	0.1%	1,750.00	1,800.00	0.4%
GATHER - Fellowship	4,319.31	1.1%	2,893.71	0.7%	3,872.28	0.9%	3,335.84	0.8%	5,250.00	5,600.00	1.2%
GIVE - Ministry/Caring	0.00	0.0%	813.61	0.2%	1,272.74	0.3%	1,250.00	0.3%	1,800.00	2,700.00	0.6%
Total Ministry Expenses	35,159.96	9.2%	43,463.69	11.0%	42,196.49	9.8%	40,214.01	9.6%	48,900.00	48,900.00	10.8%
Total Expenses	388,825.10	101.6%	392,472.15	99.0%	429,117.04	99.7%	414,011.27	98.5%	439,185.00	452,117.60	100%
NET INCOME (DEFICIT)	(6,279.02)		4,146.31		1,092.28		6,217.73		815.00	1,432.40	