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Grosse Pointe Woods Woman Embezzles From Church

Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy charged Janis Ferworn, 45 with one count of Embezzlement > \$20,000, a 10 year felony.

Ms. Ferworn is the former Treasurer of Christ the King Lutheran Church on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods. Ms. Ferworn is accused of embezzling in excess of \$700,000 from the church.

Prosecutor Worthy stated: " We would like to remind the boards of churches, clubs and non-profit organizations that there are three basic rules to follow when it comes to handling money: 1) All checks require two signatures of unrelated people, the treasurer and an officer; 2) An independent audit should be conducted annually; and 3) the treasurer's office should be rotated annually.

The Defendant will be arraigned Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court, 20025 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan tomorrow, February 9, 2005 in front of Judge Lynne Pierce at 8:30 a.m.

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