

# SHARING THE LIGHT

The mission of First Lutheran Church is to grow together in Christ through Prayer, Worship, and Education and to spread the love of Christ to our community.

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### John 11:25–27 (English Standard Version – ESV)

<sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live,
<sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"
<sup>27</sup> She said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."







April 2023

Ushers Craig Boehne, Dave Lassanske, and Don Lammerts

Greeters: April 2 April 9 April 16 April 23 April 30

Hazel Benscoter Pat Caballero Connie Kean Norma Boehne Sharon Corey

Readers: April 2 & April 16 April 9 & April 23 April 30 Richard Swanson Christine Getz Jo Tschopp



Easter Breakfast

#### **Gatherings:**

<u>Mission Development Easter Egg Hunt</u>, April 1, Saturday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. <u>Mission Development Team Meeting</u>, April 6, Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

<u>Good Friday Service, April 7, Friday with lunch at 12:00 noon</u> and service at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room

EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST, APRIL 9, SUNDAY AFTER WORSHIP

Board of Directors' Meeting, April 16, Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Volunteers at Friends in Deed, April 29, Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship Times,

April 2, 8:30 a.m. April 9, 8:30 a.m. April 16, 8:30 a.m. April 23, 8:30 a.m. April 30, 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School Times,

Every Sunday from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

### Not receiving email special announcements and/or prayer requests??

<u>Electronic Newsletter:</u> If you are currently not receiving emails and would like to be included, please share your email address with Church Administrator (Elizabeth Yu) at <u>admin@firstlutherantc.org</u>, or call:(626) 287-0968 and leave a message if you preferred a hard copy to be mail to you.

Pastoral Care:Pastor Scott Ganas at:(951) 795-8162 orBoard of Directors Chairman, Judy Gunther at:(626) 833-5613.

Join us



# **Friends in Deed**

Even though February was a short month, First Lutheran shoppers contributed 615 pounds of food items to the Food Pantry at Friends in Deed. The needs are great as economically challenged people find when they visit grocery stores and have to make decisions on what to buy and how much to buy. The price of groceries continues to rise. Please consider adding a few items for the Pantry on your next shopping trip. Very much

appreciated are cereals, soups, canned meat and canned fruits or any shelf stable food item. Our team of Saturday volunteers <u>help bag groceries for the clients every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday</u>.

### **Mission Development Team**

The Mission Development Team shall host an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday – April 1<sup>st</sup> from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. which is the day before Palm Sunday. If you receive the Temple City Chamber of Commerce Newspaper, you can also find an article about our hunt on page 7, as well. Participants will each receive a "goody bag" filled with plastic eggs, candy, a small book of the real Easter story and other small toys. Many church members contributed items and cash to help with the expenses. This will be the Mission Development Team's third Easter Egg Hunt.



Our March Soup and Sandwich event at noon was very informative. Carolyn Weir – a retired social worker – made an easily understood presentation about hospice care and answered many questions. Copies of the presentation are available from Jo Tschopp.



# EASTER EGG HUNT

Kids be ready to find eggs. This FREE annual event is a hopping good time for all. Registration is not necessary.



First Lutheran Church 9123 Broadway, Temple City

# **Missionary News from Anna Rosteck**

Hello, First Lutheran Church family! I hope you all are well. I have been busy counseling several missionaries who are, currently, serving in Western and Southern Africa along with a few that have arrived back in the States while they get adjusted to life here. As most of you know, I was recently diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. It really isn't as bad as it sounds, and the doctors feel like it is fully treatable. They expect me to make a full recovery and be back in Africa before I know it. I really miss the people that I work with in Burundi, and being able to share with them the love of God. My heart and mission in Africa haven't changed, just the timing. I really appreciate all of the cards, prayers, and support from all of you, and I am really looking forward to seeing all of you in May.

### Sunday Worship at Home

If you are unable to attend worship, you can listen to the <u>Lutheran Hour</u> sermon at 8:00 a.m. on station KBRT AM 740 each Sunday.

If you have a TV and can get DirectTV, Channel 377 you can view <u>Worship Anew</u> at 8:30 a.m. on Sundays. This service is filmed at our Fort Wayne Seminary in Indiana. For those people who have a computer, the Worship Anew worship service can be viewed via the internet at any time.





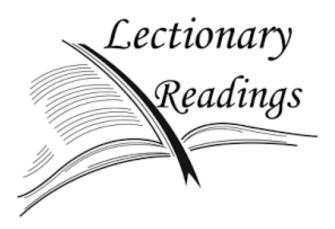
### **Thrivent Choice Dollars**

In 2022, First Lutheran of Temple City received \$516 in Thrivent Choice Dollars. If you have an account with Thrivent Financial, you could be eligible to direct Choice Dollars to First Lutheran or to many other charitable causes. Thrivent began the Choice Dollars program in 2011. Since that time, First Lutheran has received more than \$42,486. Many of the contributions have been very small, but each gift is appreciated. If you need help understanding and directing Choice Dollars, you can contact your Thrivent agent or ask Jo Tschopp for more information.

# **Birthday This month**

Susan Swanson April 25







# **Reading the Lectionaries**

Here are the lectionaries for April as they travel to various books of the Old Testament, Psalms, and the Gospel during this Holiday week:

	<u>Old Testament/</u> First Reading	<u>Psalm</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
April 2 (Palm Sund	Isaiah 50:4–9a ay)	Psalm 118:19–29	Philippians 2:5–11	Matthew 26:1–27:66
April 7	Isaiah 52:13–53:12	Psalm 31	Hebrews 4:14–16; 3	5:7-9
(Good Fri	day)			John 18:1–19:42
April 9 (Easter Su	Acts 10:34–43 inday)	Psalm 16	Colossians 3:1-4	Matthew 28:1–10
April 16	Acts 5:29-42	Psalm 148	1 Peter 1:3–9	John 20:19-31
April 23	Acts 2:14a, 36–41	Psalm 116:1–14	1 Peter 1:17–25	Luke 24:13–35
April 30	Acts 2:42–47	Psalm 23	1 Peter 2:19–25	John 10:1–10
G	od Fri	iday		Easter Sunday

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8:30 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP Holy Communion every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays only 9:45 a.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE STUDY Every Sunday