# 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.

January 2022 Publication of FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

I hope that everyone can make it to the Voters' Assembly on Sunday – January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022!

Besides passing the Annual Budget, we will be presenting ideas to the congregation about the Campus Development Project.

The meeting shall be informational only. There shall be the possibility of voting on the proposed items thirty days later.



The Property Development Committee will present an oral report. Our Property Manager and Real Estate Agent – Ryan Bushore – will explain the bids on the property and approximate timeline. In addition, those who do not want to sell the property will, also, have the opportunity to present their viewpoints.

Please be praying that God will speak clearly to the congregation for His best decision for the future of His church.



Love,
Pastor Scott



# January 2022

**Ushers** Craig Boehne, Dave Lassanske, and Don Lammerts

**Greeters:** January 2 Hazel Benscoter

January 9
Pat Caballero
Connie Kean
January 23
Norma Boehne
January 30
Sharon Corey



#### **Gatherings:**

Mission Development Team, Monday, January 3, 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room

Load the Van for Friends In Deed, Friday, January 7, 8:30 a.m.

Board of Directors' Meeting, Sunday, January 16, 11:00 a.m.

Chinese New Year Concert and Meal, Saturday, January 29, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Worship Times, January 2, 8:30 a.m.

January 9, 8:30 a.m. January 16, 8:30 a.m. January 23, 8:30 a.m. January 30, 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School Times, Every Sunday from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Major Leaguers is cancelled until further notice.

<u>Tuesday Bible Class</u>, every Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00p.m. in the Fellowship Room <u>Saturday Prayer Group</u>, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. This group is currently meeting via the telephone. Let Jo Tschopp know if you want to participate.

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

If you are currently not receiving emails and would like to be included, please share your email address with Church Administrator at <a href="mailto:admin@firstlutherantc.org">admin@firstlutherantc.org</a>, or call: (626) 287-0968 and leave a message.

Pastoral Care: Pastor Scott Ganas at: (951) 795-8162 or

Board of Directors Chairman, Judy Gunther at: (626) 833-5613.

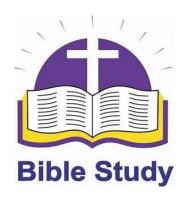
<u>Electronic Newsletter:</u> Let the Church Administrator know your email address if you would prefer to receive your monthly newsletter via email at: <u>admin@firstlutherantc.org</u>.

# **Burn the Mortgage!**

Please give thanks to God for the extra year-end gifts of \$8,070 that have been applied to the principal of the church mortgage. That brings us closer and closer to retiring this debt. We anticipate a January 1, 2022 balance slightly below \$80,000. We began our principal only effort to pay-off the mortgage in October 2018; the balance at that time was \$315,469.

#### **Tuesday Bible Study**

Beginning Tuesday, January 4, 11:00 a.m. the Tuesday Bible Study group will continue their study of Matthew and make plans for the coming months. This group meets in the Fellowship Room and is suitable for both beginners and advanced Bible students. Printed lessons are provided with study questions and resources that are discussed each week. For further information please contact Oscar Tschopp at: (626) 256-8333.



# Community Prayer Box

#### **Community Prayer Box**

We continue to monitor our Community Prayer Box. It is checked regularly, and we consider it a privilege to be able to pray for others. Please contact Jo Tschopp for information at: (626) 256-8333

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup> for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quite life, godly and dignified in every way."

1 Timothy 1:1–2



#### January Birthdays

Rachel Whitcher John Daly

January 8 January 9

#### **Friends in Deed**

Friends in Deed Food Pantry is in need of staples such as canned soups, rice, beans, canned meat, chili, and any food items appropriate for the working poor and elderly clients that they serve. Think of what you like to eat when the weather is cold and wet. A challenge that the Pantry, currently, faces is that they are not receiving as much food from the LA Food Bank because of pressing needs



throughout the county. Jesus Him tells us: "<sup>7</sup> For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you want, you can do good for them. But you will not always have me." Mark 14:7



## **Mission Development Team**

You won't want to miss the Chinese New Year Celebration, **Year of the Tiger** on January 29, beginning at 5:00 p.m. with a special piano recital of classical and Chinese music played by classically trained Ms. Siyuan Liu. Siyuan began her music training at the age of 4 in China. She has

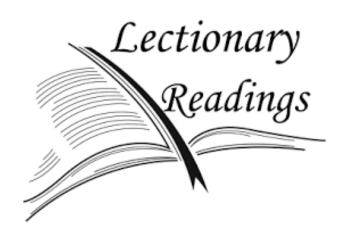
performed and received many awards and accolades for her piano expertise. Recently, Siyuan graduated from the Manhattan School of Music in New York. She has studied with renowned pianists from around the world. Siyuan has chosen to play pieces by Bach, Mozart, Chopin, Ravel and also a Chinese composition. Please invite your friends and neighbors to attend this very special event.

Also, included in the evening is a meal of Chinese dumplings and noodles. Let Vicki Trepanier know if you want to join the group that will be learning how to make the dumplings in advance and then freeze them for this occasion.



### Saturday Prayer Group

This small group of pray-ers has, truly, been blessed by seeing prayers answered, and faith strengthened as we lift our supplications and praises to God. We meet via phone on Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. For further information, please contact Jo Tschopp at: (626) 256-8333.





## **Reading the Lectionaries**

Here are the lectionaries for January as they travel to various books of the Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament (Epistle), and the Gospel during Epiphany:

	Old Testament	<u>Psalm</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
January 2	1 Kings 3:4–15	Psalm 119:97–1	04	
			Ephesians 1:3–14	Luke 2:40–52
January 9	Isaiah 43:1–7	Psalm 29	Romans 6:1–11	Luke 3:15–22
January 16	Isaiah 62:1–5	Psalm 128	1 Corinthians 12:1–1	1
•				John 2:2-11
January 23	Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–	6; 8–10		
•		Psalm 19:1–14	1 Corinthians 12:12-	-31a
				Luke 4:16–30
January 30	Jeremiah 1:4–19	Psalm 71:1–11	1 Corinthians 12:31b	-13:13
				Luke 4:31–44

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#### Rev. Scott Ganas, Pastor

8:30 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP Holy Communion every  $1^{\rm st}$  &  $3^{\rm rd}$  Sundays only 9:45 a.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE STUDY Every Sunday