



## 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.*

**May 2022 Publication of FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Jesus rises from the grave and has a meal with the disciples ... Our Lord cooks the fish!

In this season of resurrection, we have opportunities for meals and conversation with our neighbors.

God is pouring His love and gifts into us so that we may love our neighbors with God's love.



A challenge for May ... take a neighbor out for a meal, and speak of it during Sunday's announcement!

God bless you!

PS: - Happy Mother's Day to all the Moms out there ...



Love,  
Pastor Scott



# May 2022



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

**Greeters:** May 1 Hazel Benscoter  
 May 8 Pat Caballero  
 May 15 Connie Kean  
 May 22 Norma Boehne  
 May 29 Sharon Corey

**Readers:** May 1 & May 8 Richard Swanson  
 May 15 & May 22 Christine Getz  
 May 29 Jo Tschopp



## **Gatherings:**

Load the Van for Friends in Deed, Friday, May 6, 8:30 a.m.  
Mission Development Team, Mother's Day Picnic, May 7, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
Board of Directors' Meeting, Sunday, May 29, 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship Times, May 1, 8:30 a.m.  
 May 8, 8:30 a.m.  
 May 15, 8:30 a.m.  
 May 22, 8:30 a.m.  
 May 29, 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.

Tuesday Bible Class, every Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00p.m. in the Fellowship Room

Saturday Prayer Group, 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 [admin@firstlutherantc.org](mailto:admin@firstlutherantc.org), 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.

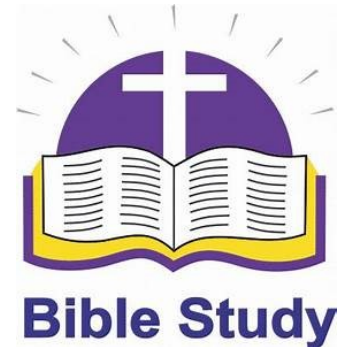
**Electronic Newsletter:** Let the Church Administrator know your email address if you would prefer to receive your monthly newsletter via email at: [admin@firstlutherantc.org](mailto:admin@firstlutherantc.org).

# Burn the Mortgage!

Our goal to retire the church mortgage as soon as possible is getting closer and closer thanks to monthly gifts members are making to the principal only fund. This month \$566 was contributed and with the monthly premium the new balance is \$55,297. Our bookkeeper was, recently, notified that the loan interest rate has dropped to 3.625%. It won't be long! Please help wipe out this debt so that we can move forward in ministry debt free.

## Tuesday Bible Study

This small group continues their trek through Genesis. The members are finding amazing parallels between our lives today and the lives of the people of Genesis. The characters in Genesis show great faith at times and at other times a lack of trust in God similar to people today. What comfort it gives to know that God doesn't change. He helped His people of long ago and He helps us today. Everyone is invited to join this group on Tuesdays in the Fellowship Room from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. For further information, contact Oscar Tschopp at: (626) 256-8333.



## Camellia Festival



Temple City Camellia Festival  
9701 Las Tunas Drive  
Temple City, CA 91780.

**Mark Your Calendar!**

Royal Court Play Day Contest  
March 19th  
Application Deadline  
March 7th

**Royal Coronation - April 9th**  
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**Carnival Weekend**  
**May 20-21-22**  
Booth Application Deadline  
April 6th  
Food - Game & Specialty Booths  
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**Parade**  
**May 21st at 10:00 am**  
Application Deadline  
April 6th  
Walking Units - Floats (New Rules)

## **Friends in Deed**

The people who need the services of the Food Pantry at Friends in Deed are particularly being impacted by inflation. Higher food and gas prices are extra painful to those on a limited and minimal income level. By the end of March, 613 pounds of food were donated by church members. Check your own shelves, do you have cans or items of food that you don't think you will use by the expiration date? Consider donating them. However, please be careful, as expired items will not be accepted. Some members find enjoyment in choosing items on sale, or simply selecting items that they enjoy. Many of the markets have lower prices if you buy 5 of an item. Take the 5 home and then donate several to be taken to Friends in Deed. Please continue to support this community outreach. On the Friday after the last Sunday of the month, the donations are loaded and taken to Pasadena to be distributed to the registered clients of the pantry.



## **Mission Development Team**

Over 40 children and their families attended the two Easter Egg Hunts in April. Boy Scouts helped hide the eggs, set up the parking lot, and carry out tables and chairs for the crafts. Seven community members helped with the crafts and planning. Generous church members donated candies and plastic eggs. It was truly a church/community event. Inside the “goody bag” that each child received was a booklet with words and stickers telling the Easter story, also included was an invitation to attend Sunday School.

Currently, the Mission Development Team is working on a Family Picnic Honoring Mothers to be held on Saturday, May 7, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Amy Liang, a professional photographer will be taking free family photos; there will be a quilting display by Manny Caldera an award-winning quilter, and historical hats from the collection of a former member, Gail Marshall. Vicki Trepanier is planning a sandwich meal. Everyone is invited to come and invite guests. If you have a hat, you are encouraged to wear it. Contact Jo Tschopp for further information at: [jtschopp@firstlutherantc.org](mailto:jtschopp@firstlutherantc.org)

## Little Free Library



One of the families that attended the recent Easter Egg Hunts came with a box of books that she had purchased at a yard sale. She let me go through them, and I selected some really excellent children's books. I was astonished that a neighbor is searching for books for our Little Free Library at yard sales! If you are a yard sale person or thrift store shopper you too can look for books to donate. And don't forget to look at your own book shelves. The older I get the easier it is to give away books because I know my days on earth are getting shorter.

## Saturday Prayer Group

Through the years this prayer group has evolved from meeting in the church, to the Fellowship Room and now we meet by phone or at a home. The mission has been the same, follow God's command to "Pray without ceasing," Time is spent mediating upon a particular trait or attribute of God and bringing petitions to our Heavenly Father. We meet on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. For further information, contact Jo Tschopp at: (626) 256-8333.



## Community Prayer Box

What a privilege we have, God desires our prayers. We can go to Him in prayer at any time.

*"<sup>7</sup> Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened."*

Matthew 7:7-8

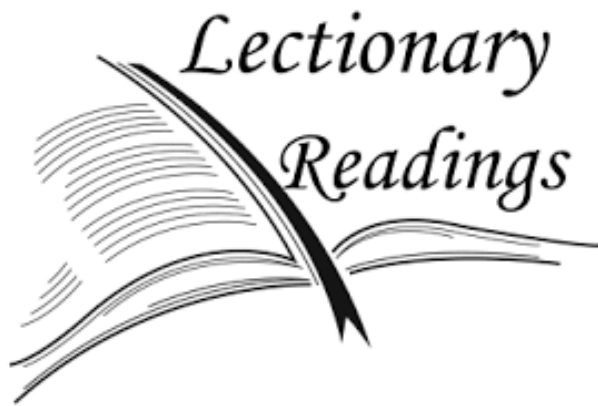
*"<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

## Sunday Worship at Home

If you are unable to attend worship, you can listen to the Lutheran Hour 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 Worship Anew 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.



## Reading the Lectionaries

Here are the lectionaries for May as they travel to various books of the Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament, and the Gospel as we celebrate Mother's Day and honor our Veterans:

	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>Psalms</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
May 1	Acts 9:1–22	Psalms 30	Revelation 5:1–14	John 21:1–19
May 8 <i>(Mother's Day)</i>	Acts 20:17–35	Psalms 23	Revelation 7:9–17	John 10:22–30
May 15	Acts 11:1–18	Psalms 148	Revelation 21:1–7	John 16:12–22
May 22	Acts 16:9–15	Psalms 68	Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27	John 16:23–33
May 29	Acts 1:12–26	Psalms 133	Revelation 22:1–20	John 17:20–26



# Borchard Prayer Letter

Papua New Guinea

April 2022

***It's Been 40 Years!***

Dear Praying Friends,

In August 1982 I became a missionary with Lutheran Bible Translators. Sometimes that seems so long ago, and other times it seems like it was just yesterday. I've been blessed to work with people from three different parts of the world to help them translate God's Word into their own language.



## **Northern Tiwa language, Taos, New Mexico, USA**

From 1983 to 1994 I served right here in the United States with Christians at Taos Pueblo in the state of New Mexico. Corrie Kontak (now Corrie Scott) served with me to help the Taos Christians to have part of the New Testament in their language. In this picture, Corrie and I are talking to our dear friend Daisy Romero.



## **Dhimba language, Opuwo, Namibia, Southern Africa**

During 1996 and 1997, I worked with Dhimba speakers Pastor John Tolu and Evangelist Jonas Tjikulya, along with Finnish missionary Ulla Nenonen. LBT survey specialist Barbara Cameron and I helped them do a survey to confirm that a translation of God's Word was needed. I also taught Pastor Tolu and Evangelist Tjikulya translation principles to help them in their work. This is a picture of me with Pastor Tolu's daughter Linda.

## **Ipili language, Papua New Guinea**

In 1998, I met and married Terry Borchard who had been working with the Ipili people in Papua New Guinea since 1970. Terry worked with Ipili speakers to translate the New Testament which was published and dedicated in 2008. Then, they started working on translating Genesis. I helped them in various ways. Then after Terry died of cancer in 2014, I became the advisor for the project. In recent years, I have worked mostly with Pastor Mandita Kunum and



his daughter Margret Mandita on translating Genesis, Exodus, Ruth, and Daniel. The picture from 2012 shows the group that worked with Dan and Kay Finley of LBT to record the Ipili voices for the Jesus video which portrays the life of Jesus from the Gospel of Luke.

Some of you have been partners in this work ever since 1983. Others of you were partners with Terry Borchard even as far back as 1969! You have received prayer letters; you have prayed; you have given money to support the work. Thank you so very much! This work could not have happened without your prayers and gifts.

I have decided that I will not be going back to Papua New Guinea. I plan to retire later this year, probably at the end of August.

During April, I am hoping to work with Mandita to make final changes in Ipili Genesis. We will be doing this work through the internet. ***Please pray that we will be able to do this work so Genesis will be ready to print in a book with Exodus chapters 1-5, Ruth, and Jonah.*** We also plan to print Ruth and Jonah as separate booklets that can be used in reading groups. I hope to get those two smaller books ready so they can be typeset in April.

Your Partner in Bible Translation,

*Janet*

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## Birthdays This Month



<i>Rick Swanson</i>	<i>May 10</i>
<i>Renee Errickson</i>	<i>May 12</i>
<i>Dan Novak</i>	<i>May 24</i>
<i>Hasel Benscoter</i>	<i>May 25</i>

## Join us for these fun events!

- Father's Day Picnic: Saturday, June 18
- Barbecue and Bikes: Saturday, July 16
- August Spaghetti dinner
- September Taco Truck
- October Trunk and Treat

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*Rev. Scott Ganas, Pastor*

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