



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.

October 2022 Publication of FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pentecost season ... God draws closer as we exercise more faith in His Word.

The last month of the long green season of personal growth and growth in God's church ...

The Bible challenges us to understand that God has all the power. So, we can confidently put our entire trust in Him.

Jeremiah 23:23 & 24 **(English Standard Version)**

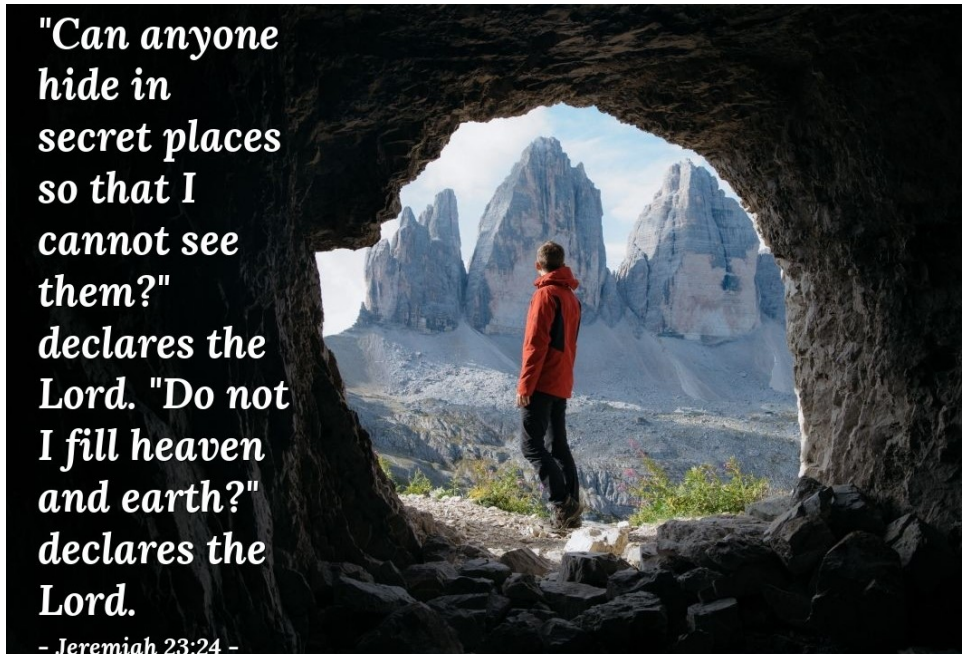
23 "Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away?"

24 Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him?" declares the LORD. "Do I not fill heaven and earth?" declares the LORD.

God fills His creation and God is in you. May this bring you joy and peace in these historical times.



Love,
Pastor Scott





October 2022

October is

Pastor Appreciation

Month



<u>Ushers</u>	Craig Boehne, Dave Lassanske, and Don Lammerts
<u>Greeters:</u>	
October 2	Sharon Corey
October 9	Pat Caballero
October 16	Connie Kean
October 23	Norma Boehne
October 30	Sharon Corey
<u>Readers:</u>	
October 2 & October 16	Richard Swanson
October 23	Christine Getz
October 30 (Reformation Sunday)	Jo Tschopp

Gatherings:

Soup and Sandwich, October 5, Wednesday at 12:00 noon
November 2, Wednesday at 12:00 noon
December 7, Wednesday at 12:00 noon

Mission Development Team Meeting, October 19, Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Trunk & Treat, October 31, Monday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Board of Directors' meeting, October 16, Sunday from 11:00 a.m.

Load the Van to Friends in Deed, November 4, Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship Times,

October 2, 8:30 a.m.
October 9, 8:30 a.m.
October 16, 8:30 a.m.
October 23, 8:30 a.m.
October 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??

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, 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.

Burn the Mortgage!

During the month of September, members and friends of the congregation contributed \$579. towards the principal of our mortgage, in addition to the monthly payments of \$5028. Can we retire this debt by January 1, 2023? Our remaining balance is \$26,916. Any contribution is appreciated and very effective in lowering the balance.



Friends in Deed

Our contribution to the food pantry in August was 364 pounds. As the grocery prices rise our donations have been lessening as we ourselves experience higher food prices. This is a situation that affects everyone because we all have to eat. I am thankful that I don't have to worry about the higher costs as much as those people challenged with low incomes, rent, transportation and other necessities. Tim, from Friends in Deed, says the number of people asking for help with food continues to rise. Don't forget to purchase a few items to donate the next time you go to the grocery store.

Mission Development Team

In addition to worshipping regularly on Sunday, this team of people have decided they want to be involved in mission endeavors. The team and others, are sometimes asked if what we planned was successful? I went to the dictionary and found this definition of success: "Success is a relative term. **If you achieve what you want to and are happy**, then that is success. It could be applied to life in general or to individual tasks in life."

God grows the church, we are the hands and feet of Jesus working to share God's love, mercy, and forgiveness. The Mission Development Team is guided by our Long-Term Goal (Five Years): To establish First Lutheran Church as the care and spiritual center of the church's immediate neighborhood, which has been divided into 9 areas with approximately 250 residences. To obtain the long-term goal every month members will distribute a seasonal, inspirational flyer plus a small seasonal gift to every residence in the neighborhood. The October distribution will be number 20.

In September, the Team began sponsoring a monthly Soup and Sandwich gathering in the Fellowship Room at **noon on the first Wednesday of each month**. All members of the congregation and our neighbors are invited. Sheriffs from the Temple City Station will be our guests Wednesday, **October 5**. You will be able to ask questions and share concerns.

On November 2, Pastor Ken Frese will be our guest on Wednesday. He will be speaking about "Dealing With Culture Contempt."

On December 7, Jacqueline Hasty will be sharing a holiday craft.

The next team meeting is Wednesday, October 19, 10:30 in the Fellowship Room and YOU are invited.



Little Free Library

Our Little Free Library is being used by our neighbors as books are donated and books are taken. I recently took the book, “Lost in Shangri-La,” a true story of survival, adventure, and the most incredible rescue mission of World War II. The story takes place in New Guinea in a beautiful secluded valley in which the very primitive natives had never seen a white man-or woman. What books can you donate? You can put them in the Little Library or give them to Jo Tschopp.



Community Prayer Box

²³ “As for me, I will certainly not sin against the Lord by ending my prayers for you. And I will continue to teach you what is good and right. ²⁴ But be sure to fear the Lord and faithfully serve him. Think of all the wonderful things He has done for you.”

1 Samuel 12:23-24

This is one of my favorite Old Testament passages as the aged Prophet Samuel is ending his career. We continue to pray for



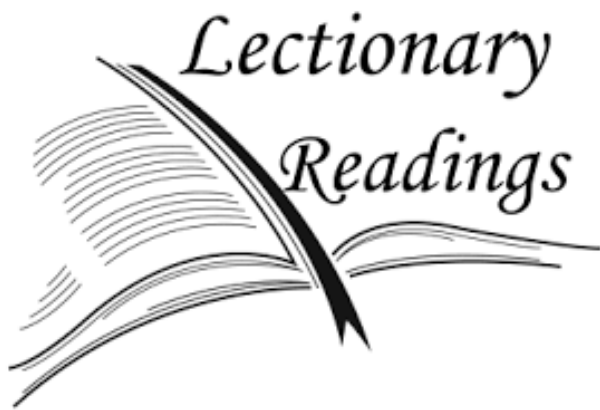
our neighbors, fellow members, and families.

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.

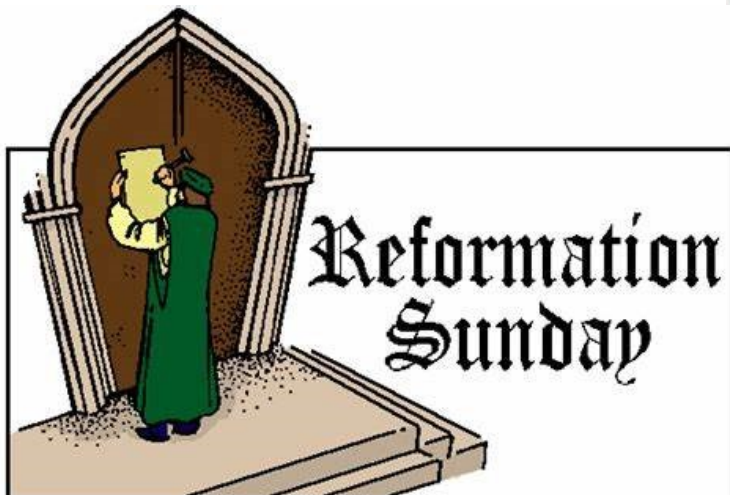




Reading the Lectionaries

Here are the lectionaries for October as they travel to various books of the Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament, and the Gospel as we welcome the autumn months and celebrate Reformation Sunday:

	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>Psalm</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
October 2	Habakkuk 1:1–4, 2:1–4	Psalm 62	2 Timothy 1:1–14	Luke 17:1–10
October 9	Ruth 1:1–19a	Psalm 111	2 Timothy 2:1–13	Luke 17:11–19
October 16	Genesis 32:22–30	Psalm 121	2 Timothy 3:14–4:5	Luke 18:1–18
October 23	Genesis 4:1–15	Psalm 5	2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18	Luke 18:9–17
October 30 (Reformation Sunday)	Revelation 14:6–7	Psalm 46	Romans 3:19–28	John 8:31–36 or





Borchard Prayer Letter

Papua New Guinea

August 2022

Dear Friends,

My Plans for the Coming Months

As I mentioned in my previous prayer letter, I am going to retire at the end of August. But after that, I still plan to work with Mandita to finish the translation of Ipili Genesis. He thinks he should be able to go to the translation center at Ukarumpa in September or October to work on Genesis. ***Pray that Terry and Cyndi Cirre will be back in PNG by the time Mandita gets to Ukarumpa. Also pray that Mandita and I can finish Genesis soon after that so we can get the Ipili Old Testament portions printed in one book so pastors and evangelists will be able to use those Scriptures in their congregations.*** We also want to record the parts of these Scriptures that have not yet been recorded. I'm hoping that we will be able to complete all this work by the end of this year. I will probably write one or two prayer letters before I finish my work.

Mandita is asking that we pray for a new missionary who will join the Ipili work so the translation and Scripture engagement work can continue.

Exciting Developments in Papua New Guinea!

God is doing incredible things as churches in Papua New Guinea (PNG) embrace the task of Bible translation. There are hundreds of languages in PNG that still need God's Word, and the task has seemed almost too great when Bible translation organizations thought about how they would try to do it with their traditional approach. But in recent years, God has been leading churches in many language communities to creatively initiate Bible translation. So even as my specific role in the Ipili project is winding down this year, Lutheran Bible Translators is now involved with six languages in another part of PNG. Here's a bit of that story:

In 2013 a prayer meeting was held at one of the Lutheran churches in the Waria River area. As they prayed, individuals were sensing that God was calling them to do translation so their community and neighboring communities could clearly hear the Good News. The Bible translation they had used for years in the church did not meet their needs for understanding. The impulse grew as they prayed, and finally someone spoke it aloud. Excitement erupted because they **all** sensed this same call, and now as a group, they confirmed it. They started reaching out to other denominations, the government, and Bible translation organizations. Lutheran Bible Translators joined these churches this year in a unique partnership.



Waria Pictures

It's been an exciting journey as the Spirit of God moves in people's hearts during the training. At one workshop, where they were learning about translation by translating the book of *Jonah*, the trainer described it as being "like a crusade." Those attending were deeply moved as they delighted in the beauty of the words and grammar in their language and their greater understanding of what the Bible was saying.



This year other Papua New Guineans have reached out to Lutheran Bible Translators because of our experience working with church-led initiatives. This means there is potential for partnering further in other areas of PNG. I am grateful for how you have walked alongside me for many years. Thank you!

Now I encourage you to broaden your vision to Bible translation work in other parts of PNG. Please consider supporting the Waria Multi Language Bible Translation Project. (See the Contributions box below.) Your support will put God's Word in their hands. It will also allow you to receive annual updates about the project.
Your Partner in Bible Translation,



Janet

P.S. Please use ja.borchard@yahoo.com for **personal** emails to me. I would love to stay in touch. (For now, I will continue to use my two work email addresses for prayer updates and thank you correspondence.)

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Designate checks to:
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Or give online at: go.LBT.org/waria



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Lutheran High School La Verne Trojan Shield

Monthly Newsletter for LHSLV Association Churches

October 2022



Lutheran High School is YOUR Lutheran high school, supporting the San Gabriel Valley. The support that your congregation shows to LHSLV is greatly appreciated. [Thank you so much for all that you do for our little school!](#)

Upcoming Events:

- The Volleyball and Football Schedules are below.
- Pumpkin Patch--October 16-31. Pick up your pumpkins to celebrate fall every day from 12-8 p.m. daily.
- Homecoming--October 22. Game @ 11:00 a.m.
- Visitation Day--November 4, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All 6-8th grade students are welcome to attend. RSVP to Debbie Richardson, Dean of Students, at drichardson@lhslv.org. Questions? Call (909) 593-4494.
- Craft Fair--November 5. LHSLV is partnering with the mobile home community across the street from the high school to present a Christmas craft fair. All homemade items will be sold; there will be a snack bar and carolers. Get Into the Christmas Spirit
- Christmas Concert--December 9.
- Association Church Ladies Tea Party--Saturday, February 11
- The 50th-anniversary committee is forming--if you are interested, details are on the back of this page.



**LUTHERAN
HIGH SCHOOL
PUMPKIN
PATCH**

October 17-October 31
12:00-8:00 p.m. DAILY
Except for October 22--10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Lutheran High School La Verne
3960 Fruit Street La Verne 91750
www.lhslv.org
(909) 593-4494

Proceeds benefit LHSLV Student Scholarship Fund



LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL LA VERNE Visitation Day

Learn what a day at Lutheran High School feels like, while meeting teachers, connecting with students, and enjoying fun activities.

There will be games, prizes, give-a-ways, and food.

RSVP BY NOVEMBER 2
DRICHARDSON@LHSLV.ORG
(909) 593-4494

INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS
GRADES 6-8
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

Schedule of Events

**Friday,
Nov. 4
8-12:30**

7:30.....Welcome and Donuts
8:00.....Worship and Orientation
8:30-12:00.....Students: Classroom visitation, ROTC demonstration, games and competitions, snacks
8:30-9:30...Optional Parent Q&A
12:00.....Lunch and Prizes
12:30.....Dismissal

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THE FOOTHILL MOBILE HOME PARK AND LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL IS SPONSORING A

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

8 A.M.-2 P.M. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5
LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL GYM
ALL HANDMADE CRAFTS
FOOD, CAROLING, CRAFTS, FELLOWSHIP



GET THAT CHRISTMAS SHOPPING OUT OF THE WAY!



50th Anniversary Committee Now Forming!

If you wish to help plan a few upcoming, celebratory events, or at least give your input, please let Kit know.

(626) 824-5125 (cell)

(909) 593-4494 (school)

khittinger@lhslv.org



Christmas Concert

at Lutheran High School La Verne

Friday, December 9
7:00 p.m.

A NIGHT OF MUSIC AND DRAMA

Featuring the LHSLV Choir and Drama departments
and highlighting our local Lutheran elementary school choirs



Save the Date!

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL LA VERNE
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 11 A.M.

Ladies' Tea

All ladies Welcome!

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Rev. Scott Ganas, Pastor

8:30 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Holy Communion every 1st & 3rd Sundays only

9:45 a.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE STUDY

Every Sunday