

FIRST PRESS



Pastor's Ponderings

Then people will come from east and west, from north and south, and take their places at the banquet in the kingdom of God. Luke 13:29

The first Sunday of October is World Communion Sunday. One of the joys of being part of our church family is the beautiful diversity of members who are indeed from east and west, north and south. This Sunday we will have a guest with us from the International Seminary.

International Theological Seminary (ITS), located in West Covina, is celebrating 40 years of service in their mission to: "Equip and train in the Reformed tradition teachers, community leaders, and pastors, who can help transform local communities into vibrant places of worship, mission, and justice." Their students come from various countries around the world, including India, Korea, Nigeria, Malawi, Kenya, Myanmar, Nepal, Tanzania, Cameroon, and China.

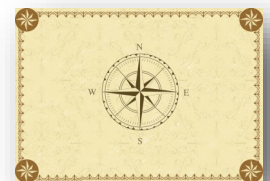
Over two and a half years ago we had a visit from Dr. James Lee, President of ITS, and some ITS students from Cameroon. It was a glorious celebration of worship and a great banquet celebrated after worship. Then, the COVID crisis intervened.

Now, we are ready to press the reset button and continue developing a relationship with ITS. The visit of a student from ITS on World Communion Sunday will be a first small step. The Session will

then work on planning a "Homecoming Sunday" to which people who have not been at in-person worship for some time will be encouraged to come to worship and a great banquet with people and food from east and west, north and south.

We will announce the particular Sunday as soon as we have the details of involvement from ITS and our own commitment to provide the food for the banquet.

Henry



From your session



We met via Zoom in September:

- ◆ Voted to call a congregational meeting on September 25 to revisit the question of selling the church.
- ◆ Will ask the Hispanic congregation if they have someone who would like to take over the job of gardening for the church.
- ◆ Considering the idea of a new member class.
- ◆ Pastor Henry will contact the Synod to get the papers needed to submit a grant proposal to develop the area in front of the church.



*Sunday worship service is available via livestreaming at:
www.facebook.com/coronafirstpresbyterian*

If you missed a Sunday Service, you are able to watch past services on the Facebook site.



GENERAL FUND	September 30, 2022	Year to Date Totals
Income	7,185.00	77,041.21
Expenses	8,038.31	76,283.51
Net Income	-853.31	757.70

DEACONS FUND	September 30, 2022	Year to Date Totals
Income	135.00	1,250.00
Expenses	-0-	324.78
Net Income	135.00	925.22



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

8..... *Walt Williams*
 18..... *Squeak White*
 19..... *Joyce DeGraaff*

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

None



PRAY FOR THESE FAMILIES

Don McNeil
Pete & Marilyn Mittelstadt
Awu Ncha
Glen & Kelly Nelson
John & Qi Liu Nyeango
Alison Osborne
Anne Purcell
Rita Riola
Lynda Rodisch
Mike Say



October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					



October 2



*Worship Sunday
at 10:30am at
church & via live
streaming
Facebook*



*Loving Needles, Tues.
Oct. 18, 2:00pm*



*Vietnamese Church
every Sunday at
1:30pm*



*Session
Sat. Oct. 15,
10am via Zoom*



*Movies with a Message
Thurs., Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27,
10am*



*In-person Adult Bible Study
Sunday, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
9:30AM*



*Last Sunday of each
month is Food
Donation Sunday.*



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Our mission is to live out the good news of Jesus Christ

Our Church Staff

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Administrative Assistant _____	Judy Hanson/Marilyn Mittelstadt
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 10:30AM Worship Service
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 Wednesday of every month
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