

Pastor D's Letter October, 2022

OCTOBER 2022

Early in the evening on All Saints Day, October 31, 1517 Martin Luther hung "95 Theses" on the door of Castle Church in Wittenberg. His intent was to begin a dialogue that would lead to church reform. Luther wanted to elevate Scripture as the Word of God above the tradition of the church. Luther wanted to do away with selling indulgences as penance because it undermined "salvation by grace received in faith." Unfortunately, Luther's reforms fell on deaf ears. Many today think of this as the beginning of the "Reformation" however, the Reformation began much earlier and continued long after Luther's actions.

During October I invite you to bring friends for food and fellowship and to learn together about our faith. Each Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. we will learn about the life on a different "Reformer" by watching a video presentation on their life (and in some cases, their martyrdom).

In November, during Sunday school, our class will study an overview of the Reformation.

The videos shown on Sundays vary in length from a half hour to a full-length movie.

Join us each week for a unique opportunity for fellowship and learning. Below is a brief outline of the Reformers we will study and the fellowship opportunity.

OCTOBER 2nd

John Wycliff
Died 1384

**Bring popcorn &
snacks to share.**

OCTOBER 9th

Jon Hus
Martyred July 6
1415

**Dessert Potluck
before the movie**

OCTOBER 16th

William Tyndale
Martyred October 6,
1536

Pizza before the movie

OCTOBER 23rd

Calvin & Zwingli
Died:
Calvin 1564
Zwingli 1531

**Potluck dinner
before the movie**

OCTOBER 30th

Luther
Died 1546

**Bring popcorn &
snacks to share**

Together we will learn about the Reformation. Together we will be reminded that salvation is through Faith in Jesus alone. Together we will come to appreciate the price that was paid for us to be able to read the Scriptures in our own language. I look forward to good learning and good discussion in the months ahead. I hope you will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity for fellowship and growing together in our faith.

See You on Sunday if not before,

Dr. D



Mona Nelson; Lenore Maxwell; Crystal Echols; Mary Ellen Cultip; Mary and Bob Schaal; Missionaries around the World, Scott Gillespie; Leonard Troxel; Betty Hammann; Makyla Ruttle; Lynn Bell; Dean Holland; Cindy Michels; Kyle Rivera; The Unrest in our Country; Police and Law enforcers; Total Recovery Ministry; leaders of our country; the unsaved; our military and their families; all those affected by COVID-19; Afghanistan situation; Border Patrol;



October BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

2	Sandii Leeper
6	Darren Hawkins
8	Vince Apple
10	Cody Hill
11	Elsie Caley
26	Leonard Troxel
28	Sue Vaughan
28	Sandy Willen
29	Paul Schlehr

SCOUTS
OCTOBER

2	James Powell
3	Alyanna Martinez
6	Blaine Wooldridge
10	Cody Hill
10	Ruben Herrera
11	Matthew Henson
11	Malachi Williams
15	Sawyer Rabun
16	Ethan Villegas



November BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER

1	Mona Nelson
3	Rayne Caley
18	Brian Smith

SCOUTS
NOVEMBER

2	Roland Jones
3	Rayne Caley
3	Capri Rippy
5	Leilani Ashwood
5	Austin Clarke
7	Rose Morgan
9	Colton Claridge
10	Justin Jeffcoat
14	Chloe Burge
22	Evelyn Powell
28	AJ Goodwill
29	Jessica Hudson

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

Thank you to all for the assistance and support during the Memorial Service and the following Reception for Kevin Burge. Everything went smoothly and it was great to see the church family support the Burge family in such a loving manner.

On 28 Sep '22 the Caring Ministries team supported the CarePortal by providing coffee and donuts to the 60+ members of the Yuma Department of Child Safety. The members of DCS were very appreciative of the thanks and support from SVPC and the recognition of the physically and emotionally demanding work that they do with families in Yuma County.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Glen Moss

The financial information below includes all 2022 income and expenses through August 31, 2022. The income figures include all giving, whether toward a pledge to the Annual Stewardship Campaign or donations to a Mission Partnership, a Special Offering, or any other type giving. The expenses include all expenses incurred including the distribution of monies donated toward special projects or Mission Partnerships.

YEAR TO DATE FINANCIALS

	AUGUST	YTD
INCOME	\$20,503.44	\$140,497.77
EXPENSES	\$26,453.45	\$196,306.82*

* Income includes gifts for special events and offerings and the Expenses also include where those special items have been "passed along" to the intended organization.



As you can see, our year to date expenses exceed our year to date income. We are fortunate that we have an Investment Account that began as the proceeds from an estate that was donated to the church. The downside is that any expenses not covered by donations and rent income from the Preschool and other users of the facilities will be charged against the Investment Account. . If you need a tax deduction when you file 2022 taxes, please keep Sierra Vista in mind. We are a non-profit organization and donations to Sierra Vista are deductible for those who file itemized returns.

God is Good and we have been blessed. In all things God is faithful to us, let us be faithful to Him.
These are the gifts of God from the people of God for the work of God.
Let us be good stewards of His gifts.

SIERRA VISTA SCOUTING NEWS

OCTOBER 2022

OVERALL PROGRAM

October 5 - ADULT Class Resumes. The Adult Class will be meeting in their room in the Christian Education Building (last room on the left as you go down the hall. On October 12, the Cub Scouts will be holding a Pack Meeting in the sanctuary. A "Trunk or Treat" event will be held on Saturday, October 29 in the Sierra Vista parking lot. If you wish to participate, please let Haley Hill know. The entire unit is planning on marching in the Veteran's Day parade on Friday, November 11. Details will be forthcoming and will be announced at unit meetings.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP

Girl Scouts held a Rededication and Investiture Ceremony on August 31. At this event, new girls in the Troop were awarded an Investiture Patch to recognize their first time in Girl Scouts. All girls in the Troop who have been a member of Girl Scouts in prior years received a Rededication Patch. Many of the Girl Scout Troop will be attending a camp out near Martinez Lake from September 30 through October 2.

CUB SCOUT PACK

The Cub Scouts held the annual Rain Gutter Regatta on Wednesday, September 21. This event requires the boys propel the boats down the "gutters" by blowing on them. Results of the Regatta are:

Tiger

1st - Everett Gilmore
2nd - Blaine Wooldridge
3rd - Maxwell Crawford

Wolf

1st - Cael Williamson
2nd - Isaiah Cohen

Bear

1st - Nicholas Goodwill
2nd - Leo Westmoreland
3rd - Daniel Gomez

Webelo I

1st - Nathan Powell
2nd - Vincent Basolet
3rd - Angel Ortiz

Webelo II

1st - AJ Goodwill
2nd - Roland Jones
3rd - Lance Westmoreland

PACK Championship

1st - Cael Williamson
2nd - Nathan Powell
3rd - Everett Gilmore

Cub Scouts are again able to sell popcorn to help fund the program. Popcorn sales are being held at locations throughout town. Check with your Cub Scouts to purchase popcorn.

BOY SCOUT TROOP

The Troop is preparing to attend the Gila River District Camporee at Yuma in the West Wetlands Park from October 21 through 23. The Event will be a Colorado River Float down. Over 350 people are expected to attend this event and there will be units from throughout the Grand Canyon Council along with at least one unit from California. Members of the Boy Scout Troop are taking orders for popcorn.

We are happy that the year is underway and hope that you will continue to support your 8054 scouting program and adult education opportunities. If you haven't checked us out yet, please visit any Wednesday for a great time.

OCTOBER 2022

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Movie 4:00pm
John Wycliff
Popcorn & snacks
Food Sunday

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6:00 pm -Adult
Bible Study
Scouts 6pm

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Movie 4:00pm
Jon Hus
Dessert Potluck

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Indigenous
People Day
Office CLOSED

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6:00 pm -Adult
Bible Study
Scouts 6pm

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Bob Wilcox
Memorial Service
at 10:00 am

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Movie 4:00pm
William Tyndale
Pizza

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6:00 pm -Adult
Bible Study
Scouts 6pm

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Movie 4:00pm
Calvin & Zwingli
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Popcorn & snacks

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Scouts 6pm

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Bible Study
Scouts 6pm

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Food Sunday

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6:00 Adult
Bible Study
Scouts 6pm

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7am -3pm COM

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6:00 Adult
Bible Study
Scouts 6pm

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Thanksgiving
Day

Agnus - DEI
7am -3pm COM

6:00 Adult
Bible Study
Scouts 6pm

Agnus - DEI
7am -3pm COM

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7am -3pm COM

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Bible Study
Scouts 6pm