



October 22, 2023

Pastor Note:

**Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."**

**God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.**

**God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."**

**Then God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you; and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to everything that moves on the earth which has life, I have given every green plant for food"; and it was so. Genesis 1:26-30 (NASB)**

Who are we? Are we more than the product of material, godless, evolutionary processes? Is a human life of greater value than a dog, an elephant, or a shrimp? What are our responsibilities and who are we responsible to? God is not silent on these important questions, and listening to and living by His answers will have a profound impact on how we will function in and manage the world God has placed us in.

- We, people, human beings, are the crowning creation of God. God not only created man (both male and female) last, but He is careful in distinguishing us from everything else He created by making us and declaring us to be in His own image. Much has been written and said about what exactly "in His own image" entails, what is certain is that every human being, every person, has a God-endowed identity, designation, value, ability, and responsibility that is fundamentally different from every other creature.

- We are part of God's creation. We might be the pinnacle, but we are not separate. So, it is not surprising biologically we share characteristics with other creatures, have an impact on the world we live in, and are subject to natural laws and processes God created. God is the potter, we are the clay, and in His order, He has shaped some of us male and others female, God-given genders that are sexually complimentary and able to reproduce.
- We are created to live in a personal relationship with God, capable of hearing God, engaging in a conversation with God, receiving commandments and instructions from God, and being aware of our moral responsibility towards God.
- We are created to live in relationships with other people, as husband and wife, parent and child, children and parents, relatives and neighbors, and all of humanity. Everyone of us is an image bearer, has God-given value, and each of us has a God-given moral responsibility toward every other person.
- We are created to rule over and exercise dominion over God's creation. We have God-given privilege and responsibility over the entire planet and wherever our feet tread. God charts the flight paths of every sparrow which means He is also aware of how we interact, engage with, and rule His creation. We are not the owners, but the chief stewards. The way we manage God's creation, must account for the rights and well-being of others, but above all, it has to please Him and meet His standards of "good."

Both you and I will leave footprints today. Will they please and honor our Creator? Will they reflect that God is the potter and we are the clay? Will they leave a good testimony of how we treated other image-bearers? Will they show that we are good stewards of God's good creation?

To God be all glory. Love you, Pastor Hans



# Lord Hear Our Prayers

Sermon Notes:

## PRAYER REQUEST

Health: Mabel Mayes, Cherlyann (health), Judy Ingalls,  
Patricia (Health), Aunt Anita (Health), Elena Saucedo,  
And that we do "SHARE".

If you notice someone has been absent from Small Group or  
Worship Services for awhile, why not call them or stop by to  
let him/her know that they have been missed. A kindness that  
cost you nothing could mean everything to someone who is  
suffering in the silence of self-exile.

## Military And Those Serving

Michael Berger, Austin Downing,  
Noah Martin, John Michael Chavez,  
Chris Kelly, Austin Kroeker, Brian Sula,  
Thomas Hoffman, Joel Thelen,  
Clayton Brown, Jonathan Grinols, Joshua Grabowski,  
Christopher Sula

## CARD & FLOWER MINISTRY

If you know of anyone who is ill or hospitalized, please let us  
know by calling: **Lynnette Barrera** – (559)400-1862 and  
Rachel Aratin - (209)206-5236  
Prayer Request e-mail to: **Judy Mahar** [ldpbepayer@gmail.com](mailto:ldpbepayer@gmail.com)

## **Church Board Members:**

Hans Frei - Pastor . Richard Mayes - Head Deacon  
Russ Young . Dan Hankemeier . Sue Kluding .  
Gabi Cox . Chuck Arndt

# October Announcements

## Ministry Opportunity

Our children's department is seeking help for our Wednesday night class to assist the teacher. No teaching or prep is required - just show up to help as needed.

For more information, contact Susie Frei

(phone: 209-247-9234) or [skfrei@gmail.com](mailto:skfrei@gmail.com)).

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## Where are you uniquely wired to serve??

- Multimedia
  - Music
- Prayer Team
- Facility & Grounds
  - Youth
  - Kitchen
  - Food
  - Missions

Let us know. There's a place for you

## Upcoming Events

- Men's Gathering - Tuesdays @ 6:00 P.M.
  - Women's Morning Bible Study— Wed. @ 10:00 AM
  - Wednesday Night Bible Study for all ages - 7:00 P.M.
  - Food Ministry - 1st Wed. & 3rd Tues. @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 A.M.
  - Grief Share - Wed. @ 630 PM
  - Communion Sunday - October 22nd
- Deacon Board Meeting every 4th Sunday after service**

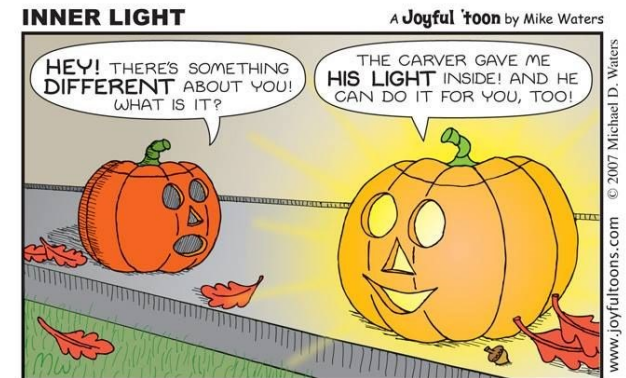
Fellowship Time Snacks were provided  
By - "Dan's"

**Thank you**

*Next week Beverly's & Youth Classes are up!!*

Don't forget to check out the sermon on our website:  
[ldpbaptistchurch.com](http://ldpbaptistchurch.com) for you and your whole family.  
Maybe even a neighbor ; )

A Bit of  
Humor  
Corner



For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 CORINTHIANS 4:6 KJV

**Giving**

*October 15, 2023*

**Offering:**  
\$2,826.00

**Food:**  
\$10.00

**Facilities:**  
\$50.00

**Attendance:**  
82

**Weekly Events**

**Sunday School/Small Groups:**

9:00 AM

**Sunday Morning Worship Service:**

10:30 AM

**Sunday Evening Worship Service:**

6:00 PM

**Tuesday:** Men's Gathering: 6:00 PM

**1st Wednesday & 3rd Tuesday**

**Food Ministry:**

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**Wednesday:**

Women's Bible Study - 10:00 AM  
Bible Study/Small Group - 7:00 PM  
Grief Share - 6:30 PM

**Thursday:** Chicken Foot - 1:00 PM

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**S H A R E**



*1 Timothy 6:18*



**October 23rd- October 29th**

DAY 1 - Col. 4  
(Prov. 23)

DAY 2 - Phil. 1  
(Prov. 24)

DAY 3 - Phil. 2  
(Prov. 25)

DAY 4 - Phil. 3  
(Prov. 26)

DAY 5 - Phil. 4  
(Prov. 27)

DAY 6 - (Prov. 28)  
DAY 7 - (Prov. 29)

**Welcome all of you who are guests with us today. Our desire is for you to relax and be blessed by worship, God's Word, and fellowship. We, the members, have committed ourselves to underwrite the church financially. We do not expect you to contribute to the offering, but you are free to participate. We would like to get to know you and for you to know us better.**