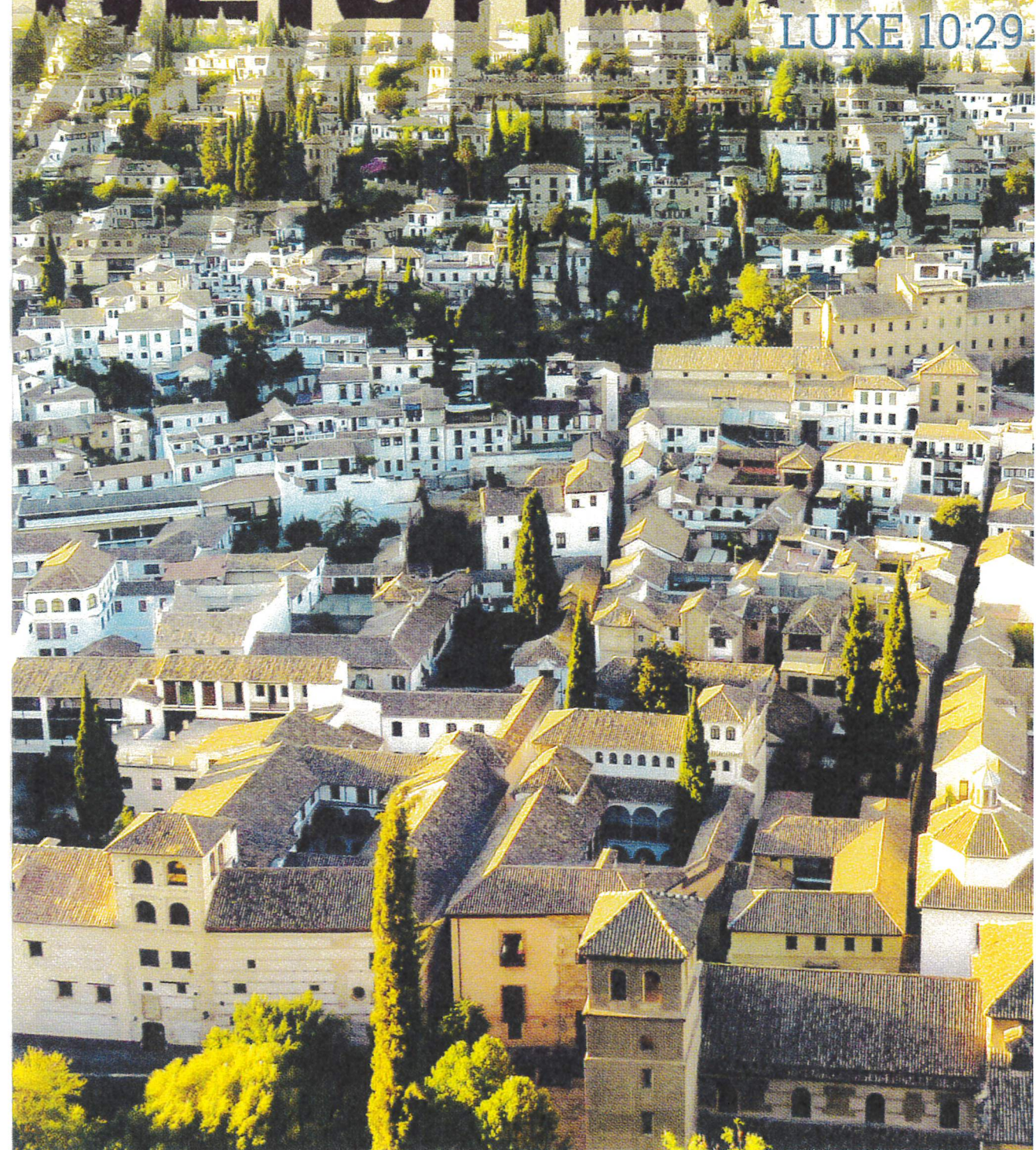


AND WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

LUKE 10:29



First Evangelical and Reformed Church

320 W. Wayne St . Lima, OH 45801

“Open Hearts, Open Doors”

Church Office: 419-222-6700
Elder: Ted Coon: 419-233-3589



Church E-Mail:
firstchurchlima@live.com

Doors Open – 8:45 am
Sunday School – 9:00 am
Worship Service – 10:15 am

Church Website:
www.firstchurchoflima.com

October 11, 2026

PRELUDE: “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Anna Laura Page

WELCOME

HYMN: “When Morning Gilds the Skies”

Hymnal #529

HYMN: “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine”

Hymnal #314

PRAISES AND PRAYERS

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: “I Need Thee Every Hour”

Lani Smith

DOXOLOGY

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE LORD’S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC: TBA

SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 11:1-11 and Matthew 11:7-11

SERMON: “Who Really was John the Baptist?”

Chris Miller

HYMN: “When upon Life’s Billows”

Hymnal #539

BENEDICTION: “Go Now in Peace”

POSTLUDE: Postlude on "Higher Ground" Marilyn Thompson

Serving You This Week:

Guest Speaker

Chris Miller

Organist

Charles Cheuvront

Secretary

Pat Grossi



Prayer Concerns: Missionary James Reynolds, Paul & Melissa Busick's Prison Ministry, Scarlet Rettig, Tom & Sarah Moneer, Betty Carr, Mike Lautzenheiser, Connie Ryan, Rob Hyter, Sheila Coon, Christian, Tessa Money, Remy Hefner, Marisha Collier, Kameyan Campos, Charles (Jill's Dad), Karen, Anna, Don, Ruth Ann Russell, Randall Allen, Jr., Jill Thomas, Sue Jamison, Dennis Gladfelter, Danielle McNamara King, Jennifer Lewis and Keith McGloughlin.

Life Situations: Pray for the protection of our elected leaders and their families. Give us wisdom and discernment as we cast our votes in November. Pray for persecuted Christians worldwide and the spiritual and physical protection of children in homes and schools.

Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. (Matthew 18:20)

Shut-In of the Week: *Tom Moneer* is our shut-in of the week. Please take time to send him a card and pray for him. His address is Springview Manor, 883 W. Spring Street, 209A, Lima, OH 45805.

Pondering: In spiritual warfare, "We demolish arguments and every lofty opinion raised *against* the knowledge of God and take every thought captive to obey Christ." (2 Corinthians 10:5) Know the Word!

Fill in the blank: But my God shall _____ all your needs according to his _____ in _____ by Jesus Christ. (Philippians 4:19)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



For October, CUP would like soap or body wash. CUP can also use plastic grocery bags.

Thank you for your generosity!

The church received a newsletter from the *Allen County Council on Aging*. This organization is a great resource. It mentions vaccines and free health screenings. On the third page there is information about home energy assistance to help with winter heating costs. This newsletter is posted on the bulletin board.

FOUND! We have two pairs of glasses that were found in the sanctuary after Sunday worship services. Please check the table in the hallway if you are missing glasses.



DONATING YOUR IRA DISTRIBUTION! If you need to take your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) and do not need it to live on, consider donating your IRA distribution to a charity. Please see the reference sheets at either entrance for your information.



Please remember to save your receipts from Chief's/Community Markets for the Ladies Aid. You can collect them from family and friends. There is a basket near the elevator for the receipts. The Ladies Aid gets a small percentage of receipts turned in. This helps fund their projects. Thank you very much!



READY! SET! PACK!



animal.

Ready, set, pack! **Operation Christmas Child** shoeboxes are available in the lobby. Items to pack might include school supplies, a bar of soap and washcloth, toothbrush, comb, hair clips, socks, hats, gloves, ball, jump rope, stuffed

Do **NOT** include candy, toothpaste, gum, toy guns, knives, or military figures, chocolate or food, glass containers or aerosol cans.

Labels are included to designate whether the box is for a girl or boy and their age. Don't forget to enclose the suggested \$10 donation per box to help with shipping and handling. Or, you can pay your donation online if you want to track your box and still bring your gifts to church. Be sure to let me know if you participated through the website to be counted with our group, or I can submit your contribution on your behalf.

You can find various options for giving to this mission and find more information on *Samaritan's Purse* website. Build a shoebox online, provide gospel booklets, discipleship and ministry materials, or plush musical lambs for comfort.

Please bring your shoeboxes to the church by November 17th! Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus and bringing much joy to many children.

Shannon Rapp