

CONNECTIONS

Living Water
Lutheran Church



January 15, 2023

Behold
the
Lamb of
God, which
taketh away
the sin of the
world.



John 1: 29



Weekly CONNECTIONS Deadline—*Tuesdays at NOON*

Sunday Worship Service is at 10:00am
on-site and online

We Remember in our Prayers



- Mary Ann Bartley—Health Concerns
- Don Benson—Health Concerns
- Barbara Brooks—Health Concerns
- Kristy Burke (Friend of Frances DeBruyn)—Health Concerns
- Charlie (Friend of Daryl & Diane vanMannen)—Recovery
- Christi (Daughter of Charlie and Sue Boyd)—Health Concerns
- Larry Coutts—Health Concerns
- Sue Dixon (Sister of Rick Sherrin)—Health Concerns
- Michael Donavon—Health Concerns
- Jenna Fjeld—Health Concerns
- Joe Franch (Friend of Kathie Roenigk)—Health Concerns
- Dave and Joy Gallimore—Health Concerns
- Vicki Grimsley (mother of Mason Rossman)—Cancer
- Francisco Hernandez (Father of Lourdes Gasparino)—Health Concerns
- Tyler Hornacek (Grandson of John & Sue Hornacek)—Deployed
- Norm Jouett (Janis Fjeld's father)—Health Concerns
- Penny Kilburn—Hospice Care
- Michael Koch (Grandson of Ron and Shirley Koch)—Health Concerns
- Katy Lauritsen (Family Member of Steve and Susan Johnson)—Battling Cancer
- Michael (Cousin of Lynda Cales)—Health Concerns
- Hadlee Miller (Friend of Pastor Shari)—Health Concerns
- Henry Roenigk—Health Concerns
- Ruth Schlesinger—Health Concern
- Sarah Shelmire—Health Concerns
- Gloria Shutter (Friend of Marilyn Nartker)—Battling Cancer
- Joan Sprinkle—Health Concerns
- Lisa Squires (Bob Ulland's Daughter)—Health Concerns
- Sumi and Celine (Friends of Diane vanMaanen)—Health Concerns
- Jim Tonneson—Health Concerns
- Michael Umland (Son of Steve & Sue Umland)—Health Concerns
- Darcie Vandermate—Health Concerns
- Gavin Vaughan (Nephew of Gordon & Marty Lindert)—Health Concerns
- People of Ukraine
- Family & Friends of Dale Bedenkop
- Family & Friends of Barbara Gunderson
- Family & Friends of Lowell Howard (Brother-in-law of Gene and Shirley Perry)
- Family & Friends of Lee Landon
- Family & Friends of Nancy Lowe

Send your prayer requests to prayer@lwlcw.org or fill out a card in the Narthex.



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Auction

Friday, February 17, 2023



Donations are welcome to help make this a success! Maybe you have a special talent in painting, pottery, photography, etc. We also welcome gift cards to restaurants or stores, items for themed gift baskets, tickets to concerts or sporting events, or passes to area attractions. All donations are due to the church office no later than January 27. Thank you for your support!

Tickets for the event will go on sale on Sunday, January 8, for \$25 per adult and \$10 for kids 8 and under. The ticket includes dinner, entertainment and access to the live and silent auction.

Please save the date for this Fundraiser for the 2023 Youth Mission Trip to Niagara Falls, NY

Prayer of the Week

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Special Event: Parenting Expert Sheryl Gould – Moms of Tweens & Teens

Join us for a FREE Mom's Night Out on Jan. 21 at 5:30 pm!



Moms Night Out!

Escaping
Entitlement:
Raising *Responsible,*
Respectful and
Kind Teens
in an Entitled
Generation

Schedule

5:30 pm Social time and Appetizers/Refreshments

6:00 pm Presentation and Small Groups

7:30 pm Q & A time with Cookies and Coffee

Register today at <https://lwlc.org/momsnightout/>

About Sheryl Gould

I'm a parenting expert that focuses on tweens and teens, and I wrote the "SOS! The Technology Guidebook for Parents of Tweens and Teens: Get The Answers You Need, Keep Them Safe and Enjoy Your Kids Again" because we need it!

I founded Moms of Tweens and Teens 15 years ago, and it has grown into an international organization that supports moms as they grow in their self-awareness, become more effective parents, and build stronger connections with their adolescents and families.

I have worked with moms for over 15 years and provide simple, practical tools, backed by solid research and real-life stories, that will help you understand your adolescents on a deeper level. I will teach you how to communicate so you can start building real connections, love, and trust; in order to raise emotionally healthy, happy, and responsible adults.





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THANK YOU LIVING WATER! Your support of the Fund For Leaders November 2022 Golf Classic resulted in more than \$32,000 to date going to the Scholarship Funds of the ELCA and the Grand Canyon Synod of the ELCA. These funds will be used to provide financial assistance to students in the Seminaries of the ELCA, our future pastors and diaconal church leaders. Again this year your church and its members were the leading supporters of this event. Last year 9 students from the Grand Canyon Synod received \$38,000 from these scholarship funds. Thank you for making a significant difference.

The Fund For Leaders Golf Classic Committee



Dennis Nelson Bible Study

Published via our YouTube Channel

Wednesdays at NOON

Bible Study Outlines also available on our website:
lwlcaz.org.

Saints and Sinners 2023

Sign-up for the 2023 Saints and Sinners small group fellowship program is now open.

You can sign -up on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex (lobby) or email Wayne Burrus at wlburrus@earthlink.net. We will need your name and best contact phone number and email address.

Saints and Sinners is a popular "Small Groups" fellowship program at Living Water which is active in February and March. Each small group will consist of up to 14 or 15 people; both single and couples.

The purpose of Saints and Sinners is to build and foster fellowship so that we can get to know each other on a more personal level and, by doing so, build a stronger church body.

All are invited to join—Living Water members, potential members, and attendees. This fellowship is especially good for new members and those that may be contemplating joining Living Water. It's a relaxed and friendly way to get to know each other a little better.

The program is only two months long, February and March. Each small group will have an activity or get together of some sort in each month. The leader (captain) of each small group will organize an activity such as a dinner at home, miniature golf, concert, happy hour...and more. The captains are usually pretty inventive.

We will be forming the small groups in early January, so sign up as soon as possible.





DALE BEDENKOP OBITUARY

Dale Vinton Bedenkop loved his family, friends, and God. He was born on November 6, 1933 in Chesterton, Indiana and passed away peacefully on December 30, 2022. He was preceded in death by his bride and soulmate, Priscilla, who welcomed him home on what would have been their 66th wedding anniversary. Dale is survived by son Greg (Diane) Bedenkop, daughters Julie (Don) Kesteloot and Kristin (Frank) Foulger along with seven grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Dale was a 1955 graduate of Colorado A&M (now Colorado State) as a Civil Engineer. Following graduation he served in the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey division of the Navy. Prompted to propose from a San Francisco dock on news of his upcoming deployment, he and Prill even spent their 1st year of marriage living in Hawaii!

He will be remembered, among other things, for his passion for the outdoors and travel, friendly, social nature, great smile, intellect, and love of music and dogs. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. A Celebration of Life will be held at 2:00 pm on Saturday February 4, 2023 at Hansen Desert Hills Mortuary and Cemetery - 6500 E Bell Rd Scottsdale, AZ 85254. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of the Valley at <http://www.hov.org/donate>

UPCOMING SERVICE
Celebration Of Life
Feb. 4, 2023
Desert Hills Chapel
Send Flowers

Pima & Happy Valley Road Improvements Project Update

The City of Scottsdale's Pima Road Improvements will widen Pima Road from Pinnacle Peak to just north of Happy Valley Road to three thru-lanes in each direction, and Happy Valley Road from Pima Road to Alma School Road to two thru-lanes in each direction with roundabouts at Golf Club Drive and Alma School Road. Both projects include raised median or center turn lane, bike lanes, sidewalk, multi-use path, drainage improvements and utility relocations.

The Pima Road Improvements project includes a regional drainage channel to reduce the potential for flooding on the homes to the west which will be funded by fees from the stormwater utility bill and the Flood District of Maricopa County. The Pima Road project will include a sound wall on the west side of Pima Road from Pinnacle Peak Road to just south of Happy Valley Road. Noise mitigation on Happy Valley Road was not warranted.

Provided below is information on the upcoming construction schedule, but please remember schedules can be impacted by a variety of factors to include weather, materials scheduling, availability of resources, and coordination with others.

Current Construction Information::

Pima Road:

Crews continue work to construct box culverts and retaining walls on Pima Road at La Mirada Shopping Center as part of the drainage improvements for the project. Work on the box culvert at the south driveway continues with the south driveway closed. Scheduled for the week of Dec. 28, crews will pour the walls and deck for the box culvert. Access to La Mirada continues to be provided at remaining Pima Road driveways and all Pinnacle Peak Road driveways to the plaza.

Crews also continue work on channel excavation for the future channel on the east side of Pima Road.

Over the next few weeks, utilities such as Cox and CenturyLink will be working to relocate their facilities along Pima Road. We are working to coordinate these efforts to the extent possible to minimize the impacts, but appreciate your patience as these relocations take place to clear the way for the planned improvements.

Tentatively scheduled to begin the week of Jan. 3, a contractor for Southwest Gas will be relocating their facilities on the west side of Pima Road north of Chama Road, and then to other locations along Pima Road and Happy Valley Road in preparation for road improvements.

Also scheduled for the week of Jan. 3, crews will begin the next segment of relocations of reclaimed and raw water pipeline to accommodate future box culvert construction along Pima Road. This next relocation will take place on the west side of Pima Road, about 700 feet south of De La O and will likely extend into the night hours to minimize the water outage to customers on the pipelines being relocated. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this work.

Tentatively scheduled to begin the week of Jan. 12, following the relocation south of De La O, similar work will take place at the next relocation which is located on the west side of Pima Road, just north of Chama.

Happy Valley Road:

APS contractor crews are currently working to relocate electric facilities along the north side of Happy Valley Road just east of Pima Road and moving in an easterly direction toward Golf Club Drive.

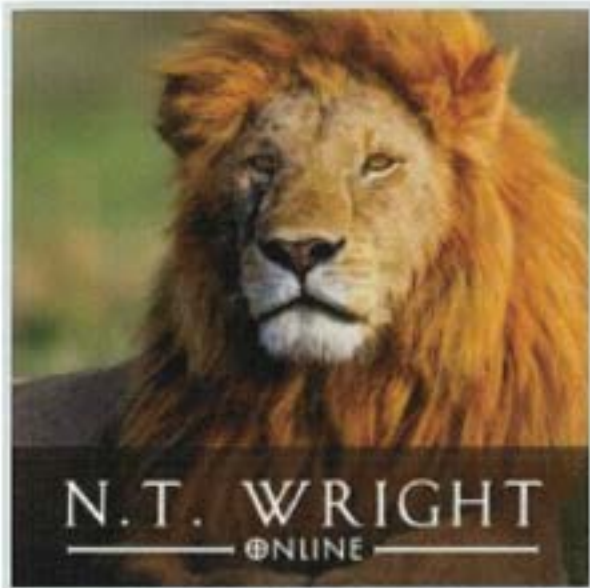
Paving crews have completed temporary paving along Happy Valley on the existing shoulder and where medians existed. This was done to be able to maintain traffic during construction. Additional temporary paving may take place toward the end of January to cover any remaining areas that still need clearing prior to paving.

Landscape crews continue work salvaging native plants along Happy Valley Road, within the City's right-of-way and easements, by spading and boxing trees to prepare for relocation to the contractor's nursery.

Crews continue clearing activities for the next few weeks to prepare for construction.

Scheduled to begin the week of Dec. 27, Happy Valley Road traffic will be shifted to the south side of the road, still one lane in each direction, for crews to pothole to identify locations of underground utilities to minimize conflicts during construction.

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Tuesday Women's Bible Study

All women are invited to join us at 10 am each Tuesday morning, in person in the Fellowship Hall, or via a Zoom connection. We begin a 10-week study of the book of Daniel from the Old Testament, starting Jan. 17. Video lectures from Biblical scholar, N.T. Wright, will give us insight into the exiled people of God as revealed in this Prophets section of the Bible.

We meet every Tuesday, 10 am. No additional material is needed, other than your favorite Bible

translation. Coffee and hot water for tea/hot chocolate is provided. Join us, no matter what level of Biblical knowledge you have. We learn, pray, laugh and support one another as we grow in faith together. Not on our email notification list? Email myrna.ulland@gmail.com to be added. We look forward to your presence!

Scheduled to begin the week of Dec. 27, Happy Valley Road traffic will be shifted to the south side of the road, still one lane in each direction, for crews to pothole to identify locations of underground utilities to minimize conflicts during construction.

Scheduled for the week of Jan. 3, crews will begin installing waterline in the north side of Happy Valley Road beginning at Alma School Road and working to the west.

Scheduled to begin the week of Dec. 27, electric crews will install electric conduit on the south side of Happy Valley Road, from Pima Road working in an easterly direction toward Golf Club Drive. As this work crosses side streets or driveways, crews will work to maintain access; however, there may be short periods where access is restricted.

Pima Road and Happy Valley Road remain open for travel during this work; however, there may be lane shifts or turn restrictions to shift traffic away from the work zone. During construction, business and resident access will be maintained, although there may be times wherein it will not be the most direct route, so please allow extra time for your travel during construction. Work typically takes place weekdays during daytime hours, though some overnight concrete pours may occur as needed. Traffic control remains in place even during non-work hours with speeds reduced near the work zone in the interest of safety.

Thank you for your patience during this construction.

On behalf of the project team, we wish you a very Happy Holiday!

Project Info: 480.898.4110 | www.PimaHappyValley.com | www.ScottsdaleAz.gov



Piecemakers Quilters in the New Year!

Join us on the first and third Wednesdays of the month, at 9 am in the Education Building.

Help us tie quilts destined for Lutheran World Relief ministries. If you can hold a needle, we can teach you to tie!

Last year, we made more than 100 quilts. We will gather next on January 18 from 9 am to about noon. We now convene in the Education Building in Matthew/Mark. Many hands make light work! Questions? Ask Lynda Cales, Kay Bonar, Mary Nyberg, Cindy Ophaug or Myrna Ulland. You can also learn more about this ministry at www.lwr.org/quilts-and-kits





Living Water Lutheran Membership Class

Saturday January 28th
4:00pm - 6:00pm
including a light meal

Email--office@lwlcaz.org

or

Phone--480-473-8400

your rsvp

if you would like to join us on the path to membership
and learn more becoming part of the
Living Water Family

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Men's Bible Breakfast

This Thursday at 8:00am

Spirit in the Desert

\$7 Breakfast

Carpool leaves the church at 7:30am

Notes:

Gathering Hymn..... "Lord, Be Glorified"



1 In my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
2 In our song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
3 In your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;
4 In your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;



in my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in our song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
in your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.

Text: Bob Kilpatrick, b. 1952

Music: BE GLORIFIED, Bob Kilpatrick

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*Praise
the
Lord*

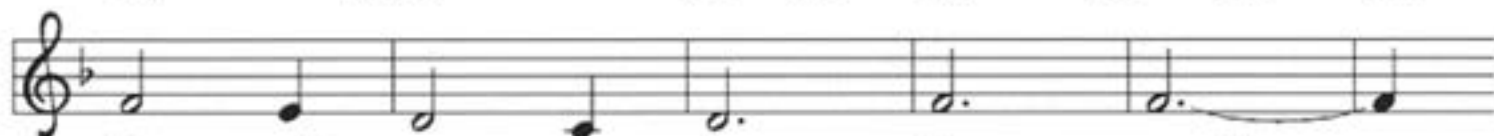
Sermon Hymn..... "Will You Come and Follow Me"



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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Sending Song..... "Step by Step"

Words and Music by
David (Beaker) Strasser



O God, You are my— God, and I will ev - er praise



You. O God, You are my— God, and I will ev - er praise



You. I will seek You in the morn- ing, and I will learn to walk in Your



ways; ————— And step by step You'll lead —



— me, and I will fol - low You all of my— days.

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Praise God
FROM
WHOM ALL
BLESSINGS
flow

LIVING WATER IN WORSHIP

Purpose Statement: "To Be and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ."

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Living Water is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Grand Canyon Synod and Northeast Valley Conference.

Publication Deadlines:
Connections- Every Tuesday by noon
SPLASH! - The 20th of each month by noon

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