



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 van Mannen)—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
- 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 Barbara Gunderson
- · Family & Friends of Katy Lauritsen (Ex-Daughter-in-law of Steve and Susan Johnson)
- Family & Friends of Lowell Howard (Brother-in-law of Gene and Shirley Perry)
- Family & Friends of Nancy Lowe





## The 2nd Great



# Auction





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!

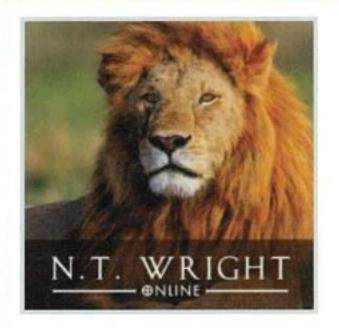
Tickets for the event will go on sale on Sunday, January 8, for \$25 per adult and \$10 for kids 8 and under. The ticket includes dinner, entertainment and access to the live and silent auction.

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.



## 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.

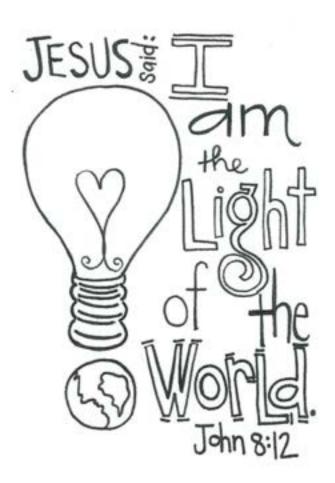
We meet every Tuesday, 10 am. No additional material is needed, other than your favorite Bible

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 <a href="mayrna.ulland@gmail.com">myrna.ulland@gmail.com</a> to be added. We look forward to your presence!

# Dennis Nelson Bible Study

Published via our YouTube Channel Wednesdays at NOON

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





Men's Bible Breakfast

This Thursday at 8:00am
Spirit in the Desert

\$7 Breakfast

Carpool leaves the church at 7:30am

Thank you! to all who contributed to the ELCA Good Gifts program.

Many people will benefit from your generosity.



Ron and Cindy Ophaug



### 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 <a href="https://www.lwr.org/quilts-and-kits">www.lwr.org/quilts-and-kits</a>



#### 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 <a href="mailto:wlburrus@earthlink.net">wlburrus@earthlink.net</a>. 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.





Barbara A. Gunderson August 23, 1938 ~ January 5, 2023 (age 84) Obituary

Barbara Alice Gunderson, 84, of Scottsdale, AZ died Thursday, January 5th at CentraCare Care Center in Willmar, MN.

Barbara Alice Kaiser was born in Danube MN on August 23, 1938, to Ellsworth and Alice (Boehlert) Kaiser. Barbara grew up in Danube where she graduated from Danube High School in 1956. Barbara continued her education at Minnesota State University-Mankato earning a bachelor's degree in elementary education in 1959. Barbara taught fourth grade in Worthington, MN for two years and continued teaching fourth grade for 19 years in the St. Louis Park, MN school district.

On December 29, 1977, Barbara was united in marriage to Richard L. Gunderson at Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church. Following their marriage, they lived in Birchwood, MN until 1985, followed by a move to Appleton, WI where Richard served as president of Aid Association for Lutherans. Upon retirement in 2002, Barbara and Richard moved to Scottsdale, AZ, spending their summers at their home on Green Lake in Minnesota.

One of Barbara's great passions was hosting family members every summer at Green Lake. Barbara enjoyed golfing, tennis, reading and painting. She was a member of King's Daughters, PEO, Living Water Lutheran Church, and Troon Country Club, both in Scottsdale. Barbara also served as a volunteer in many organizations.

Barbara is survived by her husband of 45 years, Richard; daughters, Shannon Rye, and Shaun Gunderson; two grandsons, Richard and Charles Del Viscio; brother Gary (Diane) Kaiser; sister Nancy (Jim) Klecker; nieces Stacy (Mark) Shaleen and Michele (Bryon) Chapman, and nephews Gary (Monica) Kaiser and Lance (Candace) Kaiser, and many great nieces and nephews.

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Alan Kaiser.

A Memorial Service for Barbara will be held at Living Water on Thursday, March 2nd at 11:00 AM. Please plan to join us as we celebrate Barbara's life and love.

### Pima Road & Happy Valley Road Improvement Projects - Update

For a description of the improvements, please visit www.PimaHappyValley.com

Provided below is current construction 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.

#### Happy Valley Road:

Happy Valley Road traffic is being maintained with one lane in each direction, currently shifted to the south from Golf Club Drive to Alma School Road.

APS contractor crews are currently working to relocate electric facilities along the north side of Happy Valley Road from Grand Vista to Golf Club Drive, moving in an easterly direction. Scheduled for approximately Jan. 23, work will continue from Golf Club Drive and continuing east toward Alma School Road.

Scheduled for Jan. 21, paving crews will place temporary asphalt where needed in areas that were cleared to make way for the improvements. Work across driveways will be conducted to maintained access; however, there may be a brief period where access is restricted to allow time for the asphalt to cure. Thank you for your patience during these periods.

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. Electric crews are currently working to 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 drive-ways, crews will work to maintain access; however, there may be short periods where access is restricted. Scheduled for Jan. 23, Happy Valley Road traffic from Pima Road to Golf Club Drive will be shifted to the north side of the road, still one lane in each direction, to accommodate work on the south side of Happy Valley. Scheduled to begin Jan. 23, work will take place to install storm drain pipe across 92nd Street and moving east. During this work, 92nd Street will be closed on the south side of Happy Valley Road; however, a flagger will be in place to provide access as needed. Once work across 92nd Street is completed, as work crosses Living Waters Church driveway, the driveway will be closed with church access provided at 92nd Street.

Scheduled to begin the week of Jan. 23, crews will work to relocate segments of wall, as needed, primarily in locations where drainage improvements will be constructed. This work will begin on the north side of Happy Valley Road, working from Pima Road to the east.

Scheduled for the week of Jan. 23, crews will begin installing waterline in the north side of Happy Valley Road beginning at Alma School Road and working to the west toward Golf Club Drive.

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. 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.



Living Water Lutheran Membership Class

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

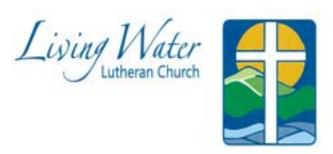
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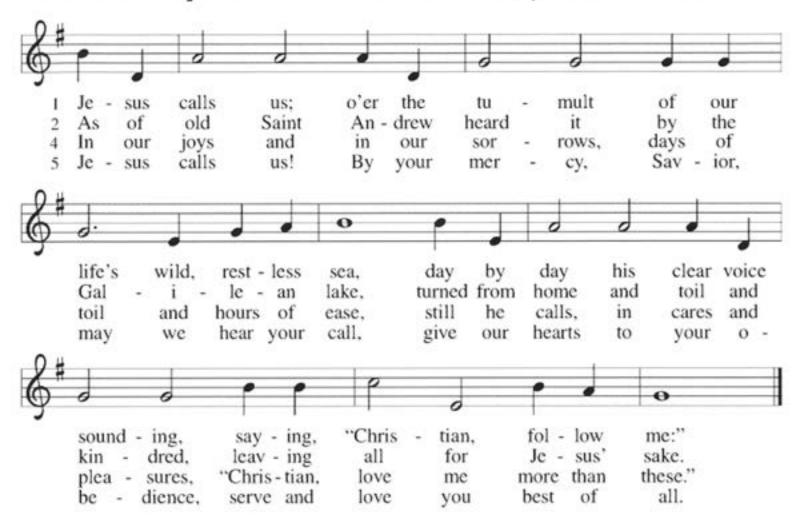
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if you would like to join us on the path to membership and learn more becoming part of the Living Water Family





## Sermon Hymn..... "Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult"



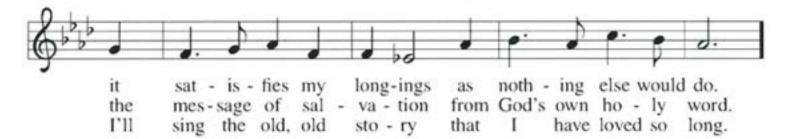
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## Sending Song..... "I Love to Tell the Story"

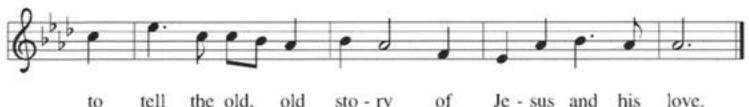












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#### LIVING WATER IN WORSHIP

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

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 SPLASHI - The 20th of each month by noon

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