

CONNECTIONS

Living Water
Lutheran Church



February 19, 2023



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
- 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
- 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
- Jay Lucas—Health Concerns
- Hadlee Miller (Friend of Pastor Shari)—Health Concerns
- Trisha Rios (Jennie Stemm Son-in-law's cousin)—Health Concerns
- Henry Roenigk—Health Concerns
- Del Rogge—Health Concerns
- Ruth Schlesinger—Health Concern
- Sarah Shelmire—Health Concerns
- Gloria Shutter (Friend of Marilyn Nartker)—Battling Cancer
- Lisa Squires (Bob Ulland's Daughter)—Health Concerns
- Sumi and Celine (Friends of Diane vanMaanen)—Health Concerns
- Jim Tonneson—Health Concerns
- Jonathan Ukeiley (Friend of Barbara Brooks)—Health Concerns
- Michael Umland (Son of Steve & Sue Umland)—Health Concerns
- Darcie Vandermate—Health Concerns
- Peter Vasiliades (nephew of Rick Sherrin)—Health Concerns
- Gavin Vaughan (Nephew of Gordon & Marty Lindert)—Health Concerns
- People of Syria, Turkey and Ukraine

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

Fountain Hills Community Food Pack

JOIN IN!

Food for Kidz

An event for all ages – it's fun – it's
heartwarming – it's exhilarating!

Thursday, March 2, 2023

5:30-8:00 p.m.

Fountain Hills Community Center

13001 N. La Montana Drive, Fountain Hills

Volunteers are needed to assemble food packages

Volunteer by message to FHfoodpack@njlc-fh.org

Donations are needed to purchase ingredients

Donations can be made to:

New Journey Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 19652
Fountain Hills, AZ 85269 (notation *Food for Kidz*)

OR

Use credit/debit card at www.njlc-fh.org (GIVE)

Hosts: The Church of the Ascension

New Journey Lutheran Church, ELCA

An Interfaith Event

For more information, call (480) 383-9193

Prayer of the Week

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Dennis Nelson Bible Study

Published via our YouTube Channel

Wednesdays at NOON

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

Medical Lending Library Ministry

What: It's the same as a book library but lends durable medical equipment.

Who: Will be used by our partner La Sagrada Familia Church members who are mostly low-income and uninsured.

How: Donate your used crutches, commode, wheelchair/cushion, walker, hospital bed, cane, etc.

When: We will collect them on **March 19 and 26** at Living Water.

Questions: Please contact Steve McCarthy at 928-848-2458,



Pima Road & Happy Valley Road Improvement Projects - Update

For a description of the improvements, current construction info, and project pics, 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. Access will remain open to Pinnacle Presbyterian Church at Pima Road and at Happy Valley Road arriving from and departing to the west only (to/from Scottsdale Road).

Happy Valley Road:

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

Scheduled to begin the week of Feb. 6, crews will install waterline in the north side of Happy Valley Road beginning on the west side of Alma School Road and moving in a westerly direction toward Golf Club Drive.

APS contractor crews are currently working to relocate electric facilities currently working at Golf Club Drive on the north side of Happy Valley Road and then north in Golf Club Drive. Access to Desert Highlands is being maintained with left turns restricted during daytime hours. Once complete work will move east toward Alma School.

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 driveways, crews will work to maintain access; however, there may be short periods where access is restricted.

Work is currently taking place to install storm drain pipe on the south side of Happy Valley Road across 92nd Street moving east. and as work crosses Living Waters Church driveway, tentatively the week of Feb. 6, the driveway will be closed with church access provided at 92nd Street. Crews are currently working 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.

*Utilities such as Cox, CenturyLink, and Southwest Gas are working or scheduled to work to relocate their facilities along Pima Road and Happy Valley Road, which may require additional traffic control. 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.

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.

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

Happy Valley Rd Detour Begins Feb. 18



Happy Valley

Pima

WORK ZONE

Happy Valley Rd Detour

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2023 Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars now for the 2023 edition of Living Water Vacation Bible School! During the week of June 19, we will be exploring "Jerusalem Marketplace." This curriculum proves an opportunity for children, youth and adults to follow in the footsteps of Jesus as he walked to the cross and ultimately brought God's greatest gift of love to completion. Children will discover we can walk with Jesus as we live today. We can draw strength, guidance and hope from all Jesus experienced in Jerusalem and know he walks closely with us now through our own experiences.

The program will include Bible stories, fabulous music, creative crafts and fun games. A delicious snack will be provided "to-go" at the end of each morning. Registration is free and each child will receive a colorful VBS t-shirt.

Please pass the word to your friends, family and neighbors. To register, simply go to our church website at www.lwlcaz.org, click on the Education tab at the top and select VBS Week - June 2023. If you are interested in volunteering for the week of VBS, please contact Kris Crow at kcrow737@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School - "Jerusalem Marketplace"

June 19-23, 2023

9:00-11:30am daily





Heaven received another angel on January 27, 2023. Doris Underkofler (Dorie) unexpectedly passed away at her residence in AZ at the age of 87.

Dorie was born on December 26, 1935, at her home in Rutland Township, Rock County, WI, daughter of the late Trygve and Eunice Olsen. She graduated from Brooklyn High School in 1953. She went on to study Education at St Olaf College, continuing at the University of Wisconsin, Madison and Milwaukee campuses.

In 1956, she was crowned Alice in Dairyland and traveled the country in the interests of dairy promotion. Dorie married her first husband, Paul T. Nelson, in 1957 and together had five children. She began her career as a teacher and later received her realtor's license. She was the first women realtor hired by the Stark Company and received the Realtor of the Year award in 1978. She continued selling real estate for many years before retiring in 1988 and marrying her second husband, James R Underkofler. Blending the two families became her next mission by hosting annual reunions at the cottage and Christmas gatherings in Madison.

Often called the "Energizer Bunny", Dorie was active in many organizations that served others; the Attic Angels, Religious Rascals, PEO, and the Salvation Army, just to name a few. In her retirement years she enjoyed playing golf and mahjong, and never turned down a shopping opportunity or lunch with family and friends. In 2016 she traveled to Spain to walk the Camino de Santiago. She enjoyed her yearly trip to the Chautauqua Institution in New York to explore her faith and art interests. Dorie served God all her life, and her strong religious faith never wavered, giving thanks for every day she was given. Her license plate summed it up, it simply said "Spunk".

She is survived by her beloved Yorkie, Tebow, two brothers, Arthur (Doris), and Trygve (Sheila) Olsen, her four daughters, Sheri (Bill) Harris, Lori (Chris) Norgren, Paula (Pino) Ferreri, and Pam McSherry, her stepchildren, Jim (Susan), Tom (Lynn), Kevin and Craig Underkofler, and several loving grandchildren and great grandchildren. A name she cherished most dearly was "Gramma Dorie".

Proceeded in death by her husband Jim, her son Thomas Nelson, her grandson Anthony Ferreri, and her stepdaughter Cindy Mabie.

A celebration of Dorie's life will be held on May 27th, 2023 at Bethel Lutheran Church in Madison, WI. A visitation will be held at 10am followed by a service at 11am. Friends and relatives are invited to stay for a reception immediately after the service.

Memorials may be made to Bethel Lutheran Church, the Living Waters Church in Scottsdale, AZ or the Salvation Army.

She is a true angel and will be missed.



Piecemakers Quilters in February!

Join us on the first and third Wednesdays of the month, at 9am 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! If you are a

winter visitor, and enjoy being among women who love quilting, you're invited to join us!

Last year, we made more than 100 quilts. We now convene in the Education Building in Matthew/Mark classrooms. 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



THANK YOU FOR ALL THE DONATIONS TO HELP US OUTFIT A KITCHEN FOR AN AFGHAN REFUGEE FAMILY!

We set up the kitchen on Tuesday this week, along with members from Ascension Lutheran in Paradise Valley, to welcome the Sindano family of 13 Afghan refugees through Lutheran Social Services-SW (LSS-SW). Thank you to everyone who generously donated new or gently used items to create a working kitchen for this family, ranging in age from twin boys aged 2, to teenagers, to age 24, plus their parents. Donations we couldn't use are being routed to Dave and Liz Gilkey/LSS-SW for use in establishing future homes for refugees being resettled in our community. Your generosity was overwhelming and evidence of how you care for all of God's people. Thank you again!

Men's Bible Breakfast
This Thursday at 8:00am
Spirit in the Desert

\$7 Breakfast

Carpool leaves the church at 7:30am



A Memorial

A Memorial Service will be held for

Barbara Gunderson

on

March 2nd at 11am

at

Living Water Lutheran Church

9201 E. Happy Valley Road

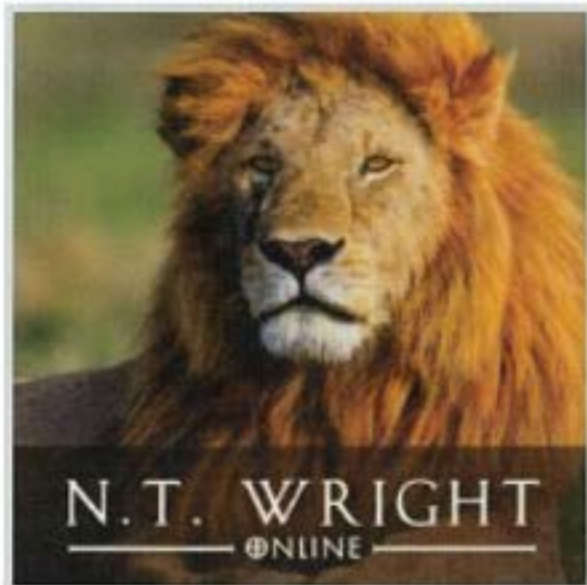
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Hosted luncheon immediately following at
Troon Country Club

Luncheon guests please RSVP to the Troon Concierge
at 480-585-4310 by Tuesday, February 21st

TROON COUNTRY CLUB

25000 NORTH WINDY WALK DRIVE
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85255



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 began a 10-week study of the book of Daniel from the Old Testament, which started 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!

The 2023 Season of Lent is upon us

Ash Wednesday is February 22 at 7:00 pm- Worship Service only.

Wednesday in Lent

The Wednesday in Lent will be held on:

March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29

6:00pm Soup Supper

6:30pm Bible Study of Luke

7:00pm Holden Evening Prayer

A different Ministry Team prepares and serves each Wednesday. A free will offering is requested, going to Vista del Camino Community Action Program and for Fellowship Team Kitchen supplies. These simple suppers are wonderful opportunities for Fellowship, nourishment, preparation for worship, and acknowledgement of our Ministry Teams. This year Spirit In The Desert Retreat Center is providing one of the Suppers as well.





Lutheran Disaster Response: Earthquake in Turkey and Syria

Lutheran Disaster Response and its partners are prepared to accompany our neighbors impacted by these earthquakes. One hundred percent of your gifts to "Middle East Crisis" go to supporting earthquake survivors and other people affected by disasters in the region.

Lutheran Disaster Response has been active in this region for several years, partnering with ACT Alliance, the Lutheran World Federation and the Middle East Council of Churches to accompany Syrian refugees and internally displaced people with food, water, shelter, health services and sanitation support. By standing with earthquake survivors in Turkey and Syria, we follow Christ's call to share hope and healing with our neighbors in need.

Your gifts designated for "Middle East Crisis" will be used entirely (100%) to provide long-lasting support for those whose lives have been impacted by disasters in the region. GIVE THROUGH LIVING WATER (by check or online) AND INDICATE "MIDDLE EAST CRISIS" IN THE MEMO.



Today's altar flowers are in celebration of
Pastor Mark and Tracy's 1st wedding anniversary.
Happy Anniversary Mark and Tracy!
The bouquet in the Narthex is dedicated in honor of
Francis DeBruyn's birthday and that of her
daughter Alexis.

Gathering Hymn..... "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt.
Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional

Sermon Hymn..... "How Good, Lord, to Be Here!"



1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;
2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold
3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,
4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;
5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;



your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.
we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.
we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.
but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Text: Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt.

Music: POTSDAM, W. Mercer, *The Church Psalter and Hymn Book*, 1854

Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord
Psalm 150:6

Sending Song..... "He Is Exalted"

VERSE



He is ex - alt - ed, the King is ex - alt - ed on — high, — I will praise — Him.



He is ex - alt - ed, for - ev - er ex - alt - ed, and I will praise His name! —

CHORUS



— He is the Lord, — for - ev - er His truth shall reign.



Heav - en and earth — re - joice in His ho - ly name. —



He is ex - alt - ed, the King is ex - alt - ed on high! —————

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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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