

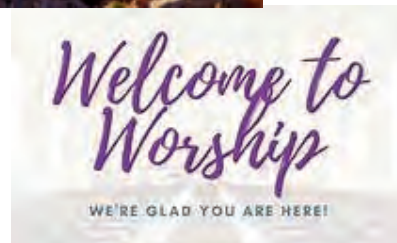
CONNECTIONS



Living Water
Lutheran Church



September 29, 2024



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

Weekly CONNECTIONS Deadline—*Tuesdays at NOON*



We Remember in Our Prayers

- Charlie Boyd—Health Concerns
- Eric Brash—Health Concerns
- Barbara Brooks—Health Concerns
- Lizzy Caddow (Friend of Diane Salinas)—Cancer
- Christi (Daughter of Charlie and Sue Boyd)—Health Concerns
- Angelika Dumpf (Wife of Brett Stone)—Health Concerns
- Jenna Fjeld—Health Concerns
- Dave and Joy Gallimore—Health Concerns
- Frank Gasparino—Health Concerns
- John Goesling—Health Concerns
- Vicki Grimsley (Mother of Mason Rossman)—Cancer
- Janet Guthrie—Health Concerns
- Tyler Hornacek (Grandson of John and Sue Hornacek)—Life Concerns
- Kristin Klarkowski—Health Concerns
- Tom Kelland—Health Concerns
- Michael Koch (Grandson of Ron & Shirley Koch)—Health Concerns
- Gabriele Laudenschlager—Health Concerns
- Merle (Karen Roessler's Sister)—Health Concerns
- Nancy Ohlund (Janet Guthrie's Sister)—Health Concerns
- Prentice Powers (Marty Lindert's brother)—Health Concerns
- Rebecca (Melissa Freesh's sister)—Health Concerns
- Bonnie Roberts—Life Concerns
- Kathie Roegnik—Health Concerns
- Ruth Schlesinger—Health Concern
- Pat Stump—Back Surgery 9/13
- Bob Ulland—Health Concerns
- Michael Umland (Son of Steve & Sue Umland)—Health Concerns
- Peter Vasiliades (Nephew of Rick Sherrin)—Health Concerns
- Don Martin (Friend of Ron and Karen Roessler)—Health Concerns



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

**If it is time to remove someone from the prayer list, please contact the front office.*

Prayer of the Week

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Men's Bible Breakfast

We meet on Thursdays at 8:00am

Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center

7415 East Elbow Bend Rd.

Carefree, AZ 85377



If interested in carpooling, please contact

Wayne Burrus

\$7 for breakfast

Dennis Nelson Bible Study

Studies available on YouTube each **Wednesday**

Weekly, published on our YouTube Channel

Wednesdays at NOON

Bible Study Outlines available on

*our website: **lwlc az.org***

Piecemakers Quilting

NEXT MEETING October 2, 2024



Come and tie quilts with us! Our quilting primarily supports Lutheran World Relief (LWR), and we also make quilts for refugee families and our high school graduates. We usually meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month, from 9 am to about noon, in the Education Building on the first floor. **The next meeting will be October 2nd.**

Bring your own water or coffee for a mid-morning break. If you're a winter visitor who likes to quilt, come and tie with us. If you like to sew, we can provide pre-cut squares to make quilt tops. Many hands make light work! Questions? Ask Lynda Cales, Kay Bonar, Mary Nyberg, Cindy Ophaug or Myrna Ulland. Learn more about this ministry at www.lwr.org

Thank you for your generosity. Your generosity makes a difference and is helping change lives. Thank you for believing in the mission of Living Water and helping us to continue our ministry.

If you are looking for an easy way to give a financial gift via your phone, see QR code below to access Living Water's online giving platform.



*Thank
You*



YOU ARE INVITED

Volunteer Appreciation lunch

Please join us for lunch, a special gift, and
meaningful conversation.

*gluten free options available.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 - 11:15AM

Please rsvp to the church office by October
13: 480-473-8400 or office@lwlcwz.org



La Sagrada Familia Lutheran Food Shelf Needs Our Help!!



Your support of non-perishable food items for our neighbors at La Sagra Familia in northern Phoenix is appreciated and there is a continuing need. Items needed most frequently are noted on the

shopping list in the grocery cart that is set out each Sunday morning. They are also listed below. For the safety of our friends at La Sagrada, please do not donate expired or “close-to” date items. When dropping off our donated food recently, it was noted the shelves were very bare, so please continue to be generous in remembering our neighbors in need.

Emergency Food Bank List

Rice, Dried Beans, Tomato Sauce, Canned Tomatoes, Cooking Oil, Pasta Shells, Peanut Butter, Sugar, Maseca Flour (for tortillas), Canned Corn, Instant Coffee, Powdered Creamer, Diapers and Baby Wipes, Knorr Powdered Chicken Broth

***NO SOUPS, PLEASE**

Family Sunday School returns this fall with the



curriculum entitled “Simply Loved.” We will be exploring a Jesus-centered journey through God’s story of Love. Our fall semester will focus on one simple Bible Point and Bible Verse:

*Bible Point - “Jesus helps people in need.”

*Bible Verse - “Give all your worries and cares to God for he cares about you.” (1 Peter 5:7)



Sunday, October 13, 9:00am – Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind

Sunday, November 3, 9:00am – Jesus Heals 10 Men With Leprosy

Sunday, November 24 – ADVENT FAIR

Sunday, December 8, 9:00am – Jesus Feeds People

We will meet in the Matthew/Mark classrooms in the Education Building. All families with children ages two through sixth grade are welcome to participate.



CONFIRMATION

At baptism, God claims us as His children. We were given the free gift of membership in the family of God and set apart for God's work in the world. Most of us were baptized as children, possibly too young to fully grasp what was happening. We were also too young to take on the full responsibilities of membership in God's kingdom. Our parents and sponsors took on the responsibilities of those promises for us. On Sunday, November 10th, nine of our Confirmation Students, after learning and completing the confirmation program requirements, will affirm these promises, and profess their faith.



Sing to the Lord a new song! Our Living Water choir has begun for the 2024-2025 season and all are invited to come sing. Rehearsals are at 7:00pm in the Psalms room of the Education building. Hope you'll join us!

For more information, contact Christina Hall: chall@lwcaz.org



“Aging and Transitioning”

How do we get the information we need to make informed decisions about major life events as we age? What is the difference between private in-home care and assisted living care? Is community style living the right decision for me or my loved one? How much does each of these choices cost? What does Medicare pay for?

Join us for a free information session on Saturday, November 2, 2024, 1:00pm to 2:30pm, at Living Water Lutheran Church, to get answers to these questions and more. Mari Murrin, Concierge Placement Consultant at Senior Care Arizona, with over 18 years of experience in the field of home health in Arizona, will present basic information about care options for you and for your loved ones and will answer your questions about choosing the right care.

Please join us to learn about how best to discern the right choice for you and your family through aging and transitioning.



Reformation Potluck Luncheon

Sunday
October 27
Following Service

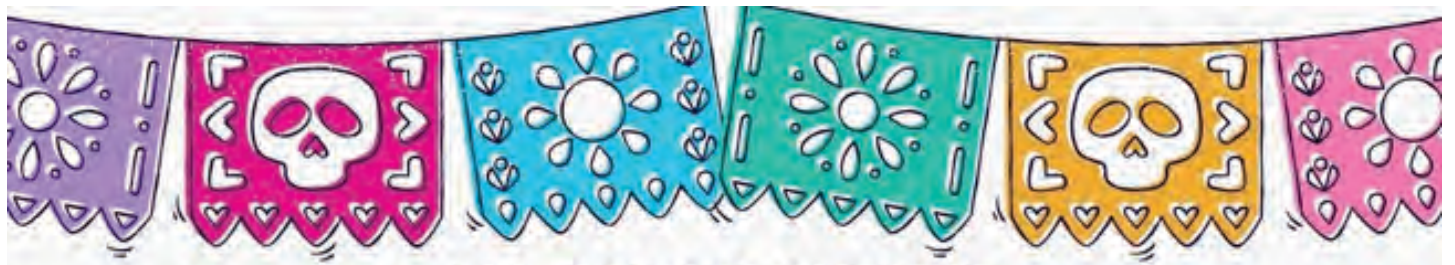


*If you enjoy good food, laughter and
the convivial company of friends...*

Please bring your favorite dish – a main, side or dessert – to share at a good old-fashioned Lutheran Potluck in celebration of Reformation Day. Coffee & tea will be served, and you may bring a beverage of your choice – soft drink, beer or wine. Activities will be available for children.

Sign-up will be in the Narthex, beginning Sunday, September 29. For questions, please call Marty Lindert at 602-284-5704 or Linda Hoenig at 480-766-0816.

All are welcome!



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3



Everyone is invited to participate by setting up a 2x2 ft display in honor of your loved ones. Set up will take place at 9:00am on Sunday, November 3. Feel free to contact Pastor Shari if you have any questions: pastorshari@lwlcaz.org



LIFE IS HARD BUT GOD IS GOOD

Sunday Morning Adult forum
October 6th and 20th at 9:00am
in the Music Choir Room

Pastor Dennis D. Nelson will teach a **two-week series** on Paul's letters to Timothy and Titus, two young pastors who were facing difficult, challenging situations. Paul's words to them of encouragement, support, and specific instructions will also help and speak to us as we face the never-ending challenges of life.

ROAD WORK update:

Miller Road Improvements: Happy Valley Road will be CLOSED to travel between Hayden Road and Miller Road from September 9 thru 27. Detour signage will be in place to direct travelers around the closure. This is between Scottsdale Road and Pima Road.



mark your calendar to join us for:

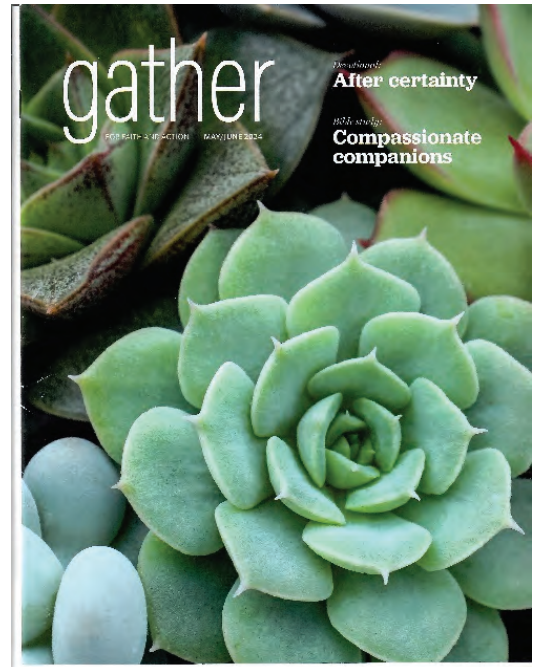
Thanksgiving Worship Service

on Tuesday
November 26th
at 6:00 pm



Tuesday Women's Bible Study Returns

Join us beginning Tuesday, Oct. 1, when we resume our regular Tuesday morning in-person and virtual Zoom connection Bible study at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will begin with the 3-session study on *After Certainty* from the Gather magazine summer issues, May/June and July/August. This study was written by ELCA pastor and now Bishop of the Rocky Mountain Synod, Rev. Dr. Meghan Johnston Aelabouni. Drawing from Biblical texts and Lutheran tradition, we'll ponder what it means to live faithfully in times of uncertainty. And we'll see how God leads us beyond certainty to curiosity, community and compassion. Study material will be provided if you don't have your copies of the Gather magazine. (This is the study we attempted to do at Spirit in the Desert Retreat Center on July 23 before Myrna got delayed trying to get out of New Orleans after the Youth Gathering!)



Then, beginning on October 1, we are going to return to a favorite New Testament scholar, N.T. Wright, to take a deep dive into the Gospel of Matthew. This material will nearly fill up our schedule until Spring of 2025. We'll look at the structure and artistry of Matthew, how Matthew presents Jesus as God with us, authoritative over heaven and earth.

We'll trace themes of Jesus' authority throughout the Gospel, consider how to apply the new way of life as Jesus describes it, and discover faith as the appropriate human response to Jesus' message.

Both studies include some video, and we always include some meditative music and prayer. You don't need to purchase any material. Just bring your favorite Bible translation and connect with us for about 90 minutes each Tuesday morning. Coffee and hot water for tea/hot chocolate are provided. Occasionally we also have a treat! If you aren't on our email distribution list, please contact myrna.ulland@gmail.com to get our Tuesday Women messages. The Zoom link is always provided in advance.

Gathering Hymn... "Gather Us In"



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
 Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: GATHER US IN, Marty Haugen

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Sermon Hymn... "O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True"



1 O Christ, our light, O Ra - diance true, shine forth on
3 Lord, o - pen all re - luc - tant ears and take a -
5 Make theirs with ours a sin - gle voice up - lift - ed,



those es - tranged from you, and bring them to your home a -
way the need - less fears of those who trem - ble to ex -
ev - er to re - joice with wond - 'ring grat - i - tude and



gain, where their de - light shall nev - er end.
press the faith their in - most hearts con - fess.
praise to you, O Lord, for bound - less grace.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. composite

Music: O JESU CHRISTE, WAHRES LICHT, *Gesangbuch*, Nürnberg, 1676

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Sending Song... "Go, Make Disciples"



"Go, make dis - ci - ples, bap - tiz - ing them, teach - ing them.



Go, make dis - ci - ples, for I am with you till the end of time.



Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.



The pre - cepts of the Lord give joy to the heart. _ [Joy to the heart.]

Go, be a cit - y on a hill, so all can see that you're



serv - ing me. Go, make dis - ci - ples."

Text: Handt Hanson, b. 1950

Music: GO, MAKE DISCIPLES, Handt Hanson

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LIVING WATER

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Lutheran Church



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

The Living Water
QR code for giving:



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

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

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New Member Orientation/Dinner

Are you curious about **membership** at
Living Water Lutheran Church?

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If so, we would love for you to join us for an informative
Orientation/Dinner to tell you more about Living Water
on

Saturday October 12th from 4:00 to 6:00pm.

If you would like to attend, please **rsvp** via the
front office:

phone: **480-473-8400**

or

email: **office@lwlcaz.org**

(subject: New Member Orientation)



New Member

Orientation

October 12th, 4-6PM